

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

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St. Paul Catholic Parish

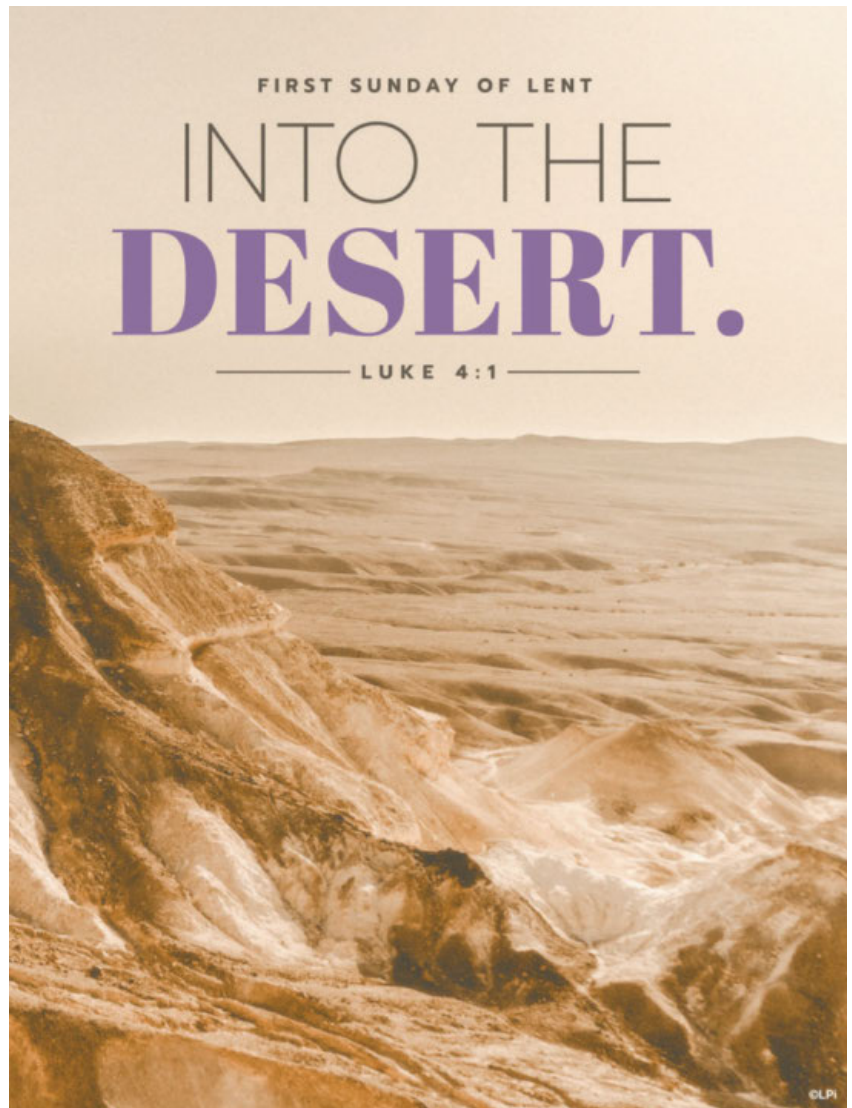
A Franciscan Family of Faith

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

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

March 9, 2025

First Sunday of Lent



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

-Pope Francis

If you're looking for inspiration about what to 'give up' or what to do for Lent, below are just a few suggestions. In addition to making some type of sacrifice such as 'giving up' a favorite food, beverage, tv show, or app/social media platform, consider what you can *add to your daily life* that can help you to grow closer to God and to Our Lord Jesus Christ.

- Pray the Rosary—either on your own or take advantage of the many opportunities to join us here at St. Paul
 - Stations of the Cross—every Friday during Lent at St. Paul
 - Wednesday evening Lenten Reflections in St. Paul Church
 - Take a few minutes every morning to read and reflect on the daily readings—the link is on our website.
 - Read a book by a Catholic author (such as C.S. Lewis or Scott Hahn) or a devotional such as *The Imitation of Christ*
 - Listen to Catholic podcast such as the Bible In A Year
 - Watch faith-based movies with your family
 - Start a spiritual challenge such as Exodus 90 or sign up for a program such as 'Best Lent Ever' from Dynamic Catholic.
- Links and detailed resources are available on our website!*

Saint Paul School's annual auction fundraiser is just around the corner! The Auction Committee would like to extend a sincere thank you to the sponsors and everyone who has made a donation so far.

