

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00pm
Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30am
Weekday: Monday through Friday
9:00am in Church
First Friday : 9:00am in Church
First Saturday : 9:00am in Church
Holy Day: As Announced

PRAYER

Novenas After 9:00am Mass
Monday **Miraculous Medal**
Tuesday **Mother Of Perpetual Help**
Wednesday **St. Joseph**
Thursday **Saints**
Friday **Sacred Heart**
First Saturday **Rosary and Blessing of the Sick**
after 9:00am Mass
Adoration: 1st Friday after 9:00am Mass until 12 noon

SACRAMENTS

CONFESSION:

Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45pm
Sunday: 7:45 - 8:15am and 9:45 - 10:15am
Wednesday: After the 9:00am Mass

BAPTISM: 1st & 3rd Sunday 1pm / 2nd & 4th Saturday 12 Noon

MARRIAGE: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance by calling the Parish Office for an appointment with the Pastor or Pastoral Associate, Deacon Ray D'Alessio. At least one of the two people being married must be a parishioner of St. Paul's. Weddings are celebrated on Friday afternoons/evenings and on Saturday between the hours of 11:00am and 3:00pm and on Sundays between 2:00pm and 4:00pm. All Sunday weddings are ceremonies.

ANointing OF THE SICK: First Saturday of every month, Prior arrangements must be made with the Pastor.

PASTOR

Rev. Msgr. James F. Pereda, J.C.D.

PASTORAL ASSOCIATE

Deacon Raymond P. D'Alessio

PARISH OFFICE

Office: (516) 935-1880
Monday - Thursday: 9:00am to 12:00pm &
1:00 to 4:00pm
Friday, Saturday, Sunday by appointment only
Mrs. Deb Cosentino, *Office Administrator*

OFFICE OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Religious Education Office: (516) 938-4530
Msgr. James F. Pereda, *Director of Religious Education*
Mrs. Louise Shannon, *Faith Formation Administrator*
Ms. Lynn M. Wilson, *Faith Formation Coordinator*

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Commercial Service

DIRECTOR OF LITURGICAL MUSIC

Mr. Gary Ducoing (516) 935-1880

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 19, 2023

ADVISORY COUNCILS TO THE PASTOR

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Paula Maturo, Chair
Paula Dawson, Vice Chair
Ann Kissell, Recording Secretary

Peter Boyle	Jesmel John
Gina Cinelli	Anne Maione
Linda Curro	Toni Poolin
Michael D'Costa	

FINANCE COUNCIL

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 Antony Kozhipatt

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 Joseph Palumbo
 Janice Anderson
 Antony Kozhipatt

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TRUSTEES EMERITI ARE
EX OFFICIO MEMBERS OF PASTORAL
AND FINANCE COUNCILS

MINISTRIES and ORGANIZATIONS

ALTAR GUILD contact: Ursula Coughlin (516) 433 - 2450

ALTAR SERVERS contact: Louise Shannon (516) 935 - 1880 ext. 110 or
 email: louise.stpauls@optimum.net

CHOIR meets Tuesdays at 7:30pm in Church - contact: Gary Ducoing (516) 935 - 1880

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION moderator:

Deacon Raymond D'Alessio (516) 935 - 1880 x112 or deaconraydalessio@stpaulsbrookville.org

JOB SEARCH contact: Gerard Wendelken for an appointment (516) 364 - 0640

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS meet 3rd Thursday of each month 7:30pm

contact: Jim Viania, Grand Knight (516) 822 - 9068 or email: javiania25@gmail.com

SQUIRES meet 4th Wednesday of each month 7pm

contact: Kevin Spillane (516) 639 - 0500 or email: kspillane9@gmail.com

LECTORS moderator: Deacon Raymond D'Alessio (516) 935 - 1880 x112 or
deaconraydalessio@stpaulsbrookville.org

MARIAN GUILD meets 3rd Wednesday of each month 7pm - contact: Grace (516) 935 - 1880

MINISTRY OF CONSOLATION contact: Gina Cinelli (516) 333 - 5611

OUTREACH contact: Parish Office (516) 935 - 1880

PRAYER GROUP meets Wednesday 11:00am in Church - contact: Parish Office (516) 935 - 1880

PRE CANA contact: Deacon Raymond P. D'Alessio (516) 935 - 1880 ext. 112 or
deaconraydalessio@stpaulsbrookville.org

RCIA contact: Jesmel John (516) 396 - 4505

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL / FOOD PANTRY - contact: Joe Curro through rectory
 (516) 935 - 1880

USHERS: contact: Frank Cruz, Head Usher - email Frank.pito.cruz@icloud.com

TO CONTACT THE PASTOR IN AN EMERGENCY WHEN A PRIEST IS NEEDED FOR THE SERIOUSLY SICK
OR DYING,

CALL (516) 935-1880.

