#### 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**

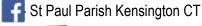
Tuesdays 4:00-5:00pm

Baptisms: 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month Baptism Instruction: 3rd Wednesday of the month

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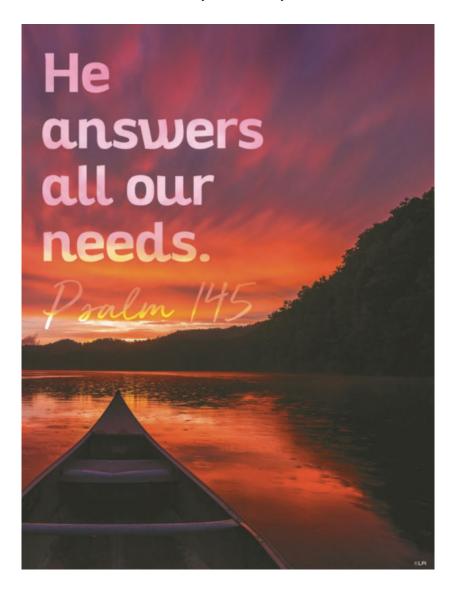
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# St. Paul Catholic Parish

A Franciscan Family of Faith

St. Paul Church - 485 Alling St, Kensington CT 06037 Sacred Heart Church - 48 Cottage St, East Berlin CT 06023

> July 28, 2024 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

#### **PASTOR'S COLUMN**

Happy Grandparents Day! - In 2021, Pope Francis declared the fourth Sunday in July as *World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly* because of its proximity to July 26 which is the Feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, the parents of Mary and thus the grandparents of Jesus.

The Holy Father in his letter this year focused on the realities that some times the elderly are abandoned or feel less appreciated. He concluded his letter by saying: "... let us show our tender love for the grandparents and the elderly members of our families. Let us spend time with those who are disheartened and no longer hope in the possibility of a different future. In place of the self-centered attitude that leads to loneliness and abandonment, let us instead show the open heart and the joyful face of men and women who have the courage to say 'I will not abandon you', and to set out on a different path. To all of you, dear grandparents and elderly persons, and to all those who are close to you I send my blessing, accompanied by my prayers. And I ask you, please, not to forget to pray for me." Pope Francis will turn 88 on December 17.

I and all of the Friars offer greetings for a Happy Grandparents Day and prayers for all of our elderly parishioners. May the Lord bless each of you in these later years of life and may the great example of your faith continue to light the way to Christ for all in your families and our parish. On page 9 is a prayer for our Grandparents. See the next item for one way our parish reaches out to our senior parishioners so that they are not alone or abandoned and how you can help.

Helping Hands - Our Helping Hands Ministry provides support to our senior citizens, many of whom who are alone or homebound or separated from their loved ones. On a basic level, volunteers make contact with these parishioners by checking in on them with a phone call. Some volunteers might be able to do a little more like some chores around the yard, pick up a prescription or periodically even bring them a meal. The most important element is to be a contact on the part of the parish with our seniors to let them know that they are not forgotten and to provide a presence and connection for them. Our Eucharistic Ministers are also available to bring them Holy Communion. To become involved in this ministry contact Mark Duplin at mfduplin@outlook.com or at 860-666-0162.

Mission Co-Op Appeal Next Weekend - As I have mentioned the last couple weeks, while you have envelopes dated July 28, the Mission Co-Op collection has been moved to next weekend (August 3 & 4) due to the schedule of the missionary assigned to our parish. During the course of the year we are asked to support three Mission Appeals. The Propagation of the Faith office of the Archdiocese of Hartford has invited the Diocese of Kumbakonam, India to participate in the Mission Cooperative Appeal in our parish this year. You may

recall that Bishop Antonisamy Francis of this Diocese was with us last year. He has since retired at the age of 78. The Mission Director who accompanied him last year, Fr. M.S. Selva Raj, will be with us next weekend. The new Bishop wished to come as well, but schedules could not be arranged. See page 6 for more information about the Diocese of Kumbakonam and their needs.

