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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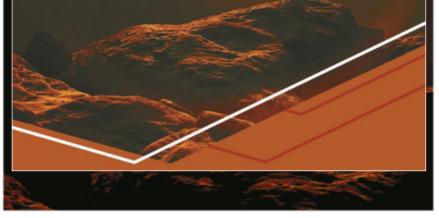
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August 6, 2023 The Transfiguration of the Lord

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. –Mt 17:1-2



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

PASTOR'S COLUMN

Feast of the Transfiguration - From time to time during Ordinary Time, certain Feasts take precedence over the regular Sunday. Today is one of those Sundays. Sometimes they are Feasts of Saints (Sts. Peter and Paul or St. John the Baptist) and other times they are Feasts of the Lord, like today's Feast of the Transfiguration. Back in 1978 this Feast also fell on a Sunday and coincided with the day that I began my journey with the Conventual Franciscan Friars. Time has this way of marching on! August 6, 1978 was also the day Pope Paul VI died. Seventy years ago on August 6, 1953, a Thursday that year, a young Paul Borkowski left Throop, PA for Becket, MA and is still serving the Lord today as our Fr. Raymond. Now back to the Feast of the Transfiguration!

The Transfiguration of Jesus is recorded in each of the Synoptic Gospels. In this privileged experience three Apostles (Peter, James, and John) are given a glimpse of Jesus' glory. In each of the Synoptic Gospels the event is preceded by a discussion of the cost of being a disciple of Jesus. In St. Matthew's Gospel that we read from this year Peter, has answered Jesus' question "Who do you say that I am?" by confessing that Jesus is the Messiah. However, when Jesus then tells them that the Messiah will have to suffer and die Peter tells Jesus they will not let such a thing happen to him. Jesus confronts Peter and tells him, 'Get, behind me Satan.' It is following this encounter about a week later that these three are given the glimpse of Jesus' glory seemingly to help them through the difficult and dark days that lie ahead. Two significant figures in the history of Israel are present, conversing with Jesus. Moses led the people out of slavery and received the Ten Commandments from God. Elijah, one of the most important prophets of Israel helped them to stay faithful and some believed he would come back to signal the coming of the Messiah. As at Jesus' Baptism a voice from the heavens affirms that Jesus is "my beloved son" and that they should "listen to him."

As the Apostles were learning more and more about who Jesus was, but also facing startling and disturbing news ('If you are to follow me you must take up your cross') about what he and they would face in the future, Peter, James and John were given this special spiritual experience of God. While not fully understanding what was happening (think of Peter's suggestion to erect three booths) they were being prepared and fortified for what would come. In the Transfiguration the Apostles had a glimpse of Jesus' Resurrection, a foreshadowing of His glory in Heaven, and the promise of their own resurrection. Like the Apostles, we may be given special experiences of grace to strengthen ourselves or maybe someone else. As for the Apostles, may these occasions sustain us through the challenges of life and assure us that the road we travel in faith will ultimately bring us to see

Christ in glory and bring us to happiness in heaven too.

Director of Youth Ministry Position Available - As previously announced, the parish is looking to hire a new Director of Youth Ministry. I am grateful that Mrs. Fayne Molloy, former principal of Saint Paul School and a member of the Pastoral Council, has agreed to serve as Chair of the Search Committee. An ad for the position is posted on the parish web site. This position is a full-time salaried position with full benefits. Inquiries can also be made directly to Mrs. Molloy at <u>f.molloy@stpaulkensington.org.</u> The deadline for applications is August 12th.

Feast of the Assumption - Looking ahead to next week, Tuesday, August 15th, is the Feast of the Assumption of Mary into heaven. This Solemnity is a Holy Day of Obligation this year meaning that attendance at Mass is required. There will be a Vigil Mass on Monday, August 14th at the usual 5:00pm. On the feast itself on Tuesday, August 15th there will be three (3) Masses at 7:00am, 12:00 Noon and 7:00pm. The later time at 7pm is to accommodate those, who because of work, cannot attend the other Masses. There will **not** be the usual Tuesday Holy Hour on August 15th.

Eucharistic Year of Renewal - You will recall that back on the Feast of Corpus Christi in June, we began a year of renewal to reinvigorate our belief and understanding as Catholics in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. As Catholics we understand *Real Presence* to mean that in the celebration of the Eucharist, bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit and the instrumentality of the priest. The whole Christ is truly present -- body, blood, soul, and divinity -- under the appearances of bread and wine, the glorified Christ who rose from the dead.

