

## 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

## PARISH OFFICE

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# St. Paul Catholic Parish

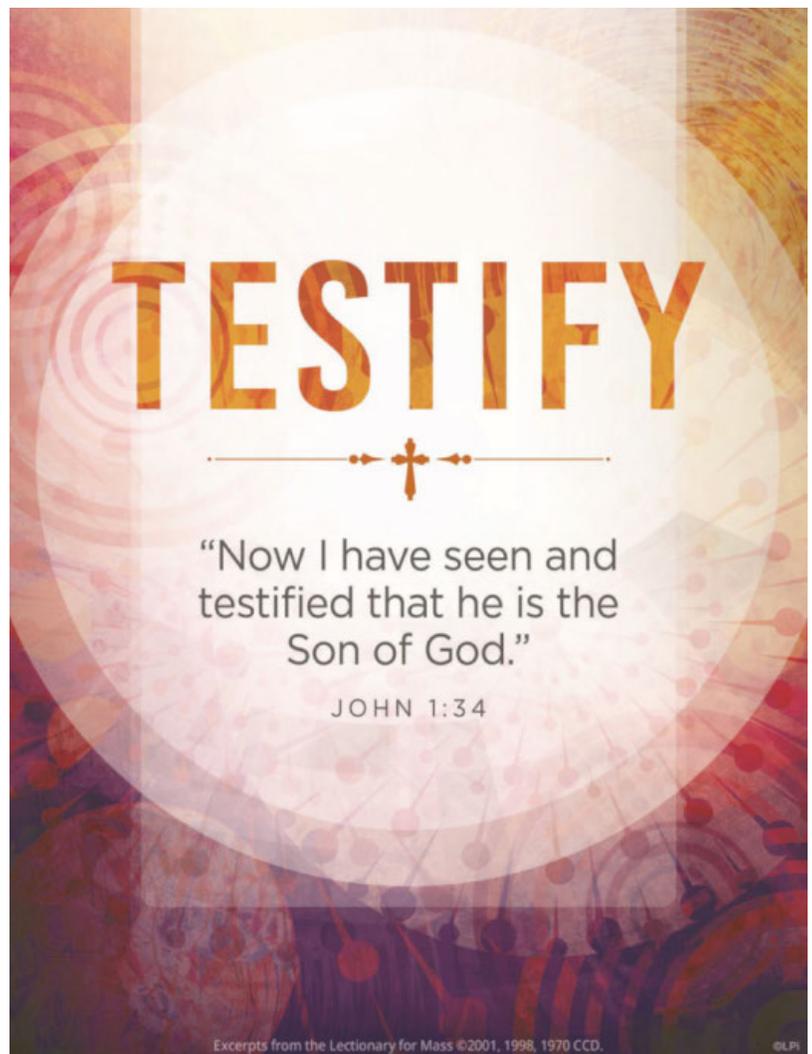
*A Franciscan Family of Faith*

St. Paul Church - 485 Alling St, Kensington CT 06037

Sacred Heart Church - 48 Cottage St, East Berlin CT 06023

January 15, 2023

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

*-Pope Francis*

**Rite of Dismissal** - Last October, this year's RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) program began. This year there are four adults participating in the program three of whom are Catechumens, that is never before baptized, and one who is a Candidate, meaning he has been baptized in a different Christian denomination and is now asking to join the Catholic Church. The three Catechumens are Myreon Colon, Jeffrey Kemper and Angelica Rodriguez while the Candidate is Alexander Dionne. This group has been meeting faithfully every Thursday evening with Fr. Raymond and Linda Guzzardi who lead our RCIA program. They will continue to meet until the Easter Vigil on April 8. Beginning this Sunday, they will be attending Mass for the Liturgy of the Word. After the homily each week they will then be dismissed to meet with Linda Guzzardi as well as Lynn Fazzino, a parishioner who previously completed the RCIA program, for an extended discussion and reflection on the readings as part of their ongoing conversion process.

