

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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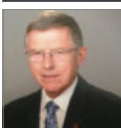
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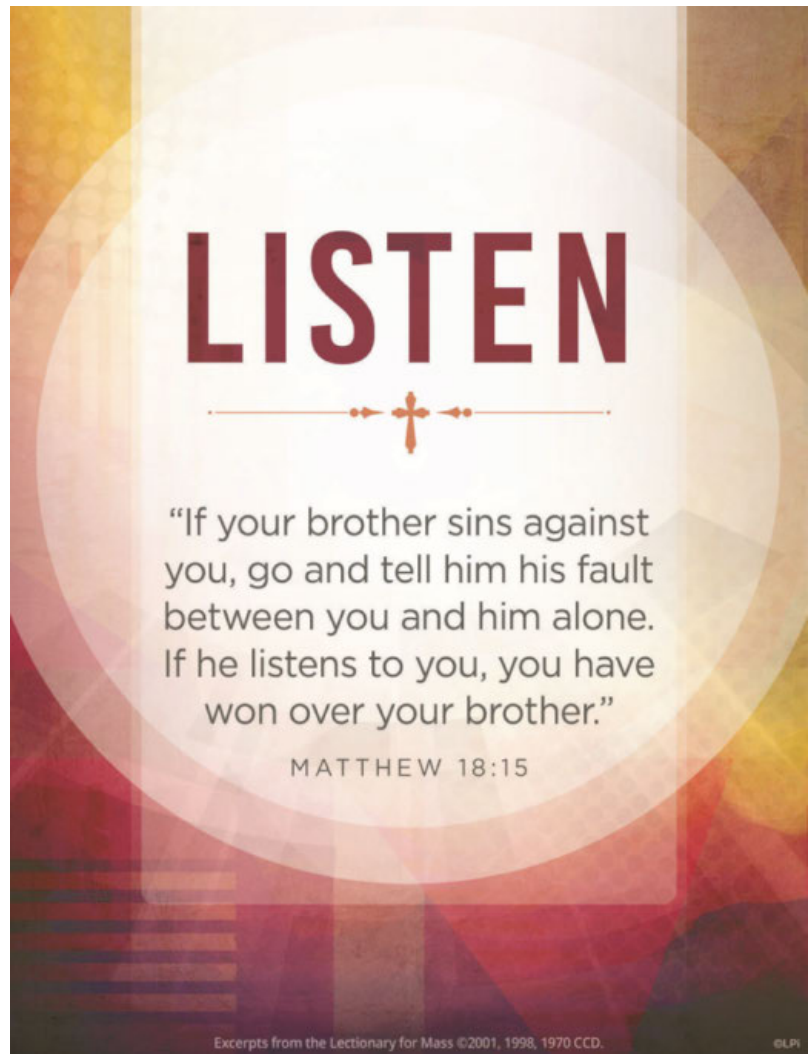
A Franciscan Family of Faith

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

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

September 10, 2023

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

-Pope Francis

Eucharistic Renewal - The Bishops of the United States have developed a three year program 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. You may recall that we began this renewal effort at the parish level beginning with the Feast of *Corpus Christi* (Latin for the Body of Christ) the weekend of June 10/11 with a Eucharistic Procession at the conclusion of the 4pm Mass that weekend. On the national level, this year will conclude in July 2024 with a Eucharistic Congress held in Indianapolis, Indiana where it is expected about 80,000 people will assemble.

About a month ago in this column I announced that our next event on the local level to help renew us spiritually in our belief and practice will occur the weekend of September 30/October 1 and Monday evening, October 2. 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. I hope you have already marked October 2 on your calendar and that you will join us that evening.

Beginning today and on each 2nd Sunday of the month through June, except December, the homilies that weekend will focus on some Eucharistic theme. One of the Friar-priests or Deacon Don will give the homily at all of the Masses on a given weekend. A series of topics will be addressed throughout the year. It is our hope that this concentrated focus on the gift of Jesus himself in the Eucharist will help each of us appreciate and value how central the Eucharist is in our life as Catholics.

More Volunteers Still Needed for Berlin Fair - Thanks to those who have already signed up to help the parish operate our two food booths at the Berlin Fair which begins this Thursday evening and runs through next Sunday. We still need more help so if you can volunteer for a shift or two please do so. See page 7 for sign up information.