Our next event to help renew us spiritually in our belief and practice will occur the weekend of September 30/ October 1 and Monday evening, October 2nd. During those days we will welcome Steve Angrisano who will lead a one evening parish retreat with a focus on the Eucharist. He will also be an integral part of the Confirmation retreat on Sunday afternoon. He will also engage the students in the school. Steve Angrisano is an internationally recognized Catholic composer, presenter and passionate music missionary. He has traveled around the world for over two decades sharing his unique blend of humor, story and song. Steve will introduce himself and his music at all of the weekend Masses. On Monday evening he will lead us in prayer, song and reflection with the Eucharist as the focal point of the evening. More information will follow, but I hope you will mark October 2nd on your calendar and plan to join us that even-Continued on page 4. ing.

INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Candles will burn this week for +Rafael Munoz 1st Anniversary by family +Christopher Rozycki Birthday Remembrance by family +Edith Cullen by Theresa and family +Linda Zipadelli - Soj by Mary Jane and John Lynch	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 Monday, August 7, 2023 St. Sixtus II, Pope & Companions, St. Cajetan 7:00 †Adeline Kleckowski				
Sanctuary Candles will burn this week for +Mary Rich by Irene Kramer and daughters	5:00 +Joseph & +Anne Ferrante and +Conrad Amenta by the family <u>Tuesday, August 8, 2023</u> St. Dominic 7:00 +Ann Porcaro Wedding Anniversary Remembrance by husband Joseph				
A In Loving Memory	+Edward Dorsey, Sr. and +Maryann Dorsey by Ron +Lucille Micacci and +Rose & +Vincent Micacci by Anthony Micacci				
+Fanny Farrell	+Isaia Tee by son +Anne and +Edward Toohey by family				
⁺William J. ("Bill") O'Connor	5:00 +Souls in Purgatory by Rachel Maltese				
	Wednesday, August 9, 2023 St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross				
tRejeanne Regan	7:00 †Jimmy McDermott 33rd Anniversary by dad and Maureen 5:00 †David Colite Birthday Remembrance by wife Lawrie				
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.	Thursday, August 10, 2023 St. Lawrence 7:00 Living Friars, Families, Friends and Benefactors of the Friars 5:00 +Jill Verrett Birthday Remembrance				
Collection amounts are shown on page 5.	by Richard and Doris Chasse †Eugenio Ricciardi by Emanuele Lombardo John Nappi, Jr. by wife				
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 <u>ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org</u> .	+Souls in Purgatory by John and Linda Nappi, Jr. +Zinter Family by the Pohlmann family <u>Friday, August 11, 2023</u> St. Clare 7:00 +Gerald Vanty by Linda and family				
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.	5:00 †Domenica and †Domenic Lopreiato by children <u>Saturday, August 12, 2023</u> Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 †Robert and †Mary McGurgan by the McGurgan family <u>Sunday, August 13, 2023</u> Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 7:30 †Harry P. Misteri 3 Year Anniversary by Misteri family 9:00 †Domenica and †Domenic Lopreiato by children 9:30 Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish				
Saint Michael the Archangel, Defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snarps of the Devil	 10:30 +Bob Callahan by family 12:00 +Deceased Members of the Noworyta Family by the Tabaczynski family 				
wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray,	Reminder: those who have made the offering for the intention for				

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.

who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.

and do thou,

by the power of God,

thrust into hell Satan,

and all the evil spirits,

O Prince of the heavenly hosts,

PASTOR'S COLUMN (continued)

Automated External Defibrillator (AED) - At their last regular meeting of the year back in June, the Ladies' Guild agreed to purchase an AED for the church. An AED delivers an electric shock through the chest to the heart when it detects an abnormal rhythm and changes the rhythm back to normal. The school already had one and now there is one in the church. It is in the hallway leading to the sacristy near the side entrance of the new wing. As with many things these days, it took awhile for the AED itself to come in and then even longer for the cabinet that it is kept in to come in. Thank you very much to the Ladies' Guild for purchasing the AED and cabinet at a cost of \$1,763.60. I pray that this is a purchase that will never have to be used. Having it though might be a very large help to someone in distress. Anyone can use it on another person by following the verbal and text prompts that the AED provides. The device itself detects whether or not it should be used. In any emergency the first thing that should always be done is to call 911.