The Catechumens are dismissed since as apprentices in faith they are still in training. When their conversion process is complete they will be ready ritually to enter into the sacrificial part of the Mass, the Liturgy of the Eucharist. In these final months of preparation the dismissal reminds the catechumens of their ongoing conversion process that is under way. It reminds the rest of us that there are catechumens among us and that we should be praying for them. Candidates are not normally dismissed since they are already baptized. However, they may be so as to share in the extended reflection on the Word of God and to be with the Catechumens who they are together with for the RCIA sessions. The Catechumens and Candidate will be attending either the 9:00 a.m. or 10:30 a.m. Mass and all of them will be dismissed after the homily. Please keep the RCIA team members and those in the program in your prayers.

**Offertory Procession** - One of the vestiges of COVID not yet restored is the practice of parishioners presenting the bread and wine during the Offertory, but as of today, it is. For our newer parishioners, the bread and wine are placed on the shelf that is attached to the left front pew at the head of each wing. The gifts will be placed on the side of the church that the priest and servers enter from that weekend. If those who have made the offering for the intention for that Mass would like to present the gifts, they should arrive at least ten (10) minutes before the scheduled start time of the Mass and let the sacristan know that you would like to bring up the gifts for that Mass. If no one has done so by then, other parishioners will be approached to bring up the gifts for that Mass. The exception will be the Children's Masses where students will always bring up the gifts.

**Moveable Feast Dates** - I know we just finished the Christmas season, but in just over a month Lent will begin. Ash Wednesday is February 22<sup>nd</sup> which means that Easter will be April 9<sup>th</sup>, which is about a week earlier than last year. And how is the date for Easter determined? Easter is the first Sunday, after the first full moon, after the first day of spring (the vernal equinox). The earliest Easter can be is March 22 and the latest is April 25. So Easter is right in the middle this year.

**Dates for Confirmation and 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Are Set** - Two years ago Archbishop Blair decided that ALL Confirmations in the Archdiocese would be held at the Cathedral of St. Joseph going forward. At the beginning of January the Archdiocese opened up the calendar for the Spring of 2023 and we were able to secure Saturday, May 6 at 10:00 a.m. for our parish. There will be students from other parishes at that same Confirmation. The following Saturday, May 13<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate 1<sup>st</sup> Communions here at St. Paul's at two Masses at 10:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Please keep all of the students preparing for these sacraments in your prayers.

**Veteran and New Lectors (Readers) & Eucharistic Ministers** We will hold an afternoon of reflection and training for all current Readers (Lectors) and Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) and those who would like to join these ministries on Sunday, February 19 from 1:15 to 5:00 p.m. Because of COVID it has been three years since we had an updating for our current ministers. I hope that more parishioners will answer the Lord's call to serve Him and the parish through these ministries. See page 7 for the qualifications and more information about the schedule for the day.

**Helping Hands** - At this time of year, a letter is sent to all parishioners who have reached their 80<sup>th</sup> birthday. The letter informs them about our *Helping Hands Ministry* which provides support to our senior citizens, some of whom are alone or homebound or separated from their loved ones. Helping Hands does this by assisting with some of their needs like making a run to the pharmacy or some grocery shopping. On a more basic level, the volunteers make contact with these parishioners by checking in on them with a phone call or an occasional visit. Sending the letters to those 80 and above is arbitrary, so if you think a parishioner under 80 should receive one of these letters, please contact Joan in the parish office by email at [j.vancour@stpaulkkensington.org](mailto:j.vancour@stpaulkkensington.org) or by phone at 860-828-0331.

**Forward With Faith Update** - It has been a couple months since my last update on the FWF Capital Campaign. Since then, almost an additional \$70,000 in donations/pledges have come in bringing out the total to \$1,094,668!

## INTENTIONS

### Sanctuary Candles will burn this week for

†Greta Stifel by family

### The Bread for the Poor will be Offered this week for

†Christopher Labbadia by DeFrancesco family

**Special Intentions** by anonymous



†Helen Morrissey

*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 FAMILY?

