

## MASS TIMES

### **St. Paul Church**

485 Alling St., Kensington, CT 06037

Saturday 4pm Vigil

Sunday 7:30am, 9:00am, 10:30am & 12pm

### **Sacred Heart Church**

48 Cottage St., E. Berlin, CT 06023

(The 9:30am Sunday Mass has been suspended)

### **Weekday Mass at St. Paul Church**

Monday-Friday 7am & 5pm

All Masses at St. Paul Church 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

## PARISH OFFICE

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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

December 15, 2024

*Third Sunday of Advent*



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

*-Pope Francis*

The Christmas Mass Schedule for St. Paul Parish is shown below. It is also posted on our website (and was mailed to all registered parishioners) along with the complete liturgical schedule through the Feast of the Epiphany on January 5th. We pray that you will use these last two weeks of Advent to prepare your heart to receive Christ.

**Christmas Mass Schedule**

Christmas Eve – Tuesday, Dec. 24  
 Vigil Masses – 4 pm, 6 pm & 10 pm

Christmas Day – Wednesday, Dec. 25  
 Masses - 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 12 Noon

All Masses are at St. Paul Church.



**Mercy Mondays - Confessions Prior to Christmas**

*"Mercy will always be greater than any sin, and no one can place limits on the love of God who is ever ready to forgive."*  
 -Misericordiae Vultus

On [Mondays, December 16 and December 23](#), confessors will be available from 7 pm to 8 pm in St. Paul Church. In addition, our regular confession schedule is Saturday morning from 8:30 am to 9:30 am and Saturday afternoon from 3:00 pm to 4:00 pm. On the 'Mercy Mondays' we will have Eucharistic Adoration during that time as well.

During Advent, come and experience the forgiveness that God offers you and the joy of getting a fresh start.

A Guide to Confession is posted on the home page of our website and can also be found here:



**A Glance Ahead**

- Greccio Concert & Pageant .....Sunday, Dec. 15**
- Angel Tree Project - Deadline.....Dec. 15**  
Please drop off all gifts by 1pm on Dec. 15
- Mercy Monday from 7-8pm ..... Monday, Dec. 16**  
Confession and Adoration
- Rosary at Sacred Heart Church.....Wednesday, Dec. 18**
- Mercy Monday from 7-8pm ..... Monday, Dec. 23**  
Confession and Adoration
- Merry Christmas!.....Wednesday, Dec. 25**
- Parish Office Closed ..... Dec. 24-25**
- Solemnity of Mary Mother of God ... Wednesday, Jan. 1**
- College Life—Winter Dinner ..... Thursday, Jan. 2**
- Children’s Rosary at Sacred Heart.....Saturday, Jan. 4**
- Feast of the Epiphany ..... Jan. 5**
- Knights Free Throw Contest..... Sunday, Jan. 12**
- Life Teen and EDGE Kickoff ..... Sunday, Jan. 12**
- Registration for New Parishioners .....Monday, Jan. 13**
- March for Life, Washington DC ..... Friday, Jan. 24**
- Catholic Schools Week ..... Jan. 26—Feb.1**

<b>Parish Collection</b> Nov. 26-Dec. 2, 2024	In Church SP	\$ 9,956
	Office	\$ 1,563
	Online Giving	\$ 4,538
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 16,057</b>

Thank you to all who helped to make our 8th Annual Lighting of the Parish Green such a special and beautiful event.



See more photos on page 9 and on our website.

## INTENTIONS

### Blessed Mother Candles will burn this week for

†Ronald Lindgren by family

†Deceased Members of the Prey Family by Marjorie

†Deceased Members of the Belmont Family

Christmas Remembrance by family

†Anthony DeAngelo by Cliff and Lois White

### Sanctuary Candles will burn this week for

†Harry P. Misteri Birthday Remembrance by Misteri family

†Alice Hall 7th Anniversary by husband Donald

†Thomas J. Higgins, Jr. by Mary Jane and John Lynch

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

†Joseph Tirinzoni Birthday Remembrance by children



†Fernand Brochu

†Olga McGuinness

†Thomas J. Higgins, Jr.

