MASS TIMES

St. Paul Church, 485 Alling St., Kensington Saturday 4pm Vigil Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am & 12pm

Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am & 12pm

Sacred Heart Church, 48 Cottage St., E. Berlin Sunday 9:30am

Weekday Mass at St. Paul Church

Monday-Friday 7am & 5pm

All Masses are live streamed

CONFESSION

Saturdays 8:30am-9:30am and 3:00-4:00pm

HOLY HOUR

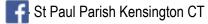
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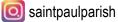
Baptisms: 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month Baptismal Instruction: Last Tuesday of the month

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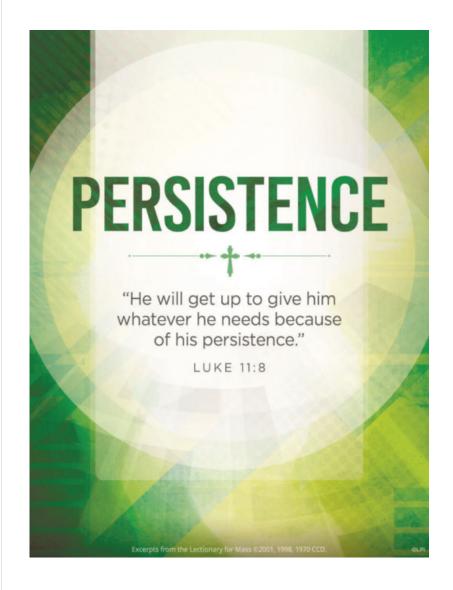
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† St. Paul Catholic Parish

A Franciscan Family of Faith

St. Paul Church - 485 Alling St, Kensington CT 06037 Sacred Heart Church - 48 Cottage St, East Berlin CT 06023

> July 24, 2022 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Let the Church always be a place of MERCY and HOPE, where EVERYONE is WELCOMED, LOVED and FORGIVEN."

Happy Grandparents (Saints Joachim and Anne) Day! - In 2021, Pope Francis made the last Sunday in July World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly because of its proximity to the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, the parents of Mary and thus the grandparents of Jesus, which is celebrated on July 26th. The theme he chose for this year is "In old age they will still bear fruit" from Psalm 92 verse 15. He said: "These words of the Psalmist are glad tidings, a true "gospel" that we can proclaim to all on this second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly. They run counter to what the world thinks about this stage of life, but also to the attitude of grim resignation shown by some of us elderly people, who harbor few expectations for the future."

This day, much like Mother's Day and Father's Day, reminds us the special and valuable role that grandparents play in our lives and is an opportunity to pray and celebrate with them in special ways today. Just as Father's Day and Mother's Day remind Moms and Dads of their responsibilities, so to does this day remind grandparents of the extremely important role that they have in the life of a family.

So many of you do so much for your children and grand-children. Some of you experience great love from them, but sadly some have great pains in your hearts. Pope Francis noted that "Blessed is the house where an older person lives! Blessed is the family that honors the elderly!" We as a parish are also blessed by the ongoing participation and faithfulness of our more senior members. We are blessed by all you have done for the parish over the years most especially when you worked to pass on the gift of faith to your children and grand-children. Of course that is a job never really done, and I encourage you to continue to share this gift with your family.

Pope Francis, who will turn 86 in December, commented: "Along with old age and white hairs, God continues to give us the gift of life. If we trust in him, we will find the strength to praise him still. We will come to see that growing old is more than the natural decline of the body or the inevitable passage of time, but the gift of a long life. Aging is not a condemnation, but a blessing!" He continued: "For this reason, we ought to take care of ourselves and remain active in our later years. This is also true from a spiritual standpoint: we ought to cultivate our interior life [by] reading of the word of God, daily prayer, reception of the sacraments and participation in the liturgy."

So I offer greetings for a Happy Grandparents Day and prayers for all of our elderly parishioners. May the Lord bless each of you in these later years of life and may the great example of your faith continue to light the way to Christ for all in your families and our parish. On page 4 is a prayer for our Grandparents.