The Mint Julep Sponsor

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Dr. Nancy DePalma
 Berlin Dairy Queen
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 Saint Paul School Board

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New Haus Group, LLC
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 St. Paul Catholic High School
 REMBISH & LaSARACINA, LLC
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Casa Mia at the Hawthorne
March 15, 2025
 6:00 pm

Auctioneer:
 Eric Hummel
 of the Hummel Bros.



For tickets, to view the auction items (anyone can bid on our online auction items!), or for more information, scan the QR code above or click on this link <https://auctria.events/2025SPSKentuckyDerbyAuction> Online bidding began March 8th! *Invite your friends & family (everyone is welcome), dress in your Kentucky Derby best, and join our warm community for a fun evening.*

A Glance Ahead

- TMIY! Men's Group Saturday, March 8
- Daylight Saving Time Begins Sunday, March 9**
- First Sunday of Lent Sunday, March 9
- Registration for New Parishioners Monday, March 10
- Mercy Monday Confession/Adoration.... Monday, March 10
- Ladies' Guild—special guest Wednesday, March 12
- Lenten Reflection 7pm..... Wednesday, March 12
- 13th of the Month Rosary at Noon..... Thursday, March 13
- Women of Faith Thursday, March 13
- Stations of the Cross Friday, March 14
- SPS 'Kentucky Derby' Auction..... Saturday, March 15
- Children's Mass at 9am Sunday, March 16
- Sunday Social (after 9am Mass)..... Sunday, March 16
- Mercy Monday Confession/Adoration.... Monday, March 17
- March for Life (Hartford) Wednesday, March 19
- Lenten Reflection 7pm..... Wednesday, March 19
- Stations of the Cross Friday, March 21
- The Annunciation of the Lord..... Tuesday, March 25
- Knights Scholarship Deadline..... Tuesday, April 1
- Children's Rosary at Sacred Heart Saturday, April 5

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FREE THROW CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to Sylvia Vasi, 10, and Anthony Esposito, 13, who won the CT State Championships in the 2025 Knights of Columbus Basketball Free Throw contest in their respective age divisions! Sylvia and Anthony represented our parish Knights of Columbus Monsignor Greylish Council #3675. The championship event took place on March 1st at Xavier High School in Middletown. The champs are pictured with Bob Veronesi, one of the Knights who helped run the event.



INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Candles will burn this week for

†Marc Laviana

8 Year Anniversary Remembrance by Linda Laviana and family

†Laura Kohl by Tom and Marlene Drzata

†Agnes McDougall by Debbie and Foster

†Weronika Chlastawa 25th Anniversary by family

Sanctuary Candles will burn this week for

†Francis E. Gentile

Birthday Remembrance by wife and family

†Matthew Butera by Daniele family



†Kathleen Deliman

†Raphael Angel Rosado Olan

†Robert L. Peck

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.

PRESENTATION OF 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.

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 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 8, 2025 First Sunday of Lent
4:00 **†Dom Criniti** Birthday Remembrance by Esther and family

Sunday, March 9, 2025 First Sunday of Lent
7:30 **†Helen Sikorowicz** by Carol Ciaffalione
9:00 **†Estelle A. Perry** 24th Anniversary by daughter and family
10:30 **†Edwin Szymanoski** Birthday Remembrance by wife Rita
12:00 **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**

Monday, March 10, 2025 Lenten Weekday
7:00 **†Lucille, †Rose and †Vincent Micacci**
by Anthony Micacci
5:00 **†Dominic Colamussi** Anniversary Remembrance
by Lou Ann and Vincent

Tuesday, March 11, 2025 Lenten Weekday
7:00 **†Barbara Zapor** Birthday Remembrance
by Sawyer / Zapor families
†Marie Verrillo by husband Peter
†Alexander, †Margaret & †Elaine Tucciarone and †Nancy Bannon by Karen Lomascolo
†Carl Jahn Anniversary Remembrance by family
†Wayne Jahn Birthday Remembrance by family
8:45 **†Weronika and †Eugeniusz Chlastawa**
by son Stanley and family
5:00 **†Marina Zovich** 8th Anniversary by Theresa and family