*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.*

**MASS INTENTIONS** If you would like to have a Mass offered for someone or for a special intention, please call the Parish Office at 860-828-0331. The office is open Monday through Friday from 9am-4pm. (Check holiday schedule for closings.)

**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.

**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.

Saturday, December 14, 2024 Third Sunday of Advent

4:00 †Daniel Mahoney by Mahoney family

Sunday, December 15, 2024 Third Sunday of Advent

7:30 †Deceased Members of

†Navarro and †Roscoe Families by family

9:00 †Carole Gardino-Volz 6th Anniversary

by husband and family

10:30 Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish

12:00 †Fabio Birritta Anniversary Remembrance

by mom and dad

Monday, December 16, 2024 Advent Weekday

7:00 †Fr. Joseph Benicewicz by Tabaczynski family

5:00 †Ronald Lindgren by family

Tuesday, December 17, 2024 Late Advent Weekday

7:00 Sara Jones Birthday Celebration by Tabaczynski family

†Kieran Egan by Margaret and family

†Ines Tee by brother

†Andrea Bazzano by Fidelio family

†Greg Plochcki by family

8:45 †Tom Lasker by Fayne Molloy

5:00 †Michael B. and †Kristin DeMaio

Anniversary Remembrance by family

Wednesday, December 18, 2024 Late Advent Weekday

7:00 †Joe Monzillo, Jr. Anniversary Remembrance by son, Joe

5:00 †Bernard & †Mary Pelkey and

†Stanley & †Rita Waluk Christmas Remembrance

by Greg and Clarice

Thursday, December 19, 2024 Late Advent Weekday

7:00 †John G. Hubbard 14 Year Remembrance

by John G. Hubbard family

5:00 †Jimmy McDermott Birthday Remembrance - Dec 21st

by Dad and Maureen

†John Slowikowski 7th Anniversary

by Debbie Slowikowski

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

†Maria Calafiore by Emanuele Lombardo

†Charles McDonald by Mia O'Daniell

Friday, December 20, 2024 Late Advent Weekday

7:00 Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

5:00 †Eleanor LaBier 3rd Anniversary by family

Saturday, December 21, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Advent

4:00 †Joseph Tirinzoni Birthday Remembrance by children

Sunday, December 22, 2024 Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:30 †Vincenzo Lococo and †Ralph Loschiavo

by Anna Lococo and family

9:00 †James A. Perry 22nd Anniversary

by daughter, children and grandchildren

10:30 †Mariann Stifel by Karen Stifel

12:00 Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish

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

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Dec. 22, 2024

For readings online, scan or visit

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/122224.cfm>



**First Reading:** Micah 5:1-4a

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19.

*Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved.*

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 10:5-10

**Alleluia:** Luke 1:38

*R. Alleluia, alleluia.*

*Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord.*

*May it be done to me according to your word.*

*R. Alleluia, alleluia.*

**Gospel:** Luke 1:39-45

*Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth, filled with the Holy Spirit, cried out in a loud voice and said, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And how does this happen to me, that the mother of my Lord should come to me? For at the moment the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the infant in my womb leaped for joy. Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled."*

## INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PARISH FAMILY?

Our next Registration Meeting is **Monday, Jan. 13** at 7pm in the St. Paul Church Hall (downstairs). Please let us know if you plan to attend. Call the Parish Office at 860-828-0331 or email us at [ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org).

## HELPING HANDS

Our Helping Hands ministry assists our senior parishioners, providing companionship, as well as social and spiritual support. Although we typically provide help to parishioners 80 years of age and older, **we also assist younger seniors who do not have family, friends or close neighbors they can call upon for help.** We have a wonderful, caring group of volunteers just waiting for an opportunity to offer a 'helping hand'. To learn more, call the parish office, 860-828-0331, or Mark Duplin at 860-977-9931 or [mfduplin@outlook.com](mailto:mfduplin@outlook.com).



