

## **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**

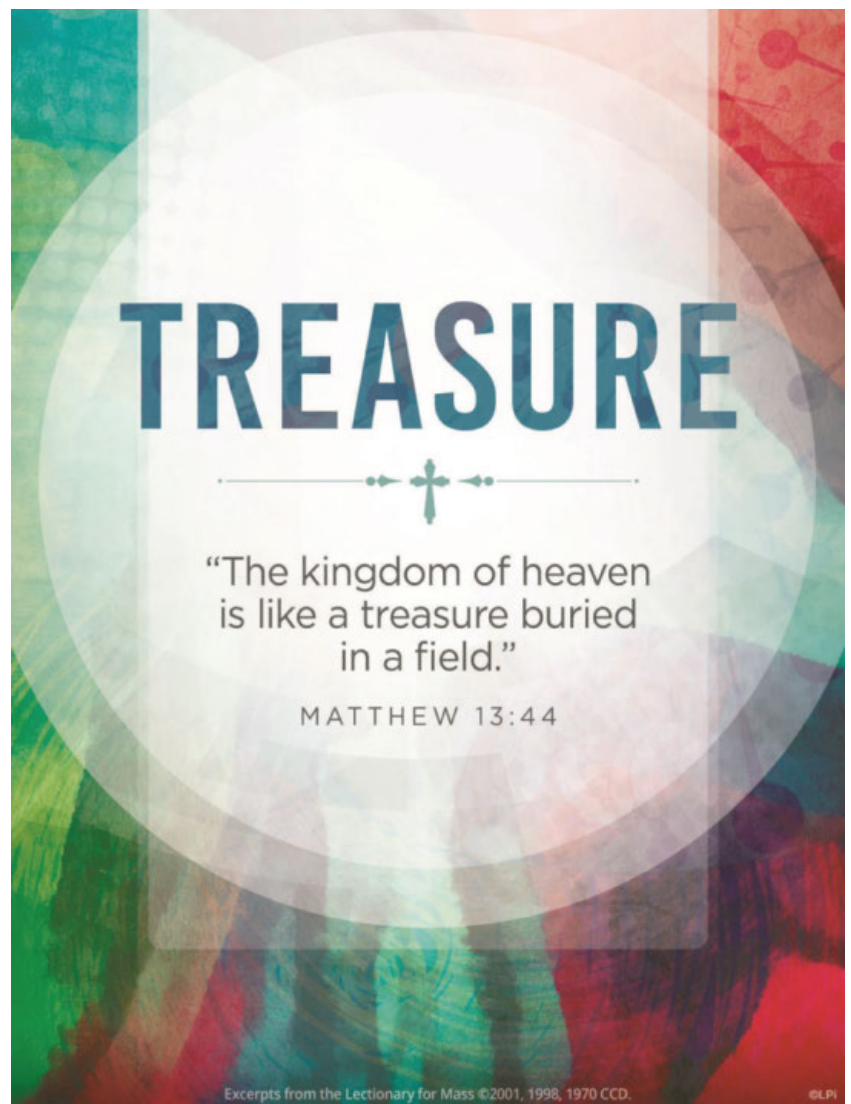
*A Franciscan Family of Faith*

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

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

July 30, 2023

*17th Sunday in Ordinary Time*



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

*-Pope Francis*

**Condolences** - Please remember in your prayers the soul of Maureen Fritz, the mother of Maura Gaffney, our Bulletin Coordinator and Publisher, who died on July 23. May her soul rest in peace and may the Lord's consolation accompany Maura, her dad, siblings and all who grieve the loss of Maureen in their lives.

**Mission Co-op Collection Today** - Please give a warm St. Paul welcome to Bishop Antonisamy Francis who is the Bishop of the Diocese of Kumbakonam, India. He will share with us the needs of his Diocese and how we can support the work of the priests, religious sisters and brothers, and the lay faithful themselves. See last weekend's bulletin for much more information. Thank you in advance for your support!

**Religious Education Registration and Catechists Needed** Information has been sent to all currently enrolled families and those whom census indicates have school age children. The deadline to register for this year's classes is this Monday, July 31<sup>st</sup>. Our Rel. Ed staff has much planning to do for the year so please adhere to the deadline. If your family has not received that information see page 5. We are in need of catechists. Might the Lord be calling you to share our faith with our children? Again see page 5 to let us know of your interest.

