

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

2534 Cedar Swamp Road, Brookville, N.Y. 11545

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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

Second Sunday of Lent

March 5, 2023

ADVISORY COUNCILS TO THE PASTOR

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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

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deaconraydalessio@stpaulsbrookville.org

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

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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

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OR DYING,

CALL (516) 935-1880.

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 JERICHO FIRE DEPARTMENT (516) 931-0898
 OLD BROOKVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT (516) 626-1300

FROM THE PASTOR
MARCH 5, 2023
THE SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

THE EASTER DUTY?

As promised, here is the article I publish each Lent and which many parishioners have found helpful.

Have you ever heard of something called the “Easter Duty”? If you have, there is a good chance that you thought it meant that all Catholics “must” go to confession at least once a year, specifically during the Easter season. We do not talk much about it now, and so we should ask whether or not this a law that was and/or remains in effect. I will get to that, but first a tiny bit of history.

For much of our history, the frequent reception of the Eucharist was not something everybody did. There was a keen awareness that one should not receive the Body and Blood of Christ unworthily. Since there was, and still is, no obligation to receive the Eucharist at every Mass (one’s obligation to attend Mass is satisfied simply by being there), many people did not in fact receive the Eucharist very often. Some did so out of an arguably over-abundance of piety, and others just figured they’d put off confession as long as they could - years even - and would simply do without.

Well, the Church eventually said that since the Eucharist is so integral to the Christian life, a Catholic must receive the Eucharist at least once a year, ideally at Easter, and it is this command that was and still is the “Easter Duty.” Naturally, since everyone racks up at least some sins throughout the year, it naturally followed that going to confession would normally precede that, hence the confusion that the Easter Duty concerned going to confession.

In fact according to canon law, a person is only strictly required to go to confession for mortal sins, although it is highly recommended to go to tidy us all those other smaller or venial sins as well. The reason it is highly recommended is that few other things, except for the reception of Christ’s Body and Blood, fill us with such profound grace as the sacrament of confession. Hearing confessions is truly one of the most humbling and awesome things I do as a priest.

Alas, many do not make use of the sacrament. Maybe people don’t commit serious sins anymore (highly dubious). Maybe it is because people don’t realize some of the things they do are serious (closer, I think). Or maybe some just have not been in such a long, that they are nervous about the process and/or think they have nothing to say (more likely still).

If that is the case, fear not! What follows is what I call the 90% confession. It contains 90% of the things that 90% of people can confess 90% of the time. A typical confession need not be any more complicated than what follows. In fact, most things that are often added to a confession, like a list of your virtues (good to know, but not what we are there to discuss), lists of struggles in your life (while worth talking about to a priest, the confessional is generally not the place for that either), lists of other people’s sins against you (this comes up often, but the focus should stay on you), and lengthy explanations or details tend only to distract from the business at hand. The fewer details the better. If the priest has any questions, he will ask.

So, without further ado, here is a sample confession that you can use to guide your own confession (bring it with you if that helps). Recite the sins applicable to you, and of course mention any other serious sins not on the list (I presume you already know what those might be).

You begin simply by saying, “Bless me Father for I have sinned. It’s been (*state how long*) since my last confession. Here are my sins...

I have not loved God with all my heart, and all my soul.

I have placed people or things in my life as taking priority over God

I have been disrespectful to my parents or legitimate authorities.

I have used the name of God carelessly.

I have brought scandal upon God or the Church through my bad example as a Christian.

I have missed Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation.

I have been prideful.

I have not been kind to everyone in my life.

I have been impatient with people in my life.

I have let anger get the best of me.

I have judged others.

I have dwelled on impure thoughts.

I have been impure with myself or with another person.

I have artificially frustrated God's desire to create life.

I have dwelled on impure images that objectify men or women.

I have overindulged in food or drink.

I have abused drugs.

I have told lies.

I have been envious of what others have.

I have not been thankful for all the gifts I have been given.

I am sorry for these, and all my other sins that I have failed to remember.”

The priest may say a few words of counsel, give you a simple penance to say later, and ask you to make an act of contrition. There are many forms, but the short and simple one is: “Lord Jesus, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.”

At this point the priest says the prayer of absolution: “God, the Father of mercies, through the death and resurrection of his Son has reconciled the world to himself and poured the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins; through the ministry of the Church may God give you pardon and peace, and I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit.”

You answer “amen” and the priest dismisses you.

That’s it! All done. Clean as a whistle, and all in a few minutes. Interestingly the two greatest saint confessors in the history of the Church, St. Jean Vianney, the Cure of Ars, and Padre Pio, never gave more than 90 seconds to each penitent. Usually more time than that is superfluous and is often the fruit of the imagination of the heart. Believe me, a priest who has been confessing penitents for 42 years, in confession the more concise we are, the more contrite we are.

