

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

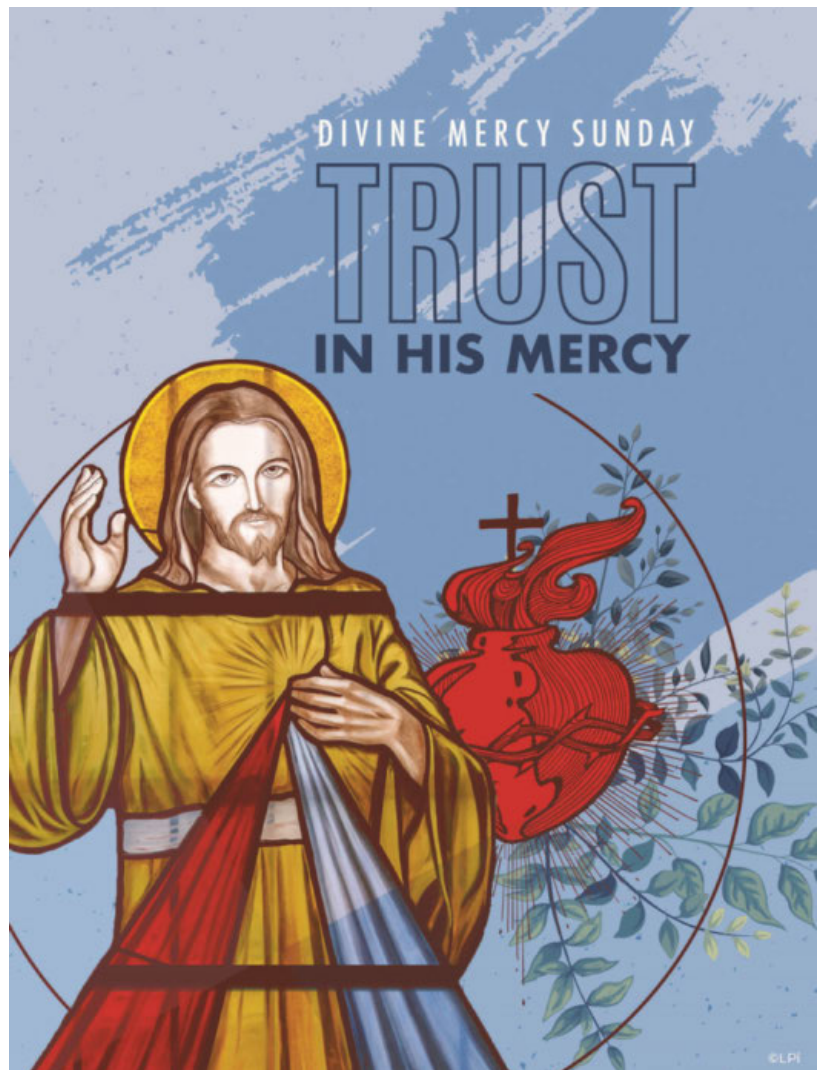
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April 27, 2025

Second Sunday of Easter

Divine Mercy Sunday



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

-Pope Francis



†Pope Francis

December 17, 1936 - April 21, 2025
 Bishop of Rome and head of
 the Roman Catholic Church
 from 2013 to 2025.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,
 and let perpetual light shine upon
 him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Full translation of †Pope Francis' final testament:

As I sense the approaching twilight of my earthly life, and with firm hope in eternal life, I wish to set out my final wishes solely regarding the place of my burial.

Throughout my life, and during my ministry as a priest and bishop, I have always entrusted myself to the Mother of Our Lord, the Blessed Virgin Mary. For this reason, I ask that my mortal remains rest -- awaiting the day of the Resurrection -- in the Papal Basilica of St. Mary Major.

I wish my final earthly journey to end precisely in this ancient Marian sanctuary, where I would always stop to pray at the beginning and end of every Apostolic Journey, confidently entrusting my intentions to the Immaculate Mother, and giving thanks for her gentle and maternal care.

I ask that my tomb be prepared in the burial niche in the side aisle between the Pauline Chapel (Chapel of the Salus Populi Romani) and the Sforza Chapel of the Basilica, as shown in the attached plan.

The tomb should be in the ground; simple, without particular ornamentation, bearing only the inscription: Franciscus.

