

## 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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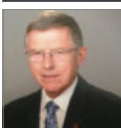
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# St. Paul Catholic Parish

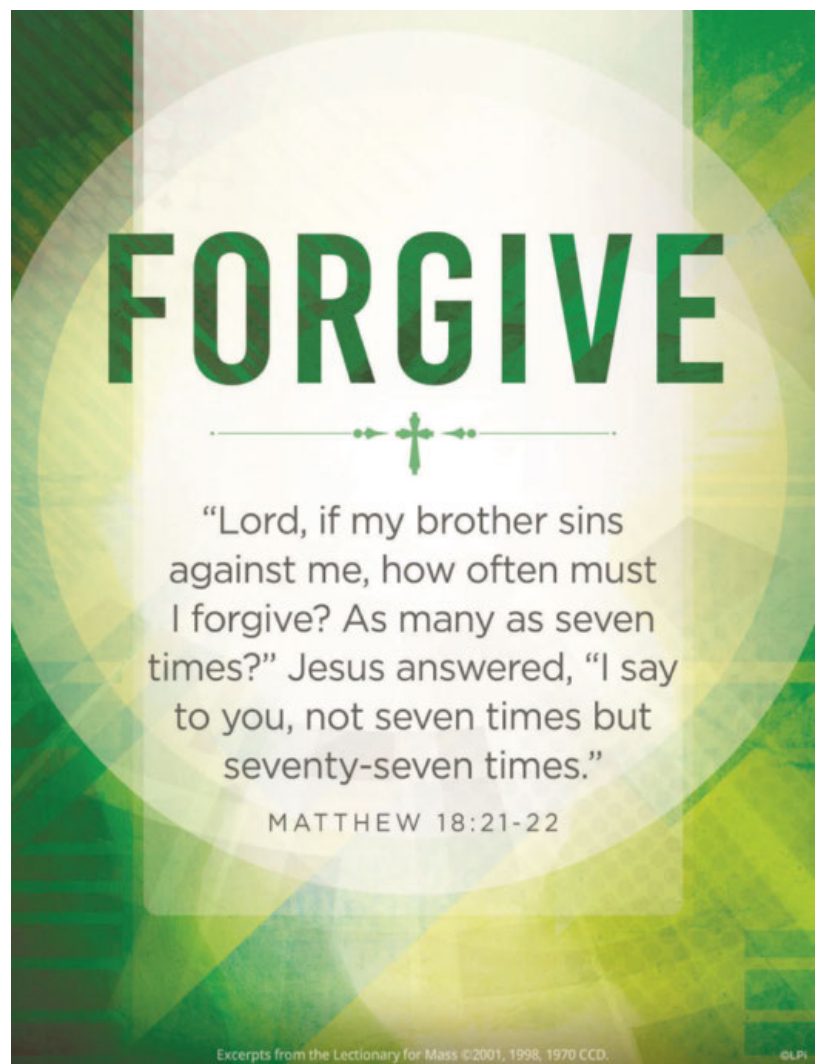
*A Franciscan Family of Faith*

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

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

September 17, 2023

*24th Sunday in Ordinary Time*



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

*-Pope Francis*

**Eucharistic Evening of Reflection with Steve Angrisano -**

We have finalized the schedule for Steve Angrisano's visit to the parish on Monday, October 2. Steve will lead an Evening of Reflection on the Eucharist using his gifts as a song writer, singer and speaker. Steve has traveled around the world for over two decades sharing his unique blend of humor, story and song. **You are welcome to invite other family and friends to attend.** You can come to all or part of the program.

- Weekday Mass - 5:00 pm (30 minutes)
- Light Supper - 5:30 - 6:20 pm in the Church Hall
- Evening of Song and Reflection - 6:30 - 7:45 pm

Steve will introduce himself at the weekend Masses of September 30 and October 1. He will lead us in song and share a message with us about the next evening's program. I hope that you will take the time to join us and take the time to reflect on Jesus' gift of Himself in the Eucharist.

**Altar Servers Needed** - As our Master of Ceremonies have moved onto college and our more senior servers have become MCs, we are in need of new younger altar servers. Altar Servers assist the priest at Mass and other liturgies. The ministry of Altar Server is open to all young people who have reached the fourth grade in school and have been Baptized and received First Holy Communion and belong to St. Paul Parish. There are also opportunities to serve at Sacred Heart Church in East Berlin. To sign up, go to the parish website and click on Ministries and then Altar Servers and complete the online form. Forms will also be available during Religious Education Classes and at Saint Paul School. A training session will be planned for early October. For more information you can speak to one of the Friars after Mass.

