

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: Summer Schedule 5:00pm

(Divine Mercy Sunday (Sunday after Easter) through
Columbus Day Weekend)

Winter Schedule 4:00pm

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** after 9:00am Mass

Rosary: Daily after 9:00am Mass

Adoration: 1st Friday after 9:00am Mass until 12 noon

SACRAMENTS

CONFESSION:

Saturday: Summer Schedule 4:00 - 4:45pm

(Memorial Day Weekend thru Labor Day Weekend)

Winter Schedule 3:00 - 3:45pm

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 2:00pm and on Sundays between 2:00pm and 4:00pm. All Sunday weddings are ceremonies.

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

Lower Hall: (516) 935-4127

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

**Eighth Sunday of
Ordinary Time
February 27, 2022**

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

CENTERSTAGE contact: email centerstageministry@gmail.com

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: Giovanna (516) 459-4225

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: Elise LeVaillant
 (516) 433-3503

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 deaconraydalessio@stpaulsbrookville.org

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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 27, 2021

Eighth Sunday of the Time Throughout the Year (Ordinary Time)

Quinquagesima Sunday

LENT 2021

The season of Lent will begin on Ash Wednesday, March 2nd. 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 main 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 are in need of 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 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 12.30PM, 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 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 have to 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 more humble 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 Father Lee R. Descoteaux.** 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 7.30pm. 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.

SCHEDULE

Many are aware that two years ago we began to have a winter/summer schedule for the Saturday afternoon Mass. This was done to accommodate our parishioners who have difficulty in driving in the darkness. After trying this schedule for two years we will be returning to our former practice. **THE SATURDAY AFTERNOON MASS WILL REVERT TO 5.00PM BEGINNING SATURDAY MARCH 19TH** The Saturday afternoon Mass will then remain at 5.00PM throughout the year as most parishioners have asked. This will eliminate any confusion about Mass times and will afford us the opportunity to be of service to our young brides and grooms. Because Covid-19 forced so many young people to postpone and reschedule their weddings, St. Paul's has had the largest number of weddings in several years. Although a schedule cannot please everyone we appreciate your cooperation. Although in the late autumn the nights grow longer, we must remember that at Christmas the sun returns. There are merely 4 Saturdays when it would be night at 5.00PM

MORE HOURS FOR CONFESSION

More hours for confessions will be added to our schedule. We have confessions every Saturday afternoon. In addition to that time the Sacrament of Penance will be available Sunday mornings from 7.45AM until 8.15AM and 9.45AM until 10.15AM. In addition, we will have confessions on Wednesday morning after the 9.00AM Mass. It is my fervent prayer and hope that this will afford many more of our faithful to avail themselves of the graces of the Divine Mercy in the Sacrament of Penance. This will begin next Sunday the First Sunday in Lent, March 6, 2022. Just please be aware that on Sundays the priest will have to leave the confessional to prepare for Holy Mass.

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. Here are the two stories which I will publish for the whole of Lent. 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 28

9:00 Dennis Burgio (L)
(Requested by L. Wilson)

Tuesday, March 1

9:00 In Thanksgiving to St. Joseph

Wednesday, March 2

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

12:30 Prayer Service

4:30 Prayer Service

7:00 Prayer Service

Thursday, March 3

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

Friday, March 4

9:00 Celebrants Intention

Saturday, March 5

9:00 In Honor of St. Joseph
(Requested by M. Vitale)

4:00 Silvia & Costanzo Zonnella
(Requested by D. & R. Pierro)

Sunday, March 6

8:30 John Wimer
(Requested by Mrs. Wimer)

10:30 Jeanine Lostritto & Family (L)
(Requested by J. & J. Owens)
Kevin J. Smith
(Requested by Parish)
Steven Postullo
(Requested by the Maione Family)
Dorothy Morris
(Requested by S. & R. Kurz)
Mark Wilson (L)
(Requested by L. Wilson)



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 1, 2021-February 28, 2022
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

2022 & 2023 Mass Book



The 2022 and 2023 Mass Books are open.
Please feel free to stop by the parish office to
schedule your Mass Intentions.

Weekend Collection:

February 27, 2022: \$6,528

Thank you for your continued generous support!

