

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

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Mr. Gary Ducoing (516) 935-1880

**Twenty-First Sunday
In Ordinary Time
August 27, 2023**

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

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

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

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

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

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CALL (516) 935-1880.

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 JERICHO FIRE DEPARTMENT (516) 931-0898
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From the Pastor

August 27, 2023

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Pope Francis on Gossip

As many of you know I have tried to use these weekly articles to teach different aspects of our Catholic Faith and Life so we may grow in our knowledge of the faith. The primary purpose of my articles has been to help us to become the saints that God wants us all to be. Surely, you have heard me speak of this most uplifting truth, and you have read about it in the Bulletin. Yes, as our patron St. Paul reminds us, *This is God's will for you, that you become saints.*

Perhaps it is an idea that never has entered your mind. But God Our Lord sent His Only Begotten Son to die on the Cross for our sins and to open to us the gates of heaven. God wants us to be saints. So beginning this week, I will be writing about different obstacles to our growth in holiness: greed, lust, envy, pride, gluttony, sloth, and anger. These are called the capital sins because all sins are simply variations of them. Today I would like to write on gossip, a grave sin that many dismiss as something light or of no consequence, but, which in reality, is most displeasing to God and harmful to ourselves both in the natural order and supernatural order.

No one likes a gossip even though their words may at first be appealing. Because of our fallen nature, we all like to hear gossip. As probably all of our mothers taught us as children, we should never listen to a gossip, because in all likelihood, the person who gossips about another, will also be gossiping about us behind our back. The great political philosopher Machiavelli alluded to this behavior in his classical Renaissance work, *The Prince*. There Machiavelli gave the advice to a ruling prince that when traitors betray someone, even if it is to the Prince's immediate advantage, the Prince can be certain that they will also betray him. It is the same with gossip, which permeates our society. Gossip sells books and magazines, drives the ratings of talk shows, and, sadly, has even lead to young and impressionable individuals taking their own lives, because of things spread about them on the Internet. And sadly, parishes are not exempt from this grave moral condition.

Gossip is a form of calumny, because it usually exaggerates a person's faults or sins with malice. It is a cowardly and despicable act of discussing the faults of another without necessity, and behind his back. *Tale-bearing* is a most despicable form of gossip. It consists of repeating to a person unfavorable remarks made about him. The priests are through God's mercy shielded from this sin, because, as you know, they may **never** reveal anything confided to them in confession, even if keeping it secret will result in death for the priest. The great Alfred Hitchcock film (and Hitchcock's own personal favorite) *I Confess* is a gripping suspense drama (in the typical Hitchcock style) of how a priest keeps secret what was revealed to him in confession. I recommend the film to all our parishioners.

Although Pope Francis is the Pope of Rome he nonetheless teaches in the style of a country pastor. He has particularly spoken and taught about the sin of gossip. Rather than my continuing I'd like to print some teachings of the pope in this matter.

Pope Francis has warned us all to avoid the terrorism of gossip which poisons the soul. At the Sunday Angelus address of last week the Pope said: *Gossip is so rotten. At the beginning, it seems to be something enjoyable and fun, like a piece of candy. But at the end it fills the heart with bitterness and also poisons us. I tell you the truth, I am firmly convinced that if each one of us would purposely avoid gossip, in the end, we would become saints, It is a beautiful path. Jesus offers the example of the Fifth Commandment, "Do not kill," and goes on to add, "but I say to you: Whoever is angry with his brother will be guilty before the court." With this Jesus reminds us that even words can kill. When it is said that someone has the tongue of a serpent what does it mean? That his words kill. Therefore, not only must one not make an attempt on the life of others, but one must not even pour on him the poison of anger and hit him with slander, nor speak ill of him. And here we arrive at gossip. Gossip can also kill, because it kills the reputation of the other person.* Thus speaks our Holy Father.

