MASS TIMES

St. Paul Church, 485 Alling St., Kensington Saturday 4pm Vigil 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

Tuesdays 4:00-5:00pm

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

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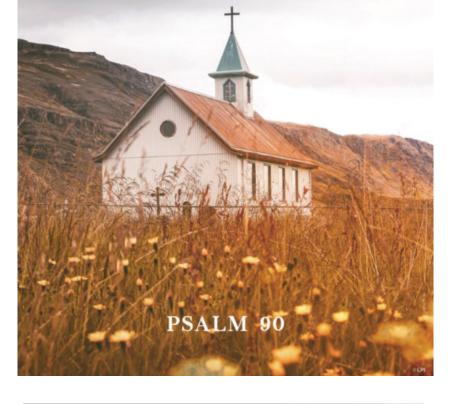
St. Paul Catholic Parish

A Franciscan Family of Faith

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

September 4, 2022 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

In every age, LORD, YOU HAVE BEEN OUR REFUGE.



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

PASTOR'S COLUMN

Forward with Faith - In 2016 the Archdiocese of Hartford (AOH) in conjunction with its 175th Anniversary pursued the possibility of a capital campaign that would benefit the AOH as well as the individual parishes of the Archdiocese. In anticipation of such a capital campaign the AOH established a separate legal entity that would run the campaign and fully administer it as well as provide for the long term needs of the AOH. To do so, a large group of over 40 dedicated men and women were recruited to establish and fully oversee what was named the Hartford Bishops' Foundation (HBF). The HBF is dedicated to advancing the mission of the AOH by supporting the Church's mission within the wider context of the spiritual, social, and material well-being of everyone in the Hartford, Litchfield and New Haven counties. The HBF is separately incorporated and has its own lay Board of Directors and as such is meant to assure donors that their giving will only to go to the stated purposes of the HBF and not ordinary expenses of the AOH and certainly not any legal or settlement costs arising from the sexual abuse crisis. The HBF titled the capital campaign Forward with Faith (FWF) and assumed all of the costs of implementing the campaign.

On the Archdiocesan level FWF has four areas that it is trying to influence long term in the archdiocese. Namely, help fortify vibrant parishes, assist in faith formation endeavors both in Religious Education programs and Catholic schools, to be as Pope Francis says "real champions in service to others" and creating a fund for Innovation and Emerging Opportunities in individual parishes and throughout the Archdiocese. Each parish also had to establish its own local case statement for how it would use its funds.

Each parish was assigned a goal based upon its historical giving. The goal for St. Paul's is \$975,000. For every dollar raised in this campaign up to the goal, 50% will come back to the parish. For every dollar raised above this goal 80% will come back to the parish. Upon assessing the needs of the parish our local campaign committee suggested that as a parish we should shoot for \$1.2 million. The flyer in the bulletin this week outlines some of our local needs that we will try to address through this campaign. You be given more information on these needs in the coming weeks.

Here at St. Paul's we have been introducing the campaign to parishioners in phases. In July and August our local committee, whose names appear on the enclosed flyer, hosted five information gatherings which were well attended. I am so grateful for all of their time and efforts especially during the summer! To kickoff this next phase of the campaign here at St. Paul's, Archbishop Blair will celebrate the 4:00 pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, September 10th. This will be followed by a reception in the parish hall for all parishioners at which time

the Archbishop and others will explain more about the HBF as well how the parish plans on using its portion of the money that is being raised. We are off to a good start! We have already received more than \$430,000 in pledges. I hope that you will come to the presentation in the Parish Hall on Saturday and greet Archbishop Blair and learn more about the campaign and its benefits to the parish. You will also have the opportunity to ask questions and speak with the Committee members.

Labor Day - September 5th - As we turn the calendar to September we come to an end of meteorological summer.



Summer vacations are wrapping up and classes have already started. Soon enough the leaves will be turning and falling! And of course football season is beginning too. But this weekend we celebrate Labor Day, a day set aside to honor American workers. The U.S. Congress passed legislation on June 28, 1894, and then signed into law by

President Grover Cleveland, making the first Monday of September a federal holiday known as Labor Day and to be celebrated for the first time on September 3, 1894. On Labor Day there will be one Mass at 9am and the parish office will be closed. The following Prayer for Labor Day comes from <u>www.prayerist.com</u>.