The cost of preparing the burial will be covered by a sum provided by a benefactor, which I have arranged to be transferred to the Papal Basilica of St. Mary Major. I have given the necessary instructions regarding this to Cardinal Rolandas Makrickas, Extraordinary Commissioner of the Liberian Basilica.

May the Lord grant a fitting reward to all those who have loved me and who continue to pray for me. The suffering that has marked the final part of my life, I offer to the Lord, for peace in the world and for fraternity among peoples.

Santa Marta, 29 June 2022

FRANCIS

Visit our website for details regarding Pope Francis' funeral (Saturday, April 26), the sede vacante period and the process for electing a new pope.

A Glance Ahead

- TMIY! Men's Group Saturday, April 26
- Confirmation at Cathedral Saturday, April 26
- Divine Mercy Sunday Sunday, April 27
- Fairwell to Josh Lifeteen/Edge Night Sunday, April 27
- HomeFront Day Saturday, May 3
- Children's Rosary at Sacred Heart Saturday, May 3
- First Holy Communion Masses Sat., May 3/Sun., May 4
- Pastoral Council Meeting Monday, May 5
- Holy Hour 4-5pm Tuesday, May 6
- Evening Rosary SHC 6pm Wednesday, May 7
- Women of Faith Thursday, May 8
- Blue Mass Committee Meeting Thursday, May 8
- Registration for New Parishioners Monday, May 12
- Polish Dinner Saturday, May 24
- SPS Golf Open Monday, June 16

O God, immortal shepherd of souls,
 look on your people's prayers
 and grant that your servant Pope Francis,
 who presided over your Church in charity,
 may, with the flock entrusted to his care,
 receive from your mercy the reward of a faithful steward.
 Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
 who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

-The Roman Missal (2011),
 Prayers for the Dead – For A Pope (p. 1403)

The canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis, which had been scheduled for April 27, has been postponed following the death of Pope Francis.



“Following the death of Supreme Pontiff Francis, notice is hereby given that the Eucharistic celebration and Rite of Canonization of Blessed Carlo Acutis, scheduled for April 27, 2025, II Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy, on the occasion of the Jubilee of Adolescents, is suspended,” the Holy See Press Office said in a statement on April 21.

A new film about the life of Carlo Acutis is in theatres now. See page 6 for details!

INTENTIONS

The Gift of Wine will be offered this week for

†**Marie Tirinzoni** Birthday Remembrance by children



†**Patricia Sangarella**

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.

INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PARISH FAMILY?

Our next Registration Meeting is **Monday, May 12** 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.

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, April 26, 2025 Second Sunday of Easter
4:00 **Easter Novena**

Sunday, April 27, 2025 Second Sunday of Easter
7:30 **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**
9:00 **Mark and Mary Jane Duplin** 50th Wedding Anniversary by the four children
10:30 **†Jean Spilka** Birthday by family
12:00 **Easter Novena**

Monday, April 28, 2025 St. Peter Chanel, St. Louis Grignon de Montfort
7:00 **†Lucille Micacci** Birthday Remembrance and **†Rose & †Vincent Micacci** by Anthony Micacci
5:00 **Easter Novena**

Tuesday, April 29, 2025 St. Catherine of Siena
7:00 **Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life**
8:45 **†Rose Marie Malec** by daughter and family
5:00 **†Deceased and Living Members of the New Britain Council of Catholic Women** by New Britain Council of Catholic Women

Wednesday, April 30, 2025 St. Pius V
7:00 **†Stephen Sandwell** by son Bill Sandwell
5:00 **†Maria Calafiore** by Emanuele Lombardo

Thursday, May 1, 2025 St. Joseph the Worker
7:00 **†Matthew and †Lucy Simkulak** by Rich and Joanne
5:00 **†Angileri and †Abate Families** by Josephine Gorski
John Nappi, Jr. by wife
†Stanley Waluk by Greg and Clarice
†Francesco, †Carolina and †Pietro Liscio by Mai family
†Luke Bolton by John and Ann Frigeri

Friday, May 2, 2025 St. Athanasius
7:00 **†Robert Quarti** by Pat Muli
5:00 **Banulski Family** by Lucy and family

Saturday, May 3, 2025 Third Sunday of Easter
4:00 **†Robert J. Fitzsimmons** by wife Anita and children

Sunday, May 4, 2025 Third Sunday of Easter
7:30 **Richard and Joyce Solek** 40th Wedding Anniversary
9:00 **†Steven D'Amato** by wife and family
10:30 **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**
12:00 **†Charles and †Elizabeth Anderson** by Arlene Cotrona

<u>Parish Collection</u>	In Church SP	\$	28,424
April 15-21, 2025	Office	\$	2,461
	Online Giving	\$	8,054
	Total	\$	38,939

Thank you to everyone who made an Easter gift to the parish!