Little Sisters of the Poor - Also, next weekend the Little Sisters of the Poor from Enfield will be at our parish to ask for our support for their ministries. They were scheduled prior to the change with the Mission Co-Op collection mentioned above. One of the Sisters will speak very briefly after Communion next week and then the Sisters will be at the exits to take any donation that you might be able to offer them for their ministries. If you want to support the Little Sisters of the Poor, and I certainly hope that you will, you will have to bring cash or your check book. Any donations for them will have to be given to them directly at the exits of the church as you leave Mass. I know that we can be confident that the good Sisters will see that your donations are put to good use.

Religious Education Registration and Catechists Needed Registration for the upcoming year's Religious Education Classes has begun and will be open through July 31st. If you have not yet completed the registration process go to our website and click on the registration tab. Also, see page 5 of the bulletin and consider joining the team of catechists that teach our children. Volunteers are also needed in non-teaching roles. At the time I am writing this, four (4) more catechists are needed in grades 1, 4 and 5. All classes meet Sunday mornings. There is nothing more important that we can do for our children than pass on to them the gift of faith that has been shared with us. Help them to become closer to their God!!

**Summer Concert** - On Thursday, July 18th, we held our first Summer Concert on the Parish Green. This type of event was in the minds of the parishioners who worked on the committee to establish the Parish Green when the parish purchased the property and building that housed the old Kensington Grammar School (KGS). This addition has served the parish and school well since its completion over seven years ago. The vision for something like last Thursday was shared with me after my arrival. Very preliminary internal discussions were had, but COVID put it on the very back burner. This year though seemed like an opportune time to do this. In that a number of local communities have these sort of events during the summer and having heard that Berlin had had such events in the past too, we approached Mayor Kaczynski and his staff to see if the Town would have any interest in partnering in hosting such an event. Continued on page 4

#### **INTENTIONS**

#### **Blessed Mother Candles will burn this week for**

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

**†Arthur and †Michael Bittner and †Barry Fairwood** Birthday Remembrance by John, Mary Ann and Michael Imundo

**†Christopher Rozycki** 5th Anniversary by Teresa Rozycki **†Fannie A. Farrell** by family

#### Sanctuary Candles will burn this week for

**†Francis E. Gentile** 8th Anniversary by wife, children and grandchildren

**†Barry Fairwood** Birthday Remembrance by Terry Tonina

Yvonne Williams and Eric Haberern For Healing by mother

**†Raymond Kramer** Birthday Remembrance by wife and family

#### The Gift of Wine will be offered this week for

**†Paul G. Bogdanski** 25th Anniversary by wife and children

#### The Bread for the Poor will be Offered this week for

Special Intention by anonymous



#### †Francia Rivera

(Mother of Carmen Bittel)

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			
July 16—22, 2024			

In Church SP	\$ 8,169
Office	\$ 2,547
In Church SH	\$ 436
Online Giving	\$ 4,532
Total	\$ 15,684

#### Saint Michael the Archangel,

Defend us in battle.

Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou.

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

thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.



Saturday, July 27, 2024 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:00 **†Attilo and †Linda Fiori** by Fiori family

Sunday, July 28, 2024 Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 **†Joanne Monzillo** Anniversary Remembrance by Joe

9:00 **†Johanna Z. Davis** by Joan Vancour

9:30 Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish

10:30 **†Paul & †Paula Martin and †Rita Babin** by family

12:00 **†Maureen Fritz** by Gaffney family

Monday, July 29, 2024 Sts. Martha, Mary and Lazarus

7:00 Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

5:00 **†Lawrence and †Anna Peck** by the Peck family

Tuesday, July 30, 2024 St. Peter Chrysologus

7:00 **†Louis Quarti** by Linda Vanty

**†Francis E. Gentile** by wife, children and grandchildren

**†Angelo DiPippo** by daughter

**†Beatrice Zappulla** by Sandra Julius

**†Dave Bernetich** by John Peasley

5:00 **†Maribeth McCarthy Demma** 25th Anniversary

by Roy Demma

Wednesday, July 31, 2024 St. Ignatius of Loyola

7:00 †Ida and †Luigi Frigeri by John and Ann Frigeri

5:00 **†George Star** by Ewa Kozirog

Thursday, August 1, 2024 St. Alphonsus Ligouri

7:00 Greene and Parkin Families by John G. Hubbard family

5:00 **†Rejeanne Regan** 1st Anniversary by family

**†Vincenza Del Sesto** by Antonio Del Sesto and family

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

**†Barry Fairwood** Birthday Remembrance

by Cathy and John Simeone

Friday, August 2, 2024 St. Eusebius of Vercelli;

