

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

Baptism Instruction: 3rd Wednesday of the month

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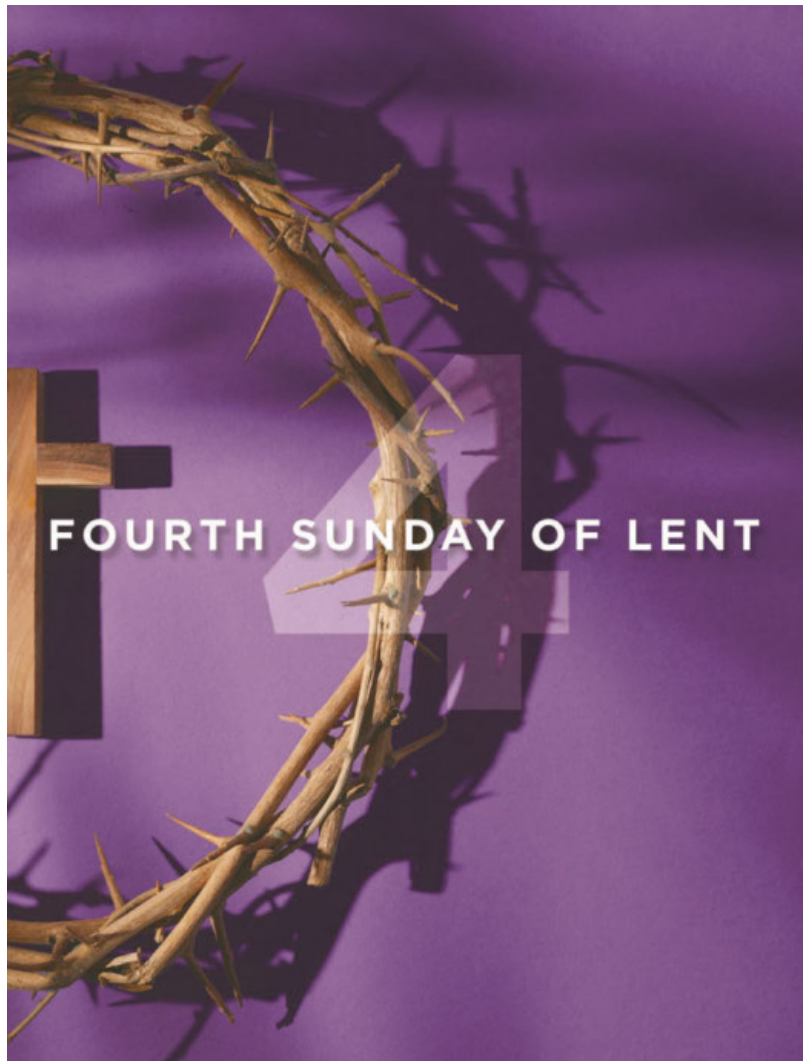
A Franciscan Family of Faith

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

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

March 10, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Lent



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

-Pope Francis

Second and Third Scrutiny - Our two Elect, Hannah Dornfried and Renee Roach will participate in the Rite for the Second Scrutiny this week and the Third Scrutiny next week. In the bulletin last week was an explanation of the Scrutinies and the Rite that accompanies them. Please continue to pray for our Elect as they prepare to receive all of the Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter Vigil as well as our Candidate David Forsythe who will be Confirmed and receive his 1st Holy Communion at the same time.

Laetare Sunday - On this fourth Sunday of Lent, Laetare, Rejoice, Sunday the Church expresses hope and joy in the midst of our Lenten fasts and penances. The vestment color is rose giving us a glimpse of the joy that awaits us at Easter. In a sense we take a brief pause and fortify ourselves for the rest of Lent and all of the events of Holy Week. All of our prayers, fasting and almsgiving are meant to turn our hearts and souls more fully to God. An integral part of that turning is admitting, repenting and confessing our sins so as to receive an abundance of God's mercy. This thought leads me into the next item.

Lent and Forgiveness - The Opening Prayer for last Sunday's Mass said in part "O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, ... look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy." Lent and forgiveness certainly go hand in hand. Lent will lead us to Good Friday when Jesus was lifted up on the Cross and suffered and died so that our sins could be forgiven. No matter how much our conscience is bowed down Jesus is there to lift us up with his mercy. And why is that? The answer is in today's gospel: "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life." (John 3:16)

I invite you to pray the following verses from Psalm 51.