On this weekend, when we rest from our usual labors, loving Father, we pray for all who shoulder the tasks of human labor—in the marketplace, in factories and offices, in the professions, and in family living.

We thank you, Lord, for the gift and opportunity of work; may our efforts always be pure of heart, for the good of others and the glory of your name.

We lift up to you all who long for just employment and those who work to defend the rights and needs of workers everywhere.

May those of us who are now retired always remember that we still make a valuable contribution to our Church and our world by our prayers and deeds of charity.

May our working and our resting all give praise to you until the day we share together in eternal rest with all our departed in your Kingdom as you live and reign Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Candles will burn this week for

+Elizabeth Bittner by daughter Mary Ann Imundo

†Robert C. Rosol

Wedding Anniversary Remembrance by wife Sarah

†Anna Zuk by family

+Mary Snetro by Lucille Daniele and Joanne McKenna

Sanctuary Candles will burn this week for

†Anna Zuk Birthday Remembrance Mr.and Mrs. Matt Prokop

In Loving Memory

†Mary Josephine Bianco

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.

Parish Collection Aug 23-29, 2022	In Church SP Office In Church SH Online Giving	\$ \$ \$ \$	7,390 2,200 331 4,663
	Total	\$	14,584

2nd Collection - Sept. 10/11: Monthly Maintenance & Repair

Would you like to receive the bulletin **via email** each week? Visit <u>https://stpaulkensington.org/our-bulletin</u> and complete our simple online form, or call the office at 860 828-0331 or email us at <u>ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org</u>

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, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits,



Saturday, September 3, 2022 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 **†Robert J. Fitzsimmons** by wife Anita and family

Sunday, September 4, 2022 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- 7:30 **†Ceil Biscoglio** 7th Anniversary
- by AI & Carol Simeone and husband Vincent
- 9:00 Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish
- 9:30 **†Dorothy Durgan** by Ron and Joan Vancour
- 10:30 **†Stanley Mroczka** 40th Anniversary
 - by daughters Rosemary and Margaret

12:00 **†Lynne Baikal** Birthday Remembrance by family

- Monday, September 5, 2022 Labor Day
- 9:00 **†Dieter Koevari** by his sister
- 5:00 NO 5PM MASS
- Tuesday, September 6, 2022 Weekday
- 7:00 **†Gerald and †Anthony Vanty** by Linda and family **†Souls in Purgatory** by Linda and John Nappi, Jr. **†Thomas R. Bozek** by Berlin Memorial Funeral Home **†Janice Brookman Sidman** by the Minor family
 - **Ted Ksiazkowski** by Pat and Julie
- 8:45 School Mass
- 5:00 Living Friars, Families, Friends and

Benefactors of the Friars

- Wednesday, September 7, 2022 Weekday
- 7:00 +Richard and +Catherine Binder by a friend
- 5:00 **+Maria Lombardo** by husband Emanuele
- Thursday, September 8, 2022 Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 7:00 **+Kieran Egan** by wife Margaret and children
- 5:00 John Nappi, Jr. by wife +Walter Smoluk by wife +Domenica Lopreiato by the Loschiavo family +Stanislaw Sienko by Halina and Witold Lotko +Chester Haber by Paul Kristopik
- Friday, September 9, 2022 St. Peter Claver
 - 7:00 +Charles and +Helen Dodd

by John and Florence Thomas

5:00 **+Mary Louise Doherty** 14th Anniversary,

Robert Doherty for Healing by Ida Procaccini and family

- Saturday, September 10, 2022 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 4:00 **†Jennifer D'Ambrosio Vernali** Birthday Remembrance

by mom, dad and sister Jessica

- Sunday, September 11, 2022 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
- 7:30 +Giuseppe and +Graczia Lomonte by family
- 9:00 **†Diane Fiske** by Nancy and Michael
- 9:30 Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish
- 10:30 **+William Pohlmann** 21st Anniversary

by Joe and Agnes Pohlmann

12:00 +Chester Zapor Birthday Remembrance

by the Sawyer and Zapor families

TO REQUEST A LOW GLUTEN HOST Please arrive for Mass about 10 minutes early, go to the sacristy and 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.

who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

PASTOR'S COLUMN (continued)