Is the RCIA Program for You or Someone You Know? -

See page 8 for very important information about the beginning of this year's Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Adults from all faith traditions or no religious background at all and are interested in becoming Catholic are invited to learn more about the RCIA program. This program is also for those who were baptized Catholic, but then received little or no other meaningful instruction in the faith. The sessions will be held on Thursdays beginning on October 5 and will culminate at the Easter Vigil on March 30th. For more information about the details of the RCIA program, please contact Fr. Raymond at 860-828-0331 or rraymond@stpaulkensington.org.

New EMHC and Readers are Needed - The parish is in need of additional Readers (Lector) or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion (EMHC) to serve in these ministries at Mass. There will be a day of reflection and training session for new members of these ministries on Sunday, October 15 from 1:15 to 5:15 pm in the St. Paul Church Hall. Candidates for these ministries must meet the qualifications noted below. If you are interested in being an EMHC or Reader please contact Fr. Joe or the parish office so that you can secure the permission needed to attend the program on October 15. *Current EMHC & Readers who were not able to complete their renewal of these ministries in February will receive a letter shortly and should plan on attending the 10/15 training.*

EMHC are properly formed, instructed and commissioned lay persons who are appointed for a given parish community to aid in the distribution of Holy Communion at Mass and to the sick and homebound when ordinary ministers of Holy Communion are unavailable. **Readers** (Lectors) are lay persons commissioned to proclaim the readings from Sacred Scripture at Mass, not including the Gospel. Readers should possess the skills necessary for effective oral proclamation which is essential for this ministry.

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

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

INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Candles will burn this week for

†Lucille Coccozza by Robin and Rob Veronesi

Sue Besaw For Healing by Cliff and Lois White

Sanctuary Candles will burn this week for

†Chase Anderson by family



†Daniel Cleland

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 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.

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.

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.

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, September 9, 2023 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
4:00 **†Jennifer D'Ambrosio Vernali** Birthday Remembrance
by mom, dad and sister Jessica

Sunday, September 10, 2023 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

9:00 **†Henry Bobrowski** by Pam and Kevin

9:30 **†Paul Vukas** by wife and sons

10:30 **†William E. Brown** by niece and family

12:00 **†Michael Ramsey** 1st Anniversary by Ramsey family

Monday, September 11, 2023 Weekday

7:00 **†Patricia Corrigan** Birthday Remembrance by children

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

Tuesday, September 12, 2023 The Most Holy Name of Mary

7:00 **†Elisabeth DeMezzo** 1st Anniversary by Michele Vancour

†Kieran Egan by wife Margaret and family

†Mary Zablocki by daughter Carole

†Vilma Frances Stifel by Mr. and Mrs. Roy Earley

†Chester Zapor Birthday Remembrance

by Sawyer and Zapor families

8:45 **†Adelaine D'Angelo** by Danny and Elaine Dombrowski

5:00 **Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**

Wednesday, September 13, 2023 St. John Chrysostom

7:00 **†Lucille Micacci and †Rose & †Vincent Micacci**

by Anthony Micacci

5:00 **†Maryanne Murphy** by a friend

Thursday, September 14, 2023 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

7:00 **†Maryann Dorsey** by Ron

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

†Ines Tee by brother

†Bill Pohlmann 22nd Anniversary by the Pohlmann family

†Elida Sanchez by Cheryl and Nancy

†Giovanni Vitarella by Josephine Mai

Friday, September 15, 2023 Our Lady of Sorrows

7:00 **†Elida Sanchez** by Diane Funk

5:00 **†Todd Norton** 8th Anniversary

by Don Norton and Sherry Abbaddo

Saturday, September 16, 2023 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 **†Domenic and †Domenica Lopreiato** by children

Sunday, September 17, 2023 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 **†Maria Verrillo** by husband

9:00 **†Evelyn Modzelewski** by Mary Jane and John Lynch

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

10:30 **†Jean Spilka** 7 Year Anniversary by family

12:00 **†Christina Morant** 5 Year Anniversary

by daughter and family

Parish Collection

Aug. 29-Sept.4, 2023

In Church SP	\$	8,416
Office	\$	1,762
In Church SH	\$	476
Online Giving	\$	4,606
Total	\$	15,260

Change of Date - The Parish Appreciation Reception has been moved to Sunday, October 29. It will be held in the school gym following the 12 Noon Mass.