**Hospital and Home Visits** - Dozens of parishioners are visited by Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Some of these visits are weekly while others are visited monthly by the Friars or when there is a specific request. How do we come to find out who to visit? In most cases it is because someone has contacted us to say that their mom or dad or relative or neighbor can no longer come to Mass. It is rare that the person themselves tells us this directly. Sometimes I might receive a note from someone who can no longer make it to Mass and that becomes an opportunity for me to call them and ask if they would like for someone to visit them and bring them Holy Communion. So if there is someone in your family who can no longer come to Mass please call the Parish Office (860-828-0331) or speak directly to one of the Friars. The same would be true for any of your friends or neighbors. At the very least we can reach out to them and offer to come and visit and bring Jesus to them. Likewise, if someone is in the hospital please let us know. Long gone are the days when we could go to the hospitals and simply look at a census for that day that would have included the name of their parish. The HIPPA privacy laws changed all of that years ago. Also, do not assume that someone else must have let us know because that person likely assumed somebody else had already called the parish. **So how do we know who to visit? Someone just like you told us about them!**

**Outgoing Masters of Ceremonies** - We are blessed to have so many young people serving at the altar. They will be recognized as each of their own last Masses come up in the coming weeks. The five (5) "retiring" MC and their college of choice are: Meghan Bresch (St. Anselm College), Anna Butrimas (Wheaton College), David Perkins (Tunxis Community College), R. J. Smith (University of Connecticut), and Austin Vale De Serra (Western New England University). Since David is going to attend college locally he has asked if he could continue to serve, and we are delighted that he will continue to do so. These young men and women have not only fulfilled their duties well, but have been good leaders and mentors to the younger servers. In addition to their MC duties, Meghan and Anna have also been serving as sacristans behind the scenes. They have done a wonderful job making sure everything is set up before each Mass. Please join me in praying for them and wishing each of them well as they head off to college. We will very much look forward to seeing them during their breaks and hearing how they are doing. See page 7 for a bit more on these faithful young people.



*Thanks to the Vale De Serra family for sharing this great photo from 2014! Pictured is one of our graduates, Austin, when he first started serving, with his sister Jessica who is also an altar server.*

**Friar 4 Miler Walk/Run** - See page 6 for information about the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friar 4 Miler Walk/Run for fun being held on Saturday evening August 12<sup>th</sup> after the 4 pm Mass. The Parish Green will host the start and finish lines. You can also just come for the games, music and fellowship and wait for those doing the running and walking to return.

**Italian Night - It's Back!** - The Italian Night Committee led by Betty Lasker and Lynn Misteri have begun work on bringing back the annual Italian Night Dinner this year on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup> in the school gym. Save the date and begin plans to attend with some family and friends!

**Save the Date** - The Berlin Fair is the weekend of September 14 - 17. It is not too soon to consider volunteering to help with this parish and community event. Many hands are needed over the four days to keep the food and beverages flowing out the windows of our two booths. To volunteer contact Nancy Timbrell at [n.timbrell@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:n.timbrell@stpaulkensington.org).