**New Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Readers are Needed** - The parish is in need of additional Readers (Lectors) and 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. See page 7 for more information about these ministries as well as the qualifications that must be met to serve in these ministries. 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<sup>th</sup>.

**Adult Confirmation Program** - Our Adult Confirmation Program **will begin this Thursday, September 21** and is for adult Catholics, 18 years of age and older, who have been baptized and received 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion, but have not been confirmed. **This Monday, September 18 is the deadline to sign up.** Recall that those who are asked to be a god-parent for Baptism or a Sponsor at Confirmation must have

received the Sacrament of Confirmation in order to take on those responsibilities. For more information turn to page 7.

**Fall Bereavement Group Begins Thursday** - Our "New Day" Bereavement Support Group begins this Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00 pm and runs for seven (7) weeks through November 2<sup>nd</sup> in the St. Paul Church Hall. Parishioners and others who have lost a loved one are invited to attend. Registration brochures are available at the entrances to the church. We are blessed to have Jim McDermott lead this ministry for us. If you have questions you may contact him at 860-620-2939.

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

Adults from all faith traditions or no religious background at all who are interested in becoming Catholic are invited to learn more about the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. The RCIA 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 30. See page 8 for more information about the details of the RCIA program and please contact Fr. Raymond at 860-828-0331 or email him at [rraymond@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:rraymond@stpaulkensington.org).

**2024 Mass Book Opens Tuesday for Tier A Intentions -**

See page 6 for the three tiered approach that we use for the scheduling of Masses.

**Pastoral Council Meeting** - The Parish Pastoral Council meets this Monday, September 18 in the St. Paul Church Hall at 7:00 pm. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

**Franciscan Transitus Service** - The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi is October 4<sup>th</sup>. On the evening before the Feast, Franciscans join together to remember the Poor Man from Assisi's passing or transiting from this life to life eternal in what is called a Transitus Service. This year we will hold the Transitus Service at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>. This is NOT a Mass. This reflective prayer service will include some music, scripture readings, and readings from the life of St. Francis including those that recall his death. The service will be about 45 minutes. All parishioners are invited to join the Friars as we remember our Founders passing onto eternity. There will not be the usual Tuesday Holy Hour nor the 5 pm Mass on October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**Blessing of Animals** - Because of St. Francis's special appreciation for all of God's creation, including the animal population, it is traditional for a Blessing of Animals be held near the Feast of St. Francis. The Blessing of Animals will take place at St. Paul's Church in the school parking lot on Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm. All are welcome!

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## INTENTIONS

### Blessed Mother Candles will burn this week for

†**Christina Morant** 5 Year Anniversary by daughter and family

### Sanctuary Candles will burn this week for

**Emma Pagano** by grandma



†**Dorothy Belizzi**

†**Celia Dorio**

†**Helen Ann Kurnik**

†**John F. Sampl**

*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](mailto: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 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

Monday, September 18, 2023 Weekday

7:00 †**Jennifer D'Ambrosia Vernali**

5:00 †**Guido and †Anna Saturno** by Rachel Maltese

Tuesday, September 19, 2023 St. Januarius

7:00 †**Albert Gallo**

†**Joseph Scheyd** by Rita Scheyd

†**Jozef Osiecki** by Ewa Kozirog

**Kasia Wojenska and Adam Sokolowski**

Wedding Blessings by grandmother

†**Sgro Family** by the Magisano family

8:45 †**Emili Francalangia** Birthday Remembrance by family

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

**Benefactors of the Friars**

Wednesday, September 20, 2023 Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gon and Paul  
Chong Ha-sang & Companions

7:00 †**Linda Pearce** by John and Jeanne Wischenbart

5:00 †**Stella Pacyna** by Oblon family

Thursday, September 21, 2023 St. Matthew

7:00 †**Daniel Sullivan** 1 Year Anniversary by Emilie Albert

5:00 †**Souls in Purgatory** by Emanuele Lombardo

**John Nappi, Jr.** by wife

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

†**Richard and †Catherine Binder** by a friend

†**Phyllis Rubbo** by Ginny and friends

Friday, September 22, 2023 Weekday

7:00 †**John Slowikowski**

5:00 †**Banulski, †Mancino, †Gontarz and**

**†Skinger Families** by family

Saturday, September 23, 2023 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Catechetical Sunday

