

MASS TIMES

St. Paul Church

485 Alling St., Kensington, CT 06037

Saturday 4:00pm Vigil

Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00pm

Sacred Heart Church

48 Cottage St., E. Berlin, CT 06023

(There are no regular Masses at Sacred Heart)

Weekday Mass at St. Paul Church

Monday, Wednesday and Friday - 7:00am

Tuesday and Thursday - 5:00pm

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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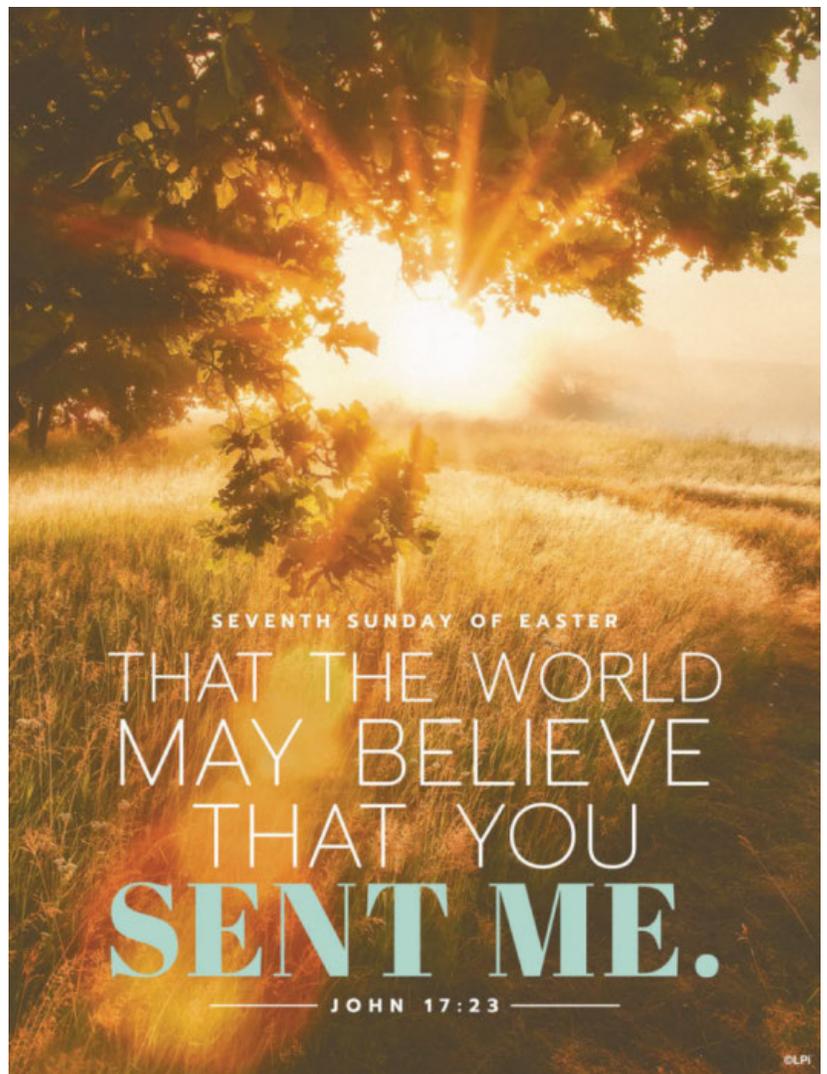
A Franciscan Family of Faith

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

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

June 1, 2025

Seventh Sunday of Easter



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

-Pope Francis



REMINDER: NEW MASS SCHEDULE
 Mass Times at St. Paul Church are as follows:

Weekend Masses
 Saturday 4pm Vigil
 Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00pm

Weekday Masses
 Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 7:00am
 Tuesday and Thursday at 5:00pm



WELCOME FATHER JOBE!