St. (Mother) Teresa of Calcuta - It is six years already since Mother Teresa was canonized a saint on September 4, 2016 by Pope Francis. This very petite lady, not even 5 feet tall, born Anjezë Gonxhe Bojaxhiu in Albania on August 26, 1910, was such a strong advocate for the poorest of the poor. She died on September 5, 1997 and so where it is celebrated, her feast day is September 5. She had plenty words of wisdom for growth in the spiritual life like this one with which you might be familiar: "Not all of us can do great things. But we can all do small things with great love." Here is another that has a lot of good counsel. "Life is an opportunity, benefit from it. Life is beauty, admire it. Life is a dream, realize it. Life is a challenge, meet it. Life is a duty, complete it. Life is a game. play it. Life is a promise, fulfill it. Life is sorrow, overcome it. Life is a song, sing it. Life is a struggle, accept it. Life is a tragedy, confront it. Life is an adventure, dare it. Life is luck, make it. Life is too precious, do not destroy it. Life is life, fight for it."

2023 Mass Book - As we have done successfully the last two years, we will use a three tiered approach to the opening of the 2023 Mass Book. The dates for this approach are listed below. More information can be found on the parish website.

- <u>Tier A</u> Tuesday, Sept. 20th to Friday, Oct. 7th for those who are celebrating their 25th, 40th, 50th, 55th, 60th, etc. wedding anniversary in 2023. These couples may reserve one Mass on a day of their choosing (does not have to be the actual anniversary date). In addition, one Mass intention on the occasion of the 1st anniversary of death of a loved one can be reserved. The date of the Mass does not have to be the actual death anniversary.
- <u>Tier B</u> Wednesday, Oct. 10th to Wednesday, Nov. 30th for all other intentions, but limited to three (3) for any one person deceased or living by any one donor.
- <u>Tier C</u> Thursday, December 1st for all intentions with the above limits lifted.

Parish Family Mass and Picnic - Our Parish Family Mass and Picnic will be held on Sunday, October 2nd. The Noon Mass that day will be held outside on the Parish Green with the Picnic following. For those who are new to the parish or have not attended in the past, this is a free event. There is plenty to do for the kids and loads of food. Remember to bring a lawn chair for Mass! There is a big tent, but not everyone will be able to be seated in the tent for Mass. There will be some chairs set up for Mass, but it is helpful if you can leave those for whom it is not easy to bring their own chair. The Committee could use some extra hands to help everything run smoothly so see page 8 for how you can help or go to the parish website. If you can help with a gift for the raffle that would also be very helpful. It is not too early too whisper a little prayer for good weather too!! Hope to see you there!!

READINGS FOR SEPTEMBER 4, 2022

For this week's readings online, visit https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/090422.cfm

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13-18b

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17 In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Second Reading: Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Alleluia: Psalms 119:135

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Let your face shine upon your servant; and teach me your laws.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion? Otherwise, after laying the foundation and finding himself unable to finish the work the onlookers should laugh at him and say, 'This one began to build but did not have the resources to finish.' Or what king marching into battle would not first sit down and decide whether with ten thousand troops he can successfully oppose another king advancing upon him with twenty thousand troops? But if not, while he is still far away, he will send a delegation to ask for peace terms. In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple."

Volunteers Needed for Berlin Fair - Please see page 8 for how you can help at the Berlin Fair (September 15-18) where the parish continues to run two booths. Any help that you can give on any of those days will be a big help.

Bereavement Group Starting Up - The Fall sessions of our "New Day" Bereavement Support Group will meet on Thursdays beginning Sept. 22 from 6:30-8:00pm for six consecutive weeks here at the parish. All who have lost a loved one are invited to attend. Brochures are located at the church entrances. We are blessed to have Jim McDermott lead this ministry. If you have questions you may contact him at 860-620-2939.

Final Thoughts - With September comes the beginning of the final stretch for the MLB races. Division winners will be NYY, CLE, HOU, NYM, STL, and LAD. WC will go to SEA, TB, TOR, ATL, PHI, and MIL. O's would have to go on a big run or really dominate TOR in their remaining 10 games against each other to sneak in. NFL season kicks off with the Bills @ Rams and if the Bills win, their Monday night game the following week against TEN at home will be very very wild! Enjoy the Labor Day holiday and have a blessed week! - Fr. Joe

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



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

Happy 65th Anniversary! Saint Paul School opened its doors on September 3, 1958. The school will celebrate this special milestone on September 12th.



The 2022-2023 school year started on August 25th. Please keep all of our students, faculty and staff in your prayers for a successful year ahead! Visit our social media pages to view all of our back-to-school photos!



