

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: Summer Schedule 5:00 PM
(Memorial Day Weekend thru Labor Day Weekend)
Winter Schedule 4:00 PM

Sunday: 8:30 and 10:30 AM
Weekday: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
9:00 AM in Church
First Friday : 9:00 AM in Church
First Saturday : 9:00 AM in Church
Holy Day: As Announced

PRAYER

NOVENAS AFTER 9:00 AM MASS
MONDAY **MIRACULOUS MEDAL**
TUESDAY **MOTHER OF PERPETUAL HELP**
WEDNESDAY **ST. JOSEPH**
FIRST SATURDAY **ROSARY** after 9:00 AM Mass
ROSARY: Daily after 9:00 AM Mass
ADORATION: 1st Friday after 9:00 AM Mass until 12 noon

SACRAMENTS

CONFESSION:
Saturday: Summer Schedule 4:00 - 4:45 PM
(Memorial Day Weekend thru Labor Day Weekend)
Winter Schedule 3:00 - 3:45 PM

BAPTISM: 1st & 3rd Sunday 1 PM / 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.

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 4:00 PM
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. Mario C. Costa (Lower) Hall: (516) 935-4127
Mrs. Louise Shannon, *Faith Formation Administrator*

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS

Commercial Service

DIRECTOR OF LITURGICAL MUSIC

Mr. Gary Ducoing (516) 935-1880

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

FEBRUARY 28, 2021

ADVISORY COUNCILS TO THE PASTOR

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Paula Maturo, Chair
Paula Dawson, Vice Chair
Ann Kissell, Recording Secretary

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| Peter Boyle | Jesmel John |
| Gina Cinelli | Anne Maione |
| Linda Curro | Toni Poolin |
| Michael D'Costa | Toni Romas |
| Jay Coronel | |

FINANCE COUNCIL

Roxann Romano, Chairperson

James Galante
 Don Cavanaugh
 Antony Kozhipatt

TRUSTEES

Michael Maturo James Black

TRUSTEES EMERITI

Andrew Coughlin
 Tom Fitzsimmons
 Joseph Palumbo
 Janice Anderson
 Antony Kozhipatt

**PARISH TRUSTEES AND
 TRUSTEES EMERITI ARE
 EX OFFICIO MEMBERS OF
 PASTORAL AND FINANCE COUNCILS**

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: Chris Black (516) 528-0294 or 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: Don Cavanaugh, Grand knight (917) 769-5128 or email: doncavanaugh@ymail.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: Rectory (516) 935-1880

PRAYER GROUP meets Thursday 11:00AM in Chapel - contact: Elise LeVaillant
 (516) 433-3503

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

RCIA contact: Jesmel & Sachi B. (516) 396-4505

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

YOUTH GROUP contact: Grace Lynch (516) 626-7533

USHERS: contact Peter Boyle (516) 937-6516 or email: repeter_65@hotmail.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



Our Weekly Masses

Monday, March 1

9:00 Marie R. Pereda
(Requested by Monsignor Pereda)

Tuesday, March 2

9:00 In Thanksgiving to St. Joseph

Wednesday, March 3

9:00 Raffaele D'Onofrio
(Requested by Cinelli Family)

Friday, March 5 - First Friday

9:00 John A. Plikus, Jr.
(Requested by C. Skoglund)

7:00 Stations of the Cross

Saturday, March 6 - First Saturday

9:00 Immaculate Heart of Mary
Joseph Mario Reali
(Requested by Monsignor Pereda)

4:00 Maria Loicano
(Requested by A. Maggio)
Giovanna Foraci
(Requested by A. Maggio)

Sunday, March 7

8:30 Salvatore DiLavore

10:30 Donna Viggiani

Zofia Zdebel

Ferdinand Kaam

Constance Rieder

(Requested by Rieder Family)

WEEKEND COLLECTION:

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| February 20-21, 2021 | \$7,437 |
| Prior Year same period | <u>8,158</u> |
| Difference (+/-) | - 721 |

Your generous and faithful support of our parish is very much appreciated.

Thank you!