Helping Hands Ministry - In this year's letter announcing tthe celebration World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, Pope Francis had this to say: "I ask you to . . . seek out those elderly persons who feel most alone, at home or in residences where they live. Let us make sure that no one feels alone on this day. . . . Visiting the elderly who live alone is a work of mercy in our time!" Our Helping Hands Ministry provides this kind of support to our senior citizens, many of whom who are alone or homebound or separated from their loved ones. On a basic level, volunteers make contact with these parishioners by checking in on them with a phone call. Some volunteers might be able to do a little more like some chores around the yard, pick up a prescription or periodically even bring them a meal. The most important element is to be a contact on the part of the parish with our seniors to let them know that they are not forgotten and to provide a presence and connection for them. Our Eucharistic Ministers are also available to bring them Holy Communion. To become involved in this ministry contact Mark Duplin at mfduplin@outlook.com or at 860-666-0162.

Friar Pastoral Staff Changes - As you know, the Friars over the past few months have met in what is called a Provincial Chapter. At the second session, which concluded July 15th, the assignments of the Friars for the next four years were decided. As a result of those decisions there will be some changes here at St. Paul's. Fr. Peter will be moving to a new assignment around August 15. A Friar-priest has been assigned to the parish to take his place. Fr. Michael, Fr. Raymond and myself will all remain in the roles we currently hold.

At the time I am writing this, it is not possible for me to say where Fr. Peter is going or who the Friar is who is replacing him. The reason is that they have to be presented to their new respective bishops for their approval. When, and if, the assignments are approved by the bishops involved I will be able to share with you the details of the goings and comings.

We are in the beginning stages of planning a farewell for Fr. Peter for the weekend of August 5 & 6. I hope you will be able to join us as we say thank you for his ministry to the people of St. Paul Parish.

Parish Raffle Just Three Weeks Away - A HUGE thank you to everyone who has already turned in one, two, three, four or even all five of the raffle tickets that you received in the mail!! As of July 18th 1,550 tickets have been bought which is 77% of last year's total of 2,002. In addition to the \$30,000 first prize there are another 22 prizes totaling an additional \$38,000 including a \$10,000 second prize, an \$8,000 third prize, and twenty (20) \$1,000 prizes. All prizes are awarded in American Express Gift Cards.

INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Candles will burn this week for

†Fran Gentile by Diane and Bill Funk

†Paul G. Bogdanski

Anniversary Remembrance by wife and family

†Irene LeBlanc

by Richard & John Tolomea and family, Florence Conner and family

†Apolonia Klukowska

1st Anniversary by Jairo and Alicja Aguilera

Sanctuary Candles will burn this week for

†Justin Longo Birthday Remembrance by grandma **Doris Chasse** For Good Health by mom

The Bread for the Poor will be Offered this week for

†Patrick Bosco by the Bosco family



†Thomas R. Bozek

+Marcin A. Grochal

†Edward T. Rubinowicz

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PARISH? Our registration meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of the month. The next meeting is Monday, <u>August 8th</u> in the St. Paul Church Hall (downstairs) at 7pm. Please let us know if you plan to attend. Call 860-828-0331 or email ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org.

TO REQUEST A LOW GLUTEN HOST Please arrive for Mass about 10 minutes early, go to the sacristy, & let them know you need a low gluten host. Sit near the front of the new wing. Before Communion, look for a Eucharistic Minister to come forward with a consecrated host for you.

Saint Michael the Archangel,

Defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,

May God rebuke him, we humbly pra and do thou,

O Prince of the heavenly hosts,

by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan.

and all the evil spirits,

who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.



Saturday, July 23, 2022 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 **†Nicholas D'Avirro** by wife JoAnn

Sunday, July 24, 2022 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 **†Justin Longo** Birthday Remembrance by Grandma