33RD ANNUAL SAINT PAUL SCHOOL **GOLF TOURNAMENT** Please visit our website to register and view our sponsorship opportunities:



https://ourschool.support/2022SPSGolfTournament

Registration/Sponsor forms available at the church entrances!

RELIGIOUS ED NEWS



We are thrilled to report that we have strong enrollment numbers this year! While this is great news, we have had a number of late registrants, and we now have a need for:

- Gr. 7/8 combo class at 7:45 a.m.
- Gr. 1 or 2 teacher at 7:45 a.m. or 10:45 a.m.
- Gr. 6 teacher at 10:45 a.m.

If you feel called, please consider joining our incredible team!

Please note: Many classes are full. At this time there is availability in all grades, but not in all sessions.

PARENT MEETINGS

Confirmation Parent Meeting Dates

Year 1 (9th grade) - Wed. 9/7 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. Year 2 (10th grade) - Thurs. 9/8 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. --In the church--

Gr. 1-2, 4-8 Parent Meeting Dates

(two options to choose from) Wed. 9/14 or Thurs. 9/15 from 6:30-7:30 p.m. --In the school gym--

Gr. 3 Parent Meeting Date Thurs. 9/29 from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

--In the church--

Confirmation classes begin Sunday, 9/11

Grade 1-8 classes begin Sunday, 9/25

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



<u>A NEW TMIY Fall Semester</u> will begin on Saturday, September 10, 2022. Meetings are held Saturday mornings from 6:30-8:30am in the Church Hall.

The new year brings together 6 dynamic speakers with a wide range of specialties to the TMIY stage to present "All Things New". Now's a great time to join or re-join TMIY! 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 or visit our parish TMIY page at https://stpaulkensington.org/that-man-is-you

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



Women of Faith offers an opportunity for women of our parish to come together for Faith, Friendship & Fellowship. The next meeting will be Thursday, September 8th at

7pm. Join us as we gather with other Catholic women to share stories, and strengthen our Spiritual journeys. To learn more about our Women of Faith group, please email <u>womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org</u>. -Cheryl Pagano, Lynn Misteri & Karen Cyr.



ST. PAUL LADIES' GUILD

The St. Paul Ladies' Guild 2022-2023 year will begin on **September 7th** at 6:30pm in the St. Paul Church Hall. It will be a meet and greet with refreshments provided by the executive board.

Our theme this year is from an old girl scout song: "Make new friends but keep the old, one is silver and the other gold." Please come, bring a friend. Be a "silver or gold".

Any questions, please contact Janet Roman at 860-828-1160 or <u>King30@aol.com</u>



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.

It's that time of year again! The annual Saint Paul School Mum Fundraiser is underway! *Please complete a <u>separate form</u> for <u>each person who will be picking up an order</u>. Orders due 9/7. THANK YOU!



SPS FALL MUMS FUNDRAISER

55% of your sales will apply toward your family fundraising obligation Please Order by Wednesday September 7th, 2022



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PARISH PRAYER LIST

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Maria Lauria Laura Lemke Connie Lombardi Linda Luongo 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 Antoinette Pandolfi 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 Gabe Szczygla Julia Szczygla Luke Szul Alfred J. Tee **Beverly Veley** Brian Veley Scott Veley Tom Vest Louise Webb Thaddeus Woitusik Molly Yardley Mary Ann Watrous Miriam Zacharias Carrie Zangari

PRAYER LIST Thank you for praying for 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.

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.

"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

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Our St. Paul Culture of Life Ministry will sponsor a 40 Days for Life campaign from September 28 through November 6.



Details are posted on our website and will be included in next week's bulletin.

Please consider join us as we strive to build a culture that cherishes & protects *every human life*. If you would like to get involved in our Culture of Life Ministry, please contact Ashley Cuomo at <u>respectlife@stpaulkensington.org</u>.

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~ Welcomed in Baptism ~

Brianna Marie and Austin Perry Harnisch Baptized August 28, 2022 at St. Paul Church



God Bless you and your parents and God-parents!



Welcome to our St. Paul Parish Family of Faith.



ADULT CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Six Session Program Begins September 22, 2022

Are you an adult Catholic who never received the Sacrament of Confirmation? If so, St. Paul's Adult Confirmation Program (ACP) will prepare you to be Confirmed in the Fall of 2022.

