

## **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

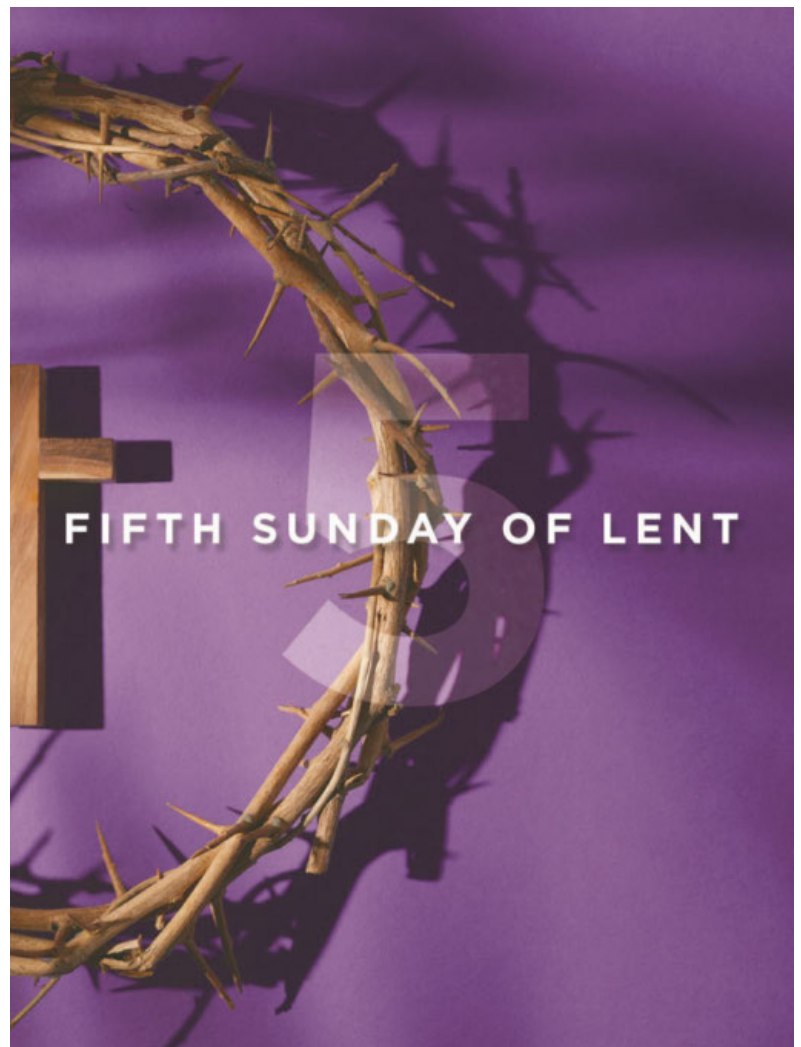
*A Franciscan Family of Faith*

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

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

March 26, 2023

5th Sunday of Lent



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

*-Pope Francis*

**Holy Week is Next Week** - Included in this bulletin on page 7 is our complete schedule for Holy Week beginning with Palm Sunday. **We will follow our regular Sunday schedule next weekend and palms will be distributed at all Masses.**

Life is often filled with routine and busyness. If we allow that busyness to dictate our lives we can often miss out on important moments. I encourage you to look over the Holy Week schedule carefully and plan now to enter into this very special time of prayer and reflection. May it be an opportunity to receive God's grace and be drawn deeper into the Paschal Mystery of the Lord's Passion, Death, and Resurrection.

**Mercy Mondays** - We have two Mercy Mondays left this Lent. The Friars will be available this Monday and next to hear confessions from 7pm to 8pm. *I remind you that we also hear confessions every Saturday from 8:30 to 9:30am and then again from 3:00 to 4:00pm.* On the Mercy Mondays we also have Eucharistic Adoration. Come and spend some time in prayer.

