

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*

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DIRECTOR OF LITURGICAL MUSIC

Mr. Gary Ducoing (516) 935-1880

First Sunday of Lent

February 26, 2023

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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

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 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

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

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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.

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

FROM THE PASTOR FEBRUARY 26, 2023 FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Confession: The Ritual

It is Lent; the season *par excellence* for Confession, and it is essential that every Catholic who is eligible to receive absolution should, *at the very least*, make an annual sacramental confession of their sins. Yet, while it is important to simply get to Penance/Reconciliation, it is equally important to observe the ritual regarding the proper celebration of this Sacrament; almost as much as a Priest must follow the *rubrics* (instructions) for the celebration for Holy Mass and the other Sacraments of the Church. So, whether we are seven or ninety-seven, here is a good format to follow:

- In advance of coming to Confession, make time for a prayerful **examination of conscience**, asking the Holy Spirit to enlighten you as to all your sins, known *and unknown*, and that you may have sorrow for them. It is often good to use a guide, such as may be found in many Catholic prayer books, or in the *Primer for Confession*, or other such pamphlets. If necessary, write out your sins, so that you do not forget to confess any of them. The list should then be destroyed after Confession.
- Come to church when Confessions are scheduled (or if necessary, make an appointment with the priest), and spend some time in prayer and recollection before Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, and while waiting in line.
- When the priest-confessor is ready to begin receiving penitents (the green light usually indicates such in ours and in many other churches), enter the confessional. Here at St. Paul's, we have the option of either kneeling or sitting to make our confession. Whichever posture we select there will be the grate or screen. The Latin word for grate is *grata*, which means *protection*. The grate protects the integrity of the sacrament and protects both priest and penitent. It prevents the falling into vain conversation as though the sacrament were a kind of feel-good therapy session. While in most circumstances it is good manners and common courtesy to greet another person and inquire as to their well-being, etc. when encountering them, it is generally *not* good practice to do so in the Sacrament. It is best to resist that temptation and immediately begin with – while making the Sign of the Cross –

“Bless me Father, for I have sinned. It has been (indicate the interval of time) since my last Confession, and these are my sins” or “I accuse myself of the following sins.” Please remember that we give the interval of time (how long ago our confession was). We do not say when our last confession was, i.e., the year my aunt died, the time I was in Montreal, etc. These usually do not help the priest to learn how long ago our last confession was. And while the Sacrament is anonymous, it is also a good practice to let the Priest know your *state in life*, such as, “I am a married mother of three young children,” or “I am a single university student,” or “I am a retired widower,” because that may give some context to your confession. (N.B.: *A Priest, Deacon, Religious Sister or Brother must always identify themselves as such when making their Confession.*) Then proceed to the humble and forthright telling your sins. ****Please make every effort to keep yourself to a succinct “laundry list” of your sins – kind and number (of times) – and not ramble, become engaged in needless conversation or tangential details; the airing of complaints about various persons, television programs or governments; or the telling of others’ sins and character defects, etc.* (This subject will be elaborated upon in next week’s column.) Also, do not purposefully omit any sins – especially mortal sins – or confess your sins in such a cryptic or convoluted manner that the Confessor is confused as to what is being confessed. We come to Confession to accuse ourselves of our sins as best we know them to/through the Priest who is God’s sacramental representative. We should be ashamed of our sins, but how can we be forgiven if we are not straightforwardly honest in admitting them? It is then as if we are not giving them to God as He desires, we do, but still holding them to ourselves. The Priest may ask a question for clarification, if necessary, to assist the Penitent in their effort to lead a holy life and avoid these sins in the future. We say there are four *c’s* to a good confession. It should be **1. Contrite, 2. Clear, 3. Complete, 4. Concise.**

The more we avail ourselves of the sacrament of penance the more we see our need for it. It is best to confess once each month. Padre Pio would only give two minutes to each penitent, and he filled heaven with repentant sinners. Generally, the more we speak, the less salutary our confessions will be. It is understandable that the lonely, elderly seek conversation with a kind soul, but it should not be in confession.

- When you have come to the end of the list of sins, say something to the effect of, **“For these, and for all the sins of my past life, especially... (name one or several of your past serious sins as an act of humility), and for the sins that I cannot remember, I am truly sorry.”** This will clearly indicate to the Priest that your Confession has indeed come to an end.