**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.*



## "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest



The Msgr. Greylish Knights of Columbus Council would like to thank all of the students who submitted an entry to this years poster contest. There were many great ideas and the artwork was outstanding. We wish we could forward every poster to the State Council Contest, but there can only be one winner in each category.

The winners for the 2024 Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest at St Paul Parish are as follows:

- \* Mary Michaels - Grades 1&2
- \* Vivienne Hetnar - Grades 3&4
- \* Abby Georgini - Grades 5&6
- \* Annabelle Meagher - Grades 7&8

Congratulations to all for a job well done!

See photos of the winning artwork below and pages 7 & 8, Photos of all other entries will be in next week's bulletin.



Mary Michaels, Gr. 2 – Winner in the Gr.1-2 category



Vivienne Hetnar, Gr. 3 – Winner in the Gr.3-4 category

## ANGEL TREE 2024

All are invited to take an Angel (or two) from our parish Angel Tree, purchase the gift noted on the back of the Angel, and return the wrapped gift, with Angel attached, by **December 15th at 1:00pm.**

(Please note this is a hard deadline.)

The gifts will be distributed to the following organizations:

- **A Franciscan mission initiative**, organized through our friars with their associate friars in Baltimore, to provide hand-warmers, foot-warmers and winter socks to the homeless.
- **Underground New England**, a grass-roots initiative dedicated to ending sex trafficking and exploitation throughout New England.
- **Hero Boxes**, a local organization that sends care packages to members of our military who are deployed overseas. Their goal is to 'bring smiles to our soldiers who cannot be home with their families for the holidays.' (formerly 'Boxes to Boots')
- **Local organizations:** Friendship Center, Klingberg Family Center, Worthington Manor Retirement Center, Ledgecrest Health Care Center, and Porter's Pass Group Home.

For those who find it more convenient to print an angel from home rather than take one from the Angel Tree in the church, visit the Angel Tree page on our website for instructions.

<https://stpaulkensington.org/angel-tree>

THANK YOU for your support!

Questions may be directed to Joan Baker, from the Social Action Ministry, at [jmb7000@comcast.net](mailto:jmb7000@comcast.net).

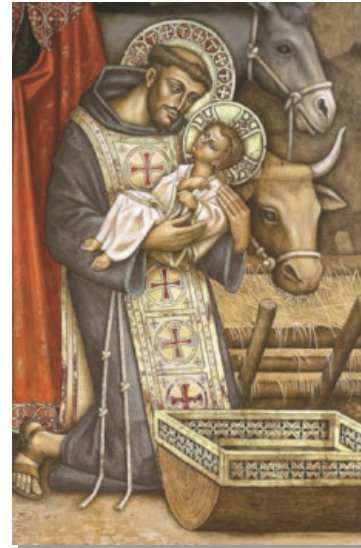


Once again this year, our Greccio Living Nativity Celebration will include a visit from Jake the mini-horse! Jake is pictured below with his family members, Emma and Ashley LaFrance. Come see Jake on Sunday! He will be out in front of St. Paul Church from 4:00-4:45pm.



PLEASE JOIN US TO CELEBRATE  
THE LORD'S NATIVITY AT ST. PAUL PARISH  
**GRECCIO**  
**CHRISTMAS PAGEANT AND CONCERT**  
**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2024**

4:00 pm-7:30 pm



### **Greccio Under the Stars**

**4:00 pm ~ 4:45 pm**

St. Paul Church, Outdoors in Front of Old Wing

Living Nativity Scene  
*Featuring Joseph, Mary and Baby Jesus,  
Live Animals, Music and more.*

(This is a great family photo op! Dress warm!)