9:00 **†Daniel Francis Audette** 2nd Anniversary by Mom

9:30 **†Joe Casso** by Berlin Memorial Funeral Home

10:30 **†Philip Holmes** by Barbara Rival

12:00 Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish

Monday, July 25, 2022 St. James

7:00 **†Todd & †June Norton** Birthday Remembrance and **†Scott Norton** Anniversary Remembrance

by Donald Norton and Sherry Daddabbo

5:00 **†Grace A. Daniele** by Lisa Moscaritolo

Tuesday, July 26, 2022 Saints Joachim and Anne

7:00 **+Richard** and **+Catherine Binder** by a friend

†Ut Nguyen and **†Dinh Ho** by the family

†Maciora and **†Mik Families** by Joseph Maciora

†John Bannon by Iwona Nekrasz

†Apolonia Klukowska 1st Anniversary

by Jairo and Alicja Aguilera

5:00 **†Florence Wilk** by daughters

Wednesday, July 27, 2022 Weekday

7:00 **†Richard T. Rogers** by David and Kathy Bernard

5:00 **†Beth McLoughlin** by Patricia Muli

Thursday, July 28, 2022 Weekday

7:00 **+Bob Gadzik** by daughter

5:00 **†Eugenio Ricciardi** by Emanuele Lombardo

†Souls in Purgatory by Linda and John Nappi, Jr.

†Barbara Warshol by Debbie Slowikowski

†Bernadette Przybysz by Terry Zovich

†Angela Bertoldo by the Jenkins family

Friday, July 29, 2022 Saint Martha

7:00 **†Louis Quarti** Birthday Remembrance

by Linda Vanty and family

5:00 **†Helen Dobek** by Pam and Kevin

Saturday, July 30, 2022 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 **†Stanislawa Kolesinska** by daughter and family

Sunday, July 31, 2022 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 **+Antonio** and **+Salvatrci Piccioni** by son and family

9:00 Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish

9:30 **†Krystyna Kobus** by the family

10:30 **†Francis E. Gentile** 6th Anniversary

by wife, children and grandchildren

12:00 **†Eugeneia Czapla** 2nd Anniversary by husband Edward

Parish Collection July 12-18, 2022

In Church SP	\$ 6,732
Office	\$ 2,333
In Church SH	\$ 577
Online Giving	\$ 4,544
Total	\$ 14 186

PASTOR'S COLUMN (continued)

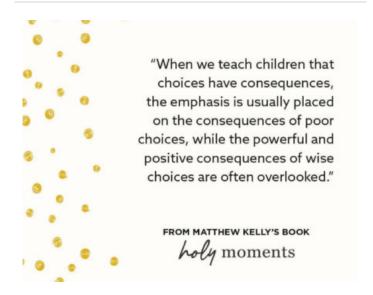
All checks should be made out to St. Paul Parish and tickets should be returned to St. Paul's. Tickets can be purchased on the parish web site, in the Parish Center or by clicking here if you are reading this online. Please make your returns by August 4th in advance of the drawing on August 13. http://www.parishraffle.com. Good Luck to all!

Religious Education Registration and Catechists Needed I certainly do not want to rush summer, but the registration deadline is August 1st for the upcoming year's Religious Education Classes. If you have not yet completed the registration process, go to our website and click on the registration tab. Also, see page 5 of the bulletin and consider joining the team of catechists that teach our children. Volunteers are also needed in non-teaching roles. There is nothing more important that we can do for our children than pass on to them the gift of faith that has been shared with us. Help them to become closer to their God!!

Final Thoughts - After going 4-10 against the Yankees and Rays, the Red Sox now have a 12-26 record against the AL East with another 38 still to come against the AL East. At the 1/3 mark I said this about the playoff teams: "AL teams will be NYY, Toronto, Houston, TB, Minnesota and who knows. NL teams will be LAD, NYM, SD, MIL, STL, and who knows." In the AL I will keep the NY, Tor., Hou., and TB, but now either Cle. or Minn. A 13 game winning streak has put Seattle in the conversation. The Orioles 10 game winning streak has them within six games of last year's win total. We will see what the last 70 games bring! In the NL I will keep LAD, NYM, and SD, but add Atl. Mil or StL, but not both and one



more (SF or Phil.). All NFL training camps will be open this week. Hoping the Ravens do not have the season ending injuries this year that they had last year. Have a blessed week and enjoy these summer days! - Fr. Joe



READINGS FOR JULY 24, 2022

For this week's readings online, visit https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/072422.cfm

First Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 138:1-2, 2-3, 6-7, 7-8 Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

Second Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

Alleluia: Romans 8:15bc

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

You have received a Spirit of adoption, through which we cry, Abba, Father.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread and forgive us our sins for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us, and do not subject us to the final test." And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, for a friend of mine has arrived at my house from a journey and I have nothing to offer him,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked and my children and I are already in bed. I cannot get up to give you anything.' I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence. "And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"



Recommendations for digital Bible readings, guides and reflections are below. Contact our friars with any questions about whether a program is aligned with Catholic doctrine.