Second Collections for May:

- May 11 - Maintenance & Repair
- May 18 - Catholic Communication Campaign

SAINT PAUL SCHOOL

As students prepared for Holy Week, our second graders were invited to discuss what happened at the Last Supper during religion class. One of our students chose to draw a picture of the Crucifixion as well. Beautifully done!




Pictured below are two of our SPS students at St. Paul Church on Easter Sunday, siblings Ronan and Fiona Buckley (Grade 4 and Grade 7).. Happy Easter!



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



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Congratulations to the 46 young men and women listed below who are being confirmed this weekend, on Saturday, April 26, at the Cathedral of St. Joseph in Hartford.



Alexia Akier	Marcin Kacperski
Abigail Andros	Livia Kowalczyk
Wyatt Bajorski	Camden LaVoie
Kaitlin Bertolami	Ella Michaud
Alexis Bourque	Marco Mongillo
Gianna Brini	Anna Morrissey
Lorenzo Calafiore	Daniel Mosakowski
Nolan Cameron	Viktor Naporowski
Shea Carlson	Liana Nguyen
Aiden DeAngelis	Ian Niecikowski
Gabriella DiDomenico	Caroline Niemiec
Maddox Dow	Luke Norton
Matthew Dzierlatka	Kayla Riccitelli
Nicholas Feijoo	Matthew Rzadkiewicz
Thomas Francalangia	Michelle Sanchez
Christopher Garcia	Jack Scaranuzzo
Julia Gujda	Mason Shackford
Elijah Hairston	Julia Solek
Michael Hines	Oliver Stopyra
Brandon Humphries	Aidan Sullivan
Joanna Jarombek	Payton Velez
Emily Jaszczur	Ashley White
Abigail Jurgen	Tabitha Yezierski

Congratulations to all of the young people who received sacraments at the Easter Vigil! They were all participants in our Religious Education Special Sacraments program.

This program is for any child in first grade or older who has not received the sacraments of Baptism and/or First Holy Communion. A child must be baptized prior to receiving any of the other sacraments. Also, prior to being Confirmed, the young person must also have received the Sacrament of Holy Communion. If a child was baptized in another Christian faith, they make a Profession of Faith to become Catholic. That preparation is also done through the Special Sacrament program. Students in the Special Sacrament program attend classes in addition to their grade level religious education classes. The parents and Godparents of the children to be baptized must attend one preparation class as well. Once the children have completed preparation, they receive the sacrament(s) during the Easter Vigil. For more information about the program, contact our Religious Education office.

Newly Baptized:

Magdalene (Maggie) McCourt, McKenna McCourt, Amelia Rivera, Jackson Rivera, Isla Rivera, Avery Smith and Sydney Smith

Profession of Faith

Victoria LaPosta and Drew Ellis
(Drew's mom and older brother also received sacraments. See below)

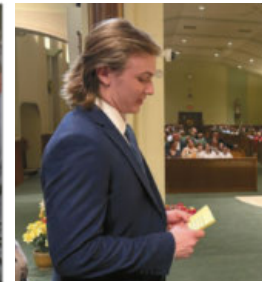
First Holy Communion

Scott James Dubree, Drew Ellis, Amelia Rivera, Ella Ellis.

Brooks Ellis and Julia Schaff are the adults who were in Fr. Raymond's OCIA classes; they made their Profession of Faith, First Communion and Confirmation.

Congratulations and God Bless you all!

(See more photos on our website.)