### **Christmas Concert and Pageant**

**5:00 pm ~ 6:15 pm**

St. Paul Church, Old Wing

Children's Nativity Play  
Scripture Readings and Narrations  
Musical Performances by:  
*St. Paul Parish Choir  
St. Paul Children's Choir  
Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist*

Bring your family's nativity "Baby Jesus"  
for a special blessing

### **Reception**

**6:15 pm ~ 7:30 pm**

St. Paul Church Hall

Hot Beverages, Cookies and Holiday Treats,  
and more!

## SAINT PAUL SCHOOL

Our Kindergarten class is holding their Annual **Mitten Tree Drive**, collecting mittens, gloves, hats, and scarves for those in need this winter. Please help fill the tree, located in our school lobby, with these much-needed items for both children and adults. Donations will be given to Prudence Crandall Center in New Britain. Deadline is **December 18**. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



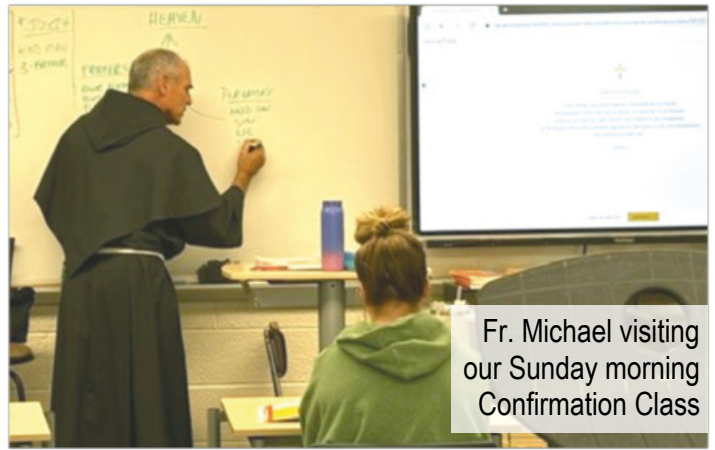
Basketball season us underway at Saint Paul School.  
**Go Lions!**



## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Questions arise in our religious education classes as a result of events that directly impact the lives of the young people.

The sudden and unexpected death at a young age of a parent or another adult that has made an impact on their lives, such as a coach or our own Fr. Joe, can be especially difficult. Unfortunately, more than one of our students is dealing with such a loss. Fr. Michael recently visited one of the 1st Year Confirmation classes to answer questions about death and eternal life. He explained that we share a soul bond with our parents, family members and other loved ones that does not end with death. Also, that they continue to love us and pray for us. "Death, solitude and fear are not the last word," said Pope Francis at his 2018 Easter address. "There is a word that transcends them, a word that only God can speak: it is the word of the resurrection." Let us pray for all of those who are mourning the loss of a loved one during this holiday season. May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.



Fr. Michael visiting our Sunday morning Confirmation Class

Thank you to the ten Religious Ed students who entered the Annual Knights of Columbus "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest. Two of these students, Mary Michaels and Abby Georgini won in their age groups, and their artwork is shown on page 4 and 7. All of the other submissions will be included in next week's bulletin.

### SAINT PAUL SCHOOL

Apply/learn more on our admissions page:  
<https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org/admissions>

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

 Saint Paul School Kensington CT

 saintpaul.school



**Kelly Esposito**  
Admissions Director  
860-828-4343 x113  
[admissions@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:admissions@stpaulkensington.org)



### ST. PAUL PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Monday-Thursday 8am - 2pm

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

 St Paul Parish Religious Ed Berlin CT

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College Students and College Age Young Adults Winter Dinner - Thursday, Jan. 2! RSVP to Josh Kay at [j.kay@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:j.kay@stpaulkensington.org) or scan/click below



<https://stpaulkensington.org/college-dinner-winter-break-2024>

Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest



Abby Georgini, Gr. 6 – Winner in the Gr. 5-6 category

Thanks to all of the amazing teens who came out for our 2024 Fall Semester events! God is doing wonderful things with our Life Teen group, and we cannot wait for what is in store in 2025!