This weekend, **May 31/June 1**, Fr. Jobe Abbass, OFM Conv. will be visiting our parish. Fr. Jobe is the Delegate for the Our Lady of the Angels Province Marian Apostolate. He will preach during all weekend Masses about the lives of three contemporary Polish saints:

- St Maximillian Mary Kolbe, OFM Conv.
- St. Maria Faustina Kowalska, OLM, and
- Pope Saint John Paul II.

Specifically, he will speak about their devotion to Mary Immaculate. The holy lives of these great saints of the twentieth century continue to bless the Catholic Church and the world. Fr. Jobe will look at each saint's unique "entrustment" to the Immaculate Mother of God that inevitably led to a deeper relationship with Christ and a fuller understanding of God's will in their lives - and reflect how this "entrustment" may deepen our own relationship with Christ. During Fr. Jobe's visit, first-class relics of the three saints will be displayed for the veneration of the faithful.



A Glance Ahead

New Mass Schedule Begins Sunday, June 1
 Fr. Jobe Abbass visiting Sat., May 31/Sun., June 1
 Pentecost Sunday Sunday, June 8

Sunday Social after 8am and 10am Masses

All are invited to wear red on Pentecost Sunday

Saint Paul School Graduation.....Monday, June 9
 Registration for New ParishionersMonday, June 9
 Holy Trinity Sunday/Father's Day Sunday, June 15
 SPS Golf OpenMonday, June 16
 Pastoral Council Meeting.....Tuesday, June 17
 Eucharistic Procession Saturday, June 21

Save the date and plan to join us for our Eucharistic Procession after the 4pm Mass on Saturday, June 21. All children who received their First Holy Communion in May are invited to join us and to dress once again in their formal First Communion attire.

Feast of Corpus Christi..... Sunday, June 22
 Feast of Saints Peter and Paul..... Sunday, June 29
 Ice Cream Social (details coming soon)

Sunday Social - June 8th!

On **Pentecost Sunday, June 8**, all are invited to come to the St. Paul Church Hall (downstairs) for a Sunday Social **after both the 8am and 10am Masses**. Enjoy coffee, refreshments and fellowship as we celebrate the 'birthday of the church'.



You may recall that for the past several years, the Pastoral Council has hosted a Ministry Fair in the school gym after all Masses during the weekend of Pentecost. This event offered parishioners an opportunity to see all of our parish ministries at one time, to speak with ministry representatives, and to consider how they can help serve, or perhaps how they can be served, through these ministries.

This year, while we will not be hosting a formal Ministry Fair, we will have a Sunday Social in the Church Hall after both the 8:00 am and 10:00 am Masses. All are invited to take this occasion of Pentecost to join us for coffee and treats and to consider how you can share the gifts that the Holy Spirit has given to you with your parish and with the larger community.

Come meet members of our Pastoral Council and pick up a copy of our Ministry Booklet which provides brief descriptions of all of our ministries. The Booklet can also be viewed on our website and here  Pray about what the Lord might be asking you to do and how you can share the gifts of the Holy Spirit for the building up of God's kingdom.



INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Candles will burn this week for

†**Andrew and †Helen Dobek** by Pam and Kevin

†**Lisa Andreana** Anniversary by family

†**Fernand Brochu**

6 Month Anniversary by wife Laura and family

†**Frank Mascolo** Anniversary Remembrance by family

Sanctuary Candles will burn this week for

†**Frank Mascolo** Anniversary Remembrance by family



†**Vincenza Coco**

†**Nicholas D. Criniti**

†**Elaine P. Talbot**

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.