**St. Joseph Archdiocesan Medal of Appreciation** - Last Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford Archbishop Blair presided over the Archdiocese's annual conferral of the St. Joseph Medal of Appreciation. Each parish in the Archdiocese is invited to nominate an individual or a married couple over the age of 50 from among the laity who have given particular devotion and service to the parish over a number of years. Among the 118 recipients from 88 different parishes this year was our own Rosalind "Roz" Durante. A parish like ours is blessed with dedicated volun-



teers who help in so many ways. Some are willing to take on leadership positions and are thus very visible to the parish. On the other hand, we are blessed too with those who do not see themselves having those kind of gifts, but are very willing to work quietly behind the scenes. Roz falls into this latter category. Never wanting to be noticed Roz, who has been a parishioner for over 50 years, serves very gently and kindly. Prior

to Roz's husband's death in 2009, she had already been involved in some parish activities and organizations like the Ladies' Guild and Rosary Makers. It was after Vince's death that she became a more active volunteer. Up until the onset of COVID she was a volunteer in the school for over ten years reading to children twice a week. She did so undeterred by

their generous sharing of their germs! At the same time, she also volunteered in the Parish Center as she continues to do to this day. She is always willing to switch her schedule to meet the needs of the parish and others also working and volunteering in the office. Roz is always so very kind and understanding on the phone and with those who come to the office. She is a sweetheart! When I came in the office the day after she received the letter from the Archbishop informing her of the recognition I got this look from her that said "Why did you go and do that?" which is all the more reason why Roz is so deserving! She felt a bit better when I said she was representing the many others who also very humbly and behind the scenes give service to the parish and I meant that sincerely. Thank you Roz, and the many other parishioners who serve in ways similar to Roz. Please join me in congratulating and thanking Roz for her service to the school and parish!!

**Ushers and Greeters Meeting** - There will be a meeting for all current ushers and greeters and anyone who would like to become an usher or a greeter this Wednesday, March 29 at 6:45 pm in St. Paul Church. Please contact Deacon Don at [deacondon@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:deacondon@stpaulkensington.org) or 413-320-5778 to let us know if you would like to be a Greeter or an Usher at any of the Masses.

**Proposed Amendment to the CT State Constitution** - If proposed legislation passes out of the State Legislature this session would you vote for the following Amendment to the Connecticut State Constitution? **"Shall the Constitution of the State be amended to recognize a right to individual privacy and to prohibit the state from infringing such right without showing a compelling state interest?"** You might say sure, but ask do I not already have the right to individual privacy in the State Constitution? Surely we do, so we have to go to the actual wording in Joint Resolution 42 to find out what this amendment is really about. "The right of individual privacy is essential to the well-being of a free society and shall not be infringed without the showing of a compelling state interest. **Such right shall include, but not be limited to, the fundamental right to reproductive freedom, including, but not limited to, the ability to make and effectuate decisions to prevent, continue or end one's own pregnancy.** The state may not, directly or indirectly, deny, burden or abridge such right unless justified by a compelling state interest achieved by the least restrictive means." So now we know that the proposed amendment is really about unfettered and total access to an abortion at anytime during the pregnancy. So in a state that has some of the most wide ranging pro abortion laws already, this proposed Amendment to the Constitution wants there to be no limits.

## INTENTIONS

### Blessed Mother Candles will burn this week for

†**Louis A. Rich, Jr.**

21 Year Anniversary by Lois & Cliff White

†**Ken Stokowski** by Pam and Kevin Bobrowski

†**Madyline Zukowski**

10 Year Anniversary by Lois & Cliff White



To make a prayer request through our **Daughters of Jairus Prayer Line**, 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.

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).

**Reminder:** Our friars will be happy to visit you or your loved one in the hospital if you kindly send us a request. Call 860-828-0331 or email [ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org).

### INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PARISH FAMILY?

Our next Registration Meeting is **Monday, April 10th** 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>.