LIFE TEEN



We wish all of our high school teens and their families a blessed and joyful Advent and Christmas!

Save the date for our 2025 Spring Semester Kick-off: **Sunday, January 12, 2025** from 6:30-8:00pm

Thanks to all of the incredible teens who participated in our EDGE events this fall. God has blessed this group and we cannot wait for what is in store in 2025!



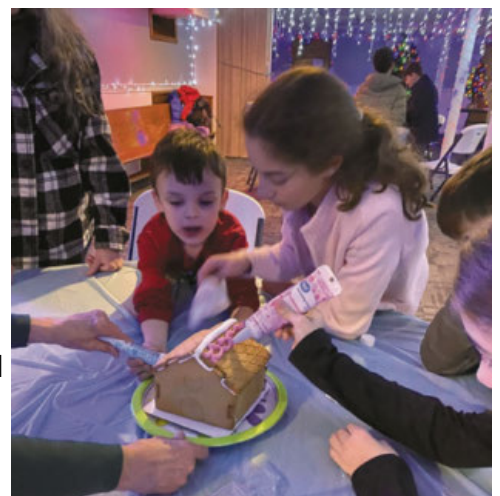
We wish all of our middle schoolers and their families a blessed and joyful Advent and Christmas!

Save the date for our 2025 Spring Semester Kick-off: **Sunday, January 12, 2025** from 6:30-8:00pm (combined with Life Teen!)



Photos are from our EDGE Advent Christmas Party on 12/8.

Our Youth Ministry Program is looking for additional adult volunteers to help with these programs. Can you help us lead our young people closer to Christ? See page 10.



# FOODSHARE ST. CLARE FOOD PANTRY & MOBILE FOODSHARE

The following items are being requested at this time:

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

*In addition, the following staples are always needed: Cereal/Oatmeal, Tuna/Chicken, Peanut Butter, Soup, Canned Fruit & Veggies, Pasta, Sauce, Canned Beans, Coffee/Tea/Hot Chocolate, Protein/Breakfast Bars and Baking Items (Flour, Sugar, Cake & Brownie mixes)*

Volunteers will transport food from St. Paul to Sacred Heart and set up for distribution on **Thursday, Dec 19 at 9:30am**. Volunteers will also help with food distribution on **Friday, Dec. 20 at 11am** at Sacred Heart Church.

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

## MEN'S ACTS RETREAT

All men of the parish are invited to attend an "ACTS" Men's Retreat Weekend from **Thursday, Jan. 30 ~ Sunday, Feb. 2, 2025**.

Sponsored by St. Luke's Parish, Southington, the retreat will be held at Our Lady of Calvary Retreat Center, Farmington. Take advantage of this opportunity to renew yourself spiritually, strengthen your faith, and create lasting friendships. To learn more, scan the code or visit <https://actsct.org>



"Keep Christ in Christmas"  
Poster Contest

Annabelle Meagher, Gr. 7  
Winner Grades 7 & 8

## BIBLE VERSE PROJECT

Our Women of Faith group is launching a new and exciting project for the St. Paul Parish community.

We are asking parishioners to submit a meaningful Bible verse or psalm that resonates with them in a special way and to explain why. We plan to create a booklet to put them in for distribution to our parish. Our intent for this project is to feel connected to others through our relationship with God.

Submissions are completely voluntary.

Guidelines:

1. Use standard translation for the Bible verse or psalm
2. Reflection should be limited to 200 words
3. All submissions are subject to review
4. Please include first name and age

Please email your submission by **February 3, 2025** to: [womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org) or online at <https://stpaulkensington.org/bibleverseproject>.

## WOMEN OF FAITH

Our Women of Faith group will host their next gathering at 7pm on **Thursday, Jan. 9** in the St. Paul Church Hall.