Have mercy on me, God, in your goodness;
in the your compassion blot out my offense.
Thoroughly wash away my guilt; and from my sin cleanse me.
R. *Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.*

For I acknowledge my offense;
my sin is always before me.
"Against you, you alone have I sinned,
I have done what is evil in your sight." **R.**

A clean heart create for me, God;
and a steadfast spirit renew within me.
Caste me not out of your presence,
and your Holy Spirit take not from me. **R.**

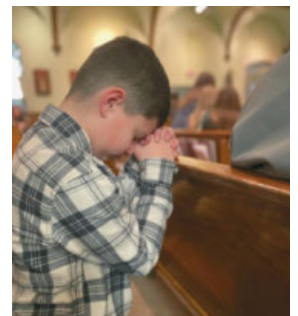
Give me back the joy of your salvation;
uphold me with a willing spirit.
O Lord, open my lips;
and my mouth will proclaim your praise. **R.**

In the first part of Psalm 51, the sinner asks deliverance from sin, not just a past act, but its emotional, physical, and social consequences. The second part of the psalm seeks something more profound, nearness to God, living by the spirit of God. Jesus gave us the Sacrament of Reconciliation for exactly these two purposes: the forgiveness of our sins, but also to draw us into a deeper relationship with Himself. I invite you not to let this holy time of Lent to pass by without receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Jesus never turned away one who came asking to be forgiven and nor shall we; whether it has been a few weeks, a few months, a few years, or a few decades now is the acceptable time, now is the time to accept the Lord's invitation and to "Be Reconciled" to God. Visit our website for information about all of our opportunities for you to go to confession this Lent.

Holy Week and Easter Schedule - Our full schedule for Holy Week and Easter can be found on page 5 of today's bulletin. Please make plans to attend on these holiest days of the year. Please note that once again this year we have spread out the Mass times on Easter Sunday a bit more. In addition to the Easter Vigil Mass at 8 pm, the Masses on Easter at St. Paul will be at 7:00 am, 8:45 am 10:30 am and 12:15 pm. Easter Mass at Sacred Heart will be at 9:30 am.

Easter Memorials – The Easter Memorials will be published in the Easter Bulletin. To be included in that bulletin, the Memorials must be received in the office by Mon., March 18. Memorials received after that date will be printed in a subsequent bulletin. Easter Memorials can also be submitted online.

1st Confessions - On March 2nd, we celebrated Jesus' love and forgiveness with about 91 third graders. There was the usual tinge of nervousness ahead of time, but then lots of smiles afterwards. Special thanks goes out our Religious Education catechists Suzanne Ciarcia, Lisa Moscaritolo, and Kara Satalino as well as Kari Buchholz, the 3rd grade teacher at Saint Paul School. Thanks also to Fr. Michael for the time that he spent with the 3rd graders and to especially Robin Veronesi, our DRE, and her assistant Linda Beaudoin. Thanks also to Fr. Mark from St. John's in Cromwell for helping us hear their confessions.



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INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Candles will burn this week for:

†David Symolon 1st Anniversary by family

†Marc Laviana

7 Year Anniversary by Linda Laviana and children

†Maureen Liegeot by Saint Paul Folk Group

Sanctuary Candles will burn this week for:

†Francis E. Gentile Birthday Remembrance by wife



†Giuseppe Magisano

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.

Parish Collection Feb. 26-Mar. 4, 2024	In Church SP	\$ 9,142
	Office	\$ 1,924
	In Church SH	\$ 568
	Online Giving	\$ 5,150
	Total	\$ 16,784

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.

Saint Michael the Archangel,

Defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil.

May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou,

O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God,

thrust into hell Satan,

and all the evil spirits,

who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.