Our next Registration Meeting is **Monday, February 14th** 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](mailto:ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org).

 To receive the St. Paul Parish bulletin in your email inbox every week, please complete our simple online form at <https://stpaulkensington.org/our-bulletin>.

**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.

**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,  
 who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.*



Saturday, January 14, 2023 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 4:00 **Deceased members of the †Ciccaglione, †Cosgrove and †Flynn families** by families

Sunday, January 15, 2023 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 7:30 †**Christopher James Labbadia** by the Labbadia family  
 9:00 †**Michael Hines** 15th Anniversary by wife and family  
 9:30 **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**  
 10:30 †**Ida Peterson** 5th Anniversary  
 by children and grandchildren

12:00 †**John and †Richard Carroll** by the Carroll family

Monday, January 16, 2023 Weekday  
 7:00 †**Maryann Dorsey** by Ron  
 5:00 **NO 5PM MASS**

Tuesday, January 17, 2023 St. Anthony  
 7:00 †**Deacon Carmen Guzzardi** Birthday Remembrance  
 by wife Linda and family  
 †**Souls in Purgatory** by anonymous  
 8:45 †**Domenica Lopreiato**  
 by daughter Maria Siciliano and family

5:00 †**Anthony DellaVecchia** by Lisa and Bill Richards

Wednesday, January 18, 2023 Weekday  
 7:00 **Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**  
 5:00 †**Greta Stifel** Birthday Remembrance by sisters

Thursday, January 19, 2023 Weekday  
 7:00 †**Adele S. Hubbard** 14th Anniversary  
 by John G. Hubbard family  
 5:00 †**Jeanne Marie Bilodeau Higgins** 7th Anniversary  
 by family

†**Domenica Lopreiato** by Domenic Lopreiato  
 †**Kate Pelosi** Birthday Remembrance by Chris and Logan  
 †**Doris and †Salvatore LaRosa** by Lucia and Tony  
 †**Eugenio Ricciardi** by Emanuele Lombardo

Friday, January 20, 2023 St. Fabian; St. Sebastian  
 7:00 †**Maryann Dorsey** by Vickie and Andy Chapo  
 5:00 †**Adelina Zuniga and family** by a friend

Saturday, January 21, 2023 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 4:00 †**Michael Kozak** 10th Anniversary  
 by Priscilla Kozak and family

Sunday, January 22, 2023 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 7:30 †**Maryann Dorsey** by Paul Kristopik  
 9:00 †**Pila Gagliardi** by Santina and Sebastian Urciullo  
 9:30 **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**  
 10:30 †**Antonio Bertoldo** by daughters  
 12:00 †**Joseph Sak** by wife Dorothy Sak

### Parish Collection Jan 3-9, 2023

In Church SP	\$ 8,590
Office	\$ 2,614
In Church SH	\$ 979
<u>Online Giving</u>	<u>\$ 5,156</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 17,339</b>

This is 112% of the \$975,000 goal that was established for the parish and 91% of our local goal of \$1.2 million. There have been 315 donors and the average gift is \$3,475. Recall that the parish receives 50% of all donations up to the goal of \$975,000 and then 80% of everything over that amount which is currently \$119,668. As a result, if all pledges are completed the parish will receive \$583,234 and the AOH will receive \$511,434. Just a reminder, that when making payments on your pledges, make all checks payable to Forward with Faith. **Once again thank you to all of the donors and may the Lord bless you abundantly for your goodness!**

**Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday** - Monday, January 16 is the MLK Holiday. One Mass will be celebrated Monday at 7 a.m. The parish office will be closed.

**2022 Contribution Statements** - If you need a statement of your donations for 2022, either return the white card that came with your envelopes, call the parish office, or send an email to [j.vancour@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:j.vancour@stpaulkensington.org). The letters will be sent by January 31.