To: All Priests
From: Office of the Vicar General
Date: February 9, 2022
Re: COVID-19 Protocols Update



The Governor of New York has announced that effective Thursday, February 10, 2022, masks are no longer required indoors. Please implement the following at your parish, no later than the weekend of February 12 - 13:

1. **Masks are optional.** You cannot require anyone to wear a mask. Masks are no longer required for the distribution of Holy Communion or at any other time but are optional. At present however, masks continue to be required for schools and healthcare facilities.
2. There are no social distancing requirements. As parishes were instructed in the Memo distributed to all priests on June 16, 2021, pew barriers were to be removed. If any parishes continue to have pew barriers, please remove them. As more people return to Mass, pew barriers force people to sit closer together and could discourage attendance.
3. Parishioners are not to be asked their vaccination status or for proof of vaccination. There is to be absolutely no segregating of worshipers based on vaccination status.
4. Also, as instructed in the June Memo, there are no disinfecting or contact tracing requirements. Please stop all practices such as the taking of temperatures, contact tracing and health questionnaires.
5. There are no restrictions on missalettes, hymnals or bulletins.
6. Parish offices and activities should be open and fully functioning. Lent and Ash Wednesday guidelines will be sent to you separately from the Office of Worship.
7. Please continue to encourage all Catholics to return to the celebration of Mass through evangelization and outreach.

Thank you for your leadership and cooperation.
Oremus pro invicem!

- Father Eric R. Fasano
Vicar General

Ash Wednesday

March 2nd, 2022

9:00am *Mass* with Distribution of Ashes

12:30pm *Prayer Service* with Distribution of Ashes

4:30pm *Prayer Service* with Distribution of Ashes

7:00pm *Prayer Service* with Distribution of Ashes

Due to the pandemic, we are taking special anti-COVID-19 precautions. Ashes will not be applied on the forehead. Ashes will be sprinkled on the top of each person's head.

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.



First Friday Exposition, Holy Hour, and Benediction

Friday, **March 4th**, 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.

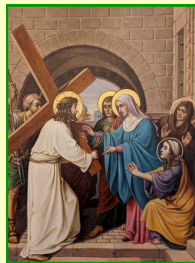
First Saturday

Saturday, **March 5th** is *FIRST SATURDAY*.

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

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 March 4th, 2022 until April 15th, 2022.



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



Knights of Columbus
SQUIRES
Youth Organization.

Grand Knight Jim Viania:

The Squires Circle in conjunction with Knights of Columbus Council sent gift bags to Our Lady of Queen of Peace home for retired sisters for Valentines Day. It was truly a beautiful gesture on their part. Also, our ongoing food drive is still in effect. Contact Kevin Spillane at (516) 639-0500. Yours in Christ, Jim Viania, Grand Knight.

2021 - Marian Guild – 2022

CALENDAR OF PROGRAMS and SPECIAL EVENTS

September 15, 2021	7:00 PM	Welcome Back Bingo and installation of Officers
October 20, 2021	7:00PM	Presentation by Monsignor Pereda
November 17, 2021	7:00 PM	Mass for Deceased Members of the Marian Guild and Induction of New Marian Guild Members
December 5, 2021	12:30 PM	"300 to 1" Reverse Raffle Cocktail Party – grand prize \$10,000
December 15, 2021	6:30 PM	Christmas Party Bring a Dessert and Donation for food Pantry & needy family
February 16, 2022	7:00 PM	"Chinese Dinner & Night at the Races"
March 16, 2022	7:00 PM	Lenten Program- Speaker-TBA
April 23, 2022	9:00 AM	Shrine of Our Lady of the Island, Manorville
May 15, 2022	10:30AM	Mary's Day Mass and Communion Breakfast Speaker – TBA
May 18, 2022	7:00PM	TBA
June 15, 2022	6:30 PM	End-of-the-Year Party (New slate of officers voted on)

----- Please keep in mind that all dates & events are subject to change -----

2021-2022 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(s)

I would like to receive notifications by EMAIL _____

I would like to receive notifications by the Marian Guild PHONE CHAIN: _____

I choose not to receive notifications: _____

At this time, I would like to make an additional donation of \$ _____. Thank you in advance for your donation - it is extremely appreciated.

Annual dues are required from ALL MEMBERS, including, PAST PRESIDENTS. Your timely payment of membership dues helps offset our yearly expenses and keeps your annual membership current. Kindly send in your payment by September 30, 2021.
Thank You!

 Indicates no classes on this day