Saturday, March 9, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Lent

4:00 †Joan DiMinno 5 Year Anniversary by Joyce

Sunday, March 10, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Lent

7:30 †Helen Sikorowicz 30 Year Anniversary

by Carol Ciaffaglione

9:00 †Priscilla Luth by Ron and Joan Vancour

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

10:30 †Eugeniusz and †Weronika Chlastawa by son Stanley

12:00 †Bruce Dumond 20th Anniversary by Lucia and children

Monday, March 11, 2024 Lenten Weekday

7:00 †Deceased Friars, Family, Friends

and Benefactors of the Friars

5:00 †Marina Zovich by Theresa and family

Tuesday, March 12, 2024 Lenten Weekday

7:00 **Arthur Tabaczynski** Birthday Celebration

by Tabaczynski family

Barbara Kraul Health by Ewa Koziorog

†Barbara Zapor Birthday Remembrance

by Sawyer/Zapor families

†Maria Verrillo by Peter Verrillo

†Joe and †Kay DeBlasio by Arlene and Bill DeBlasio

8:45 **Living and Deceased Members of**

the Tabaczynski Family by family

5:00 †David Symolon 1st Anniversary by family

Wednesday, March 13, 2024 Lenten Weekday

7:00 †Ann Porcaro In memory of by husband Joseph

5:00 †Lenore DellaVecchia Remembrance

by Lisa and Bill Richards

Thursday, March 14, 2024 Lenten Weekday

7:00 †Joann Kavarsky Birthday Remembrance by family

5:00 †Helen Slowikowski, †Helen Messina and

†Rose Messina by Debbie Slowikowski

†Eugenio Riccardi by Emanuele Lombardo

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

John Nappi, Jr. by wife

†Jane Lubin by Berlin Memorial Funeral Home

Friday, March 15, 2024 Lenten Weekday

7:00 †Joseph DeFazio by wife Maria

5:00 †Maria Calafiore by Emanuele Lombardo

Saturday, March 16, 2024 Fifth Sunday of Lent

4:00 †Dick Percival 9th Anniversary by family

Sunday, March 17, 2024 Fifth Sunday of Lent

7:30 †Martin P. Sheehan by Cindy

9:00 †Raymond Lemiux and †Robert Brousseau

Anniversary Remembrance by family

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

10:30 †Kieran Egan by Margaret and family

12:00 †Annunziata Tamburro Birthday Remembrance

by Nancy Witz, namesake and granddaughter

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.

Do This In Memory of Me - Thanks to the parishioners who have already made a gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal (AAA), *Do This In Memory of Me*. The AAA helps provide the critical funding to feed the hungry, shelter the homeless, counsel those in despair, offer much-needed assistance to the unemployed, and make medical care available to those without health insurance. **I am hoping that we will have a real solid start to the Appeal this year so as to help the many people who rely on our generosity. By reaching our goal of \$120,000 many of God's people will have it at least a bit better. Thank you for your past support; recall that every gift is important and that every gift makes a difference because of the people who are helped by your generosity.** All AAA funds are only used for the designated purposes and are never used for legal fees or settlements. There is additional information at the church entrances.

Saint Paul School Auction, Garden Gala - There is still time to support our school's auction which is being held on March 23rd beginning at 6:00 pm. The Committee has changed up a few things, maybe none more so than taking the auction off campus to Casa Mia at the Hawthorne. If for some reason you cannot attend in person, you can get in on the bidding from the comfort of your home or where ever you might be that night through an app on your phone. The bidding begins this Friday, March 15th. You can also support these efforts by donating a gift that will be auctioned off or by you or your business being a sponsor for the event. See page 6 or go to the school's web site for more information!

Ushers and Greeters Meeting - In preparation for Holy Week and Easter, there will be a meeting for all current ushers and greeters and anyone who would like to become an usher or a greeter on Thursday, March 21 at 6:30 pm in St. Paul Church. Please contact Deacon Don to let us know if you would like to be a Greeter or an Usher at any of the Masses: 413-320-5778 or deacondon@stpaulkensington.org.

Final Thoughts - *"What did the grape say when it was crushed? Nothing, it just left out a little whine."* Opening Day is 18 days away as is Holy Thursday. As we take a deep breath from our Lenten training, let us get back at it so as to enter more deeply into the Lord's love and forgiveness. Have a blessed week everyone. - Fr. Joe



INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PARISH FAMILY?

Our next Registration Meeting is **Monday, March 11** in the St. Paul Church Hall at 7pm.

Please let us know if you plan to attend:

- Call our Parish Office at 860-828-0331 or
- Email us at ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org.

READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK, MARCH 17, 2024

For readings online, visit

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/031724-YearB.cfm>

First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 51:3-4, 12-13, 14-15

Create a clean heart in me, O God.

Second Reading: Hebrews 5:7-9

Verse Before the Gospel: John 12:26

Whoever serves me must follow me, says the Lord; and where I am, there also will my servant be.