• Universalis https://universalis.com/mass.htm

• USCCB: https://bible.usccb.org

• Magnificat: https://us.magnificat.net (subscription)

• Bible Evangelista: https://www.biblestudyevangelista.com

Bible In A Year: https://ascensionpress.com
 Laudate app for your smartphone or tablet.

SAINT PAUL SCHOOL NEWS

SAINT PAUL SCHOOL NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS 2022-2023 ACADEMIC YEAR

For more information visit our school website https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org/ or call 860-828-4343 x103.

or call 800-828-4343 x 103.

To download an application, click on this link: https://bit.ly/34oxKOV



You may also email our Admissions Director, Kelly Esposito, admissions@stpaulkensington.org.

Grade 8 students, Kiley Bohn and Kaitlin Bertolami, earn some service hours by helping out at the summer camp. The young campers enjoyed having them join in on the fun!



2022 Saint Paul Summer Camp is Open to the Public!

Join in the Summer Camp fun!

Ages 3-13. All Are Welcome!
Half Day and Single Day Programs Available

LEARN MORE AT: ourschool.stpaulkensington.org summercamp@stpaulkensington.org 860-828-4343

Saint Paul School is accepting applications for the 2022-2023 school year. Please call Kelly Esposito at 860-828-4343 x104 for details. Tours can be scheduled throughout the summer on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 9am-1pm. See our ad on page 7!

RELIGIOUS ED NEWS



If you are interested in serving the children and families of our beautiful parish, please contact Robin or Christina at religioused@stpaulkensington.org for information on joining our **AMAZING** team of volunteers (as a teacher, co-teacher, substitute, or non -teaching role).

We look forward to hearing from you!



IMPORTANT REMINDER:

RELIGIOUS ED ONLINE REGISTRATION IS

NOW OPEN

AND WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL SUNDAY, JULY 31!

PLEASE VISIT THE RELIGIOUS ED PAGE OF OUR PARISH WEBSITE TO SIGN UP!

REGISTER NOW TO SECURE YOUR PREFERRED SUNDAY MORNING TIME SLOT!

https://stpaulkensington.org/religious-ed

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

Monday - Thursday 8am - 2pm Phone 860 828-0331

Website: https://stpaulkensington.org/religious-ed

St Paul Parish Religious Ed Berlin CT Email: religioused@stpaulkensington.org

Mailing Address: 467 Alling St, Kensington CT 06037



Robin Veronesi, Director of Religious Education (860) 828-1934 ext 109



Christina Norton, Administrative Assistant (860) 828-1934 ext 125

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Bobby Adamowicz Jacob Ahlquist Jose Arcia Donna Baranowski Zulma Barbien Sue Beain Wyatt Bernard David Borselle Cheryl Brown Mark Camilleri Richard Carlson Silas Cipollone Doug Clarke Lorraine Clark Sophie Conti Carol Corriveau Tom Coss Amanda Coyle Robert Czerwinski Mary Daleski Adeline D'Angelo Ramiro Dagna Uly Dagna Fr. Anthony DeFronzo Constance DiLorenzo Bill Dobbs Nicole Donzello Nick Donzello Mary Ann Dorsey Bernadette Dumond **Dorothy Durgan** Fannie Farrell Simon Fitzpatrick Helen Flannelly Nancy Fleming Deb Follett Maureen Freemen Rose Garuti Patricia Gebhardt Dominic Gionfriddo Jennifer Gionfriddo Jonathan Gionfriddo Rosemarie Gionfriddo Liz Goryl-Phillips Donna Goulette Madison Gray Pat Haber Linda Hannold Lily Harzewski-Burl Evan Hill Pat Jahn Brenda Kidd Barbara Killius Sylvia Kratka John G. Kumitis, Sr. Mary Lamkins Maria Lauria Laura Lemke

