

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

CONFESION:

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

February 25, 2024

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: MINISTRY OF HOPE contact: Gerard Wendelken for an appointment
(516) 364 - 0640

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

contact: Thomas J. Principe Grand Knight (516) 428 - 2427 or email:tprincipe@kdlm.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
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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 Thursday 11:00am in Church - contact: Paula Dawson (516) 835 - 6922

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

RCIA contact: Jesmel John (516) 396 - 4505

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

CALL (516) 935-1880.

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JERICHO FIRE DEPARTMENT (516) 931-0898

BROOKVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT (516) 440-2300

FROM THE PASTOR FEBRUARY 25, 2024 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 this law 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 overabundance 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 up 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 a priest does.

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 is called 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...Please note the introduction to confession is **Bless me Father...**not **Forgive me Father...**Usually we have done nothing wrong to the priest and therefore he need not forgive you. Sin offends God, and therefore He must forgive us.

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 out the Holy Spirit for the forgiveness of sins; through the ministry of the Church may God grant 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 43 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 Bishop Andrzej on Wednesday, March 20th 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 8th at 6:00pm 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 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 in your children the importance of doing penance. How pleased is Our Lord when the little ones give up candy or cookies for love of Hm.

AVE REGINA CAELORUM

During Lent we will sing the Marian Antiphon appointed for Lent at the conclusion of the 10.30 Mass. . There are four great antiphons to Our Blessed Mother used throughout the course of the year: *Alma Redemptoris Mater* (Advent and Christmas), *Ave Regina Caelorum* (Lent), *Regina Caeli* (Eastertide), and *Salve Regina* (Ordinary Time). These four antiphons should be in every Catholic's heart. Here is the *Ave Regina Cae-lorum*:

**Ave Regina Caelorum!
Ave Domina Angelorum!
Salve radix, salve porta
Ex qua mundo lux est orta.**

**Gaudie Virgo gloria,
Super omnes speciosa.
Vale, O valde decora !
Et pro nobis Christum exora.**

Hail, Queen of Heaven. Hail, mistress of the angels. Hail, root of Jesse, Hail, the gate through which the Light rose above the earth. Rejoice, Virgin most renowned and of unsurpassed beauty. Farewell, Lady most comely. Prevail upon Christ to pity us.

*A Blessed Lent!
Buona Quaresima!*

*In Jesus and Mary,
Monsignor James F. Pereda*

¹ Cor 11:27 - Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy way will be guilty of sin against the body and blood of the Lord.

²Can. 920 §1. After being initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. §2. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season unless it is fulfilled for a just cause at another time during the year.

³In short, “mortal” sins are those that are of serious matter (sexual relations outside of marriage, murder, abortion, missing Mass, viewing pornography, etc.) and freely (not coerced) committed by someone who knows at the time that they are indeed serious.

⁴The normal mode is for the priest and the penitent to be separated by a screen, so the priest really won’t be seeing you. In fact, even in the absence of a screen, the priest will try to avoid that. Trust me, he doesn’t want to know! The screen is required by Canon Law and has been a great safety net throughout the centuries. Here at St. Paul, we may either sit or kneel. But the screen is always there. For those who know why the screen is there, you need not be told. For those who do not know why the screen is there, I hope you will never know.



Our Weekly Masses

Monday, February 26

9:00 Intentions of Lynn Wilson
(Requested by L. Wilson)

Tuesday, February 27

9:00 Celebrants Intentions

Wednesday, February 28

9:00 Thomas Richard Minter
(Requested by L. Curro)

Thursday, February 29

9:00 Benefactors of St.Paul's
(Requested by Parish)

Friday, March 1 - First Friday

9:00 St. Paul the Apostle Volunteers
(Requested by Parish)
7:00 Stations of the Cross & Benediction

Saturday, March 2 - First Saturday

9:00 Immaculate Heart of Mary

5:00 Carmine & Elvira Pierro
(Requested by R. & D. Pierro)

Sunday, March 3

8:30 Betty Lombardi
(Anonymous)

10:30 Linda Oliva
(Requested by J. Rizzo)
Eileen Camarinos
(Requested by J. & J. Owens)
Angela Tomasetta
(Requested by Lopez Family)
Thomas Amato
(Requested by D. Steo)
Parishioners of St. Paul's - (Living & Deceased)