- Then the Priest may offer some advice and encouragement; he will give a penance to perform – prayers and/or action – and then will ask you (if you have not already begun to do so) to make an Act of Contrition. There are numerous versions, but the one that I and many people in this part of the vineyard still use is: **“O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended Thee, and I detest all my sins because I dread the loss of Heaven and the pains of hell, but most of all because they offend Thee, my God, Who art all-good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of Thy grace, to confess my sins, to do penance, and to amend my life (and to avoid the near occasions of sin.) Amen.**

The Priest will pronounce the formula for Absolution, which concludes with the words, **“...And I absolve you from your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”** While he is pronouncing those words and blessing you, make the Sign of the Cross. He may offer an additional prayer which begins with the words **May the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ....** Then he will say, **“Go in peace, your sins are forgiven.”** To which you may respond, **“Thanks be to God. Thank-You, Father.”** Then leave the confessional and, unless you are in a terrible hurry, go back into church to offer thanks to God for His forgiveness and mercy and offer any prayers the Priest may have given for you penance.

Here at St. Paul’s, we have confessions for 45 minutes before the Saturday evening Mass and on Sunday mornings from 7.45 to 8.15 and then again from 9.45 to 10.15. We also have confession every Wednesday after the 9.00AM Mass.

Please keep this page to use as a guideline when you come to Confession, and for the Act of Contrition (which should be memorized), that can be kept in your wallet or purse. Next week I will once again provide the little column on the examination of conscience or what we call the 90% confession.

ICON OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

Last Sunday our new icon of Our Lady of Perpetual Help was blessed and dedicated. This icon was gifted to St. Paul’s by a parishioner who wishes to remain anonymous. It was given in blessed memory of this parishioner’s parents. The Mass of dedication was most uplifting with our parish societies present and in procession. We are most grateful to the Knights of Columbus and Squires for preparing a delicious pancake breakfast for us. May God bless and reward them.

Please see the bulletin for our schedule of Lenten Devotions.

A Blessed Lent

Buona Quaresima

In Jesus and Mary,

Monsignor James F. Pereda



Our Weekly Masses

Monday, February 27

9:00 Special Intention
(Requested by L. Wilson)

Tuesday, February 28

9:00 For the Benefactors of St. Paul

Wednesday, March 1

9:00 In Thanksgiving to St. Joseph

Thursday, March 2

9:00 Maxwell Joseph VanCott (L)-Birthday
(Requested by the Spadafora Family)

Friday, March 3

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

Saturday, March 4

9:00 In Honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary
Lisa Reali (L)
(Requested by Joanne & Alison)

5:00 Catherine Genna
(Requested by R. & E. Guider)

Sunday, March 5

8:30 Mary & Edward Hronec
(Requested by D. Waits)

10:30 Pro Populo
Giovanna Loicano
(Requested by the Maggio Family)
Catherine Genna
(Requested by the Silvestri Family)
August James Friedrich
(Requested by J. & T. DeMeo)
Scott Grim
(Requested by A. Reilly)
Ann Serzanin
(Requested by the Marian Guild)
Robert J. & Elizabeth J. Clerkin
(Requested by the Maturo 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 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, March 4

5:00pm Msgr. Pereda

Sunday, March 5

8:30am Msgr. Pereda

10:30am Msgr. 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*.

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.



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.



COFFEE with JESUS

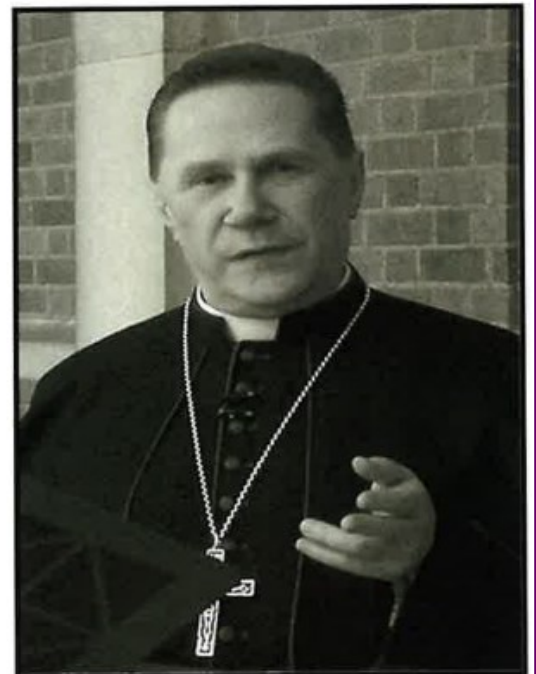
Lenten Series via Zoom

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.