**Final Thoughts** - Well the NFL playoffs are set with a few twists and turns after the cardiac arrest of Damar Hamlin of the Bills. Thank the good Lord that he seems to be on a good road to recovery. Unfortunately for the Bills because the Bengals game was not finished, they lost out on having home field advantage and that is an advantage. The Ravens still do not know if Lamar will play, but one way or the other are not likely to get beyond the first round. In the AFC in addition to the Bengals, I pick the Bills and Jags. In the NFC 49ers, Giants and, I hate doing this, Bucs. Have a blessed week everyone! - Fr. Joe



**Available Masses for Jan/Feb are listed below.** There are still Masses available on Tuesday at 7am and Thursday at 5pm as well. To reserve a Mass, please call the parish office 860-828-0331, M-F 9am-4pm.

- Thursday, January 26 - 7:00am
- Tuesday, January 31 - 7:00am and 8:45am
- Monday, February 6 - 7:00am
- Tuesday, February 7 - 8:45am
- Tuesday, February 14 - 8:45am
- Friday, February 17 - 7:00am
- Tuesday, February 21 - 7:00am
- Wednesday, February 22 - 7:00am, 8:45am
- Thursday, February 23 - 7:00am
- Friday, February 24 - 7:00am
- Monday, February 27 - 7:00am
- Tuesday, February 28 - 7:00am

**READINGS FOR JANUARY 15, 2023**

For this week's readings online, visit <https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/011523.cfm>

**First Reading:** Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10

*Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will.*

**Second Reading:** 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

**Alleluia:** John 1:14a, 12a

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

*The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us.*

*To those who accepted him,*

*he gave power to become children of God.*

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel:** John 1:29-34

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world. He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.' I did not know him, but the reason why I came baptizing with water was that he might be made known to Israel." John testified further, saying, "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God."

**CHILDREN'S MASS**

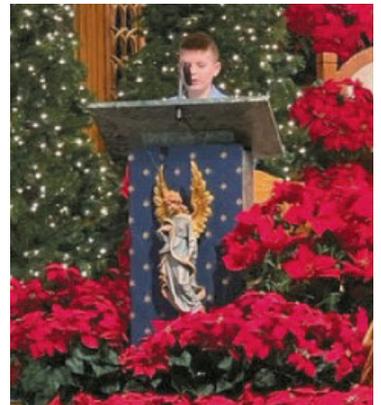
Fr. Michael presided at the January 8th Children's Mass. The Religious Ed and Saint Paul School participants were:

- Readers: Katalina (Gr. 5) & Adam (Gr. 4)
- Prayers of the Faithful: Grayson (Gr. 3)
- Gift bearers: Ella (Gr. 2), Garrett (Gr. 4) and Courtney (Gr. 3)
- Greeters: Reagan (Gr. 4), Morgan (Gr. 2), Lily (Gr. 4), Joe (Gr. 9) and Brody (Gr. 4).

The students all did a wonderful job!

Our next Children's Mass will be on **February 5** at 9:00 a.m.

*More pics on page 10.*



**SAINT PAUL SCHOOL  
NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS  
FOR THE 2023-2024 ACADEMIC YEAR**

For more information visit our school website

<https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org/>

or call 860-828-4343 x113.

To download an application, click on this link:

<https://bit.ly/3qO2X9J>



You may also email our  
*Admissions Director, Kelly Esposito,*  
[admissions@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:admissions@stpaulkensington.org).

Our 9th grade students attended their 1st Year Confirmation retreat on Sunday, January 8th, which was led by Steve DiMotta from Trinita Retreat Center in New Hartford.

The theme of the retreat was the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

**Trivia time!**

Can you remember all 7 gifts of the Holy Spirit?

(Answer on page 8)




**Discover Catholic Schools**  
Saint Paul School welcomes you to our Open House on Sunday, January 29, 2023 from 1:00-3:00 pm.



For more information call 860-828-4343 x113 and visit our website [ourschool.stpaulkensington.org](https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org)

Stop by our Open House on January 29! Science Fair projects created by our Middle School students will be on display in the gym. Check out our Makerspace, see our STEM activities, learn about our Robotics team and much more!