St. Peter Julian Eymard

7:00 **†Robert J. Fitzsimmons** by wife Anita and children

5:00 **†Anita T. Monahan** 7th Anniversary by son Mike Monahan Saturday, August 3, 2024 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 **†Greg Ciccaglione** 5th Anniversary by family

Sunday, August 4, 2024 Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 **†Barry Fairwood** 6 Month Anniversary by Terry Tonina

9:00 +Mary Piatek Birthday Remembrance by family

9:30 Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish

10:30 **†Lois Gadzik** by Joan Vancour

12:00 **†Eugenia Czapla** by husband Edward

PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS 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. To do so, please arrive at least ten minutes before the start time of the Mass, go to the sacristy and let the sacristan know you would like to bring up the gifts. If no one comes forward by that time, others will be invited to present the gifts.

**HOSPITAL VISITS** Our friars will be happy to visit you or your loved one in the hospital if you kindly send a request. Call 860-828-0331 or email ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org.

#### **PASTOR'S COLUMN (continued)**

There was immediate interest and after many months of planning, it all came together. Thank you to everyone on the parish side and town side who worked on making the evening such a great success. The good Lord blessed us with a beautiful evening. The good Lord also blessed us with a great sponsor, Manafort Brothers Incorporated, and the entire Manafort family. As a result, it was a free event for those who attended. Thank you to the Manafort family for your ongoing generosity and support. Bud Volz was the parish's lead representative on the joint committee with the town. Bud chairs the Pastoral Council's Youth, Family & Community Life Committee.

I could not have been more pleased to see such a wide range of ages present amidst the 300 to 400 people in attendance. There were many families with young children as well as senior citizens who expressed appreciation that we provided something for them to do and enjoy. I am so grateful to all of those who attended and how respectful they were to each other and the property. There was not a single piece of litter left on the Parish Green. The local band Locomotion did a fabulous job. It is obvious why they have been playing together for all of these many years. I am so glad that I had the opportunity to hear them play. Thanks too for the home town discount! Hats off to the Town of Berlin Police who had everything so well coordinated. The arrival and egress went very smoothly and the presence of the officers certainly is most comforting these days and appreciated.

That our parish and the town could work together to provide an evening like that, not just for parishioners of St. Paul, but for all of the citizens of Berlin is a fine example of how such combined efforts can work for the good of our fine town. Mr. Mayor, this certainly does not happen without your support, and I agree that we should look ahead to doing this again and maybe more frequently next summer. Thank you to everyone who made our first summer concert on the Parish Green such a wonderful summer evening here in the Town of Berlin.

Save the Date for Italian Night - The Italian Night Committee, led by Betty Lasker and Lynn Misteri, has begun work on this year's Italian Night Dinner to be held on Saturday. November 2nd in the school gym. Save the date and begin to make plans to attend with some family and friends! Proceeds this year will help fund our Youth Ministry Program.

Final Thoughts - The MLB trading deadline is Tuesday. The Orioles definitely need pitching, but who does not and at what cost. As much as pitching is needed the durability factor has



diminished overall, but they are throwing harder than ever. Oh, maybe that is it, we are looking for pitchers and not throwers. What did one ocean say to the other ocean? Nothing, it just waved. - Fr. Joe

#### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: AUGUST 4, 2024**

For readings online, scan or visit

https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/080424.cfm



First Reading: Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.

Second Reading: Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

Alleluia: Matthew 4:4b R. Alleluia, alleluia.

One does not live on bread alone, but by every word

that comes forth from the mouth of God.