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, May 31, 2025 Seventh Sunday of Easter
4:00 †**Dino Zovich** Wedding Anniversary by Theresa and family

Sunday, June 1, 2025 Seventh Sunday of Easter
8:00 **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**
10:00 †**Lisa Andreana** Anniversary Remembrance by family
12:00 †**Virginia Colossale** 7th Anniversary by Gayle Gregorzek

Monday, June 2, 2025 St. Marcellinus and Peter
7:00 **Jose Luke and Rosamma Jose Thuruthippally**
51st Anniversary by Jaison and Smitha Kavumpurath
†**Robert J. Fitzsimmons** by wife Anita and children
†**David Fiori** by Fiori family

Tuesday, June 3, 2025 St. Charles Lwanga and Companions
8:45 †**Amedeo Francalangia** 8 Year Anniversary
by Francalangia family

5:00 †**John, †Irma and †Linda Testori** by family

Wednesday, June 4, 2025 Easter Weekday
7:00 **Great Grandma Belsinger** by Will and Erika

Thursday, June 5, 2025 St. Boniface
5:00 †**Matthew Stimac** 3 Year Remembrance by family
†**Dick Percival** Birthday Remembrance by family
John Nappi, Jr. by wife
†**Maria Calafiore** by Emanuele Lombardo
†**Souls in Purgatory** by Emanuele Lombardo

Friday, June 6, 2025 St. Norbert
7:00 †**Gerald Vanty** by Linda and family

Saturday, June 7, 2025 Pentecost Sunday
4:00 †**Tom Lasker** 1st Anniversary Remembrance by wife Betty

Sunday, June 8, 2025 Pentecost Sunday
8:00 **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**
10:00 †**Michael Zarotney** Birthday Remembrance
by Linda and Joe Cimadon

12:00 †**Vincent Durante** 16th Anniversary Remembrance
by Roz and family

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.

Parish Collection	In Church SP	\$	9,184
May 20-26, 2025	Office	\$	1,974
	Online Giving	\$	5,078
	Total	\$	16,236

Second Collections:

- June 1 - Monthly Maintenance & Repair
- June 15 - Utility Fund
- June 29 - Peter's Pence Collection

Thank you for your ongoing support of our parish! For information about online giving, visit our website or scan this QR code:



Memorial Day Parade and Ceremony

Thanks to all who came out on Memorial Day to honor and remember those who gave their lives for our country. Pictured below: Fr. Michael blesses the Gold Star monument at Veterans' Memorial Park, veterans stand and salute during the solemn playing of 'Taps', and some of our young parishioners prepare to march with the McGee Middle School band and color guard.



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: June 8, 2025

For readings online, scan or visit

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/060825.cfm>



First Reading: Acts 2:1-11

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

Alleluia Matthew 28:19a, 20b

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: John 20:19-23

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the doors were locked, where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained."

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



The 2025 SPS Golf Open
is only two weeks away!



Join us for a day of golf and fun at
Timberlin Golf Course in support of SPS!

To Register, Sponsor, Donate, or
Purchase Dinner-Only Tickets, scan
the QR code or visit:

<https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org/golf-open>

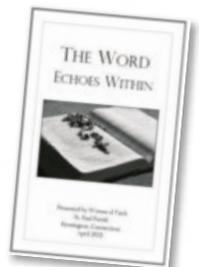
Thank you to all of our sponsors/donors who have contacted us and to all of the golfers who have registered so far! Your support is so greatly appreciated.

'THE WORD ECHOES WITHIN' BOOKLET

Over Easter weekend, the Parish made available the Women of Faith's "The Word Echoes Within" booklet.

If you did not have the opportunity to pick one up and would like to receive one, email womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org or call the Parish Office at 860-828-0331.

The booklet is also available on our website.





Pictured above are some of our Kindergarten friends learning, growing in confidence and having fun with their Math Stackers!

Pictured at right, Mrs. Rappi's Pre-K4 class recently released their butterflies much to the delight of our students. One butterfly settled comfortably on a piece of orange in St. Francis' hand!



Faith: the Next Generation – Pass It On!

Boldly go where many have gone before and help pass on the Good News of Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith!

This fall, over 650 children and young people in grades 1-10 will sign up to learn more about Jesus and the Catholic faith.

You can help by becoming a catechist for Faith Formation. As you nurture the faith of our young, you will learn and grow as well!

We provide you with training, materials, and support.

Classes begin September 21.