New Film - Carlo Acutis: Roadmap to Reality

Carlo Acutis was a computer-savvy Italian teenager who died in 2006 at the age of 15 from leukemia. He will become the Catholic Church's first millennial saint! All parishioners are encouraged to see the new film about his life, and it is **highly recommended especially for young adults and teens!**



A group of young men from our parish are planning to see the film together on **Tuesday, April 29** at 7:00pm at Apple Cinemas in Simsbury (530 Bushy Hill Road). All young men of the parish are encouraged to join them at this showing! To purchase tickets, visit Fandango at <https://www.fandango.com/>.

AMC Plainville is also showing the film for a limited time. Reserve your seats early as there are limited showings!

AMC Plainville

- o Sunday, April 27 at 4:00pm and 4:20pm
- o Monday, April 28 at 7:00pm and 7:30pm
- o Tuesday, April 29 at 7:00pm and 7:30pm
- o Wednesday, April 30 at 4:30pm & 7:00pm
- o Thursday, May 1 at 4:00pm & 7:00pm

<https://www.amctheatres.com/movies/carlo-acutis-roadmap-to-reality-79510>



BLUE MASS COMMITTEE MEETING

Our parish will be hosting our 2nd Annual Blue Mass and Reception on **Sunday, September 28** at the 12pm Mass. A Blue Mass recognizes and honors the sacrifices made by those who serve in law enforcement and other emergency professions.

The first Blue Mass Committee meeting will be held on **Thursday, May 8** at 6:30 pm in the school library. If you would like to serve on this wonderful committee, please contact Elaine Pavasaris at bluemass@stpaulkensington.org.



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: May 4, 2025

For readings online, scan or visit

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/050425.cfm>



First Reading: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13

I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

Second Reading: Revelation 5:11-14

Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Christ is risen, creator of all; he has shown pity on all people.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: John 21:1-14

At that time, Jesus revealed himself to his disciples at the Sea of Tiberias. He revealed himself in this way. Together were Simon Peter, Thomas called Didymus, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, Zebedee's sons, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We also will come with you." So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore; but the disciples did not realize that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it, and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. So the disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he tucked in his garment, for he was lightly clad, and jumped into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, for they were not far from shore, only about a hundred yards, dragging the net with the fish. When they climbed out on shore, they saw a charcoal fire with fish on it and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish you just caught." So Simon Peter went over and dragged the net ashore full of one hundred fifty-three large fish. Even though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. This was now the third time Jesus was revealed to his disciples after being raised from the dead.

WEEKLY ROSARY AT SACRED HEART

Join us to pray the Rosary every Wednesday evening at Sacred Heart Church in East Berlin from 6:00-6:30pm.

Prayer booklets are provided.

Next date: **Wednesday, April 30.**



Steubenville EAST 2025 IS STILL HAPPENING!

The departure of our Youth Minister, Josh, does not change the plan to give our teens the opportunity to attend the Steubenville Youth Conference this summer!

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

This year's theme is: "Consumed".

Registration is OPEN! 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>



"The conference was amazing! I am definitely going next year and bringing friends with me!"

Julia Gujda, Sophomore at St. Paul High School.

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING—DATE CHANGE

A Spring Training session for all new servers will be held on **Tuesday, May 20th (note the date change)**, 6:30-7:30 pm.

All children in the parish who have received their 1st Holy Communion and are in 4th grade and up are invited to join, *including middle and high school students!* Questions?

Email Josh at j.kay@stpaulkensington.org.

NBCCW Scholarship

The New Britain Council of Catholic Women will award \$1500 to an 8th grader going to a Catholic high school and \$1500 to a high school senior going into college. Each recipient must meet certain requirements outlined on the application. Applications must be requested via e-mail at nbccw2@gmail.com and must be received by **May 5, 2025**. Visit the parish website for details.



KGC SCHOLARSHIP

The Kensington Garden Club is seeking scholarship applicants among graduating high school student who reside in Berlin, E. Berlin or Kensington and who meet additional requirements. For details about this \$1,500 scholarship, visit our website or the KGC website here: <https://www.kensingtongardenclub.net/charity-fundraisers>



Life Teen/EDGE

Combo Event

April 27 - Farewell Josh!



All 6-12 grade students are invited to join us on **Sunday, April 27** from 1:00-2:30pm as we say goodbye to our Youth Minister, Josh, who will be leaving his position here at the end of April and will be working as the new Associate Director of Youth & Young Adult Evangelization for the Archdiocese of Hartford.