← Our Kindergarten students enjoy spending time outdoors on the playground.



→ One of our fourth grade students works on her division using Skittles.

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

Bobby Adamowicz  
 Jacob Ahlquist  
 Gilda Alberti  
 John Anderson  
 Elaine Andrews  
 Jose Arcia  
 Donna Baranowski  
 Zulma Barbien  
 Olivia Belfonti  
 Wyatt Bernard  
 Peter Bocompani  
 David Borselle  
 Cheryl Brown  
 Richard Carlson  
 Silas Cipollone  
 Doug Clarke  
 Lorraine Clark  
 Sophie Conti  
 Carol Corriveau  
 Tom Coss  
 Arlene Cotrona  
 Amanda Coyle  
 Janet Crossman  
 Robert Czerwinski  
 Mary Daleski  
 Adeline D'Angelo  
 Ramiro Dagna  
 Uly Dagna  
 Maria DeFazio  
 Fr. Anthony DeFronzo  
 Bill Dobbs  
 Nicole Donzello  
 Nick Donzello  
 Bernadette Dumond  
 Fannie Farrell  
 Lilia Fernandez  
 Simon Fitzpatrick  
 Helen Flannelly  
 Nancy Fleming  
 Deb Follett  
 Maureen Freeman  
 Rose Garuti  
 Patricia Gebhardt  
 Dominic Gionfriddo  
 Jennifer Gionfriddo  
 Salvatore Gionfriddo  
 Rosemarie Gionfriddo  
 Liz Goryl-Phillips  
 Donna Goulette  
 Madison Gray  
 Grochal Family  
 Pat Haber  
 Linda Hannold  
 Lily Harzewski-Burl  
 Tom Higgins  
 Evan Hill  
 Pat Jahn  
 Barbara Killius  
 Evan Kimmel  
 Sylvia Kratka  
 John G. Kunitis, Sr.  
 Mary Lamkins  
 Maria Lauria  
 Mary Leinen



Laura Lemke  
 Connie Lombardi  
 Ronald Maldon  
 Lisa Mangiafico  
 Fr. Paul Mangiafico  
 Carol Marold  
 Robert Mazzaferro  
 Lorraine McCarthy  
 Brandi McWade  
 Luis Mendoza  
 Viola Mercadante  
 Michael Mihalko  
 Tom Modifica  
 Evelyn Modzelewski  
 Sam and Esther Motta  
 Nancy Motulko  
 Cheryl Murphy  
 John Murphy  
 Helen Murphy  
 Thomas Norris  
 Arlene O'Neill  
 Esther Ouellette  
 Our Military Service Members  
 Emma Pagano  
 Antoinette Pandolfi  
 Judy Pappalardo  
 Cynthia Paradise  
 Richard Paskiewicz  
 John Pink  
 Richard Rampone  
 Care Rich  
 Frank Rich  
 Mary Rich  
 Rita Richter  
 Randy Ripley  
 Steven Ripley  
 Carlos Rivera  
 Phyllis Rubbo  
 Viola Salonia  
 Joan Schwartz  
 Raul Seipel  
 Guy Simeone  
 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 Wojtusik  
 Molly Yardley  
 Mary Ann Watrous  
 Miriam Zacharias  
 Carrie Zangari

Please call the Parish Office if you would like to add someone to our Prayer List. 860-828-0331 (M-F 9am-4pm.) Please also 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 and the intention.



### ROSARY AT SACRED HEART

Parishioners gather to pray the Rosary at Sacred Heart Church on Wednesday evenings at 6:00pm. All are welcome.



### 13TH OF THE MONTH ROSARY GROUP

On the 13th of every month, parishioners pray the Rosary at 12pm in St. Paul Church in honor of Our Lady of Fatima. Please join us on Friday, January 13th at 12pm.