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS:
 JERICHO FIRE DEPARTMENT (516) 931-0898
 OLD BROOKVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT (516) 626-1300

FEBRUARY 19, 2023

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF THE TIME THROUGHOUT THE YEAR (ORDINARY TIME)

QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY

LENT 2023

The season of Lent will begin on Ash Wednesday, February 22nd. Lent is a time for us to reflect upon what we can do or perhaps do differently this year to make this a fruitful and joyful season. The primary concept to grasp is that Lent is not about “self improvement” so to speak, but rather about “soul improvement”. Change or sacrifice **can** be joyful when the primary concept of these actions shifts from the thought of self denial to the idea of self renewal. However, this can only happen when self is no longer the focus but rather Christ and Others in our lives and in our souls.

Ash Wednesday is the beginning of Lent: the liturgical season marked by increased prayer, fasting (self-denial), almsgiving, and acts of mercy. It is immediate preparation for the celebration of the Paschal Mystery: the suffering, death, and resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ; and remote preparation for citizenship in Heaven – to be with God forever.

Though it is not a day upon which we are obliged to attend Holy Mass, many people do come to church for the celebration of the Eucharist and ashes. Many people also come for the Liturgy of the Word prayer services and ashes, as well. These liturgies at which we gather remind us that though we have been redeemed by the saving action of Christ, we are always a people who need God’s mercy. We are not yet “saved,” as some Christians believe, claiming that they no longer need to have concern about their salvation. Our belief as Catholics is that our salvation is worked out, day-by-day, with our ultimate reliance upon the mercy of God who wills to save us. The state of our soul when we leave this life is very important.

Here at St. Paul’s the Blessed Ashes will be distributed in the Church beginning at 7AM and continue until 8.30AM. Holy Mass will be celebrated in the Church at 9.00AM and ashes will be distributed at that Mass. That will be the only Mass for the day, but ashes will also be distributed at services at 12.15PM, 4.30PM and 7.00PM. **Please note that these will be the only times at which the Blessed Ashes will be distributed. Confessions will be heard after the Mass on Ash Wednesday, and after all the Services.** Some traditional Lenten prayer practices in which we may wish to participate could be attending Mass daily, or perhaps an extra day during the week, if we are able; praying Morning Prayer from the Liturgy of the Hours before Mass might be included, as well. Another is the Way of the Cross devotion, made either communally or privately. We will have the Way of the Cross each Friday of Lent at 7.00PM in the Church.

Being a materially blessed society, most of us have food of some variety readily available to us. Therefore, fasting is one of those actions not many of us like to do. On occasion we must fast if we are having medical procedures done or blood tests taken, and the complaining that accompanies this can be tremendous. However, denying ourselves something we need to live, but restricting the quantity is do-able, especially when it comes to food. When our stomach growls, it is a reminder of how much we are blessed, and how so many others do without on a regular basis. It also reminds us of our total dependence upon God, who provides us with the sustenance of life. If we are always concerned with keeping our bellies full, not only do we need larger clothes, but we become deaf to the cry of the poor and hungry in body and in spirit, and inadvertently make our personal comfort a number one priority.

Likewise, our charity can always grow. The sharing of our time and material resources with and for the benefit of others will open us to be more grateful for whatever we have and help us to be humbler in the sight of God. Hence, the added benefit will be a better “self”. May our Lenten sacrifices bear the fruit of a soul united to Christ crucified.

The Highlight of Lent for us will be our parish **Lenten Evening of Recollection preached by our own Sunday Assistant Brandon P. O’Brien**. This spiritual evening is sponsored by the St. Paul the Apostle Marian Guild. I would encourage everyone to come to the Lenten Evening of Recollection and through the teaching of St. Paul to come to know and love Our Lord Jesus Christ.

During Lent we will have the Stations of the Cross on each Friday at 7.pm. Please make every effort to walk with Our Lord as he carried the Cross.

Please make a Holy Lent and try to instill into your children the importance of doing penance. How pleased is Our Lord when the little ones give up candy or cookies for love of Him.

HOURS FOR CONFESSION

Please see the front of the bulletin for confession times. Lent begins with making a good confession. At St. Paul's confessions are heard on Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays

TWO LENTEN MEDITATIONS

As we begin Lent, I would like to present for your meditation two charming stories. May we use our speech in Lent not in complaining and tearing down our neighbor but rather in what is uplifting. May we hear no gossip nor repeat any gossip. Enjoy them!