## INTENTIONS

### Blessed Mother Candles will burn this week for

**†Francis E. Gentile** by Diane and Bill Funk

**†Arthur and †Michael Bittner**

Birthday Remembrance by John, Mary Ann and Michael Imundo

**†Christopher Rozycki** by family



**†Maureen Collins Fritz**  
(Mother of Maura Gaffney)

*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.*



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

**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).

**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, July 29, 2023 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
4:00 **†Edward Dobbins, Sr.** by Christina and Edward Bratina  
Sunday, July 30, 2023 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
7:30 **†Evelyn Modzelewski** Birthday Remembrance  
by Mary Jane and John Lynch  
9:00 **†Henry Perzanowski** by Michael and family  
9:30 **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**  
10:30 **†Francis E. Gentile** 7th Anniversary  
by wife, children and grandchildren  
12:00 **†Eugenia Czapl** Anniversary Remembrance by husband  
Monday, July 31, 2023 St. Ignatius of Loyola  
7:00 **†Jeanette Zammarieh** by Bill and Joanne McKenna  
5:00 **†Josephine Corso** by Rachela and Terry  
Tuesday, August 1, 2023 St. Alphonsus Liguori  
7:00 **Greene and Parkin Families** by Paul G. Hubbard family  
**Albert Family** by family  
**†Antoinette M. Pandolfi**  
by Berlin Memorial Funeral Home  
**Judy Doyle** for Healing by family  
**Beatrice Thompson** for health  
by Arleta Surowiec and family  
5:00 **†David Colite** 3rd Anniversary by wife Lawrie  
Wednesday, August 2, 2023 St. Eusebius of Vercelli  
St. Peter Julian Eymard  
7:00 **†Stanley Budnik** Anniversary Remembrance by family  
5:00 **†Faith Julia Verhulst** by Bill and Joanne McKenna  
Thursday, August 3, 2023 Weekday  
7:00 **†Robert J. Fitzsimmons** by wife Anita and children  
5:00 **John Nappi, Jr.** by wife  
**†Bruce Dumond** Birthday Remembrance  
by Lucia and children  
**Brittany Hayes** by Mary Jane DuPont  
**†Stella Pacyna** by Oblon family  
**†Theresa Fellows** by R and G  
Friday, August 4, 2023 St. John Vianney  
7:00 **†Tracey and †Jean Wieczorek** by sister and aunt  
5:00 **†Souls in Purgatory** by John and Linda Nappi, Jr.  
Saturday, August 5, 2023 The Transfiguration of the Lord  
4:00 **†David Dalfino** by family  
Sunday, August 6, 2023 The Transfiguration of the Lord  
7:30 **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**  
9:00 **†Mary Perzanowski** by Michael and family  
9:30 **†Suzy Hawley** by Dwight Davis  
10:30 **†Paul Miano** by St. Paul Pastoral Council  
12:00 **†Rafael Munoz** 1st Anniversary by family

**Reminder:** those who have made the offering for the intention for each Mass are invited to present the bread and wine during the Offertory for that Mass. If they would like to do so, they should arrive at least ten minutes before the scheduled start time of the Mass and go to the sacristy to let the sacristan know that you would like to bring up the gifts. If no one comes forward by that time, others will be invited to bring up the gifts for that Mass.



## READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK, AUGUST 6, 2023

For readings online, visit

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/080623.cfm>

**First Reading:** Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 97:1-2, 5-6, 9

The Lord is king, the Most High over all the earth.

**Second Reading:** 2 Peter 1:16-19

**Alleluia:** Matthew 17:5c

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;  
listen to him.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel:** Matthew 17:1-9

*Jesus took Peter, James, and his brother, John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them; his face shone like the sun and his clothes became white as light. And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with him. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."*

*When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate and were very much afraid. But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and do not be afraid." And when the disciples raised their eyes, they saw no one else but Jesus alone. As they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, "Do not tell the vision to anyone until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead."*



Visit the Spiritual Growth page of our website to learn about all the convenient ways you can access the Bible!

<https://stpaulkensington.org/spiritual-growth>

Contact our friars with any questions about whether a program is aligned with Catholic doctrine.

### Parish Collection July 18-24, 2023

In Church SP	\$	8,060
Office	\$	3,574
In Church SH	\$	712
Online Giving	\$	4,860
Total	\$	17,206

Second Collection for July 30: Mission Co-op Collection

## PASTOR'S COLUMN (continued)

**Home Stretch for the Parish Raffle** - Thank you to everyone who has already bought one or more tickets!!! The drawing for the 23 prizes totaling \$68,000 including a first prize of \$30,000, a \$10,000 second prize, \$8,000 third prize and another 20 \$1,000 prizes (all winnings are in VISA gift cards) will be held on August 13th. **If you have not yet returned your tickets please do so by Monday, August 7th.** As of July 25th 1,565 tickets have been bought which is a bit over 70% of last year's total of 2,229. In that this is the only fund raiser of the year your support is important for our success. **All checks should be made out to St. Paul's and tickets should be returned to St. Paul's.** Tickets can be purchased on our website: <https://www.stpaulkensington.org/parish-raffle>. The raffle winners will be drawn on Saturday, August 12, 2022 at 8:00 pm at the St. Roch Festival in Greenwich and can be viewed live at [www.parishraffle.com](http://www.parishraffle.com). Good luck, everyone!