Gospel: John 12:20-33

Some Greeks who had come to worship at the Passover Feast came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, "Sir, we would like to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Amen, amen, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat; but if it dies, it produces much fruit. Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will preserve it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there also will my servant be. The Father will honor whoever serves me. "I am troubled now. Yet what should I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But it was for this purpose that I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it and will glorify it again." The crowd there heard it and said it was thunder; but others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered and said, "This voice did not come for my sake but for yours. Now is the time of judgment on this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself." He said this indicating the kind of death he would die.

FOODSHARE ST. CLARE FOOD PANTRY & MOBILE FOODSHARE

The Pantry is currently in need of the following items:

Canned veggies, fruits, applesauce, cranberry sauce, tomato products, canned pasta, chili, tuna, chicken, ham, pork & beans, beans/lentils, and soup.

Volunteers will transport food from St. Paul to Sacred Heart and set up for distribution on **Thurs., Mar. 14 at 9:30am.**

Volunteers will also help with food distribution on **Fri., Mar 15 at 11am** at Sacred Heart Church.

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

For information about our parish St. Clare Food Pantry or the FoodShare program including volunteering, contact Nancy at 860-601-7866 or n.timbrell@stpaulkensington.org.

St. Paul Parish

2024 Holy Week and Easter Schedules

Palm Sunday Weekend - March 23 & 24

Regular Weekend Mass Schedule

Palms will be distributed at all of the Masses.

Saturday, March 23

Vigil Mass: 4:00 pm

Palm Sunday, March 24

Mass at Sacred Heart: 9:30 am

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



Monday to Wednesday of Holy Week

March 25, 26 & 27

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

Adoration:

Monday, March 25 - 7 to 8 pm

Tuesday, March 26 - 4 to 5 pm

Sacred Triduum - March 28 - 30

Holy Thursday - March 28

8:00 am Morning Prayer

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration until 10pm with Night

Prayer

Good Friday - March 29

Parish Office Closed.

Office re-opens on Tuesday, April 2

8:00 am Morning Prayer

10:30 am Confessions until 11:30 am

3:00 pm Good Friday Service

4:30 pm Confessions until 5:30 pm

7:00 pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday - March 30

8:00 am Morning Prayer

9:30 am Blessing of Food (St. Paul Church)

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

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

Easter Vigil - March 30

8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass

Blessing of Fire, Lighting of the Paschal Candle,

Celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation

(Baptism, Confirmation & Eucharist)

Easter Sunday - March 31* (Read Carefully)

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

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

Mass at Sacred Heart: 9:30 am

Confessions

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

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

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

Good Friday: 10:30 - 11:30 am & 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Confessions will not be heard on Holy Saturday.

Confession and "Easter Duty"

Catholics beyond the age of discretion are obliged to confess all mortal sins at least once a year and are recommended to do the same with venial sins (Canons 989 & 988.2). All Catholics are also obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year and specifically during Easter time ("Easter Duty"), that is between the Feasts of Easter (March 31) and Pentecost (May 19). (Canon 920).

He is not here.

He has risen!

Luke 24:6



SPS is Growing Greatness!

Visit our Open House and see our classes in action!

Families are invited to tour on Monday, March 11, 2024 between 9:00-11:00 am.

Saint Paul School is accepting applications in Pre-K4 through Grade 7 for the 2024-2025 academic year. Contact Admissions and Marketing Director, Kelly Esposito for more information at 860-828-4343 x113 or admissions@stpaulkensington.org

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On Saturday, March 2, third graders from our Religious Ed program and Saint Paul School made their First Reconciliation. With 91 total children, two ceremonies were held. Thank you to Suzanne Ciarcia, Lisa Moscaritolo and Kara Satalino our third grade catechists and to the third grade teacher at Saint Paul School, Kari Buchholz. We were blessed to have five friars available to hear confessions: Fr. Joe, Fr. Martin, Fr. Michael and Fr. Raymond as well as Fr. Mark Curesky from Saint John Church in Cromwell.

These confessions are part of a prayer service where the Gospel story of Jesus leaving the 99 sheep to find the one who is lost is read (Luke 15: 1-7). Several parents also went to confession. What a beautiful way to model the faith.

A reflection on the intent and beauty of the sacrament by Suzanne Tanzi from Magnificat Lenten Companion:

When my son had his first confession, he kept moving back toward the end of the line, to delay the moment of facing the priest. When he finally emerged, he was ecstatic. I said, "If it went so well, I guess you will want to go back." "Oh yes! I will be going back lots of times!" In being forgiven, and in forgiving, may we too joyfully return to Jesus' expectant embrace lots of times.