If interested or for more information, contact Robin Veronesi, Director of Religious Ed, at religiously@stpaulkensington.org or call 860-828-1934.



Saint Paul Summer Camp
 June 23-August 15
 Full and Half Day Programs Available
 Ages 3-13

Contact:
 860-828-4343

<https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org/summer-camp>
summercamp@stpaulkensington.org



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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Steubenville EAST 2025 !

The 2025 Steubenville Youth Conference is coming up fast!

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.

All high school students are welcome, including rising high school freshmen and high school grads in the Class of 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>



GRADUATING ALTAR SERVERS

The young men pictured below are the graduating members of our Altar Server Ministry. They have served for many years at regular weekend Masses and also volunteered to serve on holy days and at many other special events.

Over the years, they took on increasing responsibilities, becoming 'Masters of Ceremony', and embracing their roles as leaders and as examples for the younger servers.

We are so thankful for their faithful service!

Charles Henriques

Charles joined the Altar Server Ministry in 4th grade. He is graduating from Berlin High School. Next year, he plans to study Engineering at Western New England University. Charles received the CABA Superintendents Award, is a member of the National Honor Society and Rho Khappa Honor Society, and also served as the Captain of the Broadcast Club for two years. Parting words:

"I have enjoyed the opportunities to help during the Mass and to train others to help as well."



SPS Class of 2021

Jacob Krzynowek

Jacob started altar serving in 7th grade. He is graduating from St. Paul Catholic High School in Bristol. He is a member of the National Honor Society and Blue Key Club. He also received first place in the American Mathematics Competition and is ranked eighth in his class. Jacob plans to attend Bentley University in the fall as a Finance major.



SPS Class of 2021

Jacob's favorite memory from his time as an altar server was serving at Fr. Raymond's 60th Anniversary Mass. He recalled that the church was filled with many priests, one from London, and many nuns and there were many people in attendance. His parting words of encouragement to young parishioners are to *"enjoy the time you have altar serving because it flies by quickly."*

Joshua Uliasz

Joshua volunteered as a member of the Altar Server Ministry from 2022 through 2025. He is a Life Scout, an athlete, and an honor student. This fall, Joshua will begin pursuing a psychology degree at Central Connecticut State University. In addition to being a respected friend and student, he is recognized for being "a loving son and brother to his family."



To our graduating Altar Servers Charles, Jacob and Joshua:

We pray that your faith will continue to be strong and that you will keep Christ by your side as you move on to the next chapter of your life.

Thank you for your years of service and congratulations on your high school graduation!

Wishing you all the best and God's blessings!!!

*May Christ our Lord help you to go forth with faith,
and to approach all things
with an adventurous spirit, a ready heart,
and a willingness to follow where He leads.*

Congratulations to Emily Armetta who recently graduated from Sacred Heart University! Emily earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Exercise Science and plans to attend graduate school to study Physical Therapy. Emily is an alumna of Saint Paul School (Class of 2017), she served as an Altar Server here at



St. Paul Parish for many years, also served as our Sacristan for many years, and has continued to work part time for the parish throughout her college years as part of our Facilities and Maintenance staff. Emily has helped with every event held on our campus over the course of the past eight years, from setting up for the parish picnic to helping decorate the church to trouble shooting the communications technology. Emily is a vital part of our parish staff. She is pictured below with our friars and members of the office staff. We are so proud of you Emily! God bless.