Connie Lombardi

Ronald Maldon Lisa Mangiafico Fr. Paul Mangiafico Carol Marold Robert Mazzaferro Lorraine McCarthy Brandi McWade Viola Mercadante Michael Mihalko Tom Modifica Evelyn Modzelewski Helen Morrissey Nancy Motulko John Murphy Helen Murphy **Thomas Norris Esther Ouellette** Our Military Service Members Emma Pagano Judy Pappalardo Cynthia Paradise Richard Paskiewicz Rosemarie Peck John Pink Richard Rampone Care Rich Frank Rich Mary Rich Rita Richter Randy Ripley Steven Ripley Carlos Rivera Viola Salonia Joan Schwartz Raul Seipel Guy Simeone Alfred Simon Rev. Arkadiusz Skwarek Donald Spilka Kevin Stanowski Ken Stokowski Sandy Story James Swiatek Julia Szczygla Luke Szul Alfred J. Tee Beverly Veley **Brian Veley** Scott Veley Tom Vest Louise Webb Thaddeus Wojtusik Molly Yardley Miriam Zacharias Carrie Zangari

Dominica Lopreiato

Linda Luongo

PRAYER LIST Thank you for praying for the members of our parish family who are on our weekly Prayer List. If you would



like to add someone to the Prayer List, please call the Parish Office to let us know. Monday-Friday 9am-4pm. 860-828-0331. Please be sure to ask for permission from the person to be added.

Also, please let us know if someone on the list is no longer in need of special prayers or if they have passed away, and we will take them off the list. Thank You.

To make a prayer request through our **Daughters of Jairus Prayer Line**, please call Terry 860-828-6667 or Gloria 860-828-1525 with your confidential request. Please give the first name of the person to be prayed for & the intention.



PLACE

PRAYING

TEACH

"There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary." -Sr Lucia of Fatima

FORGIVE

DEBT

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Don't know how to pray the Rosary? Visit the home page of our website https://stpaulkensington.org or the USCCB's Rosary page: https://www.usccb.org/how-to-pray-the-rosary.

WORD SEARCH

NAME

HOLY

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FATHER				BREAD		FRIEND			
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FOODSHARE ST. CLARE FOOD PANTRY & MOBILE FOODSHARE

Volunteers will be needed on Thursday, August 4 at **9:30am** to transport food from St. Paul to Sacred Heart and to set up for distribution. Volunteers are also needed on Friday, August 5 at **11am** at Sacred Heart Church to help with distribution. For transportation to FoodShare at Sacred Heart, call the Berlin Senior Center 860-828-7006.

For information regarding the St. Clare Pantry or Food-Share including volunteering, contact Nancy at 860-601-7866 or n.timbrell@stpaulkensington.org.

Our volunteers would like to express their sincere gratitude for your continued support of our St. Clare Food Pantry!

The Pantry is currently in need of the following items: tomato sauce, mayo, frosting, pudding/jello snacks, cereal, oatmeal, hot chocolate, canned fruits and vegetables, canned chicken.



Reminder: Our Lady asked us to take specific actions on the <u>first Saturday</u> of each month, for five consecutive months in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Visit our website for details.



If you are interested in joining our Culture of Life Ministry, please contact the parish office at 860-828-0331 or email us at ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org

To stay informed about key issues and to help build a culture that cherishes and protects every human life, visit https://www.respectlife.org or www.ctfamily.org.

Saint Paul School ADMISSION ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

2022-2023 Academic Year

Your children deserve the best education!

MORE INFO:
860-828-4343 x103

July 29th is the feast of Saint Martha, Patron saint of cooks, homemakers, restaurant servers, hosts



"The real character of Saint Martha of Bethany is not defined by her not-so-subtle pressure for help from her sister. Instead, the Church calls her a saint because of her generosity, her love for her family and friends, and her astounding faith in the Son of God."

https://www.catholicworldreport.com

Saint Martha, pray for us that we might serve Jesus better. Help us to overcome our distractions and worries to listen to his words and be present to him this day.

https://www.catholic.org



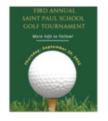
The Ryan T. Memorial Foundation is seeking support for their annual fundraiser, the Ryan T. Lee Golf Classic and Foundation Dinner. The Golf Classic hosts over 225 golfers at Timberlin Golf Club on August 5th, 2022, with over 500

guests joining us for the Foundation Dinner at The Aqua Turf

Club later that same evening. Ryan's Foundation is a non-profit 501C(3) organization dedicated to honoring the enduring spirit of a special young man by actively seeking out opportunities to make a difference in the lives of others.