**August 11 - Feast of St. Clare - Patron of our Food Pantry**  
August 11th is the Feast of St. Clare of Assisi. **Can you bring some non-perishable food items for our St. Clare Food Pantry next week?** Summertime is usually a slower time for donations to the Food Pantry. The lower weekly attendance while people are away contributes to the reduction of items coming in each week. As a result, the shelves are quite bare as the food distribution continues every other week. A total of 128 people were served last week. Because of the low supply we have had to buy some items for the last few distributions with the money that people donate. So I ask you, in commemoration of the Feast of St. Clare, to bring one or more non-perishable food items for our St. Clare Food Pantry next weekend. You can also drop off food items at the elevator door entrance any day until 7:00 pm. See page 9 for more info about our St. Clare Food Pantry and how you can help.

**Final Thoughts** - The MLB trading deadline is August 1 and we are approaching the last third (54 games) of the season. I am anxiously awaiting to see what GM Mike Elias does for the Orioles. Time will tell if they can hold onto the division lead. Following last week's series against the Rays the O's lead the season series 6 - 3. They meet for another four games at Camden Yards in mid September. Have a blessed week everyone! - Fr. Joe



### INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PARISH FAMILY?

Our next Registration Meeting is **Monday, August 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).

**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 is seeking two part-time positions  
for the 2023-2024 school year.**

- Music Teacher (2-days per week)
- Preschool Aide

Classroom experience is preferred. Interested  
candidates may send their resume and cover letter to  
Principal Jill Conaway: [j.conaway@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:j.conaway@stpaulkensington.org).



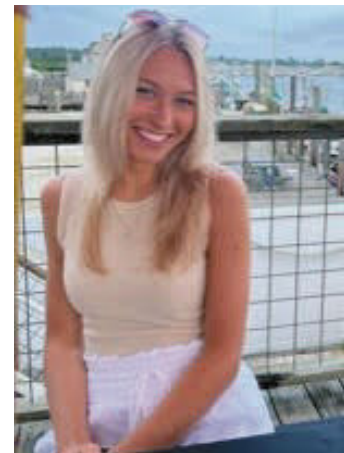
Did you know Saint Paul School uses the Superkids  
Reading Program? Superkids is a comprehensive English  
language arts curriculum crafted for grades K–2 using  
evidence-based literacy practices. To learn more about  
the Superkids program click here: <http://bit.ly/3NUz4Ry>.

We have a few spaces available in our Kindergarten  
program for the 2023-2024 academic year. Contact Kelly  
Esposito to learn more and to schedule a tour!

Throughout the summer we continue our series on our  
Religious Ed catechists. We are happy to introduce you  
to these amazing volunteers!

"Religion has always been such an important part of my  
life, so when I heard that Saint Paul Parish was in search  
of a catechist, I knew that this was a position I would love  
to pursue. Throughout my first year of teaching religion at  
Saint Paul Parish, it has truly allowed me to grow in my  
own faith, while teaching the younger generation about  
what it means to form a relationship with Jesus. Every  
child deserves to encounter good role models of faith, and  
I hope to be one for every student that I teach."

-Daria Szarwacki



If you are interested in becoming a catechist, please  
email us at [religioused@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:religioused@stpaulkensington.org) for  
information on joining our AMAZING team of  
volunteers as a teacher, co-teacher, or substitute.

Registration for 2023-2024 Religious Education classes  
has begun and will be open through July 31st. To register,  
visit: <https://stpaulkensington.org/registration-2023-2024-1>  
Contact our Religious Ed Office if you have any questions.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE**

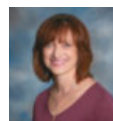
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Website: <https://stpaulkensington.org/religious-ed>

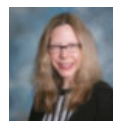
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Christina Norton, Administrative Assistant  
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**Registration  
is  
OPEN!**

**Sign up  
today!**

## 2ND ANNUAL FRIAR 4 MILER!

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 2023**

**Walk/Run - 5:00pm start**  
after 4pm Mass

### **Social Gathering on the Green**

All are welcome to gather on the Parish Green during and after the walk/run to enjoy music, games, and fellowship!