### **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, March 25, 2023 Fifth Sunday of Lent

4:00 †**Robert Fiori** by family

Sunday, March 26, 2023 Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**

9:00 †**Daniel Mahoney** by the Kane family

9:30 †**Paul Vukas** by Rosann and Larry Mancini

10:30 †**John Brian Gaffney** Birthday Remembrance by family

12:00 †**Vincenzo Pappalardo** by Rosetta Pappalardo

Monday, March 27, 2023 Lenten Weekday

7:00 †**Havelevitch and †Cyr Families** by family

5:00 †**Edward Mosher, III** by Roz

Tuesday, March 28, 2023 Lenten Weekday

7:00 †**Irma and †John Testori** by family

†**George Leolfelm** by Fr. Joseph

†**Richard & †Catherine Binder** by friend

8:45 †**Gary Verrillo and †Brad Ragaglia** by friends

5:00 †**Souls in Purgatory** by John and Linda Nappi, Jr.

Wednesday, March 29, 2023 Lenten Weekday

7:00 †**Lillian and †Art Piergrossi** by family

5:00 †**Deceased Friars, Families, Friends**

**and Benefactors of the Friars**

Thursday, March 30, 2023 Lenten Weekday

7:00 †**Mary and †Maryann Dorsey** by Ron

5:00 **John Nappi, Jr.** by wife

†**Rhonda Johnson** 2nd Anniversary Remembrance

by family

†**Robert Brown** 6th Year Anniversary by family

†**Edward Mosher, III** by Tina and Melissa

†**Joe and †Kay DeBlasio** by Arlene and Bill DeBlasio

Friday, March 31, 2023 Lenten Weekday

7:00 †**Dinh Ho and †Ut Nguyen** by family

5:00 †**Mary and †Ralph Santilli** by Theresa and family

Saturday, April 1, 2023 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

4:00 **Robert and Allison Poulin**

30th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, April 2, 2023 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

7:30 †**Lucille Micacci** Birthday Remembrance

by husband Anthony

9:00 †**Angela Marie Poletta** by Vancour family

9:30 **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**

10:30 †**Helen M. Gervais** 1st Year Anniversary

by Pisarski and Ciancimino families

12:00 †**Julie Boninsegna** 1st Year Anniversary

by the DeFrancesco family

**Parish Collection**  
March 14-20, 2023

In Church SP	\$ 8,415
Office	\$ 802
In Church SH	\$ 624
Online Giving	\$ 4,988
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 14,829</b>

2nd Collection for April 6/7: Good Friday Holy Land

## READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK, APRIL 2, 2023

For readings online, visit  
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/040223.cfm>

**First Reading:** Isaiah 50:4-7

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24  
*My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?*

**Second Reading:** Philippians 2:6-11

**Verse Before the Gospel:** Philippians 2:8-9

Christ became obedient to the point of death,  
even death on a cross. Because of this,  
God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him  
the name which is above every name.

**Gospel:** Matthew 26:14—27:66

### TECH UPDATE

A few weeks ago, the Technology Advisory Committee provided insight into a \$67,000 investment to advance our technology capabilities throughout the Parish. We are pleased to report this project has been completed with our expected results! Outdated computer equipment has been upgraded in the School, Parish Center, Friary, and Church with current technology. As a result of this investment our teachers, students, parish staff, Friars, and various ministries now have access to faster internet access and expanded WiFi capabilities. Although most of this new technology is not visible, you may notice a few round, white pieces of equipment with a blue light on the wall in each section of the church and on the light pole near the Gazebo. Over 50 "devices" of this type were installed throughout the campus to provide secure wireless access as needed. These devices are connected to the equipment you cannot see to provide the improved capabilities.

Now that this project is complete, we will be looking at the age of personal computers in place throughout the Parish and the software programs these computers access daily. The goal of this next step is to further improve the technology capabilities for our teachers, students, parish staff, Friars, and various ministries as well as increasing the security of the Parish computer network.



Please join us for  
**"Coffee and"**  
at Sacred Heart Church on  
**Sunday, March 26th**  
following the 9:30 am Mass  
All are welcome!

## PASTOR'S COLUMN (continued)

Should not the state have a greater compelling interest in the protection of human life? I think it should. I also think a compelling state interest should be honesty when proposing legislation and especially when proposing an amendment to the State Constitution.