THE MAN THE BOY AND THE DONKEY

A man and his son headed to market with their donkey. A man on a horse passed them and asked, "*Why aren't you riding your donkey?*"

The man placed his son on the donkey, and they continued on their way. They passed by a family working in their fields. A young girl said, "*Look at that lazy boy riding while his father is walking.*"

The man told his son to get off the donkey, and he climbed on. They passed a group of women and one said, "*What a selfish man, making his son walk while he rides.*"

The man asked his son to climb on the donkey with him. They passed a traveler on the road, who said, "*That poor donkey is carrying too much weight.*"

Not knowing what to do, the man and his son began to carry the donkey. But the donkey kicked so violently they released their hold and the donkey ran away.

ST. PHILIP NERI AND THE GOSSIP OF ROME

St. Philip Neri lived in Italy in the early sixteenth century. After many years as a lay apostle, caring for the sick and teaching young people, especially boys in street gangs, about the love of Jesus, Philip became a priest. One day, a woman who was notorious in all of Rome for being a gossip went to confession to Father Philip. For her penance, Philip told her to carry her feather pillow to the windiest hill in Rome, cut it open and shake out all the feathers, and then return to him. The penitent did as she was told. When she returned, Philip told the woman to go back to the hill and collect all the feathers that she had shaken out. "*But Father!*" she exclaimed, "*The wind has carried away all the feathers by now! It would be impossible for me to collect them again.*" Saint Philip replies, "*That is what has happened to all the rumors and gossip you have spread around Rome. You can never take back all those idle words you have spoken.*"

These are two important lessons for us all in this holy time.

A Blessed Lent

Buona Quaresima

In Jesus and Mary,

Monsignor James F. Pereda



Our Weekly Masses

Monday, February 20

9:00 Shawn Pennestri (1 Year)
(Requested by the Lostritto Family)

Tuesday, February 21

9:00 Anna Barton
(Requested by L. Wilson)

Wednesday, February 22

7:00 Distribution of Ashes Until 8:30

9:00 Caroline & Thomas Goss
(Requested by P. Goss)

12:15 Prayer Service

4:30 Prayer Service

7:00 Prayer Service

Thursday, February 23

9:00 Celebrants Intention

Friday, February 24

9:00 Shawn Pennestri
(Requested by the Shannon Family)

Saturday, February 25

5:00 Anthony Prettitore
(Requested by the Borelli Family)

Sunday, February 26

8:30 Helen Relly
(Requested by D. Waits)

10:30 Pro Populo
Susan Reale
(Requested by the Parish)
Shawn Pennestri
(Requested by the Lostritto Family)
Catherine Genna
(Requested by the Parish)
Catherine Boyle
(Requested by the Parish)
Nunzia Randazzo
(Requested by the Maggio Family)
Mary H. Lakatos
(Requested by J. Lakatos)

Memorials

Altar Bread, Wine & Candles

In Memory of
Anna, George, & Michael Kraus
Donated by the Egan Family

Altar Flowers
In Memory of the
Homeless and Hungry

Sanctuary Light
In Memory of the Unborn

Devotional Candle
In Memory of the
Souls in Purgatory

American & Papal Flags
September 1st - February 28th, 2023
In Memory of Gina Tarantini
Donated by A. Tarantini

Remember Your Loved Ones:

Mass Intention	\$ 20
Bread Wine & Candles for the week	\$ 50
Altar Flowers	\$ 125
Sanctuary Light for the week	\$ 25
Devotional Candles before Our Lady & St. Joseph	\$ 50
Tree of Life Memorials	Call Parish Office

Celebrants of Holy Mass

Saturday, February 25

5:00pm Msgr. Pereda

Sunday, February 26

8:30am Msgr. Pereda

10:30am Msgr. Pereda



Weekend Collection:

February 11 - 12, 2023

Actual	\$ 7,137
Budget	\$ 8,870
Difference	\$ (1,733)

Thank you for your continued generous support!



ST. DOMINIC HIGH SCHOOL



INFORMATION NIGHT FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FAMILIES

MARCH 1ST • 6:30 P.M.

SAINT DOMINIC CHAPEL • 93 ANSTICE STREET, OYSTER BAY

Ask about
our Religious
Education
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To register for the event or if you would like more information about St. Dominic High School, scan the QR code and complete the form.