After receiving the sacrament, the children place their sheep nametag on the arms of the Sacred Heart of Jesus statue.

Saint Paul School Garden Gala Auction
Saturday, March 23rd!

Join us at Casa Mia at the Hawthorne starting at 6pm and going until 10:30pm, we have an exciting lineup of events! To check out all of the great auction items, or to buy tickets or to donate/sponsor, visit the school website, or click / scan below. Online bidding for silent auction items will open to the public on Friday, March 15th, while live auction items will only be available to those who attend the auction. Don't miss the chance to bid on a wide variety of amazing items and experiences.



<https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org/2024-garden-gala>



Parents wait with their child and then introduce him/her to the friar.



Entire families attend to celebrate this sacrament of mercy and forgiveness.

SAINT PAUL SCHOOL

Now accepting applications for the 2024-2025 academic year.



Download an application here: <https://bit.ly/3qO2X9J>

Website: <https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org/>

Saint Paul School Kensington CT

[saintpaul.school](https://www.instagram.com/saintpaul.school)



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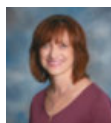
ST. PAUL PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Monday-Thursday 8am - 2pm

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

St Paul Parish Religious Ed Berlin CT

Email: religioused@stpaulkensington.org



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2024 Saint Paul Summer Camp is Open to the Public!
June 17th - August 9th
 Ages 3-13. All Are Welcome
 Full day and half day weeks available, as well as single day registration.



Sports, Arts & Crafts, Activities on our Parish Green, Water Activities, Games, Dairy Queen Treats and More!

Learn More at:
ourschool.stpaulkensington.org
summercamp@stpaulkensington.org
 860-828-4343

YOUTH MINISTRY



EDGE
Sunday, March 10th

All middle school students in grades 6-8 are welcome to join us on **Sunday, March 10, 1:00-2:30pm*** in the St. Paul Church Hall for our next event.

Topic: "Road Trip"
 Join us for a night where we introduce the importance of the Eucharist and how it can map our lives every day!




***Please note:** for the remainder of the Spring semester all EDGE nights will now be held from **1:00-2:30pm** (not from 6:30-8:00pm as was originally scheduled.)

Bring a friend, and we hope to see you there!



EXULTATIONS CHILDREN'S CHOIR
 Our St. Paul Parish Children's Choir, Exultations, meets Wednesday evenings. The choir sings for the Children's Masses and other special occasions. New members are welcome to join our current group! Contact Cheryl Kramer-Tierney at 19ck64@gmail.com or sign up on our website.



CHILDREN'S MASS
 The next Children's Mass will be **Sunday, March 17** at 10:30 am. If your child would like to participate, please sign them up using this link:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C49A5A628A0F94-childrens9#/>





46th Annual Passion Play
 Southington's St. Luke's Parish
Tuesday 3/26/24 at 7pm
Wednesday 3/27/24 at 7pm
 Tickets are free. Donations appreciated!
 Note: The show includes strobe lights, loud noises, whipping, and crucifixion scenes - not recommended for children under five or those who may be afraid. <https://www.stlukect.org>


LifeTeen Night!
Sunday, March 17

All high school students in grades 9-12 are invited to join us for our next LifeTeen Night: **March 17** from **6:30-8:00pm** in the St. Paul Church Hall. Join us and *bring a friend!*

Topic: "Heart of Mystery"
 This night will present the central mystery of our faith: Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. We will also have some fun St. Patrick's Day themed food, fun and fellowship.




SAVE THE DATE:



Steubenville EAST Youth Conference | **July 26-28, 2024** | Springfield, MA


All teens entering grade nine in the fall of 2024 through graduated seniors in spring of 2024 are welcome to attend this life changing conference!

More info to come soon!



ST. PAUL PARISH YOUTH MINISTRY
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WOMEN OF FAITH

All women of the parish are invited to attend the next meeting of our **Women of Faith** group on **Thursday, March 14th** at 7pm in the St. Paul Church Hall.



Fr. Martin will lead us in the Stations of the Cross.

We gather on the second Thursday of every month. Come meet new friends and enjoy our conversations! Join us as we support one another in **Faith, Friendship and Fellowship**. If you have any questions, please feel free to email us at womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org.