In addition to this attempt to amend the State Constitution, there are two other pieces of legislation that do not uphold the value and dignity of every human life. More aggressively than ever, legislation is proposed (SB 1076) that would allow for physician assisted suicide in the state. **Our Culture of Life Ministry will host a guest speaker, Peter Wolfgang, on the topic of Physician Assisted Suicide on Monday, May 1 at 6:30 pm.** In another piece of legislation (HB 6618), the state would set aside \$2,000,000 dollars for funding the procurement of abortions by women from outside of the state. To learn more about these pieces of legislation and how you can communicate your thoughts to the members of the legislature go to <https://ctcatholic.org>.

**His Sacrifice, and ours!** - As of March 20<sup>th</sup>, 178 of our parishioners have made donations and pledges totaling \$38,317 towards this year's Archbishop's Annual Appeal which is 35% of our \$108,000 goal. Please remember all gifts, no matter the amount, are important and helpful!

**St. Paul Church Sound System and Live Streaming** - More substantial work for the implementation of the new sound system was scheduled to begin this past Wednesday with wiring being pulled for the new speakers. In the meantime, the aches and pains of the old system continue to be heard or not heard. Recall that patience is a virtue! Those who regularly make use of the live streaming are also noticing issues. Recall too that this system is in the process of being updated as well and will be addressed when the sound system is completed.

**Technology Update** - I am happy to report that our technology upgrades are moving along very well. Please read the summary of progress prepared by Chuck Tencza, the chair of our Technology Advisory Committee on this page.

**Final Thoughts** - As we prepare for Holy Week next week, let us all the more set some extra time aside for the Lord and plan for how we will truly make the week Holy for ourselves. The NCAA Tournament once again is providing good games and some notable upsets. As I write this my brackets are not completely busted with my projected champions, Alabama and UCLA, still alive. Huskie fans can be very proud with both the men and women in the Sweet 16. Tennessee, UCLA and Miami also have both their men and women in the Sweet 16. Opening Day is Thursday. Lots of changes this year with a pitch clock, no shifts, larger bases, so we will see how this all plays out. In the end it will be pitching and defense. Have a blessed week everyone!

- Fr. Joe



**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).

**Saint Paul School Academic Honor Roll  
Trimester 2 2022-2023**

Grade Eight

*High Honors:*

- Kaitlin Bertolami
- Kiley Bohn
- Alexis Bourque
- Camryn Fraello
- Julia Gujda
- Elijah Hairston
- Joanna Jarombek
- Abigail Mullison
- Katherine Parulski
- Conrad Yakimishan
- Valerie Yakimishan
- Alexandra Kuszaj-Zalewski

*Honors:*

- Wyatt Bajorski
- Olivia Carlson
- Marcin Kacperski
- Sienna Liebler
- Anna Morrissey

Grade Seven

*High Honors:*

- William Chrya
- Tyler Ebrahimi
- Dylan Gunning
- John Kelly
- Ruby Kuselias
- Kaily Lesny
- Simon Szymanowski

*Honors:*

- Evan Byrne
- Landon Ferguson
- Jack Gibson
- Christopher Harper
- Rachel Hart
- Chace King
- Emery Tarry

Grade Six

*High Honors:*

- Cody Douglas
- Anthony Esposito
- Malachi Felton
- Vihaan Iyer
- Luca Kaczynski
- Maana Patel
- Wilson Ronda
- Marco Tine
- Kayla You

*Honors:*

- Jakub Gawecki
- Maxwell Loukopoulos
- Kira Sorensen



**CONGRATULATIONS!**

**KEEP UP THE  
GREAT WORK!**

This year, for the first time, we offered a Host Making workshop to our Religious Ed and Saint Paul School 3rd graders who will be receiving their 1st Communion in May. We are thrilled to announce that this will be an annual event! Sister Jeanne d'Arc and Danna of the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist from the Franciscan Life Center in Meriden came to guide our students in making hosts while imparting to them the great importance of this incomparable sacrament of our Faith. Our students were captivated! These hosts are very special, as they will be the hosts used at their 1st Communion on May 13!