The Walk/Run Route makes a cross through our church neighborhood!

(Those who want a shorter course can follow the Tao Cross route.)

**Visit**

**<https://stpaulkensington.org/friar-4-miler>**  
**for all the details!**



### **'COFFEE AND' August 6th at SH**

The St. Paul Parish Council is sponsoring a "Coffee And" gathering for parishioners **after the 9:30am Mass** at Sacred Heart Church on **Sunday, August 6th**.



**\*NOTE** the date posted in last week's bulletin has been changed. The event will be held on **August 6th**.

Please join us in the Sacred Heart Church Hall downstairs.

**All are welcome! We hope to see you there!**

**CHILDREN'S ROSARY** Our Children's Rosary Group meets on the first Saturday of every month at 10am at Sacred Heart Church in East Berlin. Please join us for our next gathering on **August 5th**. All are welcome!



For more information on the Children's Rosary, please visit <https://stpaulkensington.org/childrens-rosary> or contact Cheryl Batter at [cherylbatter@att.net](mailto:cherylbatter@att.net).

### **Parish Raffle**

Take a chance to  
**WIN!**



- 1st Prize: **\$30,000**  
American Express Gift Card
- 2nd Prize: **\$10,000**  
American Express Gift Card
- 3rd Prize: **\$8,000**  
American Express Gift Card
- 4th ~ 23rd Prize: **\$1,000**  
AmEx Gift Card each!

The drawing for the 2023 Parish Raffle will be  
**Saturday, August 12, 2023 at 8:00pm.**

To purchase tickets online, visit:  
<https://stpaulkensington.org/parish-raffle>

**\* Please make all returns by Friday, August 4th! \***

The drawing can be viewed live at [www.parishraffle.com](http://www.parishraffle.com).

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 860-828-0331 or [ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org).



## THANK YOU, ALTAR SERVERS!

Meghan, Anna, RJ and Austin have been altar servers here at St. Paul Parish since 2014! They volunteered in 3rd or 4th grade and continued to serve throughout middle and high school.

David joined the altar serving team just a few years late when he was in 6th grade.

All of these dedicated young men and women were promoted to 'Master of Ceremony' in 10th grade, taking on more responsibilities and leadership roles. They served regularly at weekend Masses and also volunteered to serve on holy days, weddings and other special events.

**Meghan, Anna, David, RJ and Austin,**  
we are so grateful for your service and we will miss you!  
We pray that your faith will continue to be strong and that you will keep Christ by your side as you move on to the next chapter of your life. Thank you for your years of service and congratulations on your high school graduation!

*Wishing you all the best and God's blessings!!!*

*May Christ our Lord help you to go forth with faith,  
and to approach all things with an adventurous spirit,  
a ready heart, and a willingness to follow where He leads.*



**David Perkins**

Berlin High School Class of 2023

David plans to attend Tunxis Community College in the fall and will continue to be an altar server here at our parish.



**Meghan Bresch**

Berlin High School Class of 2023

Meghan plans to attend Saint Anselm College where she will also be a member of the track team.



**RJ Smith**

Xavier High School Class of 2023

RJ plans to attend the University of Connecticut this fall as a Business major.



**Anna Butrimas**

Berlin High School Class of 2023

Anna will attend Wheaton College in the fall where she will major in Nursing and will also run cross country and track.



**Austin Vale De Serra**

Berlin High School Class of 2023

Austin plans to study Mechanical Engineering at Western New England University this fall.