Opportunities for
spiritual growth
through mass,
prayer services
and retreats

State-of-the-art
Science Lab &
partnerships with
Cold Spring
Harbor Laboratory
and the
Water Front Center

99% of our graduates
attend the college or
university of their
choice & in 2022
secured over
\$18.5 million
in scholarships

32 acres of
multi-purpose
athletic and
playing fields

SMALL SCHOOL ATMOSPHERE, BIG SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES



Ash Wednesday Schedule

February 22nd, 2023

Distribution of Ashes begins at 7:00AM until 8:30AM.

9:00AM	Mass with Distribution of Ashes
12:15PM	Prayer Service with Distribution of Ashes
4:30PM	Prayer Service with Distribution of Ashes
7:00PM	Prayer Service with Distribution of Ashes

Ash Wednesday is a Day of Fast & Abstinence

Confessions will be heard after the Mass and after each
Prayer Service.



Stations of the Cross are held each Friday of Lent at 7:00PM

Blessing of Icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help

And Pancake Breakfast

The new icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help will be blessed and dedicated at the 10:30 Mass on Sunday, February 19th. All parishioners are invited. Please join fellow parishioners for a Pancake Breakfast sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and Squires immediately after the Mass. It will be a fitting way to celebrate on the Sunday before Lent begins.



Save The Date:

The Marian Guild will be hosting our annual parish-wide Lenten Program on ***March 15, 2023*** at ***7:00 pm.***

Our guest speaker will be ***Father Brandon O'Brien.***

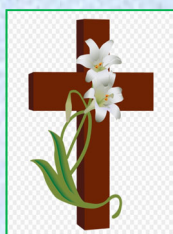
Please join us. All are welcome.



Pray for the Recently Deceased

Joseph D. Curro Jr.

February 11th, 2023



Stairwell

Please note that the stairwell leading up and down to the Church from the south parking lot is temporarily closed due to repairs. We apologize for any inconvenience.





COFFEE with JESUS

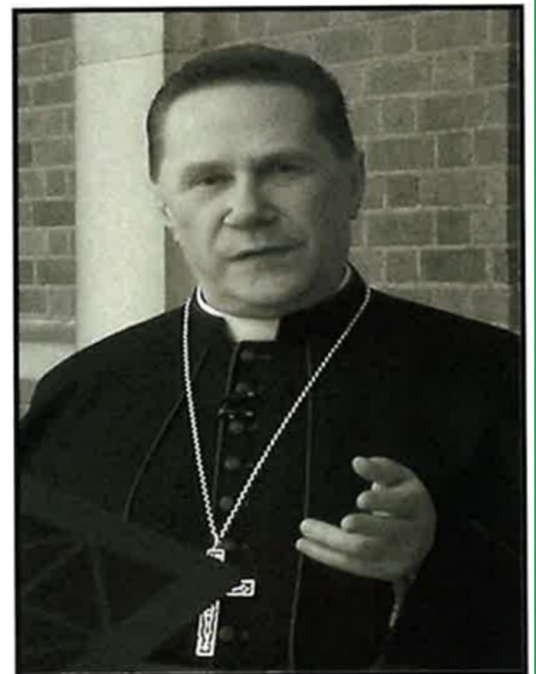
Lenten Series via Zoom

Join Bishop Andrzej

10:00 am on Friday mornings during Lent:

February 24, March 10 and March 24

Online Lenten reflections
on Scripture Readings,
with the special emphasis
on the Last Words of Jesus.



Great opportunity to prepare and nourish your mind, spirit and
heart in preparation for Easter.



To register,
please call Suzanne 516-744-6850
or email westernvicariate@drvc.org.

Once you are registered, you will be emailed the
ZOOM information prior to each session
of this Lenten series.

Academic Awards

Students who attend St. John the Baptist
from St. Paul the Apostle Church that have
been rewarded:

*Mid-Year Summa Cum Laude Honors
(100+ Weighted Average)*



Icsis Munoz



Academic Awards

Students who attend Our Lady of Mercy
from St. Paul the Apostle Church that have
been rewarded:

Second Quarter Honor Roll, First Honors



Isabella Speranza



Academic Awards

Students who attend Chaminade High
School from St. Paul the Apostle Church that
have been rewarded:

First Trimester Honor Roll

Antonio J. Branchinelli

Gavin C. Duran

Nathaniel D. Fabunan

Michael J. Martelli

Matthew S. Ofsie

Joseph T. Leyden

Anthony L. Cilmi

Thomas R. Lynch



Academic Awards

Students who attend Kellenberg Memorial
High School from St. Paul the Apostle
Church that have been rewarded:

First Trimester Honor Roll

Andrew Cilmi

Ethan Dasilva

Mia Goodman

Jack Loeffler

Isabella Lovera

Emma O'Neill

Kate O'Neill

Ava Wayrich