*Gather with us to share our Faith, Fellowship and Friendship.* We meet monthly on Thursday evenings. Join us and bring a friend! Questions? Email [womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org).

## MARCH FOR LIFE 2025

The 2025 March for Life will be held on **January 23-24, 2025** in Washington DC.



**Join the Archdiocese of Hartford's pilgrimage to our nation's capitol** to witness to the dignity of every human person. Cost \$120 per person. Students \$75.

### Thursday, Jan. 23

Meet at Franciscan Life Center in Meriden at 6am. Breakfast and Lunch en route. Check in at hotel. Vigil Mass at 5pm at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception (Bus at 3:45pm)

### Friday, Jan. 24

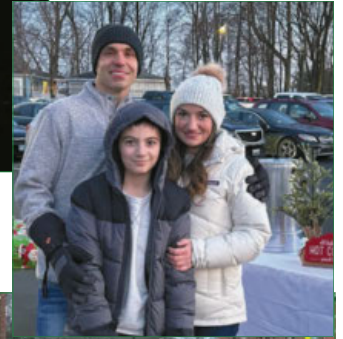
Mass at 8am at hotel followed by breakfast with speaker. 12pm Speakers at National Mall. (Bus at 11:15am.) March to US Capitol and Supreme Court. Bus departs for CT at 5pm.

Payment due by **Jan. 9**. Hotel cost and other meals are not included in the cost of the pilgrimage. A block of rooms is being held for our group at the Washington Plaza. Reserve by Dec. 24 for the discounted rate! Call the Respect Life Ministry at 203-694-4189 for reservation info and to obtain the group code. **All of the details are also posted on our parish website.**



**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.



Lighting of the Parish Green 2024



**MONTHLY PARISH PRAYER LIST**

If you would like to add someone to our Monthly Prayer List OR if you would like to let us know that a name can be removed, please call us at 860-828-0331 or email us at [ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org](mailto: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 one full month. (If you submit a name in December, it will remain on the list through the end of January.) *After one month, please renew your request. Thank you for helping us keep our Prayer List up to date.*

Bobby Adamowicz	Deborah Kasper
Nancy Adamowicz	Leonard Kochanowski
Amara Alice	Arlene Larosa-Cristino
Jose Arcia	Maria Lauria
Ernie Bourcier	Mary Jane Lynch
Cheryl Brown	Lisa Mangiafico
George Bushnell	Fr. Paul Mangiafico
Norma Cacchilo	Nancy Motulko
Mark Camilleri	Lenny Mulrooney
Janet Carroll	Peter Niro
Doug Clarke	Mira Grace Noviasky
Roy Cooper	Esther Ouelette
Susan Corso	Our Military
Arlene Cotrona	Emma Pagano
Linda Cullen	Judy Pappalardo
Robert Czerwinski	Ada Payamis
Jose Dagna	Nathaniel Picklesimer
Fr. Tony DeFronzo	Christopher Roddy
Kathleen Deliman	Suzy Romero
Judith Doyle	Shirley Sansone
William Doyle	Romen Sarkis
Alyssa Dutkiewicz	Raul Seipel
Josefina Fernandez	Kevin Stanowski
Bill Filomena	Angelica Szczygla
Maureen Freeman	Gabriel Szczygla
Jennifer Gonzalez	Julia Szczygla
Lenore Gourley	Linda Vasquez
Linda Hannold	Scott Veley
Evan Hill	Kathleen Williams

**WORD SEARCH**

COLLECTORS	EXTORTION	SANDALS							
BAPTISM	CONTENT	FIRE							
EXACT	WATER	WHEAT							
SOLDIERS	STRAP	CHAFF							
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S	O	C	S	O	L	A	B	L	E
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**The Knights of Columbus Christmas Party**

for Council #3675 will be on [Wednesday, December 18, 2024](#) in the Parish Hall at St Paul Church. The evening will begin at 6:00pm for cocktails and appetizers.