Prayer on the Anniversary of 9/11 - Loving Father in heaven, we pause to remember the great losses and courageous acts of September 11, 2001. We pray for the 2,977 souls who died that day. We honor and try to emulate those who died while trying to save others. We lift up those who are still affected; families of the victims, police officers, firemen, first responders and all who were involved. We pray for the survivors of September 11th, but who are still scarred physically, spiritually and emotionally. Lord we pray too for the loved ones of those who died. May they not be deterred in their faith and may the evil that has been inflicted on them be overcome by your love. We pray that the light of Christ will overcome all hate and vengeance. Give us the grace to follow you and your Great Commandment of Love be your instruments of peace. We make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

2024 Mass Book - As was announced last week we will open the 2024 Mass Book on Tuesday, September 19th. See page 6 for the three tiered approach that we will use for the scheduling of Masses.

Final Thoughts - Last year on Labor Day the Orioles were in the thick of the race for a wild card spot in the playoffs. They did not fare well down the stretch and missed the playoffs. This year they are leading the AL and so we will see how they finish up. For the Red Sox, 19 of their last 25 games are within the division with seven against the O's, three this week and the last four games of the year. The Wild Card winners will likely go down to the last games of the year. There are no game 163's this year to break ties with it all being decided by tie breakers. The NFL season is upon us. The AFC East and North promise to be tough divisions. Have a blessed week! - Fr. Joe



READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK, SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

For readings online, visit

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/091723.cfm>

First Reading: Sir 27:30—28:7

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12
The Lord is kind and merciful, slow to anger, and rich in compassion.

Second Reading: Rom 14:7-9

Alleluia: Jn 13:34

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

I give you a new commandment, says the Lord; love one another as I have loved you.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

Peter approached Jesus and asked him, "Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times. That is why the kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who decided to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the accounting, a debtor was brought before him who owed him a huge amount. Since he had no way of paying it back, his master ordered him to be sold, along with his wife, his children, and all his property, in payment of the debt. At that, the servant fell down, did him homage, and said, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back in full.' Moved with compassion the master of that servant let him go and forgave him the loan. When that servant had left, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a much smaller amount. He seized him and started to choke him, demanding, 'Pay back what you owe.' Falling to his knees, his fellow servant begged him, 'Be patient with me, and I will pay you back.' But he refused. Instead, he had the fellow servant put in prison until he paid back the debt. Now when his fellow servants saw what had happened, they were deeply disturbed, and went to their master and reported the whole affair. His master summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you your entire debt because you begged me to. Should you not have had pity on your fellow servant, as I had pity on you?' Then in anger his master handed him over to the torturers until he should pay back the whole debt. So will my heavenly Father do to you, unless each of you forgives your brother from your heart."



I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.

John 6:51

**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.

Saint Paul School is pleased
to announce our first-ever
Lion Pride Fun Run,
which will take place on
Friday, October 13th at the
Parish/School Green.



The event involves all students and staff and is designed to
promote physical activity and school spirit, while raising funds
for our school. Students will have the opportunity to collect
pledges for each lap they run and prizes will be awarded for
both run participation and fundraising achievements.

We are currently seeking sponsorships from
businesses and individuals at the Bronze and
In-Kind <\$250 level. The deadline for these
sponsorships has been extended to **Sept. 14**.
Interested in sponsoring? Please contact
Denise at d.nowakowski@stpaulkensington.org.



For more Fun Run information visit our website
<https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org/business-sponsors-lion-pride-fun-run>



*Students are off to
a great start for the
new school year...*

- Making artwork
for the Berlin Fair!
- Working in small
groups to answer



- questions about summer reading (5th grade)
- Excited to be back in our library with Mrs. Nesci!



We are so blessed to be able to announce that all of our
catechist openings have been filled! A sincere thank you to
all of our new teachers who will be sharing their time and
faith with the children and families of our Religious Ed
program! This is going to be a great year!