*"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*

Visit our website for a printable *How to Pray the Rosary Guide*

## WORD SEARCH

LAMB  
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ISRAEL  
WATER

SPIRIT  
HEAVEN  
DOVE  
BAPTISE

HOLY  
WITNESS  
CHOSEN  
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S	A	V	P	Y	A	S	T	E	O
S	R	P	A	I	L	R	S	I	N
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## LECTORS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

St. Paul Parish is currently inviting parishioners to consider serving as a Reader or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC) at Mass. There will be a day of reflection and training session for new members of these ministries on **Sunday, February 19** from 1:15 to 5:15 pm in the St. Paul Church Hall. Those currently serving in these ministries will participate in this program as well. Candidates for these ministries must meet the qualifications noted below. If you are interested in being an EMHC or Reader, please contact Fr. Joe or the parish office so that you can secure the permission needed to attend the program on February 19th.

EMHC are properly formed, instructed and commissioned lay persons who are appointed for a given parish community to aid in the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass and to the sick and homebound when ordinary ministers of Holy Communion are unavailable.

Readers (Lectors) are lay persons commissioned to proclaim the readings from Sacred Scripture at Mass, not including the Gospel. Readers should possess the skills necessary for effective oral proclamation which is essential for this ministry.

Qualifications for EMHC and Readers: The Archbishop of Hartford regulates the ministry of EMHC and Readers in collaboration with the pastors of the parishes of the Archdiocese. EMHC and Readers are to meet the following qualifications:

1. Be at least 17 years of age
2. Have received the Sacrament of Confirmation
3. Have a continuing relationship with the parish and regularly participate in the Eucharist, that is attend Mass each week-end.
4. Strives to live a life consistent with the teachings of the Catholic Church
5. If married, are in a valid Catholic marriage
6. Have the Pastor's permission
7. Complete an online Virtus Training session
8. Readers must possess the skills needed for effective oral proclamation



## PERPETUAL ADORATION

St. John Church in Cromwell, also a Franciscan parish, offers perpetual adoration of the Eucharist in their Chapel of Divine Mercy. You can

visit the Chapel 24 hours a day, 7 days a week for prayer and adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. The entrance to the Chapel is from the back parking lot of the Church. For more information visit: <https://saintjohn-cromwell.org>

**FORMED** St. Paul Parishioners have FREE access to great digital content through FORMED! Visit <https://formed.org> to create an account and start enjoying movies, programs, and more instantly. To create a new account, go to [formed.org](https://formed.org), select "Sign up as a parishioner", type in "St. Paul Kensington CT" and follow the simple prompts to set up your account.

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](mailto:mfduplin@outlook.com).



**KNITTERS NEEDED** Our Social Action Ministry is looking for volunteers to knit youth sized winter hats for children ages 10-17. The hats will be donated to the Underground New England, a grass-roots, faith-based initiative dedicated to ending sex trafficking and sexual exploitation throughout New England. There is yarn at the church available. All finished hats can be placed in the plastic bins located down the stairs near the elevator entrance of St. Paul Church. Questions? Call Cheryl at 860-218-3177.



**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** Our Prayer Shawl Ministry meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 1pm in the St. Paul Church Hall. The next meeting is **February 14**. We purchase yarn and knit or crochet prayer shawls to give to individuals who may be homebound, ill or in need of comfort, to let them know God's love always surrounds. New members welcome. Call Mary at 860-828-5478.



**QUILTERS** Our Quilters Group meets weekly on **Thursday mornings** from 9 to 11 a.m. in the St. Paul Church Hall. Anyone working on another project or who has a different type of craft (origami, jewelry, scrapbook, genealogy, etc.) is welcome to join us!. Call Barbara with any questions: 860-930-0310.

**Men's Retreat** Renew yourself spiritually, strengthen your faith and its application in your daily life, and create lasting and supporting friendships within your church communities. Our Lady of Calvary Retreat House, Farmington **January 26-29**. For more information contact Paul Kulas, Director 860-919-6486; John Coleman, Co-Director 860-384-9427 or Peter Kulas, Co-Director 203-490-7766. Sponsoring Parish – St. Luke Parish at St. Dominic Church. [www.actsct.org](http://www.actsct.org) .