MEMORIALS

ALTAR BREAD, WINE & CANDLES

In Memory of Anna, George, and Michael Kraus

Donated by the Egan Family

ALTAR FLOWERS

In Memory of Homeless and the Hungry

SANCTUARY LIGHT

In Memory of the Unborn

DEVOTIONAL CANDLE

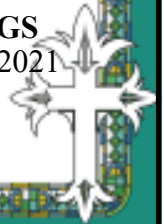
In Memory of the Souls in Purgatory

AMERICAN & PAPAL FLAGS

September 1, 2020-February 28, 2021

In Memory of Gina Tarantini

Donated by A. Tarantini



REMEMBER YOUR LOVED ONES

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| 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 |

Tree of Life



Please consider adding a memorialized intention to the Tree of Life.

Dedications, Thanksgiving, Remembrances, Group/Organization Honors

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| Leaf | \$350 |
| Clouds (1) | \$2,500 |
| Stones (5) | \$5,000 |

Please contact the Parish Office for more information 516-935-1880 x100.

Letter from the Pastor
February 24th, 2021

LENT 2021

The season of Lent began on Ash Wednesday, February 17th. 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 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 did 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 need 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 particularly important.

Like everything this year, Ash Wednesday was different from the way most of us usually experience it. We came forward to receive the Blessed ashes on the top of the head and not the forehead. This is an ancient way to receive the ashes and is the practice in Rome and in Europe and many other places throughout the world. Here in the United States, it has not been the usual custom. The popes and all the priests in Rome have always received the ashes in that manner, even before the pandemic. For them, nothing would have been different from the way they usually receive the ashes.

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. Perhaps we can try to pray the Rosary or the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy regularly. By no means is this list exhaustive.

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 must 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. There is an old proverb: *Fast your sin, not your bin.*”

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 humbler 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.

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.

PARISH FINANCES

As everyone is aware, the last year has brought so many challenges to us. Our little ones have been unable to go to school, and so many have lost their employment. Weddings and so many family celebrations have been put on hold. Here at St. Paul's we have had many financial challenges. Obviously, our weekly collection has decreased with fewer attending Mass. We also could not have our two annual fund raisers, the Annual Golf Outing, and the Gala Casino Night. We rely heavily upon these fund raisers to meet our everyday expenses. Our Christmas collection was down this year by over \$31,000 from last year. That is a collection we rely upon. In addition, our expenses have increased. The Church is cleaned and sanitized after every Mass which has added to our expenses. This has been the first year in which we failed to reach our assigned goal. It is the first year we finish in the red as to our proposed income and expenses.

Therefore, I am asking everyone to be generous and to continue to support the parish as you have done in the past. Perhaps some would even consider remembering their parish in their wills. When I see how many colleges and Catholic High Schools have large endowments, I often think how nice it would be for our people to also remember the parish where they are weekly fed with the Blessed Eucharist.

TWO LENTEN MEDITATIONS

As we begin Lent, I would like to present for your meditation two charming stories which I have presented before but which always teach us important lessons for Lent. May we use our speech in Lent not in complaining and tearing down our neighbor and our parish but rather in what is uplifting. May we hear no gossip nor repeat any gossip. May we have preserved from the critical spirit whose origin is the devil and which leads to the death of the soul. Here are the two stories. 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



First Friday Exposition, Holy Hour and Benediction

Friday, March 5th, 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 12noon.

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

Saturday, March 6th, 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 of the Most Blessed Sacrament

Stations and Benediction will be held every Friday during Lent at 7:00pm in the Church beginning February 19th, 2021 until April 2nd, 2021

Please make every effort to walk with Jesus as he carried the Cross.

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.



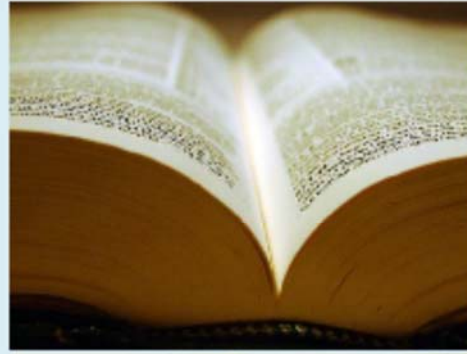
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 Diocese of Rockville Centre
 42 Bermingham Place
 Williston Park, NY 11596
 516-744-6850; westernvicariate@drvc.org

Bishop Andrzej's Lectare Series Continues

Liturgical Catechesis

Bishop Andrzej Zglejszewski

*Auxiliary Bishop, Diocese of Rockville Centre
 Vicar for Liturgy and Worship*



Tuesdays this Spring @ 7:30 p.m.