See more photos on our website.



**Congratulations** to our Saint Paul School Girls Varsity Basketball Team for making it to the third round of the CT Archdiocesan Basketball Tournament! Before losing to a tough game to Corpus Christi last weekend. We are so proud of your hard work, dedication and success this season!



The **Social Action Committee** would like to thank everyone who contributed yarn and to all who knitted hats and scarves over the past few months for our Winter Hat/Scarf Collection!

The generosity of our parish family is very humbling. We were able to donate 125 hats and over a dozen scarves to The Underground New England. They are very appreciative of all that our parish does for them!

## YOUTH MINISTRY

*A note from our Youth Minister, Dan Tome:*

I am excited to share that we are going to a new retreat this summer, *Assisi by the Chesapeake*. This retreat takes place the weekend of **July 21-23** and is only \$25 plus travel costs to attend. The retreat takes place in North East, Maryland. This is a huge discount from normal weekend long retreats. The one we went to last year cost \$300 to attend. The retreat is run by the Franciscans and all meals and lodging is taken care of by them. It promises to be a fun and meaningful retreat. It is open to those 13-18 years old. To sign up, send me an email at [d.tome@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:d.tome@stpaulkensington.org) and I will send you the link to register. There are limited spaces available so please sign up asap if you are interested. I look forward to hearing from you.—Dan Tome

**COLLEGE FAIR** Xavier and Mercy High Schools will hold a special College Fair on **Wednesday, April 5**, from 6-7:30 pm at Xavier in Middletown. Over 100 college representatives will be in attendance for the night. Students (grades 9-12) and their families are invited. For more information, please contact Matthew Conyers, Xavier Director of Communications at 860-490-2310 or [mconyers@xavierhighschool.org](mailto:mconyers@xavierhighschool.org) or visit <https://www.xavierhighschool.org>

**LENTEN COLLECTION** Our Social Action Committee's Lenten Collection will continue **through April 2**. Please join us in our efforts to help families in crisis and in need. Please leave items at the church entrances. *Items must be new, unused, not expired and in original packaging.*

**PRUDENCE CRANDALL WISH LIST:** laundry detergent, twin sheets and comforters, standard size pillows, towels (bath, hand, and face), baby wipes and diaper cream, toilet paper, paper towels, hand soap, dish soap, over-the-counter medicine, (ibuprofen, cold and flu, allergy, etc.) shower curtains, bath mats, toilet bowl cleaner & brushes, men's, women's and children's underwear, flatware. Gift cards are also appreciated: Stop & Shop, Aldi, Big Y, Target, and Walmart. (Please put gift cards in an envelope marked Lenten Collection and drop in the collection basket at church or leave them at the parish office.)

**FAMILY PROMISE WISH LIST:** shampoo, conditioner, bath soap (regular, unscented, sensitive skin), deodorant, body lotion/cream, cocoa butter, Vaseline, hair products, toothbrushes, paper towels, toilet paper, dishwashing liquid, laundry detergent, fabric softener, dryer sheets, Clorox/Lysol wipes, bleach, cleaning supplies.

**THE UNDERGROUND NEW ENGLAND:** The Committee is also accepting gift cards from Walmart and Stop & Shop for The Underground New England, a faith-based initiative dedicated to ending sex trafficking and sexual exploitation throughout Connecticut and New England.

## MERCY HIGH SCHOOL Pre-HSPT Entrance Exam

The HSPT (High School Placement Test) is the test Mercy requires for acceptance and placement. The Pre-HSPT practice exam gives current 7th graders an opportunity to prepare for the HSPT by familiarizing themselves with the test content and structure as well as offering insight on their performance. Each student will receive a comprehensive scoring report providing feedback. The exam for the Class of 2028 is scheduled for Saturday, April 29, 2023 at 8:30 a.m. There is a \$10 testing fee. \*\*Students who achieve in 90th national percentile or higher are given a \$500 Scholarship at Mercy for the 2024-2025 academic year pending acceptance in November 2023.

## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Visit the parish website for details!



The *Knights of Columbus* will award college scholarships to graduating high school students. Deadline **April 1**.

The *New Britain Council of Catholic Women* will offer two, scholarships to 8th graders planning to attend Catholic High School or high school seniors planning to attend college. Deadline is **May 5**.

## SPRING 2023 BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP



St. Paul Parish invites parishioners and others to participate in the 2023 Spring "New Day" Support Group. Gatherings will be held in the St. Paul Church Hall (basement—wheelchair accessible) on

Thursday evenings from 6:30–8:00 pm from [April 20– June 1](#). The program offers a supportive atmosphere of care and understanding for those grieving the loss of a loved one. Registration brochures are available at the church entrances.

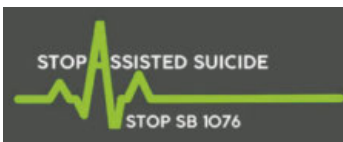
**First Saturday Devotion** Our Lady asked us to take specific actions on the first Saturday of each month, for 5 consecutive months in reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. These actions include Confession, Holy Communion on the First Saturday, The Holy Rosary, and Meditating for 15 minutes on the Mysteries of the Rosary. Learn more at <https://marian.org>

## CULTURE OF LIFE MINISTRY NEWS

**SAVE THE DATE!** The St. Paul Culture of Life Ministry will host a Live Presentation titled "*Assisted Suicide Coming or Connecticut?*" by Peter Wolfgang, Executive Director of The Family Institute of Connecticut <https://ctfamily.org>. The event will take place on **Monday, May 1st** at 6:30pm in the Saint Paul School gym. Save the date and look for more details and registration information in upcoming bulletins!



ProLife New Haven is holding a 40-day, non-stop prayer vigil outside Planned Parenthood of Southern New England (New Haven) [through April 2](#). Scan the QR code or visit our parish website for details. Join this peaceful and educational presence for Life.



The CT Catholic Public Affairs Conference would like to thank all those who sent emails to the Public Health Committee in an effort to stop the approval of assisted suicide in our state. Unfortunately, the Public Health Committee voted SB 1076 out of committee. The bill will now proceed to the Judiciary Committee for consideration. In past years, the Judiciary Committee has been critical in stopping the legalization of assisted suicide. Please visit <https://action.ctcatholicpac.org> or scan the QR code for more information and ask members of the Judiciary Committee to oppose SB 1076. The Catholic Conference, along with the disability community and others, will continue the fight, but we need your support.



## 2023 Holy Week and Easter Schedules

### Palm Sunday Weekend - April 1 & 2

#### Regular Weekend Mass Schedule

Palms will be distributed at all of the Masses.

#### Saturday, April 1

Vigil Mass: 4:00 pm

#### Palm Sunday, April 2

Mass at Sacred Heart: 9:30 am

Mass at St. Paul: 7:30, 9:00, 10:30 am & 12 Noon



### Monday to Wednesday of Holy Week - April 3, 4 & 5

Mass at St. Paul: - 7:00 am & 5:00 pm

Adoration: Monday, April 3, 7 to 8 pm

Tuesday, April 4, 4 to 5 pm

### Sacred Triduum - April 6 - 8

#### Holy Thursday - April 6

8:00 am Morning Prayer

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration until 10pm with Night Prayer

#### Good Friday - April 7

Parish Office Closed. Office re-opens on Tuesday, April 11

8:00 am Morning Prayer

12:30 pm Confessions until 2pm

3:00 pm Good Friday Service

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

#### Holy Saturday - April 8

8:00 am Morning Prayer

1:00 pm Blessing of Food (St. Paul Church)

1:30 pm Blessing of Food (St. Paul Church)

2:00 pm Blessing of Food (St. Paul Church)

#### Easter Vigil - April 8

8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass

Blessing of Fire, Lighting of the Paschal Candle, Celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation (Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist)

#### Easter Sunday - April 9\* (Read Carefully)

\*Mass Times at St. Paul are **not** at the usual times.