**H Reminder:** Our friars will be happy to visit you or your loved one in the **hospital** if you kindly let us know when you are there. Please call the parish office at 860-828-0331 or email [ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org).

## WELCOMED IN BAPTISM

**Gwendolyn Rose Marut**

Baptized on Saturday, January 7, 2023  
St. Paul Church

Congratulations and God Bless!



## NEW PARISHIONERS

Thank you for attending our January Registration meeting.

Welcome to our St. Paul Parish Family of Faith!

~ God Bless You All ~



## WOMEN OF FAITH GROUP

*Our parish Women of Faith group aims to support and affirm our faith as Catholic women in today's changing times.*



Women of Faith is a place where women of the parish come together once a month to share common threads, journeys in life, difficulties, strengths, sorrows and attributes, and how our faith helps us get through it all.

*"I am very happy that I joined the Women in Faith Group. This is where anyone can come and share any issues/ concerns they may have regarding family, children, work and Faith, etc. without any judgment. The group is very supportive. In this unsettling world in which we live today, it is nice to come together with other women who share the same values."*

Come and experience how the Women of Faith group can influence your life journey!

For any questions or schedule of meetings, email us at: [womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org)



The next meeting will be **Thursday, February 9** at 7pm in the St. Paul Church Hall.

## THAT MAN IS YOU!

Our TMIY! All Things New Men's Group will begin a **new** 13 week season on **January 21, 2023**.



Full of dynamic speakers sharing insights into our faith, this season will enlighten your mind with spiritual truths that will help transform the world. Join us for food, fellowship, and faith on January 21 at 6:30 AM in the St Paul Church Hall. All men are welcome.

To learn more, visit the TMIY website at <http://www.tmiy.org> or visit our parish TMIY page at <https://stpaulkensington.org/that-man-is-you>

Contact one of our core team members for more information.

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Answer from page 5.  
The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit:  
Wisdom  
Understanding  
Knowledge  
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Fortitude (Courage)  
Piety (Reverence)  
Fear of the Lord (Wonder and Awe)

# 2023 MARCH FOR LIFE

JANUARY 20, 2023 | WASHINGTON DC

## PRAYER VIGIL FOR LIFE—Thursday, January 19-20

The National Prayer Vigil for Life is held on the eve of the March for Life. Thousands of pilgrims from across the nation pray for an end to abortion and a greater respect for all human life. It is held at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C.

*The Opening Mass will begin at 5:00 pm on January 19. The main celebrant and homilist will be The Most Reverend Michael Burbidge, Bishop of Arlington and Chairman of the USCCB Committee on Pro-Life Activities.*

*Immediately following the Opening Mass, the National Holy Hour for Life will be held through 8:00 pm, after which holy hours will take place across the country overnight.*

*The Prayer Vigil will conclude with the Closing Mass at 8:00 am on January 20. The celebrant and homilist will be The Most Reverend Joseph Coffey, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese for the Military Services, U.S.A.*

*Both the Opening and Closing Mass will be livestreamed:*  
<https://www.nationalshrine.org/mass>.

## PRE-MARCH RALLY—Friday, January 20

The March for Life Rally features a live concert and inspiring speeches from pro-life leaders. The Rally will begin at 12 pm on the National Mall. You can watch the live-streamed event using the links below.

## 50TH ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE—Friday, January 20

The March for Life will begin immediately following the Rally, around 1 pm. The March proceeds up Constitution Ave. to the steps of the U.S. Capitol Building.

Prayer Vigil:

<https://www.nationalshrine.org/mass>

<https://www.usccb.org/national-prayer-events-for-life>

March for Life: <https://marchforlife.org>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/marchforlife>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsmbHKHzqJ0dlABdoPUBBwg>



A national '9 Days for Life' novena for the protection of human life will be prayed from [January 19-27](https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life).