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 May, it will remain on the list through the end of June.) *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
Mark Camilleri
Elena Campbell
Frank Carbone
Janet Carroll
Doug Clarke
Bryan Cook
Roy Cooper
Cliff Cote
Karen Cote
Arlene Cotrona
Lenny Cullen
Linda Cullen
Martin Dagno
Marie DeFazio
Fr. Tony DeFronzo
Judith Doyle
Dick Dubay
Alyssa Dutkiewicz
Josefina Fernandez
Bill Filomena
Maureen Freeman
Tali Graney
Zofia Grochot
Linda Hannold
Evan Hill

Deborah Kasper
Leonard Kochanowski
TJ Larkin
Maria Lauria
Jonh J. Lynch
Mary Jane Lynch
Lisa Mangiafico
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
Kevin Stanowski
Brenda Stedman
Angelica Szczygla
Gabriel Szczygla
Julia Szczygla
Al Tee
Kathleen Vandrilla
Linda D. Vasquez
Scott Veley
Kathleen Williams

New Saint Francis

You might have noticed that the statue of Saint Francis of Assisi that was located near the friars' garage was becoming extremely weathered and had reached the end of its life.

A new statue was recently purchased and placed in the same location, helping to beautify our gardens here at our Franciscan parish. When you pass by, offer up a little prayer.

Saint Francis, pray for us!



COMMUNITY GARDEN The St. Paul Parish/Town of Berlin Community Garden plot is planted and growing. Thank you to Bill Carey and his daughter Annabelle for helping with the preparation and planting of the garden!

We are looking forward to a successful growing season. If you would like to help with weeding, watering and harvesting, please visit the SignUpGenius page linked below for additional times and information. Dates will continue to be posted throughout the summer, so please check the SignUp page frequently.

All vegetables harvested will be donated to the Berlin Food Pantry and the St. Clare Food Pantry here at St. Paul Parish.



To sign up, scan the code or click on this link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C49A5A628A0F94-56735329-berlin#/>



YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY



**Life Teen/EDGE Youth Ministry
End of the Year Celebration!**

[This Sunday, June 1st!](#)

All 6-12 grade students are invited to join us on **Sunday, June 1st** from **1:00-2:30pm** for a fun gathering to celebrate the end of the 2024-2025 school year. The event will be held in the St. Paul Church Hall and we will have pizza and make-your-own sundaes!

Invite your friends and join us for this celebration! Questions? Email Bud Volz at budvolz@comcast.net.



ATTENTION ALTAR SERVERS

After the 4pm Vigil Mass on Saturday, June 21, we will have a Eucharistic Procession around the parish campus as we have done for the past few years in celebration of the Feast of Corpus Christie. The friars will need Altar Servers to assist with this event, including both a cross-bearer and a thurifer. If you are available to volunteer for this special event, please contact Maura Gaffney at 860-990-1240 or mgaffney@stpaulkensington.org.

Also, the Summer Schedule for Altar Servers has been emailed to all Altar Server Families. Please review this schedule carefully, and if you have any conflicts, contact Maura Gaffney at the number/email above.



COLLEGE LIFE

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 upcoming events

Save the dates:
Open Gym, **June 25**, 6:30-8:00pm
Brunch & Serve, **June 29**, 9am-12:30pm
Email Patrick with any questions at pkennedy1120@gmail.com.



FOODSHARE ST. CLARE FOOD PANTRY & MOBILE FOODSHARE

The following items are being requested at this time:

Juice, Juice mixes, Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate, Protein Drinks, Cookies, Crackers, Protein/Granola Bars, Snacks

Volunteers will transport food from St. Paul to Sacred Heart and set up for distribution on **Thurs., June 5** at **9:00am**. Volunteers will also help with distribution on **Fri., June 6** at **10:30am** at Sacred Heart Church.

For transportation to FoodShare at Sacred Heart, please 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.

INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PARISH FAMILY?

Our next Registration Meeting is **Monday, June 9** 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.

WORD SEARCH

JESUS	GLORY	RIGHTEOUS
PRAYED	PERFECTION	SENT
FATHER	WORLD	NAME
BELIEVE	GIFT	KNOWN
GIVEN	FOUNDATION	LOVE

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MEN'S GROUP

All are welcome to join our TMIY/Cor Men's Ministry.



All men are invited to join our TMIY/Cor group on Saturday mornings as we strive to deepen our faith, expand our prayer life, and share the Grace of God with other men. We meet **each Saturday morning** in the St. Paul Church Hall at 7am for a 30-minute video followed by a discussion for 30 minutes.