If somehow we imagine we have been hurt by another person, we should immediately believe that it was a misunderstanding and not deliberate. Very rarely do people wake up with the intention to do us harm that day. But our imagination takes over and we believe that we are the object of others' deliberate hatred for us. And once the imagination takes control of us it leads us in the direction of the devil.

Going around gossiping is always inhuman; it reveals a person of mediocre quality. It is a sign of being uneducated; it shows a lack of refinement of feeling; it is unworthy of a Christian.

Yes, sadly I have seen the poisonous nature of gossip too frequently which can destroy so much good. We may find it hard to believe, but even the priests are the object of gossip. That is totally understandable in the natural order, because while there may be over a thousand parishioners, there is only one priest and therefore he makes a very attractive and easy target. As our dear friend Monsignor McDonald always said, "The easiest thing to do is to criticize." May I share an amusing observation that was once printed in a magazine for priests and has brought me many a chuckle. See if it sounds familiar.

WHAT THE CRITICS SAY

Here is a summary of remarks made about pastors of a typical Catholic parish:

If his homily is long: "He puts us to sleep."

If it is short: "He's unprepared."

If he raises his voice: "He's shouting."

If he speaks normally: "We can't hear him."

If he's away: "He's always on vacation."

If he stays home: "He doesn't have a life."

If he's out visiting: "He's never home."

If he's in the rectory: "He never visits his parish."

If he mentions finances: "He's always talking about money."

If he doesn't: "Our parish never does anything."

If he's young: "He has no experience."

If he's older: "When will he retire?"

And, of course, if he dies: "No one can ever replace him!"

-*The Priest*.

SAVE THE DATES: Our Parish Picnic will be on Sunday September 24th at 12 noon. Please pray for fair weather that day,

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR: On **Saturday/Sunday September 2/3**, we will once again welcome the Little Sisters of the Poor. The Little Sisters are very close to St. Paul's and were much loved by my two immediate predecessors Monsignor Costa and Monsignor Clerkin. Due to the pandemic, the Little Sisters have not been to visit St. Paul's since 2018. Sister Mary Alexandra, LSP, will make the appeal for the Little Sisters who care for the elderly poor. The Little Sisters life is itself an inspiration and teaching. They teach by the example of their lives and not by their words.

We close with a very uplifting quote from one of the homilies of the great Doctors of the Church, St. Bernard. He is considered the last of the Fathers of the Church.

LOOK TO MARY: *Look to the star of the sea, call upon Mary...in danger, in distress, in doubt, think of Mary, call upon Mary. May her name never be far from your lips, or far from your heart...If you follow her, you will not stray; if you pray to her, you will not despair; if you turn your thoughts to her, you will not err. If she holds you, you will not fall; if she protects you, you need not fear; if she is your guide, you will not tire; if she is gracious to you, you will surely reach your destination.* – St. Bernard of Clairvaux

In Jesus and Mary,

Monsignor James F. Pereda



Our Weekly Masses

Monday, August 28

9:00 Bruno & Islinde Girak
(Requested by R. Wimer)

Tuesday, August 29

9:00 Sr. Marie Andre Wilson
(Requested by L. Wilson)

Wednesday, August 30

9:00 Margaret Dajka
(Requested by L. Wilson)

Thursday, August 31

9:00 Alan Szyolowski
(Requested by A. & U. Coughlin)

Friday, September 1

9:00 Carmen Eaderosa
(Requested by the Kilgallon Family)

Saturday, September 2

9:00 In Honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

5:00 For the Living and Deceased Parishioners

Sunday, September 3

8:30 Alfonsina & Fiore Toscano
(Requested by T. & M. Toscano)

10:30 Jackie Zeller (L)
(Requested by M. Modelli)
Joe Curro
(Requested by L. Curro)
Eric Romero (L)
(Requested by T. Hololob)

Memorials

Altar Bread, Wine & Candles
In Loving Memory of Peter Reali Sr.
Donated by the Gullo Family

Altar Flowers
In Loving Memory of Peter Reali Sr.
Donated by the Gullo Family

Sanctuary Light
In Loving Memory of Peter Reali Sr.
Donated by the Gullo Family

Devotional Candle
In Loving Memory of Peter Reali Sr.
Donated by the Gullo Family

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:

August 19 - 20, 2023

Total	\$ 8,565
Budget	\$ 8,870

Difference	\$ (305)
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Thank you for your continued generous support!