## PARISH PRAYER LIST

Bobby Adamowicz	Deb Follett	Esther Ouellette
Jacob Ahlquist	Michael Frakel	Our Military
Gilda Alberti	Maureen Freeman	Anna Pac
Emilie Albert	John Frigeri	Emma Pagano
John Anderson	Rose Garuti	Antoinette Pandolfi
Jose Arcia	Patricia Gebhardt	Judy Pappalardo
Rita Babin	Dominic Gionfriddo	Cynthia Paradise
Donna Baranowski	Jennifer Gionfriddo	Richard Paskiewicz
Zulma Barbien	Salvatore Gionfriddo	Ada Payamis
Lawrence Barker	Rosemarie Gionfriddo	John Pink
Theresa Baxter	Liz Goryl-Phillips	Marilyn Puopolo
Dick Benson	Frank Grandone	Care Rich
Don Benza	Edward Grapes	Frank Rich
Wyatt Bernard	Madison Gray	Rita Richter
Sue Besaw	Grochal Family	Randy Ripley
Rita Beaulieu	Linda Hannold	Steven Ripley
Peter Bocompani	Lily Harzewski-Burl	Carlos Rivera
David Borselle	Tom Higgins	Susana Rodriguez
Cheryl Brown	Evan Hill	Susy Romero
Nancy Carlson	Pat Jahn	Lillian Rose
Richard Carlson	Barbara Killius	Ed Rudnick
Silas Cipollone	Carmillia Kimmel	Viola Salonia
Doug Clarke	Evan Kimmel	Joan Schwartz
Lorraine Clark	Sylvia Kratka	Raul Seipel
Sophie Conti	John G. Kunitis, Sr.	Guy Simeone
Carol Corriveau	Mary Lamkins	Rev. Arkadiusz
Tom Coss	Maria Lauria	Skwarek
Arlene Cotrona	Mary Leinen	Jocelyn Soto
Amanda Coyle	Laura Lemke	Donald Spilka
Janet Crossman	Connie Lombardi	Kevin Stanowski
Robert Czerwinski	Ronald Maldon	James Swiatek
Mary Daleski	Lisa Mangiafico	Gabe Szczygla
Adeline D'Angelo	Fr. Paul Mangiafico	Julia Szczygla
Martin Dagna	Carol Marold	Luke Szul
Ramiro Dagna	Jackie Martin	Alfred J. Tee
Uly Dagna	Janet Michaud	Lois Ustanowski
Maria DeFazio	Robert Mazzaferro	Beverly Veley
Fr. Anthony	Lorraine McCarthy	Brian Veley
DeFronzo	Brandi McWade	Scott Veley
Kathleen Deliman	Luis Mendoza	Tom Vest
Bill Dobbs	Viola Mercadante	Jordan Hayes Walker
Nicole Donzello	Janet Michaud	Louise Webb
Nick Donzello	Michael Mihalko	Thaddeus Wojtusik
Judith Doyle	Tom Modifica	Mary Ann Watrous
Fannie Farrell	Sam & Esther Motta	Miriam Zacharias
Lilia Fernandez	Nancy Motulko	Carrie Zangari
Josefina Fernandez	Cheryl Murphy	Eliana Zorrilla
Bill Filomena	John Murphy	Foster Zucchi
Simon Fitzpatrick	Helen Murphy	
Helen Flannelly	Robert Namnoum	
Nancy Fleming	Thomas Norris	
	Arlene O'Neill	



**PRAYER LIST** If you would like to add someone to our Prayer List or to let us know that a name can be removed, please call 860-828-0331 or email [ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org). Please be sure to ask for permission from the person whose name you would like to add to the list. Thank you.



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.

**REMINDER!** St. Paul Parishioners have FREE access to great digital content through **FORMED!** Create an account today and enjoy movies, programs, and more instantly. To create a new account, go to <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 CRAFTERS & 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 (origami, jewelry, scrapbook, genealogy, etc.) is welcome to join us!. Call Barbara with any questions: 860-930-0310.

## WORD SEARCH

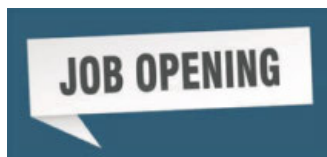
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## Our parish currently has an opening for the position of Director of Youth Ministry

Here is the job posting:

*St. Paul Parish in Kensington, CT, a large active suburban parish outside of Hartford, is seeking an experienced Director of Youth Ministry to lead the parish's youth ministry program for grades 6 – 12 as well as engage the college-age and young adult population. The Youth Minister will work as a team with our Director of Religious Education and the Principal of our School to serve the spiritual needs of our young people in our parish school and the parish at large. The position is full time with benefits.*

*Applicants should have a bachelor's degree preferably in theology or religious studies and/or have experience in establishing and working with youth ministry programs. Applicants should be enthusiastic adult Catholics, practicing, and committed to their faith, with the ability and desire to help our young people deepen their relationship with God and the Church. Excellent people and organizational skills are essential. A letter of interest, current resume, and two letters of reference should be sent to the Search Committee at [f.molloy@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:f.molloy@stpaulkensington.org).*

*The deadline for applications is August 12, 2023*



**2023 World Youth Day (WYD)** will be held in Lisbon, Portugal from August 1—6. WYD is a worldwide encounter with the Pope celebrated about every three years in a different country. The event was initiated by Pope St. John Paul II in 1986.