R. Alleluia, alleluia,

Gospel: John 6:24-35

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into boats and came to Capernaum looking for Jesus. And when they found him across the sea they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Jesus answered them and said, "Amen, amen, I say to you, you are looking for me not because you saw signs but because you ate the loaves and were filled. Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For on him the Father, God, has set his seal." So they said to him, "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent." So they said to him, "What sign can you do, that we may see and believe in you? What can you do? Our ancestors ate manna in the desert, as it is written: He gave them bread from heaven to eat." So Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." So they said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

#### INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PARISH FAMILY?

Our next Registration Meeting is Monday, August 12 at 7pm in the St. Paul Church Hall at 7pm. Please let us know if you plan to attend. Call the Parish Office at 860-828-0331 or email us at ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org.

TO REQUEST A LOW GLUTEN HOST Please arrive for Mass about 10 minutes early, go to the sacristy and let them know you need a low gluten host. Sit near the front of the new wing. Before Communion, look for a Eucharistic Minister to come forward with a consecrated host for you.

#### **SAINT PAUL SCHOOL**

#### **Job Opening**

Saint Paul School
Part Time Bookkeeper Position
Our parish school has an opening for a parttime (20-25 hours/week) Bookkeeper.



Qualified candidates must:

- possess an undergraduate degree in accounting or have equivalent experience
- at least three years of bookkeeping/account collection
- be proficient in QuickBooks Online, Word, and Excel

Preference will be given to those who have experience with non-profit agencies, schools and/or church organizations.

Apply through Indeed or by sending a cover letter & resume to Deacon Don Philip at deacondon@stpaulkensington.org or call the Saint Paul Parish Center at 860-828-0331.

Special thanks to the 8th grade students and their parents for helping with the concession stand at the Summer Concert!



# Summer Tours Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays 9:00 am —12:00 pm

Tour our classrooms, art room, science lab, library and more.

Learn what our faith-based curriculum can offer your child.

Accepting applications for the 2024-2025 school year

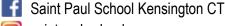
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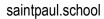
#### SAINT PAUL SCHOOL

Now accepting applications for 2024-2025. Apply/learn more on our admissions page: https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org/admissions



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#### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

#### **VOLUNTEER CATECHIST SPOTLIGHT**

Meet Imelda Mongillo. This year marks Imelda's 10th year as a volunteer. She co-teaches 2nd Year Confirmation students with Jen Jurgen, who was featured in last week's bulletin. She lives in Berlin with her husband Brian and sons Dominic and Marco. Imelda works at Wesleyan University in Mid-



dletown as the Director of Operations for Communications.

I've been a catechist for longer than I thought I would be, and I'm grateful for that. I wanted to be a part of one of my son's religious education journey. I thought I would do it for a year or two and see how it went. Having a boy, I knew he might not want me in the classroom but I wanted to give it a try. I started with him in 1st grade. In the early years we talked about faith, God, church. We had lesson guides to follow which made the instruction easy. It was in the evening back then, and when we had some sleepy and tired students, we would do a game or a craft (all related to the material) to wake them back up and get them engaged. They always enjoyed the competition and crafts. The lesson plans expanded and changed as the students grew. It really made it easy to express the religious terms and customs, prepare for the lesson and conduct the lesson with the lesson guides provided. I can't believe my youngest son finishes this year. It's such an important milestone and I'm so grateful to have done it with him. It's given me a lot of gratification to see him and his classmates (some which we've had since the beginning) grow in their faith and reach this important milestone. I get teary-eyed thinking about it. We can only hope they continue to explore their faith beyond religious education, if nothing else, they have the tools to do so if they choose. I referenced "we" in this statement, as I couldn't have done it without my co-teacher, Jen Jurgen. We've been a team from the very beginning. I suggest finding a co-teacher to share this experience with. It really does make it easier. I hope you consider taking a leap of faith and becoming a part of the religious journey of our parish youth. God Bless!

Classes meet 12 times throughout the year on Sunday mornings beginning in September and running through May. We still have openings for volunteers to teach or co-teach in grades 1, 4, & 5. Substitute teachers are always welcome and needed as well. Training is provided.