Memorials

Altar Bread, Wine & Candles
*In Memory of
Persecuted Christians*

Altar Flowers
In Memory of the Unborn

Sanctuary Light
*In Memory of the
Souls in Purgatory*

Devotional Candle
*In Memory of the
Homeless and the Hungry*

American & Papal Flags
September 1st - February 28th, 2024
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	\$ 50
<i>Tree of Life Memorials</i>	<i>Call Parish Office</i>

Pray for the Recently Deceased

Paolo Liuzzo
February 7, 2024

Samira Saad
February 10, 2024

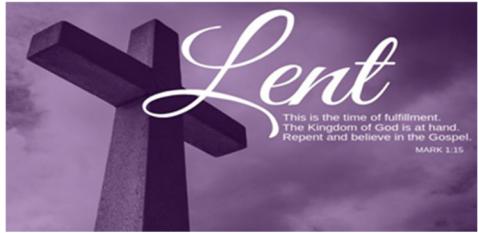
Ronald Petralia
February 12, 2024

Weekend Collection:

February 17-18, 2024

Total	\$ 8,533
Budget	\$ 9,200
Difference	\$ (667)

Thank you for your continued generous support!



St. Paul the Apostle Church Lenten Schedule 2024

FEBRUARY

Wednesday	14 th	Ash Wednesday	-7:00am-8:30am Distribution of Ashes -9:00am Mass with Distribution of Ashes -12:15pm Prayer Service w/ Distribution of Ashes -4:30pm Prayer Service w/ Distribution of Ashes -7:00pm Prayer Service w/ Distribution of Ashes -Confessions will be available after the Mass and following each Prayer Service on Ash Wednesday
Friday	16 th		-7:00pm Stations of the Cross
Friday	23 rd		-7:00pm Stations of the Cross

MARCH

Friday	1 st	First Friday	-Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction after the 9:00am Mass & Novena -7:00pm Stations of the Cross
Saturday	2 nd	First Saturday	-9:00am Mass, Blessing of the Sick & Rosary to Our Lady of Fatima for World Peace
Friday	8 th		-6:00pm Lenten Soup Supper -7:00pm Stations of the Cross
Friday	15 th		-7:00pm Stations of the Cross
Wednesday	20 th		-7:00pm Lenten Evening of Recollection with Bishop Andrzej
Friday	22 nd		-7:00pm Stations of the Cross

*Our Weekday Daily Mass Schedule
*Our Regular Confession Schedule

Monday to Friday 9:00am
 Wednesdays after the 9:00am Mass
 Saturdays 4:00pm-4:45pm
 Sundays 7:45am-8:15am & 9:45am-10:15am



SAVE THE DATE

Monday, June 17th, 2024

St. Paul the Apostle

7th Annual Golf Outing and Awards Dinner

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

Awards Dinner Honorees

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

Saint Paul the Apostle Award

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

Frank and Gina Cinelli

I would like to sponsor as indicated below:

GOLF		Commemorative Journal
<input type="checkbox"/> Eagle Sponsor (1)	\$25,000*****	<input type="checkbox"/> Lunch Sponsor (4) \$3,000**
<input type="checkbox"/> Birdie Sponsor (2)	\$15,000****	<input type="checkbox"/> Caddie Sponsor (18) \$2,500**
<input type="checkbox"/> Par Sponsor (3)	\$10,000***	<input type="checkbox"/> Driving Range Sponsor \$2,500**
<input type="checkbox"/> Dinner Sponsor (2)	\$8,000***	<input type="checkbox"/> MVP Club Sponsor (18) \$2,000**
<input type="checkbox"/> Clubhouse Sponsor(5)	\$7,500**	<input type="checkbox"/> Ministry Partner Sponsor \$750*
<input type="checkbox"/> 19 th Hole (2)	\$5,000**	<input type="checkbox"/> Patron Name Listing \$75
<input type="checkbox"/> Beverage Sponsor (2)	\$4,000**	<input type="checkbox"/> Gallery Sponsor \$350*
<input type="checkbox"/> Tee Sponsor(18)	\$3,500**	<input type="checkbox"/> Cocktails and Dinner
<input type="checkbox"/> Breakfast Sponsor (3)	\$3,000 **	<input type="checkbox"/> Foursome \$1,900++
<input type="checkbox"/> Awards and Prizes (4)	\$3,000**	<input type="checkbox"/> Raffle Sponsor \$3,000 (12 tickets & Ad)
		<input type="checkbox"/> Golf Single + Cocktails &Dinner \$500
		<input type="checkbox"/> Table Sponsor \$2,100 (10 tickets & Ad)
		<input type="checkbox"/> Putting Contest Sponsor (2) \$1,250*
		<input type="checkbox"/> Dinner \$ 175 Per Person # _____
		<input type="checkbox"/> Mulligan hole Sponsor (2) \$1,250*