Celebrants of Holy Mass

Saturday, September 2

5:00pm Msgr. Pereda

Sunday, September 3

8:30am Msgr. Pereda

10:30am Msgr. Pereda





First Friday Exposition, Holy Hour, and Benediction

Friday, **September 1st**, is *FIRST FRIDAY*.

Mass will be celebrated in the Church at 9:00am.

Followed by Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament (and the Sacred Heart Novena).

Benediction at 12 noon.

There will be a special Holy Hour at 7:00pm.

First Saturday

Saturday, **September 2nd** is *FIRST SATURDAY*.

Mass in honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary will be celebrated in the Church at 9:00am.

Little Sisters of the Poor

The Little Sisters of the Poor will be present at each Mass the weekend of September 2-3 to appeal on behalf of their mission of hospitality for the Elderly Poor at Queen of Peace Residence in Queens Village. The Sisters will be at the doors of the Church as you leave Mass to receive your donation, according to your means. They are deeply grateful for your assistance.



St. Paul the Apostle - Office of Faith Formation
REGISTRATION Form 2023-2024 Grades K – 8

PLEASE PRINT

Family Last Name _____ Telephone Number () _____

Address _____
 Street Town Zip Code**E-Mail Address**-(required) _____

Emergency contact person _____ Telephone Number () _____

Student(s) First Name	M/F	Grade in September	Date of Birth	School	Day Preference (if available) Monday Tuesday

FATHER'S INFORMATION
 First & Family Name: _____
 Business Phone: _____
 Cell Phone: _____
 Religion: _____
MOTHER'S INFORMATION
 First / Maiden Name: _____
 Business Phone: _____
 Cell Phone: _____
 Religion: _____
CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

Please indicate any special needs the teachers should be aware of: (e.g. learning disabilities, allergies, and recent illness, hearing impaired, divorced, or recent death in the family)

REQUIRED FORMS
 _____ Copy of Baptismal Certificate (for new registration only)
 _____ Transfer letter from previous Parish indicating completion of Religious Education grade level and Sacraments completed
PHOTO/VIDEO PERMISSION AND RELEASE FORM

I hereby grant permission, without reservation, to St Paul the Apostle Church and to those authorized to take photographs and to make recordings of my child/children and to use them in original or modified form in all media now or hereafter known, (including, without limitation, websites, bulletins, newsletters and promotional brochures) with or without name or information, solely for the promotion, public education, and/or fundraising activities of St Paul's. I understand and agree that I am entitled to receive no compensation for the above. I release St. Paul's, its officers, directors, agents, employees, independent contractors, licensees and assignees from all claims that I now have or in the future may have, relating to the above. I further agree that St Paul's will be the sole owner of all tangible and intangible rights in the abovementioned photographs and recordings, with full power of disposition. I am the parent or guardian, and I hereby consent to the foregoing on behalf of the minor(s) and myself.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Tuition:

Family Fee		\$ 200.00	_____
Communion Fee	(2 nd Grade)	\$ 50.00	_____
Confirmation Fee	(8th Grade)	\$ 100.00	_____
Total			_____

***Please note that if you are experiencing financial difficulties contact our office.
 No child will ever be denied a Religious Education due to financial difficulties.



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



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HELPING ONE ANOTHER

St. Paul reminds Timothy that we have been given a spirit of “power and love and self-control.” In his first letter to the Corinthians, Paul likewise makes clear that he has not been relying on his own skill or wise words, but on the power of God (1 Cor 2:3-5). And in his letter to the Church in Rome, he points out that even our suffering can lead to endurance, and thus to character, and to hope, infused in us by the Holy Spirit (Rom 5:3-5).