FAITH PROGRAM & COUNCIL MEETING

On **Wednesday, March 13**, the regular monthly Knights of Columbus Council meeting will take place at 7:00pm in the St Paul Church Hall. Prior to this meeting, at 6:00pm, a Faith Program will be presented featuring a video from the highly-acclaimed *Into the Breach* series. A light meal will be provided during that Program. All brother Knights are encouraged to attend.



LENTEN COLLECTION

The 2024 Lenten Collection hosted by our Social Action Ministry is underway and will continue **through March 24**. Please join us in our efforts to help families in need. Please leave all donated items at the church entrances.

PRUDENCE CRANDALL WISH LIST:

- Dish detergent
 - Laundry detergent
 - Maxi pads and mini pads (no tampons)
 - Razors
 - Deodorant
 - Shampoo & conditioner
 - Shower gel or body wash
 - Blankets—twin, full, or queen size
 - Grocery gift cards
 - Stop & Shop
 - Aldi
 - Big Y
 - Target
 - Walmart
- Please put gift cards in an envelope marked "Lenten Collection" and put them in the collection basket or drop off at the Parish Office.

FAMILY PROMISE WISH LIST:

- Body soap
- Body wash
- Dish detergent
- Ladies deodorant
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Toilet paper
- Paper towels

All items must be new, unused, not expired, and in original packaging. Thank you!

Thank you for your unwavering support and generous contributions to Prudence Crandall and Family Promise!

POLISH DINNER!

Saturday, April 20, 2024
Saint Paul School Gym
5:00 - 8:00 pm



Tickets are \$25 per person. Tables of 6, 8 or 10 can be reserved. Authentic Polish Cuisine. Catered by Michael's Catering BYOB

Tickets available through:

- Tom Drzata 860-965-1373
- Bud Volz 860-681-8355
- Tom Sullivan 860-505-8128
- Parish Office 860-828-0331

Get your tickets early as last year was sold out!

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus Council #3675



CT MARCH FOR LIFE!

Wednesday, March 20, 2024



The CT March for Life will once again be held at the grounds of the Connecticut State Capitol, 210 Capitol Ave in Hartford.

- 12:00 p.m. – Rally at Capitol
- 1:00 p.m. – March for Life around Bushnell Park

To learn more, visit <https://marchforlife.org/connecticut>.

If you plan to attend and would like to join up and walk with members of our St. Paul Culture of Life Ministry, please contact Ashley at respectlife@stpaulkensington.org

THAT MAN IS YOU! Spring 2024
Saturdays through April 27



That Man Is You starts at 7am **every Saturday morning** in the St. Paul Church Hall. We discuss a different topic each week. For a list of topics visit <https://stpaulkensington.org/that-man-is-you>.

Attend any session that interests you. You are welcome to join us at 6:30am for coffee and a light breakfast before the program begins. Contact Bud Volz: budvolz@comcast.net or 860-681-8355 for more information.



PARISH PRAYER LIST

Bobby Adamowicz	Rose Garuti	Robert Namnoum
Jacob Ahlquist	Patricia Gebhardt	Candace Nguyen
Gilda Alberti	Dominic Gionfriddo	Thomas Norris
Emilie Albert	Jennifer Gionfriddo	Arlene O'Neill
John Anderson	Salvatore Gionfriddo	Esther Ouellette
Jose Arcia	Rosemarie Gionfriddo	Our Military
Zulma Barbien	Judy Giove	Anna Pac
Lawrence Barker	Liz Goryl-Phillips	Emma Pagano
Theresa Baxter	Lenore Gourley	Linda Page
Dick Benson	Edward Grapes	Judy Pappalardo
Don Benza	Madison Gray	Cynthia Paradise
Wyatt Bernard	Grochal Family	Ada Payamis
Sue Besaw	Linda Hannold	Marilyn Puopolo
Rita Beaulieu	Lily Harzewski-Burl	Roberta Pupecki
Peter Bocompani	Lorie Hebert	Care Rich
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SPRING 2024 BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP



St. Paul Parish invites parishioners and others to participate in the 2024 Spring "New Day" Support Group. Gatherings will be held in the St. Paul Church Hall (basement—wheelchair accessible) on

Thursday evenings, 6:30–8:00 pm from **April 11– May 23**. The program offers a supportive atmosphere of care and understanding for those grieving the loss of a loved one. Registration brochures are available at the church entrances.