Wednesday, March 12, 2025 Lenten Weekday
7:00 **Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**
5:00 **Arthur Tabaczynski** Birthday Celebration
by Tabaczynski family

Thursday, March 13, 2025 Lenten Weekday
7:00 **†Emery Simkulak** by Rich and Joanne
5:00 **†Helen Messina, †Rose Messina and †Helen Slowikowski** by Debbie Slowikowski
John Nappi, Jr. by wife
†Eugenio Ricciardi by Emanuele Lombardo
†Michael Trigilio Anniversary Remembrance
by Sylvia Lococo and family
†Theresa Morris by Kathy Simeone

Friday, March 14, 2025 Lenten Weekday
7:00 **†Joann Kavarsky** Birthday Remembrance by family
5:00 **†Thomas Lasker** by Betty Lasker

Saturday, March 15, 2025 Second Sunday of Lent
4:00 **†Salvatore Fano** by Theresa and family

Sunday, March 16, 2025 Second Sunday of Lent
7:30 **†Dick Percival** 10th Anniversary by Kathy and family
9:00 **†Victor Cifaldi** by Coon family
10:30 **†Deceased Members of the Tabaczynski Family**
by Tabaczynski family
12:00 **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**

<u>Parish Collection</u>	In Church SP	\$	9,830
Feb 25-Mar 3, 2025	Office	\$	2,311
	Online Giving	\$	4,881
	Total	\$	17,022



HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE MASS

DAILY MASS

Monday to Friday - 7:00am & 5:00pm

WEEKEND MASS

Saturdays, 4:00pm Vigil Mass

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

Children's Masses

Sunday, March 16 at 9:00am

Sunday, April 6 at 10:30am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays of Lent at 7:00pm

March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11 and 18

Stations with Saint Paul School Students. All are welcome

Friday, March 7 at 2:00pm—Grade 5

Friday, March 14 at 2:00pm—Grades K-2

Friday, March 21 at 2:00pm—Grades 6-8

Thursday, March 27 at 2:00pm—Grades 3-5

Friday, April 4 at 2:00pm—Grades 6-8

Thursday, April 10 at 1:45pm*

*Living Stations - Saint Paul School Gym

CONFESSION

Mondays of Lent, 7:00pm – 8:00pm

March 10, 17, 24, 31, April 7, 14

Saturdays: 8:30am – 9:30am and 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Tuesday of Holy Week, April 15: 7:00pm – 8:00pm

HOLY HOUR - EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mondays 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Tuesdays 4:00pm - 5:00pm

LENTEN REFLECTIONS

On each of the five Wednesdays during Lent, our friars will host evenings of reflection that will include video presentations, discussions and prayer.

Wednesdays of Lent, 7:00pm - 8:30pm

March 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9

On the final Wednesday of Lent, April 9, a special guest will give a presentation on the Shroud of Turin.

All events are in St. Paul Church unless otherwise noted.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: March 16, 2025

For readings online, scan or visit

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/031625.cfm>



First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14.

The Lord is my light and my salvation.

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17—4:1

Verse Before the Gospel: Matthew 17:5

From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard:

This is my beloved Son, hear him.

Gospel: Luke 9:28b-36

Jesus took Peter, John, and James and went up the mountain to pray. While he was praying his face changed in appearance and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were conversing with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his exodus that he was going to accomplish in Jerusalem. Peter and his companions had been overcome by sleep, but becoming fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. As they were about to part from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here; let us make three tents, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." But he did not know what he was saying. While he was still speaking, a cloud came and cast a shadow over them, and they became frightened when they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my chosen Son; listen to him." After the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. They fell silent and did not at that time tell anyone what they had seen.



Join us for Holy Hour, Tuesdays from 4-5pm

ABSTINENCE AND FASTING DURING LENT

Catholics age 14+ are obliged to abstain from eating meat on all Fridays in Lent and Good Friday. Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast on Good Friday.

Fasting means only one full meal is to be eaten.

Other food eaten on a Fast Day should not equal a full meal.