If anyone is interested in volunteering as a substitute, please
let us know. We can never have too many faithful subs!

*Gr. 1-8 Volunteer teacher/substitute
commitment - 12 Sunday mornings*



**Upcoming Parent Meeting Dates for the
2023-2024 Religious Ed School Year**

Gr. 1-2, 4-8 In-Class Parent Meeting:

Please sign up for either
Tues., 9/12 - 6:30-7:30 pm OR Thurs. 9/21 - 6:30-7:30 pm

Gr. 3 Parent Meeting:

Wed., 9/13 - 6:30-7:30 pm - St. Paul Church

Gr. 1-2, 4-8 Homeschool Parent Meeting:

Tues., 9/19 - 6:30-7:30 pm

Grade 1 - 8 classes start Sun., 9/24.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE INFORMATION

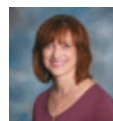
Monday - Thursday 8am - 2pm Phone 860 828-0331

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

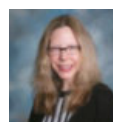


St Paul Parish Religious Ed Berlin CT

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



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



Opening of the 2024 Mass Book

Visit our website for the 2024 Mass Book information page. Here is an overview:

Tier A will open on **Tuesday, September 19** and runs until **Friday, October 6** for the following wedding and death anniversary requests:

1. For those who are celebrating their 25 , 40 , 50 , 55 , 60 , etc. wedding anniversary in 2024. These couples may reserve one Mass on a day of their choosing (does not have to be the actual anniversary date).
2. One Mass intention on the occasion of the 1st anniversary of death of a loved one. The date of the Mass does not have to be the actual death anniversary.
3. The donation for the stipend must be submitted at the time the Mass is reserved. If the donation is not received by October 6 the date will be released. (Continued on the reverse side)

Tier B opens on **Wednesday, October 11** . Due to the large number of Mass intention requests, and so that as many parishioners as possible can have a reasonable opportunity to arrange to have a Mass said for their loved ones, parishioners will be limited to three (3) reserved dates per living or deceased person. These reserved dates may be three (3) weekday Masses or two (2) weekday and one (1) weekend Mass. Only one Mass per family is allowed on a weekend date. This restriction will be in place **through November 30** . This will allow everyone seven (7) weeks to arrange the Masses they would like for next year. The offering for the Mass(es) is due at the time the date is reserved.

Tier C will begin on **Friday, December 1** when the limitations noted above will be lifted. Your understanding and cooperation is most appreciated as we try to accommodate as many parishioners and as many Mass requests as possible.

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

INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PARISH FAMILY? Our next Registration Meeting is **Monday, Sept. 11** in the St. Paul Church Hall at 7pm. Please let us know if you plan to attend. Call 860-828-0331 or email ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org.



SING! Adults, Come join with the St Paul Choir as we start a new year for Sunday masses, special events, such as the 800th Anniversary of the Greccio, started by St Francis in 1223! Rehearsals are held weekly on Tuesdays at 6:30 pm. Questions? Email Jeff at JeffBatter@stpaulkensington.org

Please come and be a part of this wonderful ministry.

THE BIGGER WE ARE, THE BETTER WE'LL SOUND!

Parents, Your child is invited to join our **Children's Choir!** The *Exultations* choir is a wonderful way for your child to experience the joy of singing in an ensemble and a special way to participate in the liturgy. The first rehearsal will be **September 27** at 6:30pm in St. Paul Church. We will be performing at the *800th Anniversary Greccio* special event on Sunday, December 17th, at the 4:00 pm Christmas Vigil Mass on December 24th, and at our Sunday Children's Masses throughout the year. All are welcome! If your child would like to participate, complete the signup form on our website or email Cheryl at 19ckt64@gmail.com.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Our Culture of Life Ministry will sponsor a *40 Days for Life* campaign from **September 27 through November 5**.

Details are posted on our website. Please consider join us as we strive to build a culture that cherishes & protects *every human life*. Upcoming events:

- Opening Mass – Wednesday September 27th
- Stations of the Cross – Friday October 6th
- Children's Rosary – Saturday October 7th
- Eucharistic Adoration – Monday October 9th

Visit our website to sign up and for details. To get involved, please contact Ashley at respectlife@stpaulkensington.org.



