CHURCH OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

2534 Cedar Swamp Road, Brookville, N.Y. 11545 TEL: (516)935-1880 • FAX: (516)938-3683 www.stpaulsbrookville.org

8:30 and 10:30am

9:00am in Church 9:00am in Church

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As Announced

Monday through Friday

MASS SCHEDULE Saturday: 5:00pm

Saturday: Sunday: Weekday:

First Friday : First Saturday : Holy Day:

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: 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

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God, The Octave Day of the Nativity of the Lord

January 1, 2023

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** 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 **SOUIRES** 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: 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 deaconraydalessio@stpaulsbrookville.org **RCIA** contact: Jesmel John (516) 396 - 4505 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

From the Pastor January 1, 2023 The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God

A BLESSSED AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

Dear Parishioners of our Beloved St. Paul:

Praised be Jesus Christ and Mary His Most Holy Mother! It has been our grace and privilege to celebrate once more the wondrous and grace-filled Feast of Christmas. At Christmas there are no teachers, we are all students once again learning the lessons of firm faith, sure hope and ardent charity. No wonder why the great Doctor of the Church and mystic St. John of the Cross, normally so serious and somewhat severe, on Christmas would take the Holy Infant from the manger and dance for joy! *Christ is born for us, Come let us adore Him.*

May I once again convey my own sincere best wishes to you and your families at this holy time of Our Lord's Nativity. And may I also express my sincere gratitude to you for all your generosity to both St. Paul's and to me not only at Christmas but all throughout the year. May God bless and reward you! I am truly a most blessed priest to be the pastor of this wonderful parish. I cannot adequately express my gratitude for all the many gifts you have given to me. I am sure you understand that it is impossible to write individual Thank You notes to so many0. May this letter serve as such.

Today I would like to wish each of you a very Blessed and Happy New Year and assure you of my prayers each day and daily remembrance at the altar of God. For our meditation today I would like us all to turn to this New Year of Grace 2023.

The ancient Romans had a special god among their many gods. This god was the god of the gates and doorways. He had a face which looked forward and one which looked backward because, as we know, gates and doors both open and close. The ancient Romans called this god *Janus*. Our English word *January* comes from the name of this god, because January both closes one year and opens another. Our English word *janitor* is also derived from the name of this god, because a janitor opens and closes the gates and usually wears many keys to remind us of this function.

Our Blessed Mother is called *Ianua Caeli*, the Gate of Heaven. She closes the Old Testament and opens the New Testament. She is the last of the daughters of Israel and the Mother of the Church. (Some of you may know the beautiful Church on 101st Avenue in Ozone Park which is called *St. Mary Gate of Heaven*. As a thirteen-year-old acolyte my father, who died 30 years ago, served the Mass of Dedication of the then-new Church of Gate of Heaven in 1926. It was dedicated and blessed by Archbishop Molloy. My father often told me that he had the whole day off from school, so solemn and long was the dedication of the Church. And so, we go to our Blessed Mother at the beginning of this New Year of Grace 2023. I can say with full assurance that this year will be for us all the best of years. I write this not because I can see the future, but because I am certain of one thing: that everything that happens to us this year, whether it be good as the world judges or ill as the world judges, will be God's will for us. And as the poet Dante reminds us, *In His Will is our peace!* Our own father and patron St. Paul reminds us that for those who love God all things work unto the good.

As we all know, the year 2022 has been a most difficult one. In a sense, the whole world has changed. But our holy faith teaches us that God permits evil only to draw from it greater good. We must most sincerely be convinced of this truth.

This is the time when we usually will make New Year's resolutions. May I suggest a few:

1. Attend Mass on every Sunday and Holyday of Obligation

2. Confess our sins once each month

3. Pray the Holy Rosary daily

4. Invoke the assistance of St. Joseph each day

5. Pray daily to Our Guardian Angel to guide and protect us

6. Practice one act of self-denial each day

7. Practice one act of mercy each day

8. Begin and end each day by signing ourselves with the sign of the Cross

9. Do not say everything that comes to mind particularly when it is critical and toxic

May I once again wish each of you all the blessings of God in this New Year and assure you of my gratitude and prayers. Please pray for me.