Visit https://ryantleefoundation.org for more information. Any questions, email ryantleefoundation@gmail.com or call Theresa Lee at 860-424-2010.



Save the Date! 33rd Annual Saint Paul School

Golf Tournament!

Thursday, September 22, 2022!



American Express Gift Card

3rd PRIZE: \$8,000 American Express Gift Card

AND Twenty (20) \$1,000 American Express Gift Card PRIZES! Visit our website at https://stpaulkensington.org

or scan this QR code to purchase tickets online.



You may also call the parish office at 860-828-0331 for tickets.

Drawing August 13th! www.parishraffle.com



Our **Women of Faith** group would like to thank everyone who helped to make their first year so successful. The group's July meeting was held last week on the Parish Green. It was a beautiful evening! Thanks to

all who helped get this new ministry off to such a great start in our parish!

The next meeting will be Thursday, September 8th at 7pm.

To learn more about our Women of Faith group, please email womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org.

-Cheryl Pagano, Lynn Misteri & Karen Cyr.





Throughout the summer, our Men's Group will continue to meet every other week for breakfast, fraternity, and discussions. A new TMIY

Fall Semester will begin on Saturday, September 10, 2022*. *Please note the date change! Meetings are held Saturday mornings from 6:30-8:30am in the Church Hall.

New members are always welcome! If you have questions or would like more information, please contact one of the TMIY! members below or visit www.TMIY.org.

Rick Dighello - rdighello1@sbcglobal.net 860-655-0714
Frank Ciarcia - frank@crcchrome.com 860-655-1414
Bud Volz - budvolz@comcast.net 860-681-8355
Corey Whiteside - coreyswhiteside@att.net 860-719-7021
Adam Zangari - adamzangari@yahoo.com 860-541-0698



Our **Helping Hands** volunteers address the concerns of our senior parishioners. If you are interested in joining this ministry, we'd love to have you join us. Please contact Mark Duplin: 860-666-0162 or mfduplin@outlook.com.

SAVE THE DATES!

*Saturday, September 10

Visit from Bishop Blair: 4pm Mass followed by a Reception in the St. Paul Church Hall

*September 16-18

Berlin Fair!

*Sunday, October 2

Outdoor Mass on the Parish Green at 12pm followed by our St. Paul Parish Picnic



If you would like to receive the weekly bulletin via email each week, just let us know!

Simply call the office at 860-828-0331 to provide us with your name and email address or complete our simple online form at https://stpaulkensington.org/our-bulletin and the bulletin will be sent to your Inbox every Friday morning.



ONLINE GIVING Thank you to all who give financial support to our St. Paul Parish Family! Visit our website or scan this QR code to sign up for Online Giving, a secure, easy and effective way to support our parish!



If you want to find a Catholic church to attend Mass while you're traveling or on your family vacation, visit https://masstimes.org!

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REMINDER: St. Paul Parishioners have <u>FREE</u> access to great digital content through

FORMED! Visit https://stpaulkensington.formed.org and enter your Name & Email to create an account and start enjoying movies, programs, books and audio instantly.

New Britain Council of Catholic Women The first meeting of the NBCCW will take place on Thursday, August 25th at 1:00pm in the New Britain Senior Center (55 Pearl St.). All members are welcome to attend, as well as women who are interested in becoming part of this council. Refreshments will be served following the business meeting. For information please email nbcouncilcatholicwomen@gmail.com



AAA The 2022 Archbishop's Annual Appeal is underway in our parish. All funds contributed to the AAA are used exclusively for the purposes out-

lined in the Appeal literature. No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements. Please visit

https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/ for information or to make a donation



Saints Joachim and Anne - July 26

In the Scriptures, Matthew and Luke furnish a legal family history of Jesus, tracing ancestry to show that Jesus is the culmination of great promises. Not only is his mother's family neglected, we also know nothing factual about them except that they existed. Even the names "Joachim" and "Anne" come from a legendary source written more than a century after Jesus died.