BIRTHRIGHT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Birthright is an emergency pregnancy service offering caring and practical support to pregnant women in crisis. Birthright's guiding principle is "*It is the RIGHT of every pregnant woman to give BIRTH and the RIGHT of every child to be BORN.*" For more information, call 1-800-550-4900 or visit <https://birthright.org>. Local centers are in Meriden and East Hartford.



That Man Is You! A New TMIY! Fall Session will begin on Saturday, September 23, 2023! Meetings are held Saturday mornings in the St. Paul Church Hall. Coffee and breakfast are available at 6:30 am, and the program begins at 7:00 am.

That Man Is You! is an interactive men's program that combines the best research from science with the teachings of the Catholic faith and the wisdom of the saints.

All men are welcome to participate in this extraordinary program, if not for your own benefit, consider that YOU could be the man who helps another man overcome obstacles or make positive changes in his life.

This season brings more dynamic speakers to the TMIY stage to present *Thy Kingdom Come*.

A printable schedule with a full summary of topics is available on our TMIY! webpage: <https://stpaulkensington.org/that-man-is-you>



Check out this video and feel free to share it with friends! <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fbNcWE-km4c>

Now's a great time to join or re-join TMIY! Pre-registration is encouraged for new participants. Those who participated in a previous session do not need to register again. If you have questions or would like more information, contact Bud Volz at budvolz@comcast.net or visit www.TMIY.org or our parish TMIY page at <https://stpaulkensington.org/that-man-is-you>

FOODSHARE ST. CLARE FOOD PANTRY & MOBILE FOODSHARE

The Pantry is currently in need of the following items: *Tomato sauce, mayo, frosting, pudding/jello snacks, **cereal, oatmeal**, hot chocolate, canned **fruits/vegetables**, canned chicken, rice and rice sides.*

**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, September 14** at **9:30am**. Volunteers will also help with food distribution on **Friday, September 15** 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.



2023 Berlin Fair

Thursday, September 14
through
Sunday, September 17.

We'd LOVE your help! The Berlin Fair is a wonderful parish and community event where your time and support is most welcome! Our parish has two food booths at the fair, and many volunteers are needed throughout the entire weekend!

If you are interested in volunteering please consider signing up for several positions before and during the fair.

Volunteer with
friends and family
and have fun together
as you help the community!



For more information and to sign up, visit the Berlin Fair page of our website: <https://stpaulkensington.org/berlin-fair> or use the links below to go directly to the signup pages:

Signup Page for **ADULTS***:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c49a5a628a0f94-berlin12#/>

Signup page for **CONFIRMATION STUDENTS**:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c49a5a628a0f94-berlin14#/>

**Adults: Please note that this sign up page is not for GRILLERS. There is a separate sign up for grillers.*

If you have any questions regarding volunteering, please contact Helen deRito at 860.559.5695 (text or leave a message) or derito.aos@snet.net.

Thank you and we'll see you at the Fair!

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

St. Paul Parish offers an opportunity for anyone who is interested to come together in a small group to learn more about our Catholic faith. RCIA sessions focus on the teachings and experience of the Church while preparing individuals to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, & Eucharist during the Easter season. **You are invited and are most welcome** to participate in the process with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

Meetings are typically held once a week in the evening, beginning **October 5**. Contact Fr. Raymond for more info: 860-828-0332 or frraymond@stpaulkensington.org. More details are also available on our website!

FALL 2023 BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP



Our Bereavement Ministry invites parishioners to participate in the Fall 2023 "New Day" Support Group to be held in the Church Hall on Thursday evenings (6:30-8:00pm) from **September 21 through November 2**.

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

Meeting dates: September 21 & 28, October 5, 12, 19, 26, and November 2 (All Saints Day).

HELPING HANDS



Members of our Helping Hands Ministry help to 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.

NBCCW MEETING The New Britain Council of Catholic Women will hold its first meeting on **September 28** at 1pm at Saint Jerome Church, New Britain. This meeting will be a general business meeting with refreshments served. Please plan to attend and bring a friend, as all are welcome.



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

Come meet new friends and enjoy our conversations.