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Lenten Collection

Our Social Action Ministry's 2025 LENTEN COLLECTION will take place from **March 5** (Ash Wednesday) to **April 14** (Palm Sunday). Please join us in our efforts to help families in need. This Collection will benefit the Prudence Crandall Center and Family Promise (both in New Britain).

Please leave all donated items at the church entrances.

PRUDENCE CRANDALL WISH LIST:

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| •Dish Soap | •Baby Wipes |
| •Laundry Detergent | •Twin/Full/Queen Size Blankets & Sheet Sets |
| •Paper Towels | •Grocery/Department Store |
| •Toilet Paper | •Gift Cards * |
| •Razors | - Stop & Shop |
| •Shave Cream/Gel | - Aldi |
| •Deodorant | - Big Y |
| •Shower Gel/Body Wash | - Target |
| •Body Lotion | - Walmart |
| •Shampoo & Conditioner | - CVS |
| •Diapers Sizes 5/6/7 | |
| •Pull-Ups | |

FAMILY PROMISE WISH LIST:

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| •Body soap/Body wash | •Shampoo & conditioner |
| •Anti-bacterial hand soap | •Disposable diapers |
| •Dish detergent | •Toilet paper |
| •Dryer sheets | •Paper towels |
| •Disinfectant wipes | •Gift cards * (for any store, gas station, restaurant) |
| •Ladies deodorant | |

*Please put gift cards in an envelope marked "Lenten Collection" and put them in the collection basket or drop off at the Parish Office.

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

Thank you for your continued support of the collections sponsored by our Social Action Ministry and for your generous contributions to Prudence Crandall and Family Promise!

INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PARISH FAMILY?

Our next Registration Meeting is **Monday, March. 10** 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.

Sunday Social Next Weekend

Please join us on Sunday, March 16th downstairs in the St. Paul Church Hall following the 9:00 am Mass for hot coffee, light refreshments and fellowship.



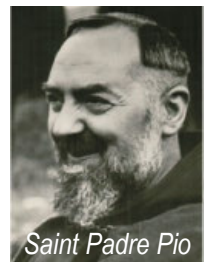
This Sunday Social is sponsored by the Ladies' Guild.

LADIES' GUILD - SPECIAL GUEST



The St. Paul Ladies' Guild invites all ladies of the parish to join us on **Wednesday, March 12** at 6:30 pm in the St. Paul Church Hall (downstairs) as we host Julie Fitts Ritter, Executive Director of the Padre Pio Foundation, in Cromwell, CT.

Julie will share information about the Padre Pio Foundation which, since 1977, has worked to spread devotion to Saint Pio, to assist in the preservation of places dear to Padre Pio, to support religious vocations, and to perform spiritual and corporal works of mercy.



Food pantry contribution: Coffee, Tea, Beverages

NBCCW MEETING The New Britain Council of Catholic Women will hold its March meeting on **Thursday, March 27** at 12:45 pm at St. Jerome. (Note the earlier time.) The featured speaker will be from Live Well, an organization which seeks to prioritize the wellbeing and autonomy of all people through its innovative approaches to brain health and dementia care. All women of our parish are welcome to attend. If you have questions or would like to learn more about the NBCCW, please email nbccw2@gmail.com.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL (AAA)

The 2025 Archbishop's Annual Appeal is now underway in our parish. Our goal is to engage our entire parish family in this year's Appeal and to pray for the success of the Appeal, both here in our parish and across the three counties of the Archdiocese. All funds contributed to the AAA are used exclusively for the purposes outlined in the Appeal literature, which can be found at <https://archdioceseofhartford.org/appeal/>. No Appeal funds are ever used for legal fees or settlements. Please respond as generously as your means allow.



SAINT PAUL SCHOOL

Saint Paul School celebrated Read Across America Day on Monday, March 3rd. Teachers and staff were encouraged to bring in their favorite book and dress up as their favorite book character. One of our PreK4 students dressed as Jesus and brought in his Bible from home. There were many students who dressed up as characters from The Cat and the Hat.

What a fun day!



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



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Catechist Donna Rutkowski spoke about Lent with her second graders at the March 2 class, and the students colored crosses.

There are 40 pieces in the cross to represent each day of lent. Each piece has something the child can do in their daily life to show ways they care for others and love each other through God in their daily lives.