Feast of St. Clare - Patron of our Food Pantry - Friday, August 11th is the Feast of St. Clare and the patron saint of our Food Pantry. The summer is usually a slower time for donations to our food pantry with many away on vacation. The price of food these days only makes this more challenging for donors and also of course for those in need. Just one item per family would be a big boost to the pantry this time of year. At the most recent distribution, food was given to 128 people. Food can also be dropped off any day at the elevator door entrance until 7:00 pm. See page 10 for more info about our St. Clare Food Pantry and how you can help.

All Parish Raffle Returns are Due by Tuesday, August 8 -The Raffle Committee has extended the original deadline (8/4) and all tickets must be returned by Tuesday, August 8th. The drawing for the 23 prizes valued at \$68,000 in American Express Gift Cards will be drawn on Saturday, August 12 at 8:00 pm at the St. Roch Festival in Greenwich. The drawing can be viewed live at www.parishraffle.com. All tickets must be returned by Tuesday, August 8 so that they can be properly recorded and taken down to St. Roch's Parish in Greenwich, CT. Recall that this is the only fund raiser that the parish has. Tickets can be returned or purchased on Tuesday until 4:00 pm in the office or on the parish website through midnight. Thank you to everyone who has bought one or more tickets thus helping us exceed last year's sales and making the raffle a great success for our parish. I hope we have some winners from the parish! Good luck, everyone!

Looking Ahead - Here are some dates and events to keep in mind now that we are in August. More information will follow in the coming weeks for all of these events. To volunteer or to seek information sooner just contact the Parish Center.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK, AUGUST 13, 2023 For readings online, visit

https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/081323.cfm

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a **Responsorial Psalm**: Psalm 85:9, 10, 11-12, 13-14 *Lord, let us see your kindness, and grant us your salvation.*

Second Reading: Romans 9:1-5

Alleluia: Cf. Ps 130:5

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for his word.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening he was there alone. Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. "It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, "Truly, you are the Son of God."

- First Day of School Thursday, August 24
- Berlin Fair September 14-17
- Catechetical Sunday September 24
- Eucharistic Evening of Reflection with Steve Angrisano -October 2
- *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* Sessions will begin in October
- Parish Appreciation Day Sunday, October 22 from 1-4 pm in the school gym
- Italian Night Dinner Saturday, November 4

Final Thoughts - I will be away after Masses today until August 17. My Pastor's Column will return on August 27. Who knows what the pennant races will look like by then. Also by then the NFL's exhibition game schedule will be complete. Away on vacation and need to find a church to attend Mass, go to <u>www.Masstimes.org</u>. Have a blessed week! -Fr. Joe

SAINT PAUL SCHOOL NEWS

SAINT PAUL SCHOOL NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2023-2024 ACADEMIC YEAR For more information visit our school website <u>https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org/</u> or call 860-828-4343 x113. To download an application, click on this link: <u>https://bit.ly/3qO2X9J</u>



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

JOB OPENING

Saint Paul School is seeking a part-time <u>Preschool Aide</u> for the 2023-2024 school year.

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

Admissions Director, Kelly Esposito, and Director of Advancement, Denise Nowakowski, , are excited to be new members of the Midstate Chamber of Commerce. Kelly and



Denise are looking forward to working with the Chamber on marketing and advancement opportunities.



We had a beautiful evening for our July Summer Movie on the Parish Green!

Thank you to all of the school families and St. Paul Parishioners who joined us for this fun event!



RELIGIOUS ED NEWS

In this column throughout the summer, we introduced you to a few of our Religious Ed volunteers.

If you'd like to join our amazing team as a teacher, co-teacher, or substitute, please email us at religioused@stpaulkensington.org.

See page 7 for even more reasons to consider becoming a catechist!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE

Monday - Thursday 8am - 2pm Phone 860 828-0331 Website: https://stpaulkensington.org/religious-ed

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

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Robin Veronesi, Director of Religious Education (860) 828-1934 ext 320



Christina Norton, Administrative Assistant (860) 828-1934 ext 321

In Church SP	\$	8,030
Office	\$	3.442
In Church SH	\$	582
Online Giving	\$	4,425
Total	\$	16,479
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Second Collection for August 6: Monthly Maintenance



To receive our parish bulletin in your email every week, please complete our simple online form at https://stpaulkensington.org/our-bulletin.

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.



NOTICE OF ROAD CLOSURES

Notice of travel restrictions on Saturday, August 12, 2023 from approximately 4:45pm until approximately 6:30pm for a Run/Walk event being hosted by St. Paul Parish in Kensington.