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| January 26, 2021 | Liturgy and The Word of God...online via ZOOM |
| February 23, 2021 | Liturgy and Our Covenant with God |
| March 23, 2021 | Liturgy and the Paschal Mystery in Us |
| April 27, 2021 | Liturgy and St. John Paul II Reform |
| May 25, 2021 | Liturgy and Personal Growth |

So that Bishop Andrzej can safely continue his Liturgical Catechesis lecture series, the first presentation will be available only through ZOOM. In order to be emailed the ZOOM link, you must register. Please see below for instructions on how to register in order to gain access to the first presentation on January 26. If you already receive updates regarding Bishop Andrzej's presentation schedule, the ZOOM link will automatically be emailed to you. Future in-person presentations are to be held at Cure of Ars School Auditorium in Merrick.

Please call or email to register:

Suzanne Lynn at 516-744-6850; westernvicariate@drvc.org.



2021 & 2022 MASS BOOK

*The 2021 and 2022 Mass Books are open.
Please feel free to stop by the parish office to
schedule your Mass Intentions.*

Honor Roll

*Students who have been placed on Honor Roll
at St. Anthony's High School
from St. Paul the Apostle*

Lauren Colletta
Anthony Gugliucci

COLLECTIONS

*We remain thankful to all parishioners who have
continued to mail in their Sunday offerings.*

*Consider **E-Giving** as a means of automatic tithing.
It allows you to support your parish even when you
are away. It is easy to enroll. Sign on to
stpaulsbrookville.org and select **E-Giving**. The
prompts will take you step-by-step through
enrollment. Thank you for your generosity.*

Your generosity and continued parish support are

Pray for the Sick

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

Christine DiBari

Benny D'Aquila

*Please call the office at (516) 935-1880 x 100 to add
or remove a name from the prayer list*

STAY CONNECTED

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Paul the Apostle,

In order to better communicate with our Parish family and friends, we have implemented the use of Flocknote. This tool will allow you to receive general and group specific emails and if you wish, text messages from the Parish. You will receive important news, communications, updates, emergency information, etc.

If you wish to sign up please follow the directions below:

Please go to Flocknote.com in your browser. Hit the "**sign up free**" key and follow the directions.

You may sign up for emails and text messages also by providing the basic information requested. You will be asked to confirm that you have signed up and may opt out at any time. Emails and cell numbers **WILL NEVER** be made public or shared nor are they revealed or listed as they are in a regular email or text. Your privacy is totally protected.

Once you sign up, your email (and text information, if provided) will automatically be sent **ONLY** to the Parish Flocknote system controlled by the Parish. Any future Parish notifications will be then sent to automatically.

Should you wish to join a specific group or groups, please review the groups and make your request to join that group. This will allow you to receive group specific information.

Thank you and may God bless and protect you.
St. Paul's Flocknote Team



2020 - Marian Guild - 2021

CALENDAR OF PROGRAMS and SPECIAL EVENTS

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| September 16, 2020 | 7:00 PM | Welcome Back Bingo and installation of Officers |
| October 21, 2020 | 7:00 PM | Al Barbarino |
| November 18, 2020 | 7:00 PM | Mass for Deceased Members of the Marian Guild and Induction of New Marian Guild Members |
| December 6, 2020 | 12:30 PM | "300 to 1" Reverse Raffle Brunch (grand prize up to \$10,000) |
| December 16, 2020 | 6:30 PM | Christmas Party Bring a Dessert and Gift |
| February 10, 2021 | 7:00 PM | "Chinese Dinner & Night at the Races" |
| March 17, 2021 | 7:00 PM | Lenten Program- Speaker Toni Bellizzi |
| April 17, 2021 | 9:00 AM | Shrine of Our Lady of the Island, Manorville |
| May 02, 2021 | 9:30 AM | Mary's Day Mass and Communion Breakfast- Father John Crozier |
| May 19, 2021 | 7:00 PM | Pizza and Painting |
| June 16, 2021 | 6:30 PM | End-of-the-Year Party <i>(New slate of officers voted on)</i> |

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

20-21 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 October 31, 2020

Thank You!