The next Children's Mass will be on Sunday, March 16th at 9:00 am.

It will be followed by a 'Sunday Social' downstairs in the St. Paul Church Hall. Please join us for light refreshments and fellowship!

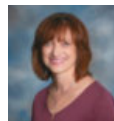
ST. PAUL PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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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Steubenville EAST 2025!



Parents, Don't let your high school student miss out on this life changing experience! The 2025 Steubenville EAST Youth Conference will be held in Springfield, MA on **July 25-27, 2025**.

Join with our St. Paul Life Teen group for this inspirational and fun weekend! Invite a friend and sign up together!

Registration is now OPEN!

This year's theme is: "*Consumed*". Available spaces will be on a first come, first serve basis. **Sign up today!**, To learn more, scan the QR Code or visit: <https://stpaulkensington.org/go-to-steubie>



HIGH SCHOOL SPRING MUSICALS



Matilda - Presented by Mercy & Xavier

- Fri., March 7 @ 7pm
- Sat., March 8 @ 7pm
- Sun., March 9 @ 2pm

For details and tickets visit <https://www.mercyhigh.com>



Little Shop of Horrors - Presented by Northwest Catholic High School

- Fri., March 21 at 7pm
- Sat., March 22 at 7pm
- Sun., March 23 at 2pm

<https://www.northwestcatholic.org/academics/the-arts/theater>



Shrek - Presented by East Catholic High School

- Friday, March 7 at 7:00 pm
- Saturday, March 8 at 1:00 pm
- Saturday, March 8 at 7:00 pm

Tickets: \$10.00 at the door
<https://www.echs.com/Stage-East>

EDGE Sunday, March 9

All middle school teens in grades 6-8 are welcome to join us on **Sunday, March 9**, 1:00-2:30 pm in the St. Paul Church Hall. Topic: "**Receipts**". The goal of this EDGE event is to teach middle school youth about The Second Commandment and how being truthful in speech and dependable in action is a reflection of God, who is Truth. Questions? Email Josh j.kay@stpaulkensington.org.



LIFE TEEN Sunday, March 16

All high school teens in grades 9-12 are welcome to join us on **Sunday, March 16**, from 6:30-8:00pm in the St. Paul Church Hall. Topic: "**You Are What You Eat**". Unearth the profound mystery of the Eucharist in this engaging Life Night! We dive deep into the biblical roots of this sacrament, journeying back to the Last Supper, where Jesus instituted it. As we explore its significance, teens will appreciate the Eucharist as more than a ritual; it is the real and substantial presence of Christ. The goal of this Life Night is to kindle a deeper understanding and love for the Eucharist, inspiring teens to see it as a vital source of grace and a cornerstone of their spiritual journey and Catholic identity. Questions? Email Josh at j.kay@stpaulkensington.org.



COLLEGE LIFE Save the dates for our Summer 2025 College Life Events! Spanning May-August all young adults, ages 18-23, are welcome and encouraged to attend these events. **May 20th** -Welcome Home Bonfire!



We have everything from bonfires and cookouts to brunch, open gyms and prayer. Whether you will have completed your first year of college, your last, or are now in the workforce, we invite all young adults, ages 18-23 to attend these events. Questions? Email Josh at j.kay@stpaulkensington.org. Scan the QR code to save the dates for these summer events!



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 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. 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 February, it will remain on the list through the end of March.) *After one month, please renew your request. Thank you for helping us keep our Prayer List up to date.*