Involved roads:

Alling Street, High Road, Hart Street, Percival Avenue and Main Street will all be designated "One Way" in the area of the event for its duration. Road cones will be placed on the centerline of those roadways to allow one lane for traffic and the other for race participants. Alling Street will be closed in front of the Saint Paul Parish School/Church during the event. There will be a barricade and detour for High Road at Glen Street.

The <u>deadline</u> for the Parish Raffle has been extended to <u>Tuesday, August 8</u>!

Please make all returns to the Parish Office before 4pm and complete all online purchases by midnight on August 8th.





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!

Tickets are \$25 each

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

RAFFLE

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

The drawing can be viewed live at <u>www.parishraffle.com</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 860-828-0331 or <u>ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org</u>.

10 REASONS TO BE A CATECHIST!

10. *The best way to learn is to teach.* We all are called to continue to grow in our own faith, and the best way to learn is to teach. When you instruct others, your own understanding increases. If your own faith education ended years ago, the resources and materials you are exposed to as a catechist will surely refresh and expand your own knowledge.

9. *Catechists tell the truth*. In today's chaotic world, people are searching for what is real and what isn't. Catechists are like the little boy who told the emperor he wasn't wearing any clothes. Catechists speak the truth about God, faith and morals. The world needs the message of the Gospel and the way to true happiness; as a catechist, you offer a hungry world that sustenance.

8. Sharing the faith is an honor. It's estimated that fewer than 1 percent of Catholics are catechists. If you've been approached to be a catechist, or if you feel the call, you are being asked to do something special for God, for the Church and for your fellow Catholics.

7. Your own faith will come alive. By acting on what you believe, you become a participant in building up God's kingdom. After all, Jesus told us not to put our light under a bushel basket, and that means not hiding it behind a missalette either. As a catechist, you will discover that prayer, liturgy and your own relationship with God will become more vibrant and meaningful.

6. You become an active part of the most active part of your parish. One criticism of Catholic churches is that they don't offer as much "fellowship" as some others. When you join the catechists in your parish, you enter into a community that will support you on your faith journey, pray for and with you and encourage you in your Catholic way of life.

5. A catechist is a role model. Ask young people who their role models or heroes are, and you'll get a litany of movie and sports stars. While looking good and being athletic are fine qualities, young people also need examples of ordinary people who do the right thing just because it is the right thing. As a catechist, you get to model behaviors young people might not learn anywhere else.

4. You will be practicing stewardship. In these difficult economic times, families are struggling with rising prices and shrinking incomes. Being a catechist is a way of being a good steward by giving a bit of your most precious resource — your time. You might not be able to donate as much money as you would like, but we all have time and talent to share.

3. You show your own family that you value religious education. Taking time out of your life to teach the faith shows your own children, grandchildren, siblings and ...

family members that you put a high priority on religious education. You may find you are teaching them as much by your example as you are your students by your lesson plan.

2. *It's fun.* Spending time with energetic, enthusiastic young people gives you renewed energy and vitality. Kids remind adults to live and laugh in the moment and get enthused about things like holy days and stories of saints. Not to mention there's nothing like it when a kid "gets" one of the tenets of the faith, like the Real Presence.

1. *It's what we are called to do.* At the end of his earthly ministry, Jesus said: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age" (Mt 28:19-20). By teaching the next generation about the Good News, you are fulfilling your part of the Great Commandment. It may be the most important thing you will ever do.

If you are interested in becoming a catechist, please email us at <u>religioused@stpaulkensington.org</u> for information on joining our AMAZING team of volunteers as a teacher, coteacher, or substitute.

Note: Children's Masses will resume on Sunday, Sept. 24. There will be no Children's Masses in August as originally planned.



Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference

The 2023 Connecticut Catholic Men's Conference will be held on Saturday, September 23rd at Northwest Catholic High School in West Hartford.

Purchase tickets at <u>https://ctcatholicmen.org</u>. Doors will open at 7:30 am. Ticket prices are \$45 for adults and \$20 for teens.

Although tickets may be purchased at the door, organizers request that tickets be purchased in advance. Lunch is included, so advance sales are requested for planning purposes.

The Catholic Men's Conference has a unique format that includes Eucharistic

Procession, Adoration, Inspiring Speakers, Confession, Lunch, Exhibitors, and Vigil Mass. This year, the event includes a first ever Procession of the Saints, with over 24 relics in procession.