If you are feeling nudged by the Holy Spirit to join our team, contact Robin or Linda at for more information at 860-828-1934 or religioused@stpaulkensington.org

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JULY 31! SEE PAGE 9.

#### **Berlin Fair Volunteers Needed**

The 2024 Berlin Fair will be held from Thursday, September 12 through Sunday, September 15.



Be a part of this fun community event by helping at our food booths! Our parish hosts two booths, and we need your help!

If you are interested in volunteering, your time and support are most welcome!
Please consider signing up for several needed positions before and during the fair.

Click or scan here for the SignUp page.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C49A5A628A0F94-50102254-berlin#/

If you have questions regarding volunteering, please contact Helen deRito at 860-559-5695 (text or leave a message) or derito.aos@snet.net. Thank you!

**PRAY THE ROSARY** We encourage all of our parishioners to pray the Holy Rosary and to take advantage of the many opportunities we offer to pray the Rosary together.

Wednesday evening Rosary at Sacred Heart Church 6:00-6:30pm. Next date: Wednesday, July 31

**13th of the Month Rosary** Group at St. Paul Church 12:00 pm. Next date: Tuesday, August 13

**Children's Rosary** at Sacred Heart Church 10:00 am. Next date: Saturday, August 3

#### SUNDAY SOCIAL

Social gatherings will be held monthly on Sunday mornings at Sacred Heart Church.



Join us Sunday, August 12 after 9:30am Mass at Sacred Heart for coffee, conversation, and light refreshments!

## ST. CLARE FOOD PANTRY & MOBILE FOODSHARE

**FCODSHARE** 

The Pantry is currently in need of the following items:

Flour, sugar, cake, cookie, muffin and brownie mixes, frosting, corn bread, pie fillings and pie crusts.

Volunteers will transport food from St. Paul to Sacred Heart and set up for distribution on Thurs., August 1 at **9:30am**. Volunteers will also help with food distribution on Fri., August 2 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.



#### LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

Next weekend, August 3 and 4, the Little Sisters of the Poor will be visiting our parish. The collection taken for them will be exclusively for the care of the elderly poor who reside with them at St. Joseph's Residence in Enfield. The Little Sisters

of the Poor have been serving the needs of the elderly poor in Connecticut and Western Massachusetts for over 150 years. They are most grateful for your generosity. Learn more on their website: https://www.littlesistersofthepoor.org



#### MISSION COLLECTION - DIOCESE OF KUMBAKONAM

Next weekend, August 3/4, we welcome Fr. M.S. Selva Raj, Mission Director, who will speak to us about the missionary activities and challenges of the Diocese of Kumbakonam, India. Our second collection next weekend will be for the missionary endeavors of that Diocese. Due to acute poverty of 65% of the Catholics, all the mission projects are 80% dependent on the annual mission appeal funds, for the pastoral, educational. medical, and socio-economic emancipation of the marginalized and poor converts.

Your Christ-like intervention and sacrifice of:-

- \$20 will feed a poor child or an orphan for a month (\$200 annually).
- \$50 will enable a single mother or widow feed her family of 3 for a month.
- \$100 for monthly pay for a catechist.
- \$250 will provide 4 goats to maintain a family of four.
- \$500 will educate a physically challenged child (annually).
- \$600 will pay the bill for healthcare & family maintenance of a leprosy patient for a year.
- \$900 will provide a grocery store, and employment to feed a family of 10 with elderly parents and grandparents
- \$700 will fix the roof of a poor man's hut.
- \$800 will provide a cow to feed an entire family of 5 or more.
- \$1000 for treatment and rehabilitation of a leper.
- \$2000 to sponsor a seminarian for a year.
- \$6000 for a home for a family.
- \$25000 will build a mission chapel.

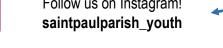
The collection is next weekend. All checks should be made payable to St Paul Church. If sent in separately, indicate Mission Co-op on the memo line. Your support of the mission work of the Church is appreciated.