The program will be held Tuesdays, Sept. 22 & 29 and Oct. 6, 13, 20 & 27 from 6:30pm to 8:00pm at a location at St. Paul Parish to be determined. For details or to register, visit our website or email Dan Tome at d.tome@stpaulkensington.org or call the parish office at 860-828-0331 by September 15th.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

- Has someone you know expressed an interest in becoming Catholic?
- Do you know someone who was baptized Catholic but who never received the Sacraments of 1st Communion and Confirmation?
- Do either of these situations describe you?

St. Paul Parish offers an opportunity for anyone who is interested to come together in a small group to learn more about our Catholic faith.

Meetings are typically held once a week in the evening, beginning October 6th. Contact Fr. Raymond for more info: 860-828-0332 or <u>frraymond@stpaulkensington.org</u>. More details are also available on our website!

12 Noon Outdoor Mass



Picnic on the Green following Mass

PARISH PICNIC Our annual Outdoor Mass & Parish Family Picnic will be held Sunday, October 2, 2022 on the Parish Green. *The Picnic Committee is looking for volunteers to help with this event and for Gift Basket donations!* Visit our website for details! <u>https://stpaulkensington.org</u>



2022 Berlin Fair!

Thursday, September 15 to Sunday, September 18!

We need your help! The Berlin Fair is a wonderful community event where your time and support is welcome!

If you are interested in volunteering at our St. Paul Parish food booths, please consider signing up for several positions before and during the fair. *Volunteer with friends and family & have fun together as you help the community!* For more information or to sign up, please visit our parish website or click on this link:

https://signupgenius.com/go/20f0c49a5a628a0f94-berlin8

Please note: There are <u>separate signups</u> for Grillers and Confirmation students.

For questions about volunteering, please contact Helen deRito at 860-559-5695 or <u>derito.aos@snet.net</u>.

MEN'S HOLY HOUR

Msgr. Thomas L Greylish Council of The Knights of Columbus invites all Men of the Parish to join us in a Men's Holy Hour on



Sunday, September 11 at 7:00 PM. Please join us at St Paul Church where Fr. Michael will lead an hour of Exposition, Adoration and Benediction.

Jesus asked his Apostles: "Could you not watch one hour with Me?" Jesus is making that same request to you. Will you consider taking a hour out of your busy life and give it to the Lord who is truly present in the Most Blessed Sacrament? "Let Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament speak to your hearts. It is he who is the true answer of life that you seek."-Pope St. John Paul II Contact Bud Volz budvolz@comcast.net with any guestions.

Pastoral Council Nomination and Selection Process

As you are aware, the St. Paul Pastoral Council is seeking nominees for new members on the Council. In the previous announcements, we have discussed who is eligible and the purpose of the Council. This week we will highlight milestone dates and the selection process.

September 10 & 11 – The Pastoral Council Nominating Committee will be soliciting nominees at all Masses. In conjunction with this, we will also have a nominating form available. The nominating form will allow you to nominate yourself or someone you feel would be a worthy candidate.

September 26 – Solicitation for nominees will be complete and the nominating Committee will assemble the list of qualified nominees.

October 6 & 10 – Information sessions will be hosted by the Nominating Committee. All qualified nominees will be contacted for their preference of dates. The purpose of these sessions is to provide information regarding Council operations and provide an opportunity for questions. This will also be an opportunity for further discernment for the Nominees.

October 24 – Final list of Nominees will be presented to the Pastoral Council for its approval of new members.

November TBD - New members will be presented to the Parish at Mass.

November 28 – New Council is seated and officers are selected.

We look forward to meeting with all the nominees and thank them in advance for answering the Lord's call to share their talents with our Parish family. The Pastoral Council is open to all registered and practicing members of the Parish, age sixteen and older. You must have a desire to serve the Parish Family, a willingness to work with the Pastor, and the ability to work in a group process through prayer, planning, and consensus. You must also desire to foster the teachings of the Church and have a commitment to attend meetings.

If you have any questions please contact the Nominating Committee Chair, Nancy Timbrell at 860-601-7866 or <u>n.timbrell@stpaulkensington.org</u>. Nomination forms will be available in the coming weeks.



RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT WEEKENDS FOR HEALING If you are suffering from an abortion, experience the healing love of Jesus

Christ on a Rachel's Vineyard Retreat weekend Oct. 21-23 in Farmington. Participation is totally confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. For info contact Marie at 203-631-9030, or mlaffin@prolifeministry.org, or https://www.rachelsvineyard.org.

FALL 2022 BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP



Saint Paul Parish invites parishioners to participate in the Fall "New Day" Support Group to be held in the Church Hall on Thursday evenings (6:30-8pm) from Sept. 22–Oct. 27. The program offers a supportive atmosphere

of care and understanding for those grieving the loss of a loved one. Brochures with registration information are available at the church entrances.

FALL BIBLE STUDY

The Book of Genesis (Part 1)



If you missed our Informational Meeting last week about the upcoming Bible Study program, please

visit our website for details or contact Mark Chasse at <u>mchasse1@comcast.net</u>.

The New Britain Council of Catholic Women is planning a trip to Lourdes in Litchfield on Thursday, Sept.15th. We will meet with Torrington & Meriden Councils to attend a unity Mass at 11:30, followed by an opportunity to buy lunch, and a brief reflection meeting. All women from all parishes are welcome to join us. You may drive there on your own or, if you wish to carpool, meet at St. Jerome's parking lot at 10:30. Any questions, email <u>nbcouncilcatholicwomen@gmail.com</u>.



15th Annual Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference REGISTER TODAY! The Conference will be held on Saturday, Sept. 24, 2022 "God Is With Us" Doors open at 7:30am at Northwest Catholic High School in W. Hartford. Includes: Mass, Eucharist Procession, Adoration, Confession, Speakers. Lunch INCLUDED. It is a full day. For more information or to register, visit <u>https://ctcatholicmen.org</u>



SUNSET YOGA with Anita and parishioner, Aileen M. Kennedy Friday evening, September 9th on the Parish Green. Potluck celebration after

Yoga. Bring your favorite dish to share. Visit our website for details, fees, discounts and deadlines. Register at: <u>https://anitabarbero.com/classes&workshops</u> Contact: Anita Barbero, <u>anitabarbero2@gmail.com</u> or Aileen M. Kennedy, <u>aileen.kennedy@ethanallen.com</u> or 860.212.5753.

FCODSHARE ST. CLARE FOOD PANTRY & MOBILE FOODSHARE

Volunteers will be needed on Thursday, Sept. 15 at **9:30am** to transport food from St. Paul to Sacred Heart and to set up for distribution. Volunteers are also needed on Friday, Sept. 16 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 <u>n.timbrell@stpaulkensington.org</u>.

The Pantry is currently in need of the following items: flour, sugar, cake, cookie, muffin and brownie mixes, frosting, corn bread, pie fillings, pie crusts and mixes.

FRIAR 4 MILER Thanks to all who helped coordinate and all who participated in our first annual Friar 4 Miler that was held last weekend after 4pm Mass! It was a lot of fun and we are looking forward to next year! Special recognition goes to



Saturday, September 3 PARISH 8:30am Confessions CALENDAR 10:00am Children's Rosary 3:00pm Confessions Sunday, September 4 1:15pm Baptisms Parish Office Closed 4:00pm EDGE YG Meeting SPH Monday, September 5 NO SCHOOL - Labor Day 8:45am NO Parish Staff Meeting ABOR 9:00am 9am Mass 1:00pm Rosary Makers 5:00pm No 5 pm Mass Tuesday, September 6 8:45am School Mass 4:00pm Holy Hour Adoration 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal - PC-LL 7:00pm K of C Leadership Mtg - PC1 Wednesday, September 7 11:30am Funeral +Bianco 4:00pm 8:15am Band Intro Gr4-8 6:00pm Rosary at Sacred Heart 6:30pm Ladies Guild - SPH 6:30pm 1st Yr Conf Parent Mtg-SPC Thursday, September 8 3:00pm Cross Country Practice (gr 6-8) 6:30pm 2nd Yr Conf Parent Mtg-SPC 7:00pm Women of Faith - SPH Friday, September 9 6:00pm Sunset Yoga 7:30pm AA Meeting - SPH Saturday, September 10 8:30am Confessions 3:00pm Confessions 5:00pm Church Hall Reserved 5PM Sunday, September 11 9:00am 1st & 2nd Yr Confirmation classes-SPS 7:00pm K of C Holy Hour SPC

INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PARISH? Our next Registration Meeting is **Monday**, <u>September 12th</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.



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