4:00 †**Daniel Sullivan** 1st Anniversary by Gail Ouellette

Sunday, September 24, 2023 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Catechetical Sunday

7:30 †**Sophie Sikorowicz** 13th Anniversary

by Carol Ciaffaglione

9:00 **All Saint Paul Teachers and Catechists**

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

10:30 †**Stanley Mroczka, Jr.** 17th Anniversary

by sisters Rosemary and Margaret

12:00 †**Joseph R. Tardif** by Dean Guerrette

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



**HOPES Collection** - Next weekend (September 23 & 24) there is a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection that supports the Parish Elementary Schools of the Archdiocese which is aptly named **Help Our Parish Elementary Schools**. Your envelope says Catholic Elementary Schools. In that we have our own school, we directly benefit from this collection as 25% of what you donate stays here with the remainder helping other schools in the Archdiocese. During the year, schools, including our own, are able to apply for grants from these funds.

**Final Thoughts** - It was an interesting Week 1 in the NFL. Too many eggs once again in one basket for the Jets. One has to think that is the end of Aaron Rodgers career. While you have to feel bad for him as a person, it would have been so much easier to bow out gracefully in GB. The Ravens lost their top RB also to an achilles injury for the season; still looking for the new Raven offense. Josh Allen is still looking for a



Bill to throw the ball to, unbelievable. The AL East is being decided this weekend as the Orioles and TB face off for four games; the O's lead the season series 6 - 3. Have a blessed week everyone! - Fr. Joe

**Parish Collection**  
Sept.5-11, 2023

In Church SP	\$ 7,225
Office	\$ 1,773
In Church SH	\$ 540
Online Giving	\$ 5,533
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 15,071</b>

2nd Collection 9/24: Catholic Elementary Schools (HOPES)

**SAVE THE DATES!**

- \*Knights **Mum Sale**—Sept. 22, 23, 24
- \***Catechetical Sunday**—Sept. 24
- \***Children's Mass**—Sept. 24 (9am)
- \***Blessing of the Animals**—Saturday, Sept. 30
- \***Parish Mission** with Steve Angrisano—Monday, Oct. 2
- \***Transitus Service**—Tuesday, Oct. 3
- \*40 Days for Life **Eucharistic Adoration**—Monday, Oct. 9
- \***EMHC / Lector Training**—Sunday, Oct. 15
- \***Saint Paul School Open House**—Sunday, Oct. 15
- \***Volunteer Appreciation Reception**—Sunday, Oct 29
- \***Italian Night**—Saturday, Nov. 4 (*Tickets go on sale Sept. 25*)
- \***Lighting of the Parish Green**—Saturday, Dec. 2
- \***Greccio** 800th Anniversary Event—Sunday, Dec. 17

**READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK, SEPTEMBER 24, 2023**

For readings online, visit

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/092423.cfm>

**First Reading:** Is 55:6-9

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

*The Lord is near to all who call upon him.*

**Second Reading:** Phil 1:20c-24, 27a

**Alleluia:** Cf. Acts 16:14b

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

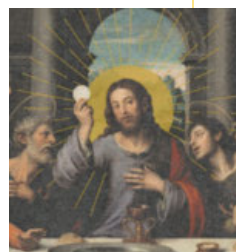
*Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son.*

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Gospel:** Matthew 20:1-16a

Jesus told his disciples this parable:

"The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out at dawn to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with them for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. Going out about nine o'clock, the landowner saw others standing idle in the marketplace, and he said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard, and I will give you what is just.' So they went off. And he went out again around noon, and around three o'clock, and did likewise. Going out about five o'clock, the landowner found others standing around, and said to them, 'Why do you stand here idle all day?' They answered, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You too go into my vineyard.' When it was evening the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, 'Summon the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and ending with the first.' When those who had started about five o'clock came, each received the usual daily wage. So when the first came, they thought that they would receive more, but each of them also got the usual wage. And on receiving it they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last ones worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us, who bore the day's burden and the heat.' He said to one of them in reply, 'My friend, I am not cheating you. Did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what is yours and go. What if I wish to give this last one the same as you? Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money? Are you envious because I am generous?' Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last."



*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](mailto:admissions@stpaulkensington.org).



We would like to express our sincere gratitude to all of the generous sponsors who have supported our inaugural Lion Pride Fun Run!