Bobby Adamowicz

Nancy Adamowicz

Amara Alice

Jose Arcia

Wendy Blackmar

Ernie Bourcier

Cheryl Brown

George Bushnell

Norma Cacchillo

Mark Camilleri

Janet Carroll

Doug Clarke

Roy Cooper

Arlene Cotrona

Lenny Cullen

Linda Cullen

Fr. Tony DeFronzo

Kathleen Deliman

Gloria Doyle

Judith Doyle

Dick Dubay

Alyssa Dutkiewicz

Josefina Fernandez

Bill Filomena

Maureen Freeman

Lenore Gourley

Linda Hannold

Dede Hargraves

Evan Hill

Daniel A. Hurley

Deborah Kasper

Leonard Kochanowski

John LaPenna

Maria Lauria

Jonh J. Lynch

Mary Jane Lynch

Lisa Mangiafico

Fr. Paul Mangiafico

Zbigniew Mazurek

Mehagen McRae

Janet Michaud

Nancy Motulko

Lenny Mulrooney

Dotti Nelson

Our Military

Emma Pagano

Judy Pappalardo

Nathaniel Picklesimer

Joan Pinney

Barbara Rich

Christopher Roddy

Susana Romero

Shirley Sansone

Romen Sarkis

Raul Seipel

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Julia Szczygla

Al Tee

Katherine Vandrilla

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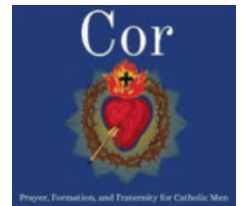
Scott Veley

Kathleen Williams

Tracey Wilson

COR Men's Ministry & TMIY

On each of the seven Saturdays during Lent, **all men** are invited to join our TMIY / COR groups as we explore the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary.



The video presentations on **Saturday mornings** will take us through the Holy Land to journey with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to the Cross on Calvary. Each morning, we will gather in the church hall at 7:00am for a 30-minute video followed by 30 minutes of discussion. Coffee and breakfast will be available in the church kitchen at 6:30am.

Guys, if you are looking for something different to do for Lent this year, then join the men of our parish as we contemplate the Mysteries of Christ's Passion. In these seven sessions, we will rediscover the power of prayer.

If you have any questions, please contact Bud Volz: budvolz@comcast.net, 860-681-8355

MEN'S RETREAT All men of our parish are invited to attend the 2025 Men's Retreat at Holy Family in West Hartford on the weekend of **March 14-16**. The theme for



this retreat is *In My Love, Abide*. In these words, Jesus beckons us to remain in his love as the branches remain with the vine for life and sustenance. For details about this retreat can be found at <https://www.holyfamilyretreat.org/themed-retreats>. Questions? Contact Bud Volz at budvolz@comcast.net.

Young Catholic Professionals

YCP Central CT will host their next *Executive Speaker Series* Event on **Thursday, March 20** in Manchester. Enjoy light refreshments and networking along with a talk by Jack Schirra, former Program and People leader at Pratt & Whitney. Come be inspired by Jack's journey and how he has worked in witness for Christ and continues to do so even in retirement.



Thurs, March 20th from 7 - 9 pm at
45 Ludlow Rd, Manchester, CT
All professionals from 18-39 are welcome.
RSVP via QR code or at:



<https://ycp.glueup.com/event/executive-speaker-series-jack-schirra-135051/>

YCP Fairfield County will host "*Inside the Playbook*" on **Friday March 14** in Norwalk. This event features an exclusive fire-side chat with Dan Ventrelle, former President of the Las Vegas Raiders and EVP of Talent at WWE. He will share lessons from leading at the highest levels of competition.

All professionals from 18-39 are welcome.
To learn more or RSVP, scan or visit:



<https://www.youngcatholicprofessionals.org/chapter/fairfield-county>

ALTAR SERVERS

Parents, now is a great time to encourage your child to serve in our important Altar Server ministry. A training session for all new servers will be held in the spring.



All children in the parish who have received their 1st Holy Communion and are in 4th grade or older are invited to join. *Middle and high school students are encouraged to join in this ministry as well!* Each server typically serves every other weekend at their preferred Mass time. If your child would like to join, please contact Josh at j.kay@stpaulkensington.org.

QUILTERS & CRAFTERS GROUP

Our St. Paul Quilters & Crafters Group meets weekly on Thursday mornings from 9am-11am in the St. Paul Church Hall. The next gathering will be [Thursday, March 13](#). Anyone working on another project or who has a different type of craft is most welcome to join us!. If you have any questions, please call the parish office at 860-828-0331.