Join us as we support one another in **Faith, Friendship and Fellowship.**

Email womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org with any questions.

KNIGHTS MUM SALE! Our Knights of Columbus Msgr. Greylish Council #3675 will be hosting a Mum Sale on the Parish Green on the following dates:

- Friday, September 22 12pm-5pm
- Saturday, September 23 9am-5:30pm
- Sunday, September 24 8am-2pm



This event benefits the charitable works of the Knights. Thank you in advance for your support!



The **2023 CT Catholic Men's Conference** will be held on **Saturday, September 23rd** at Northwest Catholic High School in West Hartford. Tickets may be purchase at <https://ctcatholicmen.org>. 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.

Save the Date! Italian Night is Back November 4, 2023

Tickets go on sale September 25th. Reserve yours early! Gather friends & family and reserve a table. Donations for raffle baskets/prizes are now being accepted. Donations may be dropped off at the parish office or by contacting Betty (860) 992-8390 or Lynn (860) 913-5448. Thank you!

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Bobby Adamowicz	Rose Garuti	Esther Ouellette
Jacob Ahlquist	Patricia Gebhardt	Our Military
Gilda Alberti	Dominic Gionfriddo	Anna Pac
Emilie Albert	Jennifer Gionfriddo	Emma Pagano
John Anderson	Salvatore Gionfriddo	Judy Pappalardo
Jose Arcia	Rosemarie Gionfriddo	Cynthia Paradise
Donna Baranowski	Judy Giove	Richard Paskiewicz
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Saturday, September 9

6:30am Men's Group SPH
 8:30am Confessions
 10:00am Funeral Home Svc +Samp
 11:00am Wedding - Sardo/Jaksina SPC
 3:00pm Confessions

**Sunday, September 10**

9:00am 1st & 2nd Yr Confirmation classes-SPS

Monday, September 11

NWEA MAP Testing Gr 3-8 All Week

8:45am Parish Staff Meeting
 3:00pm Cross Country Practice (Gr 6, 7 & 8)
 6:00pm Back to School Night (Parents)
 7:00pm Scripture Study - PC-1 & PC-2
 7:00pm Registration for New Members

Tuesday, September 12

8:45am School Mass - Gr. 3-5
 1:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry SPH
 3:30pm Scripture Study - PC-1
 4:00pm Holy Hour Adoration
 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal - PC LL
 6:30pm Rel Ed Gr. 1-2, 4-8 Parent meeting-SG
 7:00pm K of C 3rd Degree Council Meeting

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Wednesday, September 13

Mum Sale Pick Up

11:00am Graveside Svc +Belizzi
 12:00pm 13th of the Month Rosary
 4:00pm YM Mtg - PC1
 6:00pm Rosary at Sacred Heart
 6:30pm Rel Ed Gr. 3 Parent meeting-SPC
 7:00pm Scripture Study - SH Rectory

**Thursday, September 14**

3:00pm Cross Country Practice (Gr 6, 7 & 8)
 6:00pm Adult Confirmation-PC-1
 7:00pm Women of Faith - SPH

Friday, September 15

NO SCHOOL - Berlin Fair

11:45am FoodShare SHC
 7:30pm AA Meeting - SPH

PARISH CALENDAR**Saturday, September 16**

8:30am Confessions
 3:00pm Confessions

Sunday, September 17

1:15pm Baptisms

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY St. Paul's Prayer Shawl Ministry will begin its 23rd year on [September 12, 2023](#) at 1:00pm in the Church Hall. This ministry meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from September through June. We gather to share in fellowship and to knit or crochet prayer shawls.



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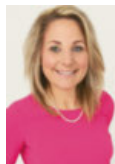
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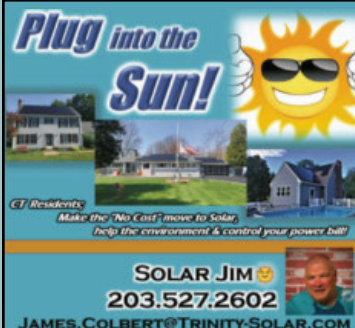
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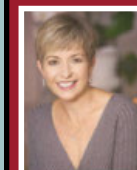
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