There will be great food, games, prizes and a discussion on Blessed Carlo Acutis, the passing of Pope Francis and Divine Mercy Sunday. Invite your friends and join us for this celebration! Questions? Email Josh at j.kay@stpaulkensington.org.



Life Teen Event

Sunday, May 4



All high school teens in grades 9-12 are welcome to join us on **Sunday, May 4**, 6:30-8:00pm in the St. Paul Church Hall.

Topic: "Four-Way Stop". We will explore the significance of the four marks of the Church. The goal of this Life Night is to help teens appreciate the gift of being part of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church and to instill in them a desire to reflect these marks in their own lives. Let's inspire our teens to deepen their faith and understand their unique role within the Church.

Questions? Please email Bud Volz at budvolz@comcast.net. Beginning in May, Bud will run our Life Teen Program until a new Director of Youth Ministry is hired.



COLLEGE LIFE Save the dates for our Summer 2025 College Life Events!

Spanning May-August all young adults, ages 18-23, are welcome to attend these events.

Our first event will be on **Tuesday, May 20th - Welcome Home Bonfire from 6:30-8:00pm on the Parish Green!** This summer 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. Scan the code to save these summer dates! Email Patrick Kennedy (pkennedy1120@gmail.com) with any questions.



MEN'S GROUP

Celebrate Easter with our TMIY & the COR Men's Ministry.



All men are invited to join our TMIY/COR group on Saturday mornings as we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus. Our Lord commissioned us to spread the Good news that death has been defeated by our Lord through His Resurrection. Each week, the presentation will help us to deepen our faith, expand our prayer life, and share the Grace of God with other men. We meet **each Saturday morning** in the church hall at 7:00am for a 30-minute video followed by 30 minutes of discussion. You are also welcome to enjoy coffee and breakfast with us in the kitchen at 6:30am. Questions? Contact Bud Volz at budvolz@comcast.net or 860-681-8355.



POLISH DINNER!

Saturday, May 24, 2025

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

Tickets are available now for our annual Polish Dinner! This event helps support the charitable causes of the Knights of Columbus Council #3675.



- o Saturday, May 24, 2025
- o Saint Paul School Gym
- o 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Tickets are \$30 per person. Tables of 6 to 10 persons can be reserved. Enjoy a fun night out and authentic Polish Cuisine provided by Michael's Catering. BYOB.

Tickets are available now through

- o Tom Drzata 860-965-1373
- o Bud Volz 860-681-8355
- o Tom Sullivan 860-505-812
- o Parish Office 860-828-0331

FOODSHARE ST. CLARE FOOD PANTRY & MOBILE FOODSHARE

The following items are being requested at this time: Soups, Spaghetti sauce, Pasta, Canned fruits, Canned vegetables (low sodium), Beans, Spaghettios, Ravioli, Tuna

Volunteers will transport food from St. Paul to Sacred Heart and set up for distribution on **Thurs., May 8 at 9:00am**. Volunteers will also help with distribution on **Fri., May 9 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.

HOMEFRONT 2025

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

HomeFront is a program that provides free repairs for low income homeowners. Volunteers work with professionals to repair, paint and yardwork to improve property conditions.



This year's HomeFront project will take place **on Saturday, May 3rd**. All volunteers age 14 and older are welcome. Volunteers are needed that day from 7:30am to 5:00pm or any hours that fit your schedule! Any time you are able to give is appreciated! Lunch and snacks will be provided. Whether you are a skilled professional with experience in electrical, plumbing or carpentry or if you are able to do yardwork, painting or other tasks. please consider joining us.

To sign up, scan the QR code or click on the link below or contact Lynn at 860-913-5448. <https://stpaulkensington.org/homefront> Skilled professionals please contact Bob Fischer: fischerwoodworking@snet.net.



A big thank you to all who contributed so generously to this year's Lenten Collection! The charitable organizations which received your donations, Prudence Crandall and Family Promise, send their heartfelt gratitude to St. Paul Parish for each and every item.



SAINT PAUL SCHOOL 36TH ANNUAL GOLF OPEN Monday, June 16, 2025

Join us for a day of golf and fun in support of Saint Paul School!