HELPING HANDS MINISTRY

If you would like to volunteer with our Helping Hands Ministry, or if you would like to learn more about this ministry which assists with the concerns of our senior parishioners, please contact Mark Duplin at 860-666-0162 or mfduplin@outlook.com. We would love to have you join us!



PRAYER LINE

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.



PARISH MISSION - ST. JOHN'S, CROMWELL

The St. John Parish family in Cromwell invites you to its annual Parish Mission on **Sunday, March 10** at 7 pm and on **Monday, March 11** at 7 pm. The theme is *True Presence*. *The Vigil Project*, a contemporary Catholic music team, writes and records music that leads people to pray from the heart, beyond mere speech, and to grow in a deeper relationship with the Lord. The two evenings are not concerts; they are two different interactive programs. Each will be followed by a reception. There is no cost, just come and be uplifted!

- St. John's Church <https://saintjohn-cromwell.org>
- The Vigil Project <https://www.thevigilproject.com>

NEW BRITAIN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN The NBCCW will hold its kickoff meeting on **Thursday, March 21** at 1pm at St. Jerome Church. The meeting will highlight our designated charity, Ukraine support via Catholic Relief Services. There will be a social justice activity focusing on the Principle of Solidarity, CRS Ukraine Emergency Fund. Hope to see you!

Saturday, March 9

6:30am TMIY - SPH
 8:30am Confessions
 9:00am **AWAY JVC RED Game**
 10:00am **AWAY JVC GOLD Game**
 3:00pm Confessions

Sunday, March 10

9:00am 1st & 2nd Yr Conf. class
 10:15am Adult Confirmation-PC-2
 10:30am Special Sacrament prep -
 1:00pm EDGE - SPH ←
 4:00pm 2nd Yr Conf. Confessions

Monday, March 11

8:45am Parish Staff Meeting
 9:00am LPi Ad Rep
 9:00am **SPS Open House**
 4:30pm **Boys JVA Practice**
 6:00pm **Boys Varsity Practice**
 7:00pm Mercy Monday
 7:00pm New Member Registration

Tuesday, March 12

8:45am **School Mass: Gr. 6-8**
 1:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry
 3:00pm **Boys JVB Practice**
 4:00pm **Bill's Pizza fundraiser**
 4:00pm Holy Hour Adoration
 4:30pm **Girls JV Practice**
 6:00pm **Girls Varsity Practice**
 6:00pm **Auction training**
 6:30pm **Auction Meeting**
 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal
 6:45pm **Gr 4-8 Confessions**
 7:00pm Social Action - SPH

Wednesday, March 13

12:00pm 13th of the Month Rosary
 3:00pm **Cheer Practice**
 3:15pm **Mock Trial practice**
 4:30pm **Boys JVA Practice**
 6:00pm **Boys Varsity Practice**
 6:00pm Rosary at Sacred Heart
 6:00pm Exultations - SPC
 7:00pm K of C 3rd Deg Cncl Mtg
 7:00pm **School Board Meeting - SL**

PARISH CALENDAR

Thursday, March 14

9:00am Quilters - SPH
 3:00pm **Boys JVB Practice**
 3:00pm **Girl Scouts**
 3:00pm Robotics - SPH
 4:30pm **Girls JV Practice**
 6:00pm **Girls V Practice**
 6:30pm 1st Communion B
 Parent Mtg
 7:00pm RCIA - PC-1
 7:00pm Women of Faith

Friday, March 15

11:45am FoodShare SHC
 2:00pm **Stations of the Cross: Gr. K-2**
 3:00pm **CoEd JVC Red**
 4:30pm **CoEd JVC Gold**
 7:00pm Stations - SPC
 7:30pm AA Meeting - SPH

Saturday, March 16

6:30am TMIY - SPH
 8:30am Confessions
 9:00am **Gr. 3 Host Making**
 10:30am **Gr. 3 Host Making**
 12:00pm **Gr. 3 Host Making**
 3:00pm Confessions

Sunday, March 17

7:45am **Gr. 1-8 Rel Ed Session 1-SPS**
 9:00am Easter Bag Collection - SPH
 9:15am **Gr. 1-8 Rel Ed Session 2-SPS**
 10:15am Adult Conf.- PC2
 10:45am **Gr. 1-8 Rel Ed Session 3-SPS**
 1:15pm Baptisms
 6:30pm Life Teen - SPH
 8:00pm Men's Holy Hour

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