First Friday Exposition, Holy Hour, and Benediction

Friday, **March 3rd**, 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 will be held during Stations of the Cross at 7:00pm for the remainder of Lent.

First Saturday

Saturday, **March 4th** is *FIRST SATURDAY*.

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

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.



2023 Mass Book

The 2023 Mass Book is open.

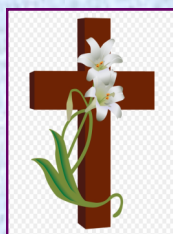
Please feel free to stop by the parish office to
schedule your Mass Intentions.



Pray for the Recently Deceased

Joseph D. Curro Jr.

February 11th, 2023



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





INFORMATION NIGHT FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FAMILIES

MARCH 1ST • 6:30 P.M.

SAINT DOMINIC CHAPEL • 93 ANSTICE STREET, OYSTER BAY

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our Religious
Education
Tuition
Assistance

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



Church of St. Paul the Apostle

Office of Faith Formation Calendar 2022 – 2023

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Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 Monday or Tuesday afternoons 4:15 to 5:30 p.m.

Grades 7 & 8 Monday evenings 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.



2022

September

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11	12	13	14	15	16	17
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9/18 Catechetical Sunday 10:30am
Parish Picnic after 10:30 Mass
9/29 K-8 Teachers Meeting 4:30 pm

October

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10/3 Grade K-6 First Class 4:15-5:30pm
10/3 Grade 7 & 8 First Class 7:00pm
10/3 Gr 7&8 Parent Meeting 7:00pm
10/4 Grade K-6 First Class 4:15-5:30pm
10/10 Columbus Day No Classes
10/11 No Classes
10/16 Gr 8 Inscription Mass 10:30am
10/23 Family Mass 10:30am
10/31 No Classes All Saints

November

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11/1 No Classes All Saints
11/6 Gr 7 Commitment Mass 10:30am
11/7-8 Gr 5 & 6 Visit Church
11/14-15 Pageant Sign Up
11/1-30 Food Drive
11/20 Family Mass 10:30am
11/21 Pageant Practice 5:30pm
11/21-22 Gr 5 & 6 Confessions
11/28-29 Gr 3 & 4 Visit Church
11/28 Pageant Practice 5:30pm

December

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12/4 Family Mass 10:30am
12/5 Gr 8 Confessions 7:00 p.m.
12/5 Pageant Practice 5:30pm
12/8 Immaculate Conception
12/12-13 Grade 3 & 4 Confessions
12/12 Pageant Practice 5:30pm
12/18 Family Mass 10:30am
Breakfast with Santa
12/19-20 Christmas Pageant 4:30pm
12/19 Gr 7 & 8 Christmas Prayer Service
12/26-27 No Classes Christmas Blessings

2023

January

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1/9 Gr 8 Parent Meeting 7:00p.m.
1/16-17 No Classes
1/22 Family Mass 10:30a.m.

February

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2/5 Gr 8 Letter of Intent Mass 10:30am
2/12 Family Mass 10:30am
2/20-21 No Classes
2/22 Ash Wednesday

March

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Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent 7:30p.m.
3/5 Family Mass 10:30am
3/6 Pageant Sign-up
3/11 Grade 2 Sacrament of Reconciliation
3/13 Pageant Practice 5:30pm
3/13 Grade 8 Robe Fitting 7:00pm
3/19 Family Mass 10:30am
3/20-21 K-6 Stations of the Cross 4:15pm
3/20 Gr 7 & 8 Stations of the Cross 7:00 pm
3/20 Pageant Practice 5:30pm
3/27 Gr 7 & 8 Confessions 7:00pm
3/27 Pageant Practice 5:30pm
3/28 Gr 8 Retreat 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

April

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4/2 Palm Sunday
4/3-4 Easter Pageant 4:30 pm
4/6-8 Easter Triduum
4/9 Easter Sunday
4/10-11 No Classes
4/23 Family Mass 10:30a.m.
4/24-25 Last Classes

May

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5/1 Make up Classes
5/4 Gr 2 First Holy Communion Practice 4:00pm
5/6 Gr 2 First Holy Communion 11:00am
5/14 Family Mass & May Crowning 10:30am
Brown Scapular Enrollment

EMERGENCY SCHOOL CLOSING for INCLEMENT WEATHER

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☉ Indicates no classes on this day