This year's Golf Open will be held at Timberlin Golf Course. To Register, Sponsor, Donate, or to Purchase Dinner-Only Tickets, scan the QR code below or visit <https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org/golf-open>

Golf Bag Special: \$80 early registration / \$110 day-of (Includes raffle tickets, mulligans, air cannon, and beverage Cart tickets!) Your participation directly supports Catholic education, helping to cover the cost of classroom materials and building upkeep. Let's hit the course together for a great cause!



Questions may be directed to Denise Nowakowski, Director of Advancement at d.nowakowski@stpaulkensington.org.

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 April, it will remain on the list through the end of May.) *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
June Brouillette
Cheryl Brown
George Bushnell
Norma Cacchillo
Mark Camilleri
Janet Carroll
Doug Clarke
Bryan Cook
Roy Cooper
Arlene Cotrona
Lenny Cullen
Linda Cullen
Martin Dagno
Marie DeFazio
Fr. Tony DeFronzo
Gloria Doyle
Judith Doyle
Dick Dubay
Alyssa Dutkiewicz
Josefina Fernandez
Bill Filomena
Maureen Freeman
Lenore Gourley
Tali Graney
Zofia Grochot
Linda Hannold
Dede Hargraves
Evan Hill
Daniel A. Hurley
Deborah Kasper

Leonard Kochanowski
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
Steven Pavano
Ada Payamis
Nathaniel Picklesimer
Joan Pinney
Barbara Rich
Christopher Roddy
Susana Romero
Shirley Sansone
Raul Seipel
Elizabeth Smulski
Brenda Stedman
Kevin Stanowski
Angelica Szczygla
Gabriel Szczygla
Julia Szczygla
Al Tee
Kathleen Vandrilla
Linda D. Vasquez
Scott Veley
Clifford White
Kathleen Williams

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter.

Today, we know that feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by Pope St. John Paul II at the canonization of Saint Faustina on April 30, 2000.



The Lord expressed His will with regard to this feast in His very first revelation to Saint Faustina. The most comprehensive revelation can be found in her Diary entry 699:

“My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and a shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment....”

For more information about The Divine Mercy and Divine Mercy Sunday, visit

<https://www.thedivinemercy.org>



WOMEN OF FAITH

Our Women of Faith group will host their next gathering at 7pm on **Thursday, May 8** in the St. Paul Church Hall.



All women are most welcome to gather with us to share our Faith, Fellowship and Friendship. Questions? Email womenoffaith@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. To receive time-sensitive ‘Action Alerts’ and monthly newsletters from the CTPAC during the current legislative session visit <https://ctcatholic.org> or <https://action.ctcatholicpac.org>



CHILDREN'S ROSARY

Join us on Saturday, [May 3rd](#) at 10 am at Sacred Heart Church for our Children's Rosary. The children lead us in the Rosary and all in attendance pray along. Afterwards, we gather in the Sacred Heart Church Hall for refreshments & crafts for the children. All are welcome. Questions? Email cherylbatter@att.net.



LADIES' GUILD

On [Thursday May 6](#) at 6:30 the St. Paul Ladies' Guild will meet in the church to pray the rosary together in honor of our Mother Mary. We will then come together for our regular meeting and refreshments in the church hall. Any ladies interested in joining the Ladies Guild are welcome. Food Pantry donation: Cereal



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 75 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.



NBCCW MEETING AND MASS The next meeting of the New Britain Council of Catholic Women is [Tuesday, April 29](#) at St. Paul Church. A Mass for the Living and Deceased members of the Council will be held at 5pm. Note that there will be a Holy Hour in progress from 4-5pm. All are welcome to come early to participate in that as well.

KGC PLANT SALE The Kensington Garden Club is hosting a Spring Plant Sale on [May 3, 2025](#) from 9am-1pm at the VFW, 152 Massirio Drive, Berlin. Order deadline is April 17. Order pick up is May 2 from 10am to 3pm at the VFW. For details and the order form, visit our website or the KGC website: <https://www.kensingtongardenclub.net/charity-fundraisers>

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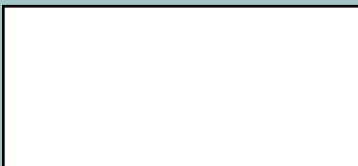
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