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



Our Weekly Masses

<u>Monday, January 2</u>

9:00 Stephen J. Shurley (Requested by M. Shurley & Family)

<u>Tuesday, January 3</u>

9:00 Peter Fahey (Requested by the Farrell Family)

Wednesday, January 4

9:00 In Thanksgiving to Saint Joseph

<u>Thursday, January 5</u>

9:00 Salvatore & Elanora Cintorino (Requested by R. Mazza)

Friday, January 6

9:00 Celebrant's Intention

<u>Saturday, January 7</u>

- 9:00 In Honor of the Immaculate Heart of Mary For Peace in the World
- 5:00 Anthony Vitale Gussie & Anthony LaRocca (Requested by M. Vitale)

<u>Sunday, January 8</u>

- 8:30 Grace Mueller (Requested by the Mueller Family)
- 10:30 Pro Populo Louise Shannon & Family (L) (Requested by J. & J. Owens) Anthony Pontecorvo (Requested by Mr. & Mrs. Robert Sabatello) Catherine Boyle (Requested by M. & P. Maturo) Thomas E. Mawn Jr. (Requested by E. Daly - Sapraicone) Bernadette Theresa Sappa (Requested by J. & G. Lostritto & 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

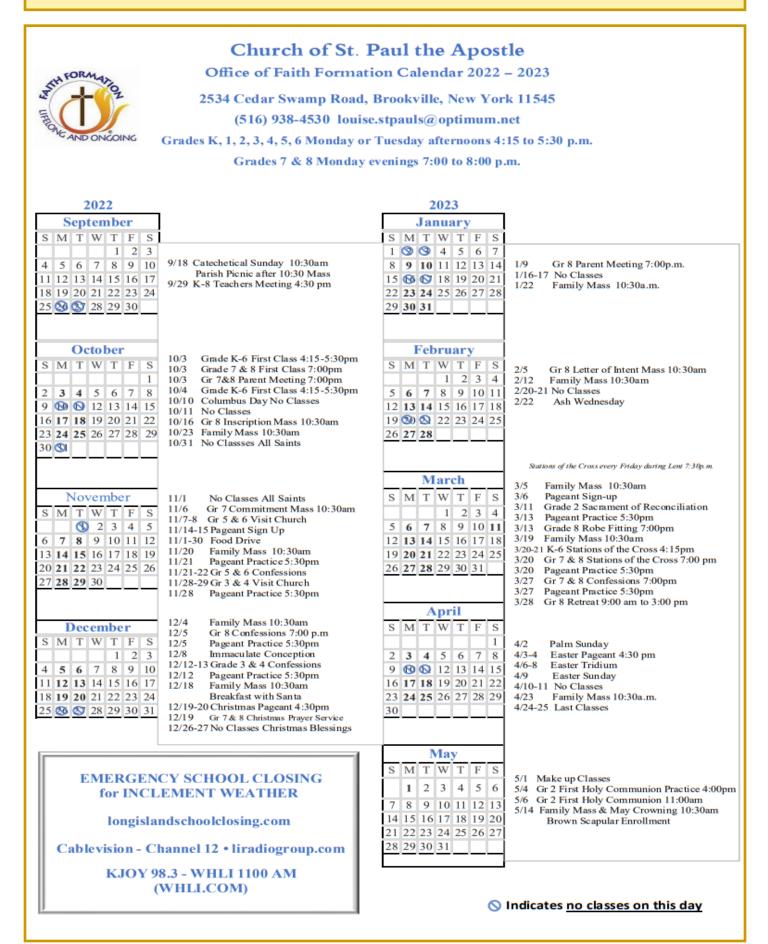
American & Papal Flags September 1st - February 28th, 2020 In Memory of Gina Tarantini Donated by A. Tarantini

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	
& St. Joseph Tree of Life Memorials	Call Parish Office	







<u>Academic Awards</u>

Students who attend St. John the Baptist from St. Paul the Apostle Church that have been rewarded:

> Summa Cum Laude Honors (100+ Weighted Average)



Icsis Munoz



Tree of Life

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

Leaves	\$ 350
Clouds (1)	\$ 2,500
Stones (5)	\$ 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.