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.



COLD STUFF COLLECTION

Our Social Action Ministry is holding their annual "Cold Stuff" collection, **now through Sunday, June 29th!**



All are invited to donate **Beverage Items** such as juice, iced tea, lemonade, and bottled water, for the Friendship Center in New Britain to help get them through the hot summer months. If you can make a donation, please leave it in the lobby near the elevator in St. Paul Church. Thank you!



If you want to find a Catholic church to attend Mass while you're traveling or on your family vacation, visit <https://masstimes.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 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.



ROSARY AT SACRED HEART

All are welcome to join us every Wednesday evening to pray the Rosary from 6:00pm to 6:30pm at Sacred Heart Church in E. Berlin. Prayer booklets are provided.

Next gathering: **June 4.**



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 visit

<https://ctcatholic.org> or <https://action.ctcatholicpac.org>



13th of the Month Rosary

A faithful group of parishioners gathers at noon on the 13th of each month to pray the Rosary in St. Paul Church. All are welcome to join them. The next Rosary gathering will be at 12pm on **Friday, June 13th.**



CHILDREN'S ROSARY

Join us on Saturday, **June 7** 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.



PRAYER SHAWLS AVAILABLE

Do you know someone who is going through a difficult time and in need of comfort? Perhaps they are mourning the loss of a loved one, suffering through medical issues or dealing with depression. The St. Paul Prayer Shawl Ministry has a variety of shawls available; they are appropriate for men, women and children. The women in the Ministry knit/crochet these beautiful shawls and include their prayers and good wishes in each one. There is no charge for the shawls but donations are appreciated. If you are interested in getting a shawl, contact Jeanne Charbonneau: 860-913-9023 or jcharb21@gmail.com



ROSARY MAKERS

All are welcome to join our Rosary Makers at their next meeting on **Monday, June 2** at 1:00pm in the St. Paul Church Hall. This will be our final gathering of the year prior to taking a break for the summer. Contact Lynn Misteri at 860-913-5448 with any questions or to learn more.



SUMMER CAMPS

Looking for faith-based camps for your kids this summer? Here are some opportunities:

Saint Paul School Summer Camp, Berlin. Grades PreK - 7. Full day and half day weeks, or single day options. Location is the school grounds and Parish Green. Sports, arts and crafts, water activities, enrichment programs, field trips and more. <https://ourschool.stpaulkensington.org/summer-camp>

Xavier High/Mercy High School, Middletown - Grades 3-9. Our summer programs are designed to inspire your child to discover their best self. Camps include football, basketball, theatre, academics and more. It is not just about skills; it is about confidence, teamwork, and lifelong memories. <https://www.xavierhighschool.org/apps/pages/SummerCamps>

Franciscan Life Center, Meriden - Ages 6-12 -Learning and fun come together as Sisters and their teen volunteers lead experiences in the garden, with the goats, sheep, chickens, and on the big lawns. <https://flcenter.org>

Youth leadership at Franciscan Life Center, Meriden - For ages 13 & 14. Activities geared to develop leadership skills, positive self-esteem and interaction with peers. <https://flcenter.org>

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CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

The Franciscan Life Center is offering a monthly Caregiver Support Group for those caring for a loved one with dementia on the first Wednesday of each month beginning **June 4, 2025**, from 1:00 to 2:30 pm or the fourth Thursday of each month beginning **June 5, 2025**, from 6:30 to 8:00 pm.

The groups will meet at the Franciscan Life Center, 271 Finch Avenue, Meriden, CT. No charge. Registration is required. For more information, or to register, please visit flcenter.org or call 203-237-8084.



Young Catholic Professionals (YCP)

Attention Young Adults: YCP has two chapters in our area. Both are active and have a full schedule of great events throughout the year!

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YCP Central CT Next Event:

Entrepreneurship 101:

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June 26, 2025 at 7pm in Avon

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