Mass at St. Paul: 7:00, 8:45, 10:30am & 12:15pm

Mass at Sacred Heart: 9:30 am

#### Confessions

Saturdays: 8:30 to 9:30 am & 3:00 to 4:00 pm

All Mondays during Lent: 7:00 to 8:00 pm

Tuesday of Holy Week: 7:00 to 8:00 pm

Good Friday: 12:30 pm to 2:00 pm

Confessions will not be heard on Holy Saturday.



*"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*

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>.



Our **Children's Rosary** group meets at 10am at Sacred Heart Church on the first Saturday of each month. Next gathering will be **April 1st**. All are welcome. For details, contact Cheryl Batter: [cherylbatter@att.net](mailto:cherylbatter@att.net).

**WOMEN OF FAITH** All women of the parish are invited to attend the next meeting of our Women of Faith group on **Thursday, April 13th** at 7pm. Join us as we help each other in Faith, Friendship and Fellowship. Any questions, email [womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org).

**NBCCW Meeting** The March meeting of the New Britain Council of Catholic Women will take place on **March 30th** at 1:00 pm at St. Jerome Church (1010 Slater Rd.). The event will include a regular business meeting and a speaker with refreshments to follow. Please bring a friend.



**37th Annual Franciscan Sports Banquet and Silent Auction** March Madness is here and the former head basketball coach at Duke University, Coach K, will be in our "court" at the 37th Annual Franciscan Sports Banquet and Silent Auction, **Tuesday, June 6, 2023**, at the Aqua Turf Club. He and his wife, Mickie are receiving the St. Francis and St. Clare Awards for their commitment and dedication to Christian value and achievements in athletics. Proceeds benefit the Franciscan Life Center and Franciscan Home Care and Hospice Care. For tickets, sponsorships and more, visit <https://flcenter.org> or call 203-237-8084. Cost: \$75 per person.

### Franciscan Life Center Enrichment Programs

**Parenting Classes** - **April 12 & 13**, 7:00pm until 8:30pm. Learn techniques to help raise responsible and cooperative children. The class is geared toward parents with children 13 and younger. \$45 per person or \$60 per couple.  
**Anxiety Workshops** - **May 24 & 31 and June 7, 14, 21, & 28**, 7:00pm to 8:30pm. Six-week program provides basic tools for managing anxiety including relaxation techniques and improved thinking styles based on the principles of Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy. Participants age 16 and over are welcome. \$50.00 for each session.  
For more information, visit [flcenter.org](http://flcenter.org) or call 203-237-8084.

### POLISH DINNER!

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus  
Msgr. Thomas L. Greylish Council #3675

**Saturday April 15**

Saint Paul School Gym, 5:00-8:00pm

Tickets are \$25.00 per person

Tables of 6, 8, 10 can be reserved

Catered by Michael's Catering, BYOB

Authentic Polish Cuisine

Tickets are available through;

Tom Drzata 860-965-1373

Ray Kalentkowski 860-828-8248

Tom Sullivan 860-505-8128

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### LADIES' GUILD NEWS

The St. Paul Ladies' Guild will sponsor a bus trip to Mohegan Sun Casino on **Tuesday April 25**. The bus will leave at 8:30am and return at 4:30pm. Cost is \$28. All parishioners are welcome. For information or to reserve a seat, please contact Pam at 860-828-1024 or Barbara at 860 828 5632.

All ladies of the parish are invited to join the Ladies' Guild on **Wednesday, April 12** for an evening focusing on health and wellness. Janice Hirschberg-Wise, OTRL, CLT from Radiant Journey will present the "Balance Without Fear" program. We hope to see you at 6:30 in the Parish Hall.

Food Pantry donation is juice.

Our Crafters and Quilters Group meets weekly on **Thursday mornings** from 9 to 11am in the St. Paul Church Hall. Anyone working on another project or who has a different type of craft is welcome to join us!. Please call Barbara with any questions: 860-930-0310.