# Follow us on Instagram!



#### YOUTH MINISTRY





Please pray for the 13 teens and 5 chaperones who are on retreat at the Steubenville EAST Youth Conference this weekend in Springfield. MA. The teens cannot wait to

return home and share the transforming ways God impacted them this weekend! Stay tuned for testimonies from the teens across all of our social media platforms!

#### **CORE TEAM VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

Life Teen and EDGE are looking for adult volunteers to join our "CORE Teams" this Summer/Fall. No matter your age. if you have a heart for youth, are willing to share your personal faith journey and you can commit to being present and accompanying our young people, this ministry is for you! To learn more or to volunteer, please email Josh Kay at j.kay@stpaulkensington.org.



**YCP Networking Happy Hour New** 

Young Catholic Professionals Central CT will be hosting a Summer Networking Happy Hour at East Rock Brewing Company in New Haven on Thursday, August 8 from 7-9pm. Come network and connect with young adult Catholic professionals from all over Central CT. The first 15 people to register online will receive a free drink ticket. We look forward to meeting you there!

Where: East Rock Brewing Company, 285 Nicoll ST, Suite 103 New Haven When: Thurs, August 8th from 7 - 9 pm Who: All professionals from 18-39.

RSVP via QR code or

https://ycp.glueup.com/event/networking-happy-hour-114561/ E-mail info@ycpcentralconnecticut.org to learn more.

Summer Concert on the Parish Green—July 18, 2024







#### LIFETEEN Sunday, August 4

All rising 9th graders through recent high school grads are invited to join us on Sunday evening, August 4th from 6:30-8:00pm in the St. Paul Church Hall.

Topic: Bonfire & Blessings

This social Life Night will give teens an opportunity to catch up from the recent Steubenville East Youth Conference, bring

new friends and have time to sit around the fire and grow in fellowship and faith. Bring a friend!. Hope to see you there.



College Life Ministry **End of Summer BONFIRE!** Monday, August 5, 2024 7:00pm-8:30 pm

Our last College Life event for the summer will be our end of summer BBQ & Bonfire on Monday, August 5th from 7:00-8:30pm on the Parish Green. All young adults ages 18-23 are invited to join us.

Spend one last night around the fire with friends from home and dig into the awesome BBQ cooked up by the friars.

We will also have some give-a-ways and a special quest speaker. You won't want to miss it. The event is free but preregistration is required. Scan the code for more details and to register.





**EDGE** 

Sunday, August 11

All rising 6th-8th grade students are welcome to join us on Sunday, August 11 from 1:00-2:30 pm on the Parish Green to wrap up our summer semester!

Topic: "EDGE Olympic Game Day"

This EDGE event will be one to remember! In honor of the 2024 Summer Olympic games in Parish, France, EDGE will have

their own Olympic Game Day. Join us as we have a lot of fun and learn how sports help us prepare for our journey to heaven. You don't want to miss it! Join us and bring a friend!

The 2024-2025 Youth Ministry Schedule will be announced in the next few weeks! Stay tuned!

# PRAYER REQUESTS To make a prayer request through our Daughters of Jairus Prayer Line, call Terry 860-828-6667 or Pat 860-305-0147 with your confidential request. Please give the

first name of the person to be prayed for and the intention.

#### MONTHLY PARISH PRAYER LIST

If you would like to <u>add</u> someone to our Monthly Prayer List OR if you would like to let us know that a name can be <u>removed</u>, please call us at 860-828-0331 or email us at ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org. Please be sure to ask for permission from the person to be added.

Names will be kept on the list for a period of <u>one full month</u>. (If you call in July, the name will remain on the list through the end of August.)

After one month, we ask that you submit a renewed request. Thank you for helping us keep our Prayer List up to date.

The names below have recently been added/updated and will remain on the list through the end of August. The names in the block to the right will be removed beginning with the August 4th bulletin as we have not received any renewed requests to keep these names on the list.

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is inviting Catholics to sign a petition to Connecticut Attorney General William Tong to Oppose Title IX Revisions. Title IX is a landmark



federal civil rights law enacted in 1972 to prohibit sex discrimination in schools that receives federal funding. At the time of its enactment the term "sex" was not defined, but was accepted to mean a biological male and female. The underlying purpose was to ensure young women were offered the same educational opportunities as young men. This included school activities, such as sports.