Lost and Found

For lost jewelry, credit cards, wallets etc, please contact the parish office at 516-935-1880 x100.

For lost apparel, please check the box in the Church

Pray for the Recently Deceased

Catherine Genna November 25th, 2022

Catherine Boyle November 27th, 2022



2023 Mass Book

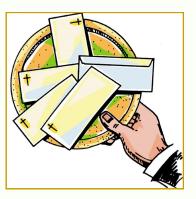
The 2023 Mass Book is open.

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



Parish Offering Envelopes

Please remember to use your *pre-printed parish envelopes* if you require a summary of your contributions at year-end. The *bar codes* on these envelopes are the means by which your contributions are recorded.



THANK YOU!!

To our Parish Family

Thank you all for your continued support during the year, for filling our pantry with food, gift cards and school supplies.

Your Thanksgiving and Christmas donations helped to ease the burdens of so many during this stressful holiday season!

We are so proud to be part of this amazing parish!!

To the Marian Guild

Your food donations helped to restock our shelves after a VERY busy year. It was so kind of you all and very much appreciated.

To Roxanne: It's a gift for us to know someone with such a generous spirit!

To Joe and his family

Each and every family we serve would not have a turkey on their table if it weren't for Joe. In fact, our visitor Tom, told us he and his 3 girls hadn't had a turkey since 2017! Thank you, Joe. Thank you.

To Sandra and Anthony

You've brought so much happiness to our visitors and one struggling family in particular. We are always overwhelmed by your generosity.

To Mailyn, Teresa, Peter, and Jaquline.

You are our sustaining angels.

Thank you so much for your unwavering kindness. During some of the most difficult times for our visitors you were always there.

To TROOP 3759 and their fearless leader, Erica

This Brownie troop put HUGE smiles on the faces of our visitors when they handed out their homemade gifts! Thank you, girls!

To our anonymous donors

Yes! We have noticed the neatly stacked boxes of mac-n-cheese, shampoo and soap! And the gift cards! THANK YOU, whoever you are, for what you do for those who are in great need.

AND ESPECIALLY

To Monsignor Pereda and Deacon Ray

Without our Pastor and Deacon, we would have no place in which to serve our community. Their kindness, care and concern are inspirational!

We are frequently asked why Brookville needs a food pantry/outreach... Poverty does not have a zip code, loneliness and depression are often hidden and many are embarrassed to come forward. If you or someone you know needs help, please call/text: 516 330-5106

Email: <u>paulsapostle@verizon.net</u> Call the rectory: 516 935-1880

On behalf of all our pantry volunteers





Religious Education Assistants Needed

Our Religious Education program has been able to continue due to the support and effort of our volunteers in our parish family.

Through this rewarding work, you will be helping our children prepare for the Sacraments and live a good Catholic life.

Classes are on Monday or Tuesday from 4:15 to 5:30 p.m.

Thank you to all of our Teachers, Assistants and Helpers for volunteering your time and talents! Together, we can make a difference in the lives of children.

Pray for the Sick

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

Peter Boyle Sr. Baby Noah Daswani Patty Serzanin Marina Rae Trapasso Samantha Cooke



Stay Connected

In order to better communicate with our Parish family and friends, we have implemented the use of Flocknote. Please go to <u>Flocknote.com</u> in your browser. Hit the "sign up free" key and follow the directions.

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







I hope everyone had a Blessed Christmas! I wish that all of our Knights, Squires, and their families have a happy New Year and a healthy one. I also would like to thank all the Knights and Squires for the work they have done the past year.

Yours in Christ, Jim Viania, Grand Knight