So if you haven't been to confession in a while, I sincerely hope you will decide to break that streak at some point before Easter. There are scant few things in life that I can guarantee, but I can guarantee you will not regret going to confession and receiving the Lord's mercy and forgiveness.

So, what do you have to lose other than your sins? I'll see you there!

LENTEN REMINDERS

The Highlight of Lent for us will be our parish **Lenten Evening of Recollection sponsored and hosted by the Marian Guild and preached by our own Father Brandon P. O'Brien on Wednesday, March 15th at 7.00PM.** The whole evening will be one hour. Confessions will be heard that evening. I would encourage everyone to come to the Lenten Evening of Recollection to come to know and love Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Two **other Lenten Highlights** will be our annual Bread and Soup Supper on Friday March 31st at 6PM in the Lower Hall. This simple Lenten supper will be followed by the **Stations of the Cross.** We ask all families to come to this penitential, but nonetheless joyful evening with other parishioners. Our Squires will prepare and serve the meal. We ask that what a family would save on their supper that evening be given to outreach to feed the hungry in our own community.

During Lent we will have the Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament on each Friday at 7.00pm. 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.

CHRISTMAS COLLECTION

May I express sincere gratitude to you, our dear parishioners, at the Holy Time of Christmas. As is well known, our parish depends on your generosity to carry out the work of the Church here in Brookville and surrounding communities. There are three sources for our parish income: 1. The Offertory Collections, 2. Donations at the time of the administering the sacraments and at other times throughout the year, and 3. Our Fundraising endeavors (Golf Outing, etc.). Of the Offertory Collections, we particularly depend on the Christmas Collection. We budgeted to receive \$79,000.00 and our actual Christmas collection in total was \$80,132.00 Therefore we exceeded what we had anticipated. To put this in perspective the Christmas collection for the last three years was: 1. 2019 \$78,654.00, 2. 2020 (covid) \$48,671.00, and 3. 2021 \$69,584.00. It seems that we are returning to pre-pandemic levels. Thank you and may God bless and reward you.

ST. PATRICK/ST. JOSEPH PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Please join us for the St. Patrick/St. Joseph Day Pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 19th immediately after the 10.30 Mass. All are cordially invited.

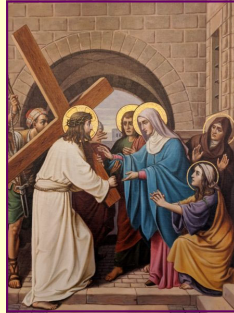
A Blessed Lent!

Buona Quaresima!

In Jesus and Mary,

Monsignor James F. Pereda

Stations of the Cross and Benediction



Stations of the Cross and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament will be held every Friday during Lent at 7:00pm in the Church beginning *February 24th* until *April 7th*.

Fast and Abstinence Church Regulations

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics fourteen years and older on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays of Lent. This obligation prohibits the eating of meat, but not eggs, milk products or condiments of any kind, even though made from animal fat.

Fasting means limiting oneself to one full meal on a given fast day. Catholics who are eighteen years of age but not yet fifty-nine are obligated to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. On fast days, two additional smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength. However, the two smaller meals together may not equal one full meal. Moreover, eating solid foods between meals on fast days is not permitted.

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.



2023 Mass Book

The 2023 Mass Book is open.

Please feel free to stop by the parish office to schedule your Mass Intentions.





Our Weekly Masses

Monday, March 6

9:00 Maria Bissex (L)
(Requested by L. Wilson)

Tuesday, March 7

9:00 John Wimer
(Requested by R. Wimer)

Wednesday, March 8

9:00 Claudio Evangelista
(Requested by the Nardine Family)

Thursday, March 9

9:00 For the Bishop

Friday, March 10

9:00 Joseph Curro
(Requested by D. Gribbin)

Saturday, March 11

5:00 Tiffany Harsch
(Requested by the Serzanin Family)

Sunday, March 12

8:30 Kathy M. Smith
(Requested by the Mueller Family)

10:30 Pro Populo
Antonio & Anna Randazzo
(Requested by the Maggio Family)
Barbara Jean Douglas
(Requested by J. & T. Nardine)
Robert J. Clerkin
(Requested by St. Pauls)
Ann Serzanin
(Requested by G. & G. Noll)
Christopher Nucci
(Requested by H. Schaefer)
William J. Hartman
(Requested by the Lostritto Family)

Memorials

Altar Bread, Wine & Candles
In Memory of
Persecuted Christians

Altar Flowers
In Memory of the
Homeless and Hungry

Sanctuary Light
In Memory of the Unborn

Devotional Candle
In Memory of Joseph Curro
Donated by JoAnn & Frank Cruz

American & Papal Flags
March 1st - August 31st, 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

Weekend Collection:

February 25 - 26, 2023

Actual	\$ 9,004
Budget	\$ 8,870

Difference **\$ 134**
Thank you for your continued generous support!