13TH OF THE MONT ROSARY

Our faithful '13th of the Month' Rosary group gathers in St. Paul Church to pray the Rosary at noon on the 13th of each month. Please join us on: [Thursday, March 13](#)



WEEKLY ROSARY AT SACRED HEART

Join us to pray the Rosary on Wednesday evenings at Sacred Heart Church from 6:00-6:30pm. Next date: [Wednesday, March 12](#)



FOODSHARE ST. CLARE FOOD PANTRY & MOBILE FOODSHARE

The following items are being requested at this time: *Mayo, mustard, ketchup, dressings, marinades, tomato sauce, cooking oil, spices, pickles, relishes, pancake syrup.*

Volunteers will transport food from St. Paul to Sacred Heart and set up for distribution on [Thurs., March 13](#) at **9:30am**. Volunteers will also help with distribution on [Fri., March 14](#) 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 Pantry or FoodShare program including volunteering, contact Nancy at 860-601-7866 or n.timbrell@stpaulkensington.org.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus Msgr. Greylish Council # 3675 will award college scholarships to graduating high school students:



- * Alfred Greco Scholarship—student is required to live in Berlin and have father or grandfather who is a Knight.
- * Terrence Lescoe Scholarship—student must live in Berlin.

Visit the parish website for details and applications. Deadline [April 1st](#).

New Britain Council of Catholic Women

The New Britain Council of Catholic Women will award \$1500 to an 8th grader going to a Catholic high school and \$1500 to a college student.



Each of the recipients must be a parishioner within the Council's parishes and meet certain requirements outlined on the application. The application must be requested via e-mail at nbccw2@gmail.com. The completed application and attachments must be received at the same e-mail address by [May 5, 2025](#). No hard copies accepted. Scholarships will be awarded at the banquet in June, 2025.



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St. Paul Parish is seeking applications for the position of Administrative Assistant. The Parish Administrative Assistant plays an important role in supporting the Parish Manager and Pastor with administrative duties across the parish. The individual will handle day-to-day office operations and manage office communication with parishioners and staff. The position requires excellent organizational skills, attention to detail and the ability to maintain confidentiality while working in a faith-based environment. This is a full time position with benefits. To request a copy of the full job description or to submit a cover letter and resume email Patrick Hyjek at p.hyjek@stpaulkensington.org.

HELPING HANDS Our Helping Hands Ministry assists our senior parishioners, providing companionship, as well as social and spiritual support. We typically provide help to parishioners 80 and older, and *we also assist younger seniors who do not have family, friends or neighbors they can call upon for help.* To learn more, contact the parish office, 860-828-0331, or Mark Duplin at 860-977-9931 or mfduplin@outlook.com.



WOMEN OF FAITH Our Women of Faith group will host their next gathering at 7pm on **Thursday, March 13** in the St. Paul Church Hall. Join us at this special Lenten gathering as Fr. Martin leads us in the Stations of the Cross.



Gather with us to share our Faith, Fellowship and Friendship. Questions? Email womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org.

BULLETIN ADVERTISING Mary Hoffman from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be here at our Parish Office [this week](#) to secure new ads for our parish. Please consider purchasing a print and/or digital ad in our bulletin. Your participation helps make our bulletin successful, and you attract customers! Contact: Mary Hoffman (860) 836-8486 MHoffman@4lpi.com



The **2025 CT MARCH FOR LIFE** will be held on **Wednesday, March 19** in Hartford. A noon rally at the Capitol will be followed by the March for Life around Bushnell Park.



Save the date and plan to join members of our parish and people from all across the state to support the dignity of all human life from conception to natural death.



Speakers at the Rally (12pm at the Capitol) will include: The Most Reverend Frank Caggiano Bishop of Bridgeport. The Bishop was born in Brooklyn on Easter Sunday in 1959, the second of two children. His parents both came to the US from the town of Caggiano in the province of Salerno, Italy. The Bishop attended Regis High School in Manhattan where he was a member of the class of 1977, and he subsequently entered Yale University as a political science major. After further discernment, he transferred into Cathedral College of the Immaculate Conception in January 1978. He graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy in 1981. from bridgeportdiocese.org



For more details about the CT March for Life, visit scan above or click here: <https://marchforlife.org/connecticut/>.

To learn more about our parish Culture of Life Ministry, email us at respectlife@stpaulkensington.org.

CT CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

The CT Catholic Public Affairs Conference (CTPAC) is the public policy and advocacy office of the Catholic Bishops in CT which deals directly with elected officials. The Board of Directors of CTPAC includes the bishops of the four CT dioceses.



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