Although some sponsorship deadlines have already passed, there is still an opportunity for you to contribute and show your support for our parish school if you wish. Names will be included in the pledge packets if your information is received by **Sept. 19th**. Visit <https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org/lion-pride-fun-run> or contact Denise Nowakowski, Director of Advancement, at [d.nowakowski@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:d.nowakowski@stpaulkensington.org)



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

- **Gr. 1-2, 4-8 In-Class Parent Meeting:**  
Thurs., 9/21 - 6:30-7:30 pm, St. Paul school gym
- **Gr. 1-2, 4-8 Homeschool Parent Meeting:**  
Tues., 9/19 - 6:30 - 7:30 pm, St. Paul school gym

**Next Sunday, 9/24:**

- **Grade 1-8 Religious Ed classes begin!**
- **The 1st Children's Mass** of this school year will be held at the **9:00 am Mass**.
- **Catechists will be recognized** for their hard work and dedication, as it is Catechetical Sunday.

*It will be an exciting day!*



**Saint Paul School**  
is **GROWING GREATNESS!**  
JOIN US AT OUR  
**OPEN HOUSE**  
**Sunday,**  
**October 15<sup>th</sup>**  
from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Visit our classrooms, meet the teachers, crafts and activities will also be available in our art room and makerspace area. All are welcome to attend!

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

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION OFFICE INFORMATION**

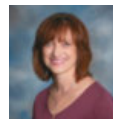
Monday - Thursday 8am - 2pm Phone 860 828-0331

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

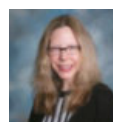


St Paul Parish Religious Ed Berlin CT

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## 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.

## 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](mailto:mfduplin@outlook.com).

## WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS!

Thank you for attending our September Registration Meeting. Welcome to our Franciscan Family of Faith!

~ God Bless ~



**INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PARISH FAMILY?** Our next Registration Meeting is **Monday, October. 9** 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](mailto:ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org).



**REMINDER!** St. Paul Parishioners have **FREE** access to great digital content through **FORMED!**

Create an account today and enjoy movies, programs, and more instantly. 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.

## 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](mailto:n.timbrell@stpaulkensington.org).





**SING!** Adults, Come join with the St Paul Choir as we start a new year for Sunday masses and 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](mailto:JeffBatter@stpaulkensington.org)

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](mailto: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*.

- 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](mailto:respectlife@stpaulkensington.org).



#### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

As part of the 40 Days for Life campaign, our parish will host 12 hours of Eucharistic Adoration on [Monday, October 9th](#). Adoration will begin directly after the 7:00am Mass and will continue until 7:30pm. To sign up for an hour (or more) of Adoration, visit our website or click on this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C49A5A628A0F94-40days5#/>

#### Have Fun at the Fair!



#### JOIN OUR LITURGY MINISTRIES!

Training will be held on Sunday, October 15, 1:15 to 5:15 pm in the St. Paul Church Hall for EMHCs and Lectors.

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (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

#### Sidewalk Advocacy Training

Are you seeking a way to help moms in crisis and SAVE LIVES from abortion? Learn how Sidewalk



Advocates for Life has saved 20,000 + preborn babies – and counting! Hosted by the Blessed Michael McGivney Parish Respect Life Committee, Training will be [Saturday, Sept. 23, 8:30am–3:00pm](#) St. Joseph's Church Hall 129 Edwards St., New Haven. Visit our website for details. Deadline to register is [Monday, September 18](#)

- 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 [rraymond@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:rraymond@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).

**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.

**LADIES' GUILD CASINO TRIP** Our St. Paul Ladies' Guild is sponsoring a Casino Bus Trip to Mohegan Sun on Tuesday, September 26. The bus will leave St Paul's at 8:30am and return at 4:30pm. Cost is \$28.



To reserve a seat, please call Pam at 860-828-1024 or Barbara at 860-828-5632.

#### KNIGHTS MUM SALE!

Our Knights of Columbus Msgr. Greylish Council #3675 will host 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!



#### 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.

**Check out this video** and feel free to share it with friends!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fbNcWE-km4c>

For more information, contact Bud Volz at [budvolz@comcast.net](mailto:budvolz@comcast.net) or visit [www.TMIY.org](http://www.TMIY.org) or visit our parish TMIY page: <https://stpaulkensington.org/that-man-is-you>



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 purchased 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.



**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.



## PARISH PRAYER LIST

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Maureen Freeman	Thomas Norris	
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**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.