The heroism and holiness of these people however, is inferred from the whole family atmosphere around Mary in the Scriptures. Whether we rely on the legends about Mary's childhood or make guesses from the information in the Bible, we see in her a fulfillment of many generations of prayerful persons, herself steeped in the religious traditions of her people.

The strong character of Mary in making decisions, her continuous practice of prayer, her devotion to the laws of her faith, her steadiness at moments of crisis, and her devotion to her relatives—all indicate a close-knit, loving family that looked forward to the next generation even while retaining the best of the past.

Joachim and Anne—whether these are their real names or not—represent that entire quiet series of generations who faithfully perform their duties, practice their faith, and establish an atmosphere for the coming of the Messiah, but remain obscure.

Reflection: This is the "feast of grandparents." It reminds grandparents of their responsibility to establish a tone for generations to come: They must make the traditions live and offer them as a promise to little children. But the feast has a message for the younger generation as well. It reminds the young that older people's greater perspective, depth of experience, and appreciation of life's profound rhythms are all part of a wisdom not to be taken lightly or ignored.

Saints Joachim and Anne are the Patron Saints of Grandparents

Saint Anne is the Patron Saint of Mothers and Women in Labor

https://www.franciscanmedia.org/saint-of-the-day/saints-joachim-and-anne

Grandparent Prayer

God, our heavenly Father, we ask your blessing on our grandparents. We recognize their treasured gifts to their families and to the parish family. They are valuable links, between the past and the present, passing on family stories and traditions.



May they be surrounded with the love, respect and support of their families. May they be strong models for their families and for our parish community. May they be anchors that provide stability and a firm foundation. May their witness to their faith guide and strengthen us.

Lord, bless our grandparents and help them share their distinct gifts with their families and all whom they encounter. Keep them in your love. Give them your joy and peace each day so that they may always follow your Son Jesus. Amen.

written by Deacon and Mrs. Gary Aitchison, Ames, Iowa, past presidents of the Christian Family Movement with amendments.



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5 Ways To ELEVATE Your Life This Summer

From Matthew Kelly's 60 Second Wisdom https://www.matthewkellv.com



- "... I love summer. So, I have been thinking about how I would like to improve my life this summer. I have come up with five things. I am not suggesting these be your five, but I want to encourage you to come up with your own five. Here are five ways I am going to strive to improve this summer:
- 1.Eat Healthier. More fruits and vegetables.
- 2. Move. Get up and get out and move around... walk swim. run, jump, dance.
- 3. Get to Bed Earlier. We all know how important sleep is to our physical, emotional, and spiritual health... but we are quick to neglect it.
- 4. Check email less. One distraction upon another is preventing me from giving my best energy to the things that matter most.
- 5. Connect with old friends. It's been too long. I am going to seek out a couple of old friends this summer.

What 5 things will you do to improve your life this summer? Not sure what to focus on? Remember, our lives only really improve when we improve as human beings. So, once you make your list ask yourself: Will each of these help me become a-better-version-of-myself?"

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- 6:30am Men's Group SPH
- 8:30am Confessions
- 9:30am Summer Basketball Clinic

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- 10:00am Funeral +Ethel Blake SPC
- 3:00pm Confessions

Sunday, July 24

1:00pm Capital Campaign SPH

Monday, July 25

- 8:45am Parish Staff Meeting
- 6:00pm Coach Mercier AAU Practice

Tuesday, July 26

- 4:00pm Holy Hour Adoration
- 5:00pm Summer Instructional Basketball Clinic
- 6:30pm Capital Campaign SPH
- 6:30pm Baptism Prep Lesson PC1

Wednesday, July 27

- 6:00pm Coach Mercier AAU Practice
- 6:00pm Rosary at Sacred Heart

Thursday, July 28

9:00am Quilters SPH

Friday, July 29

- 11:30am Funeral +Rubinowicz SPC
- 7:30pm AA Meeting -

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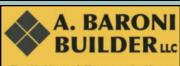
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