Celebrants of Holy Mass

Saturday, March 11

5:00pm Fr. O'Brien

Sunday, March 12

8:30am Msgr. Pereda
10:30am Msgr. Pereda



Religious Education Assistants Needed

Our Religious Education program has been able to continue due to the support and effort of our volunteers in our parish family.

Through this rewarding work, you will be helping our children prepare for the Sacraments and live a good Catholic life.

Classes are on Monday or Tuesday from 4:15 to 5:30 p.m.

Thank you to all of our Teachers, Assistants and Helpers for volunteering your time and talents! Together, we can make a difference in the lives of children.

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.



**KNIGHTS
OF COLUMBUS**
IN SERVICE TO ONE. IN SERVICE TO ALL.



Knights of Columbus
SQUIRES
Youth Organization.

The Knights and Squires will be hosting a St. Joseph and St. Patrick pancake breakfast on Sunday, March 19th after the 10:30am Mass. A Soup and Bread dinner will be held on Friday, March 31st prior to Stations of the Cross. The supper will be held from 6:00pm to 7:00pm. All parishioners are invited.

Yours in Christ, Jim Viania, Grand Knight



SAVE THE DATE

Monday, June 5th, 2023
St. Paul the Apostle
6th Annual Golf Outing and Awards Dinner

Engineers Country Club, 55 Glenwood Road, Roslyn Harbor, NY 11576

Golf: 12:00 pm Tee Off: Shot Gun / Scramble Format

Cocktails: 5:30 pm and Awards Dinner 7:00 pm

Awards Dinner Honorees

Saint Paul the Apostle Award

**Christopher and Joie Marie Hein
and Family**

I would like to sponsor as indicated below:

<u>GOLF</u>		<u>Commemorative Journal</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> Eagle Sponsor (1) \$25,000*****	<input type="checkbox"/> Lunch Sponsor (3) \$3,000**	<input type="checkbox"/> Full Page Ad \$1,000
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<input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast Sponsor (3) \$3,000**	<input type="checkbox"/> Hot Dog Sponsor (2) \$1,250*	<input type="checkbox"/> Dinner \$ 160 Per Person # _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Awards and Prizes (2) \$3,000**		

***** Package includes 3 foursomes and 12 guests for cocktails and dinner, prominent listing on event material, ad in journal. **** Package includes 2 foursomes and 8 guests for cocktails and dinner, listing on event material, ad in journal. *** Package includes 1 foursome and 8 guests for cocktails and dinner, listing on event material, ad in journal. ** Package includes 1 foursome, cocktails & dinner, listing on event material and ad in journal * Package includes listing on event material only and listing in journal. ++ Package includes 1 foursome and cocktails and dinner, listing on event material.

Note the event will be held rain or shine. Times are subject to change.

Commemorative Journal (please send print-ready artwork to pmaturo@optonline.net) Paula Maturo 516-318-7544

Total Amount \$ _____

Payment should be made to St. Paul's. Please mail this completed registration form back with your Check to: St Paul's, 2534 Cedar Swamp Road, Brookville N.Y. 11545, Attn. Golf Outing & Awards Dinner.

☐ I am unable to attend, but would like to make a donation in the amount of \$ _____

Please register golfer(s) players and dinner guest. (Please check box of activity attending)

(Please use an extra sheet for additional names and info)

Golf	Dinner	Name	Email	Telephone Number

RSVP – May 26, 2023 - Ad deadline

Please contact Don Cavanaugh at 917-769-5128 or Paula Maturo at 516-318-7544 for any additional information.



COFFEE with JESUS

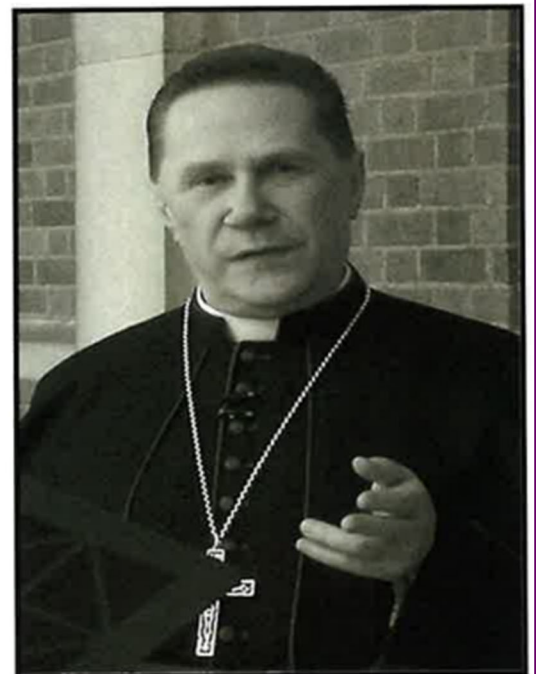
Lenten Series via Zoom

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.