### 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!

*No puzzle this week.*



# Join us!

## HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT

Open to all area parochial, private, and public school students and their families in Grades 5-8!

Saint Paul School invites all parochial, private and public school students to attend our High School Fair!

Visit with admissions representatives from Catholic High Schools in our area.

### Where:

Saint Paul School Gymnasium  
461 Alling St., Kensington

### When:

Wednesday, October 11, 2023 from 6:00-7:00pm

### Schools Represented:

St. Paul High School, East Catholic, Northwest, Mercy, Xavier and Sacred Heart Academy.



**Saturday, September 16**

8:30am Confessions  
 10:00am Funeral - +Kurnik SPC  
 3:00pm Confessions

**Sunday, September 17**

1:15pm Baptisms

**Monday, September 18****NWEA MAP Testing Gr 3-8—all week**

8:45am Parish Staff Meeting  
 1:00pm Confessions - Gr. 4-7  
 3:00pm Cross Country Practice (Gr 6, 7 & 8)  
 7:00pm Pastoral Council Mtg. - SPH

**Tuesday, September 19**

8:45am School Mass Gr. 6-8  
 4:00pm Holy Hour Adoration  
 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal - PC LL  
 6:30pm Rel Ed Homeschool Parent Meeting-SG  
 7:00pm SPS Board Meeting-SL

Holy Hour  
 Tuesdays  
 4-5pm

**Wednesday, September 20**

6:00pm Rosary at Sacred Heart  
 7:00pm Parish Finance Mtg. - PC-1

**Thursday, September 21**

9:00am Quilters - SPH  
 3:00pm Cross Country Practice (Gr 6, 7 & 8)  
 6:00pm Bereavement - SPH (Rear)  
 6:30pm HSA Social on the Green  
 6:30pm Adult Confirmation - PC-1  
 6:30pm Rel Ed Gr. 1-2, 4-8 Parent Meeting-SG

**Friday, September 22**

12:00pm K of C Mum Sale-Gazebo  
 7:30pm AA Meeting - SPH

**Saturday, September 23**

6:30am TMIY - SPH  
 8:30am Confessions  
 9:00am K of C Mum Sale-Gazebo  
 11:30am Memorial Mass +Formica  
 3:00pm Confessions

**PARISH CALENDAR**

St. Paul Catholic High School has announced its **open house campus tour dates for this Fall**. If you or someone you



know has a prospective student looking to attend St. Paul in the 2023 or 2024 school years this is the open house you'll want to visit. All tours are by appointment and each family will take a guided tour around the campus building.

Visit [spchs.com/openhouse](https://spchs.com/openhouse) to register for an appointment on **Saturday, September 23, October 14 or November 18** with appointments beginning at 10:00am.

Also, St. Paul Catholic High School has scheduled two **Placement Exam dates** for prospective grade 9 and grade 10 students. The Placement Exam is a standardized test that incoming students take which evaluates their performance levels in math, language and reading. This exam will be held at the school on **Saturdays, October 28 and December 2** both beginning at 8:00am. To register, visit [spchs.com/placementexam](https://spchs.com/placementexam).

**Archdiocesan 2023 Anniversary Mass** The Archdiocese of Hartford cordially invites couples celebrating wedding anniversaries of 25, 50, 60 or more to the annual Wedding Anniversary Mass on **Sunday, October 22, 2023** at 2 pm at the Cathedral of St. Joseph, Hartford. The Mass includes a renewal of marriage vows followed by an opportunity for couples to have a photograph taken with Archbishop Blair and a personalized certificate. Couples who wish to participate please register at: <https://archdioceseofhartford.org/marriagemass/>. Contact Valerie at [valerie.stjean@aohct.org](mailto:valerie.stjean@aohct.org) with questions.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter:** WWME sponsors a variety of in-person and virtual marriage experiences, some on weekends and some on seven weekdays. Couples explore their relationship with each other, God, and the Church. Sign up for a WWME Experience. Upcoming dates: Sept. 22-24 in Huntington, NY, Oct. 16-Nov. 6, Virtual, Oct. 20-22 in Barre, VT. For more information or to apply, call Frank & Margie Pearson at 860-337-2447 or <https://www.mectw.org/>.

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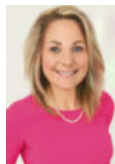
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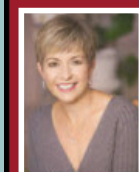
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