The new regulations will become effective on August 1, 2024.

The term "sex" under Title IX will now include "gender identity." Instead of "sex" meaning just male and female, based on biological science, it will now require schools, including students and staff, to recognize a student's sex as whatever they



self-identify as, even if it contradicts the biological facts.

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#### Prayer for the Fourth

#### World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

Virgin Mary, Mother of faith and hope, an example for this humanity bent by indifference, make me as willing as You to accept the will of God, to magnify and praise His Mercy.

Mary, Mother of fortitude, you who knows my heart, do not allow me to become discouraged.

I confidently surrender my life into your hands.

Heal my wounds.

May your tenderness accompany me on the way.

Your presence, Mother of love, brings us to experience the joy of seeing our families united.

Help me to transmit the tenderness and Love of God to the grandchildren and youth so that, in addition to praying for them, we can pray with them.

Mary, may the gift of the Holy Spirit intercede for me: sustain my weakness; breathe into my heart the consolation that I may leave traces of faith among the young, bearing witness to the beauty of life, knowing that life has a limit and that beyond it lies before us our Father's embrace.

Amen.

Bud Volz is pictured with the banner for our first Summer Concert.



#### RELIGIOUS ED REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2024-2025 Religious Ed Program NOW through WEDNESDAY JULY 31.

Please follow the Registration link on the parish website or scan/click the code or link below.

The Religious Ed Program is for children in Grades 1-10. Grade 3 focuses on the Sacrament of First Communion, and Grades 9/10 focus on the Sacrament of Confirmation.

There are three class sessions, all meet on Sunday mornings. Home School Learning is available for classes other than the Sacrament Classes.

Registration is NOW OPEN DEADLINE - JULY 31.

https://stpaulkensington.org/registration-2024-2025-1

Questions? Email religioused@stpaulkensington.org.

#### JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Daughters of Mary of the Immaculate Conception, New Britain seeks a Part Time Healthcare Coordinator. Contact Sr. Mary Catherine at 860-729-3085 for information.

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#### FRANCISCAN GOLF CLASSIC - August 12

The Franciscan Life Center is hosting its annual Golf Classic on Monday, August 12, 2024 at Wallingford Country Club.



To register, donate or learn more, visit https://flcenter.org/event/franciscan-golf-classic-4/



#### Ryan T. Lee Memorial Foundation Dinner - August 2

The Rvan T. Lee Annual Foundation Dinner will be held at the Aqua Turf Club in Southington on Friday, August 2, 2024. Cocktail hour 6:00 pm. Dinner 7:00 pm. The event is \$60 per person and includes a Live Auction. Raffle, and Silent Auction. Please register for dinner by July 26.



To make a donation or to inquire about sponsorships, please contact Theresa Lee at 860 424-2010. To register for the

Dinner, scan the code. For more information about this and other Foundation events, visit https://ryantleefoundation.org.

#### Saturday, July 27

6:30am Men's Group - SPH

8:30am Confessions

3:00pm Confession

Sunday, July 28

#### Monday, July 29

8:45am Parish Staff Meeting

#### Tuesday, July 30

4:00pm Holy Hour Adoration

5:00pm Coach Mark AAU Practice

#### Wednesday, July 31

6:00pm Rosary - SHC

7:00pm Finance Council - PC-1

#### Thursday, August 1

9:00am Quilters - SPH

10:00am First Thursday Calls

5:00pm Coach Mark AAU Practice

#### Friday, August 2

9:00am First Friday Calls

11:45am FoodShare SHC

7:00pm AA Meeting - SPH

#### Saturday, August 3

8:30am Confessions

10:00am Children's Rosary SHC

3:00pm Confession

#### Sunday, August 4

1:30pm Baptisms

6:30pm Teen Life/Post Steubenville Bonfire - PG & SPH



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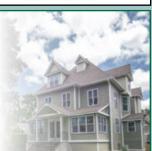
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