We are called to be great men — not just “pretty good” men. And to achieve this, we are given the very Spirit of God, who can lead us to a hope that will never disappoint and never give in to despair.

Moreover, we have a responsibility to help other men recall and understand the Spirit they have been given. It is the duty of a band of Christian brothers, of Catholic gentlemen — of Knights. We Knights of Columbus are called to stand with one another, to encourage one another, and to rely upon our brothers to do the same for us when we are tempted to moments of discouragement.

Knights of Columbus St. Paul the Apostle Council #6802 Installation of Officers will be held on *October 22, 2023 after the 10:30am Mass in the Church Hall*. The next meeting of the Knights of Columbus St. Paul the Apostle Council #6802 will be on *Thursday, September 21, at 7:30pm in the Church Hall*. All interested parishioners are invited to attend.

-Thomas J. Principe

Grand Knight, Council #6802

Pray for the Sick

Please pray for those whose names are on the parish sick list.

*Peter Boyle Sr.
Baby Noah Daswani
Marina Rae Trapasso*



God Bless the Men and Women Serving in the United States Armed Forces

Please contact the office at 516-935-1880 x100, if you would like a family member to be included in the bulletin military prayer list.



Tree of Life

Memorial.....Dedications.....Thanksgivings.....Organization
and Group Remembrances

<i>Leaves</i>	\$ 350
<i>Clouds (1)</i>	\$ 2,500
<i>Stones (5)</i>	\$ 5,000

I would like to memorialize a:

Leaf _____ *Cloud* _____ *Stone* _____

Name _____ *Phone* _____

Maximum characters per line is 25/5 lines maximum
Call or come to Parish Office during business
hours to arrange.



Parish Picnic

Save the Date!
September 24, 2023
Beginning at 12 Noon



Please Join The Marian Guild of St. Paul the Apostle Church

A great way to support our parish and to socialize and meet fellow parishioners.
The general purpose of the Marian Guild is to promote the spiritual welfare of the women of the parish.

2023-2024 CALENDAR OF PROGRAMS and SPECIAL EVENT

September 20, 2023	7:00 PM	Welcome Back ice cream social/Bingo and installation of Officers
October 18, 2023	7:00 PM	Craft Night*- light refreshments will be served
November 15, 2023	7:00 PM	Mass for Deceased Members of the Marian Guild and Induction of New Marian Guild Members
December 13, 2023	6:30 PM	Christmas Party... bring a Dessert, as well as a Donation for the food Pantry & a needy family
February 17, 2024	12:00 PM	Learn to Crochet prayer shawls and lap blankets for those in need
March 20, 2024	7:00 PM	In Church: Parish-wide event – Lenten Evening of Recollection Speaker: Bishop Andrzej
April 17, 2024	7:00 PM	Movie Night
April 21, 2024	12:00 PM	"300 to 1" Reverse Raffle Cocktail Party – grand prize \$10,000
May 15, 2024	7:00 PM	Meditation led by a Dominican Sisters followed by a Pizza party* (New slate of officers voted on)
May 19, 2024	10:30AM	Mary's Day Mass and Communion Breakfast Speaker: Father Brandon P. O'Brien
June 19, 2024	6:30 PM	End-of-the-Year Party

*additional fee may apply

Please keep in mind that all dates & events are subject to change. Please see the weekly Bulletin for updates.

2023-2024 MARIAN GUILD MEMBERSHIP FORM *PLEASE PRINT *

Name _____ Phone# _____

Home Address _____

EMAIL Address _____

Renewal _____ New Member _____. Annual dues are \$25.00. Please make checks payable to MARIAN GUILD.
Please return this form with your check to Lucy Tamburino, 51 Middle Lane, Jericho, NY 11753

Please select notification preference (Select ONE)

I would like to receive notifications via EMAIL _____ Phone _____ None _____