*Pope St. John Paul II told the 800,000 pilgrims gathered with him in Toronto, the last international WYD in which he was present, "When, back in 1985, I wanted to start the World Youth Days, I imagined a powerful moment in which the young people of the world could meet Christ, who is eternally young, and could learn from him how to be bearers of the Gospel to other young people. This evening, together with you, I praise God and give thanks to him for the gift bestowed on the Church through the World Youth Days. Millions of young people have taken part, and as a result have become better and more committed Christian witnesses." John Paul the Great left a legacy for the youth in his institution of World Youth Day.*

Learn more at <https://worldyouthday.com>



## 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 October 6-8, 2023 in Farmington, CT. The weekend healing process includes discussions, Living Scriptures with meditations, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Memorial Service and Mass of Entrustment. Participation is totally confidential and offers a beautiful opportunity to experience God's love, forgiveness and compassion. Both women and men have participated in past retreats and have ranged in age from teens to mid-eighties. The fee for the weekend is \$175 for meals, private room and all retreat materials. Scholarships are available for financial assistance. For more information contact Marie at 203-631-9030 or email her at [mlaffin@prolifeministry.org](mailto:mlaffin@prolifeministry.org), or visit [www.rachelsvineyard.org](http://www.rachelsvineyard.org).



*If you are interested in volunteering with our **Helping Hands** ministry which assists with the concerns of our senior parishioners, we would love to have you join us. Please contact Mark Duplin at 860-666-0162 or [mfduplin@outlook.com](mailto:mfduplin@outlook.com).*



**Women of Faith** All women of the parish are invited to attend the next meeting of our Women of Faith group on **Thursday, September 14th** at 7pm.

Join us as we support one another in Faith, Friendship and Fellowship. Save the date, and we hope to see you there! Please email us at [womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org) with any questions.



**KNITTERS NEEDED** No, this isn't a misprint! Although it's the middle of summer, our Social Action Ministry has received a request from Underground New England for hats and scarves that they would like to distribute to over 150 children in December as Christmas gifts. The UNE is a grass-roots, faith-based initiative dedicated to ending sex trafficking and sexual exploitation throughout New England. UNE is looking for volunteers to knit youth sized winter hats/scarves for children **ages 10-17**. 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? Please call Cheryl at 860-218-3177.

## Saturday, July 29

6:30am Men's Group SPH  
8:30am Confessions  
10:00am Committal - +Martin  
3:00pm Confessions

## Sunday, July 30

## Monday, July 31

8:45am Parish Staff Meeting  
6:00pm **Coach Mark AAU Basketball Practice - SG**

## Tuesday, August 1

4:00pm Holy Hour Adoration  
7:00pm K of C Leadership Mtg - PC1

## Wednesday, August 2

6:00pm Rosary at Sacred Heart

## Thursday, August 3

9:00am Quilters - SPH  
10:00am First Thursday Calls  
3:00pm Spiritual Life & Life Committee - PC1  
6:00pm **Coach Mark AAU Basketball Practice - SG**

## Friday, August 4

9:00am First Friday Calls  
11:45am FoodShare SHC  
7:30pm AA Meeting - SPH

## Saturday, August 5

8:30am Confessions  
10:00am Children's Rosary  
3:00pm Confessions

## Sunday, August 6

1:15pm Baptisms

### PARISH CALENDAR

Holy Hour  
Tuesdays  
4-5pm



Join us for **Coffee And**  
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-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>.

## ITALIAN NIGHT

Save the Date!

Saturday  
November 4, 2023

## 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, August 3** at **9:30am**. Volunteers will also help with food distribution on **Friday, August 4** 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).



## Growing Greatness!

Saint Paul's looks forward to welcoming students back for the 2023-2024 school year!

Applications are still being accepted for grades kindergarten through middle school.

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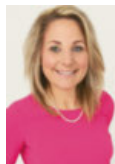
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