Please join us in prayer and help save the lives of innocent babies. <https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life>

If you would like to learn about our Culture of Life Ministry, please email Ashley at [respectlife@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:respectlife@stpaulkensington.org).

FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP



The Knights of Columbus Msgr. Thomas L. Greylish Council # 3675 is hosting their annual



## Basketball Free Throw Contest!

Saturday, January 21, 2023

12:30pm

Saint Paul School Gym

Registration to start at 12:00 pm

All boys and girls ages 9 to 14

are invited to participate in this competition!

Winners progress through Local, District & State competition.

Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent.

If you should have any questions, please contact Thomas P. Sullivan at 860-505-8128.



## St. Paul Parish Ladies' Guild "Game Night"

Wednesday, February 1st

Please join us! We will have an evening of fun and games!

Bring a card or board game to share or join with others to play or learn a game.

Hope to see you on [February 1st at 6:30 pm](https://www.facebook.com/marchforlife) in the St. Paul Church Hall!

Donation item: pasta/ sauce

## FOODSHARE ST. CLARE FOOD PANTRY & MOBILE FOODSHARE

Volunteers will be needed on [Thursday, Jan. 19](https://www.facebook.com/marchforlife) at **9:30am** to transport food from St. Paul to Sacred Heart and to set up for distribution. Volunteers are also needed on [Friday, Jan. 20](https://www.facebook.com/marchforlife) 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 FoodShare including volunteering, contact Nancy at 860-601-7866 or [n.timbrell@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:n.timbrell@stpaulkensington.org).

*Thank you to all who continue to support this ministry!*

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

**Saturday, January 14**

8:30am Confessions  
11:30am Funeral +Cyr SHC  
3:00pm Confessions

**Sunday, January 15**

1:15pm Baptisms

**Monday, January 16**

**NO SCHOOL - MLK Jr Day**

Parish Office Closed

8:45am No Parish Staff Meeting  
3:00pm Robotics - SP Church Hall  
5:00pm No 5 PM Mass  
7:00pm Pastoral Council Mtg. - SPH

**Tuesday, January 17**

**MS Spanish mid-term**

8:45am School Mass: Gr 3-5  
3:00pm Drama Club  
4:00pm Holy Hour Adoration  
4:30pm Boys JVA Basketball Practice  
6:00pm Girls Varsity Basketball Practice  
6:30pm Choir Rehearsal - PC-LL  
7:00pm School Board Meeting

**Wednesday, January 18**

3:00pm Cheer Practice  
3:00pm Drama Club  
3:15pm Mock Trial practice  
4:30pm Boys JVB Basketball Practice  
6:00pm Boys Varsity Basketball Practice  
6:00pm Rosary at Sacred Heart

**Thursday, January 19**

**MS LA/Lit mid-term**

9:00am Quilters SPH  
10:00am Funeral +Bayram  
3:00pm Girls JV Basketball Practice  
3:00pm Drama Club  
3:00pm Girl Scouts  
4:30pm Boys JVA Basketball Practice  
6:00pm Girls Varsity Basketball Practice  
6:30pm 1st Reconciliation Parent Session-SPC  
7:00pm RCIA

**PARISH CALENDAR**



**MLK Basketball  
Tournament at  
Saint Paul School  
Jan 14-16!  
Go Lions!**

Holy Hour  
Tuesdays  
4-5pm



**Friday, January 20**

3:00pm CoEd JVC Red Basketball Practice  
4:30pm CoEd JVC Gold Basketball Practice  
7:30pm AA Meeting - SPH

**Saturday, January 21**

6:30am TMIY Men's Group - SPH  
8:30am Confessions  
12:00pm K of C Basketball Free Throw Contest - Gym  
3:00pm Confessions

**Sunday, January 22**

7:45am Gr. 1-8 Rel Ed Session 1-SPS  
9:15am Gr. 1-8 Rel Ed Session 2-SPS  
10:30am Children's Mass  
10:45am Gr. 1-8 Rel Ed Session 3-SPS  
1:00pm 1st & 2nd Yr Confirmation classes-SPS

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