Dinner will be served at 6:45pm. All Brother Knights are welcome to attend with a guest and there is no cost for this event.

Please RSVP by emailing Tom Drzata [tom@wdkinsurance.com](mailto:tom@wdkinsurance.com) or Bud Volz [budvolz@comcast.net](mailto:budvolz@comcast.net) and let us know if you will attend alone or with a guest.



**YOUTH MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Life Teen & EDGE are looking for adult volunteers to join our "CORE Teams". 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! Email Josh: [j.kay@stpaulkensington.org](mailto:j.kay@stpaulkensington.org).

**NOTE:** Going forward, we expect to receive newsletters from the Archdiocese of Hartford every week. These one page (double-sided) flyers will be shared with you along with our weekly parish bulletin.

**PARISH CALENDAR**

**14 Dec, Sat**

- 6:30am TMIY - SPH
- 8:30am Confessions
- 9:00am Girls JV AWAY Bball Game
- 10:00am Girls Varsity Bball Practice
- 10:00am Funeral +Higgins
- 11:00am Boys JV4 AWAY Bball Game
- 11:20am Boys JV5 AWAY Bball Game
- 11:20am Boys JV6 AWAY Bball Game
- 1:30pm Boys Varsity Bball Practice
- 3:00pm Confession

**15 Dec, Sun**

- 7:45am Gr. 1-8 Rel Ed Session 1
- 8:30am Social Action Angel Tree sort
- 9:15am Gr. 1-8 Rel Ed Session 2
- 10:45am Gr. 1-8 Rel Ed Session 3
- 12:00pm Greccio Setup SPH
- 1:15pm 2pm Baptisms
- 4:00pm Greccio Concert and Pageant

**16 Dec, Mon**

- 8:45am Parish Staff Meeting
- 1:00pm Grade 4-8 Confessions
- 3:00pm Boys JVB5 Bball Practice
- 4:30pm Girls JVB Bball Practice
- 6:00pm Girls V AWAY Bball Game
- 7:00pm Mercy Monday Confession SPC
- 7:15 – 8:30pm Boys V AWAY Game

**17 Dec, Tue**

- 8:45am School Mass Gr 3-5
- 10:00am Finance Team - PC1
- 4:00pm Holy Hour Adoration
- 4:30pm Boys JVA Bball Practice
- 6:00pm Girls Varsity Bball Practice
- 6:30pm Adult Choir – PCLL

**18 Dec, Wed**

- 3:00pm Boys JVB5 Bball Practice
- 3:15pm Mock Trial practice
- 4:30pm Girls JVB Bball Practice
- 6:00pm K of C Council Mtg - SPH
- 6:00pm Boys Varsity Bball Practice
- 6:00pm Baptismal Prep Class - PC1
- 6:00pm Rosary - SHC

**19 Dec, Thu**

- 9:00am Quilters - SPH
- 2:00pm Facilities Committee Meeting
- 3:00pm Cheer Practice
- 3:00pm Girl Scouts
- 4:30pm Boys JVA Bball Practice
- 6:00pm Girls Varsity Bball Practice
- 6:00pm Exultations - SPC (old wing)
- 7:00pm RCIA - PC1

**20 Dec, Fri**

- SPS 12:30 Dismissal NO AFTER CARE
- 11:45am FoodShare SHC

- 3:00pm CoEd JVC3 Bball Practice
- 4:30pm CoEd JVC2 Bball Practice
- 6:00pm Girls V HOME Bball Game
- 7:00pm AA Meeting – SPH
- 7:15pm Boys V HOME Bball Game

**21 Dec, Sat**

- 6:30am TMIY - SPH
- 8:30am Confessions
- 9:00am Boys JV5 HOME Bball Game
- 10:10am Boys JV6 HOME Bball Game
- 12:30pm Girls JV HOME Bball Game
- 3:00pm Confession

**22 Dec, Sun**

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