***** Package includes 3 foursomes and 12 guests for cocktails and dinner, prominent listing on event material, and ad in journal. ****
Package includes 2 foursomes and 8 guests for cocktails and dinner, listing on event material, and ad in journal. *** Package includes 1 foursome and 8 guests for cocktails and dinner, listing on event material, and 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. Ad Deadline June 5, 2024

Total Amount

5

Payment should be made to St. Paul's. Please mail this completed registration form back with your payment.

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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 register golfer(s) players and date
(Please enter up to 16 golfers per entry)

RSVP June 10, 2024 - Ad deadline-June 5, 2024

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



First Friday Exposition, Stations of the Cross and Benediction

Friday, March 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).

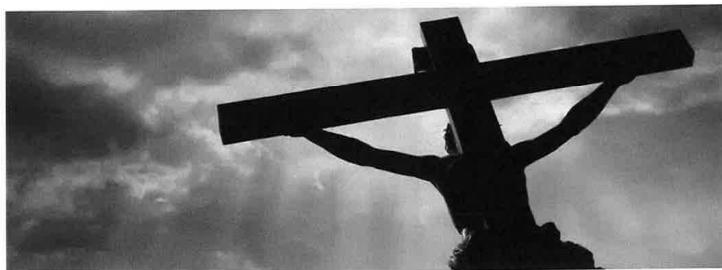
Benediction at 12 noon.

Stations of the Cross and Benediction at 7:00pm

First Saturday

Saturday, March 2nd is *FIRST SATURDAY*.

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



COFFEE with JESUS

Lenten Series via Zoom

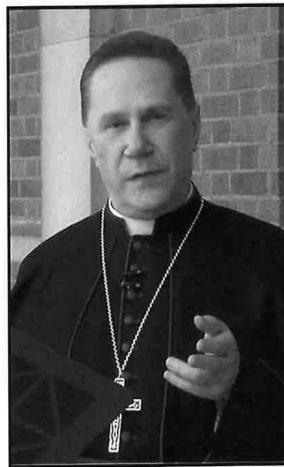
Join Bishop Andrzej

10:00 am on Friday mornings during Lent:

February 23, March 8 and March 22

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

Join this 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@drvyc.org.

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



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YOUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS EVENTS

The next meeting of the Knights of Columbus St. Paul the Apostle Council #6802 will be on Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 7:30pm in the Church Hall. All interested parishioners are invited to attend.

The next meeting of the Squires will be on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at 7:00pm in the Church Hall.

The Bread and Soup Dinner will be held on Friday, March 8, 2024 at 6:00pm in the Church Hall and will be followed by the Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm in the Church. **All parishioners are invited to attend free of charge.**

The St. Joseph's and St. Patrick's Pancake Breakfast will be held on Sunday, March 17, 2024 in the Church Hall following the 10:30am Mass. **All parishioners are invited to attend free of charge.**

Thomas J. Principe, Grand Knight
St. Paul the Apostle Knights of Columbus
Council #6802

Every Friday During Lent

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

7pm



*Please Make Every Effort
To Walk With Our Lord*



*Church regulations beyond Ash Wednesday

Fasting & Abstinence - A Lenten Discipline

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years and older 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 18 years of age, but not yet 59 are obligated to fast on Good Friday. On this fast day, 2 additional smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength. However, the 2 smaller meals together, may not equal one full meal. Moreover, eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

WALK WITH OUR LORD ~ FRIDAY, MARCH 8TH



Please Join for Prayer & Reflection

6PM

SOUP & BREAD SUPPER

7PM

STATION OF THE CROSS



Hosted by The Knights & Squires