**THAT MAN IS YOU!** Our *TMiy!* Men's Group spring season will continue through April. It's not too late to join!

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Contact our core team for more information.

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### **FOODSHARE ST. CLARE FOOD PANTRY & MOBILE FOODSHARE**

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.*

Volunteers will transport food from St. Paul to Sacred Heart and set up for distribution on **Thursday, March 30 at 9:30am**. Volunteers will also help with food distribution on **Friday, March 31 at 11am** at Sacred Heart Church.

*For transportation to FoodShare at Sacred Heart, call the Berlin Senior Center 860-828-7006.*

For information regarding the St. Clare Food Pantry or FoodShare program 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!*

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**Saturday, March 25**

- 6:30am TMIY Men's Group SPH
- 8:30am Confessions
- 3:00pm Confessions
- 5:30pm School Auction - Gym

**PARISH CALENDAR**

**Sunday, March 26**

- 7:45am Gr. 1-8 Rel Ed Session 1-SPS
- 8:30am Social Action SPH
- 9:15am Gr. 1-8 Rel Ed Session 2-SPS
- 10:30am RCIA PC1
- 10:30am "Coffee And" after 9:30am Mass SH
- 10:45am Gr. 1-8 Rel Ed Session 3-SPS
- 7:00pm Men's Holy Hour SPC

**Monday, March 27**

- 8:45am Parish Staff Meeting
- 6:00pm Boys Varsity Basketball Practice
- 7:00pm Scripture Study - PC-1, PC-2 & PC-LL
- 7:00pm Mercy Monday Confessions - SPC

**Tuesday, March 28**

- 8:45am School Mass: Gr K-2
- 3:00pm Drama Club – SG/SPH
- 3:30pm Scripture Study - PC-2
- 4:00pm Holy Hour Adoration
- 6:00pm Coach Mark AAU Basketball Practice
- 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal - PC-LL
- 6:30pm Confirmation makeup class-SPH
- 6:30pm Baptism Prep Lesson PC1
- 6:30pm Confirmation makeup class-SPH
- 6:45pm 2nd Yr Conf Confessions-SPC

Lenten  
"Mercy Monday"  
7-8pm

Holy Hour  
Tuesdays  
4-5pm

**Wednesday, March 29**

- 6:00pm Rosary at Sacred Heart
- 6:00pm Children's choir rehearsal-SPC
- 6:30pm Ushers Mtg - SPC
- 7:00pm Scripture Study - PC-1 & Sacred Heart

**Thursday, March 30**

- 9:00am Quilters - SPH
- 3:00pm Drama Club - SPH
- 6:00pm Coach Mark AAU Basketball Practice
- 6:00pm Adult Confirmation Class - PC-2
- 7:00pm RCIA - PC1 & SPC
- 7:00pm Picnic Committee SPH

**Friday, March 31**

- FLOWER PICK-UP
- 11:45am FoodShare SHC
- 2:00pm Stations of the Cross: Gr 3-5
- 3:00pm CoEd JVC Red Basketball Practice
- 4:30pm CoEd JVC Gold Basketball Practice
- 7:00pm Stations of the Cross - SPC
- 7:30pm AA Meeting - SPH

**Saturday, April 1**

- 6:30am TMIY Men's Group SPH
- 8:30am Confessions
- 10:00am Children's Rosary
- 3:00pm Confessions

**Sunday, April 2**

- 9:00am RCIA SPH
- 9:00am 1st & 2nd Yr Confirmation classes-SPS
- 1:15pm Baptisms

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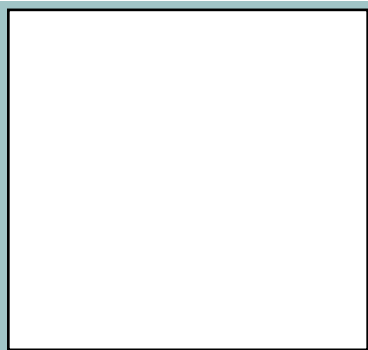
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