PARISH PRAYER LIST

Bobby Adamowicz Jacob Ahlquist Gilda Alberti Emilie Albert John Anderson Jose Arcia Donna Baranowski Zulma Barbien Lawrence Barker Theresa Baxter **Dick Benson** Don Benza Wyatt Bernard Sue Besaw **Rita Beaulieu** Peter Bocompani **David Borselle Cheryl Brown** Nancy Carlson 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 Martin Dagna Ramiro Dagna Uly Dagna Maria DeFazio Fr. Anthony DeFronzo Kathleen Deliman Bill Dobbs Nicole Donzello Nick Donzello Judith Doyle Fannie Farrell Lilia Fernandez Josefina Fernandez **Bill Filomena** Simon Fitzpatrick Helen Flannelly Nancy Fleming **Deb Follett**

Michael Frakel Maureen Freemen John Frigeri Rose Garuti Patricia Gebhardt Dominic Gionfriddo Jennifer Gionfriddo Salvatore Gionfriddo Rosemarie Gionfriddo Liz Goryl-Phillips Frank Grandone Edward Grapes Madison Gray Grochal Family Linda Hannold Lily Harzewski-Burl **Tom Higgins** Evan Hill Pat Jahn Barbara Killius Carmillia Kimmel Evan Kimmel Sylvia Kratka Wilma Kulas John G. Kumitis, Sr. Mary Lamkins Maria Lauria Mary Leinen Laura Lemke Connie Lombardi Ronald Maldon Lisa Mangiafico Fr. Paul Mangiafico Carol Marold Jackie Martin Janet Michaud Robert Mazzaferro Lorraine McCarthy Brandi McWade Luis Mendoza Viola Mercadante Janet Michaud Michael Mihalko Tom Modifica Sam & Esther Motta Nancy Motulko Cheryl Murphy John Murphy Helen Murphy Robert Namnoum Thomas Norris Arlene O'Neill

Esther Ouellette Our Military Anna Pac Emma Pagano Antoinette Pandolfi Judy Pappalardo Cynthia Paradise **Richard Paskiewicz** Ada Payamis John Pink Marilyn Puopolo Care Rich Frank Rich **Rita Richter** Randy Ripley Steven Ripley Carlos Rivera Susana Rodreguez Susy Romero Lillian Rose Ed Rudnick Viola Salonia Joan Schwartz Raul Seipel **Guy Simeone** Rev. Arkadiusz Skwarek Jocelyn Soto Donald Spilka Kevin Stanowski James Swiatek Gabe Szczygla Julia Szczygla Luke Szul Alfred J. Tee Lois Ustanowski **Beverly Veley** Brian Veley Scott Veley Tom Vest Jordan Hayes Walker Louise Webb Thaddeus Wojtusik Mary Ann Watrous **Miriam Zacharias** Carrie Zangari Eliana Zorrilla Foster Zucchi

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 <u>ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org</u>. 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 <u>FREE</u> 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 <u>https://formed.org</u>, 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 collegeage 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 <u>f.molloy@stpaulkensington.org</u>.

The deadline for applications is August 12, 2023





Visit the Spiritual Growth page of our website to learn about all the convenient ways you can access the Bible! <u>https://stpaulkensington.org/spiritual-growth</u> Contact our friars with any questions

about whether a program is aligned with Catholic doctrine.

FRIENDLY SUMMERTIME REMINDER: This is a friendly reminder to all of our parishioners to help keep yourself and your valuables safe, especially in the evening and overnight: lock your cars, house and garage, turn on exterior lights at night, turn on cameras and alarms if you have them, and bring in valuables from your cars. Don't forget to say a little prayer for those who are breaking the law and committing theft and other crimes.



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 <u>mlaffin@prolifeministry.org</u>, or visit 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.



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 <u>womenofffaith@stpaulkensington.org</u> 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.





"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. **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. For more information please contact Cheryl Batter at <u>cherylbatter@att.net</u>.



FOODSHARE ST. CLARE FOOD PANTRY & MOBILE FOODSHARE

The Pantry is currently in need of the following items: *Tuna*, beef stew, chili, canned ham or chicken, **peanut butter**, **soups**, and **beans/lentils**. *Items in bold are staples needed all the time.

Volunteers will transport food from St. Paul to Sacred Heart and set up for distribution on Thursday, August 17 at **9:30am**. Volunteers will also help with food distribution on Friday, August 18 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 <u>n.timbrell@stpaulkensington.org</u>.



For more information contact Kelly Esposito, Admissions Director at 860-828-4343 x113 or admissions@stpaulkensington.org



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