

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

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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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First Sunday of Lent
March 6, 2022

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ALTAR GUILD contact: Ursula Coughlin (516) 433-2450

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 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

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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

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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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 (516) 935-1880

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TO CONTACT THE PASTOR IN AN EMERGENCY WHEN A PRIEST IS NEEDED FOR
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 CALL (516) 935-1880.

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 JERICHO FIRE DEPARTMENT (516) 931-0898
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From the Pastor

March 6, 2022

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 a 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. After the priest formally greets you with words such as, **"Peace be with you"** (as I typically do), respond with, **"And with your spirit,"** and then immediately follow 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 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.

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 OT 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

A Blessed Lent

Buona Quaresima

In Jesus and Mary,

Monsignor James F. Pereda



Our Weekly Masses

Monday, March 7

9:00 John Wimer
(Requested by R. Borelli)

Tuesday, March 8

9:00 Quentin Wilson (L)
(Requested by L. Wilson)

Wednesday, March 9

9:00 For the Bishop

Thursday, March 10

9:00 Celebrants Intention

Friday, March 11

9:00 James. S. Pereda
(Requested by Monsignor)

Saturday, March 12

4:00 Eluira & Carmine Pierro
(Requested by D. & R. Pierro)

Sunday, March 13

8:30 Rose Zecca - Birthday
(Requested by J. Rizzo)

10:30 Dominic Foresto
(Requested by S. & R. Kurz)
Dorothy Morris
(Requested by B. Klein)
Shawn Pennestri
(Requested by J. DeMeo)



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

Celebrants of Holy Mass

Saturday, March 12

4:00pm Fr. O'Brien

Sunday, March 13

8:30am Msgr. Pereda
10:30am Fr. Descoteaux



Weekend Collection:

February 27th, 2022: \$ 6,349

Thank you for your continued generous support!

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*.



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.

As You Plan Your Future, Please Consider a Legacy Gift to Our Parish

The principle of Stewardship is frequently discussed in Catholic circles, both among the laity and Church leadership. Stewardship is based in scripture and in Church traditions. Stewardship flows from our gratitude to God for the gifts, with which we have been blessed. We show our gratitude by being generous in our response with our time, talent, and treasure.

As a Priest, I am committing to God as much as I can of my time, talent, and treasure. The Catholic faith has been the cornerstone of my life. The priesthood ever continues to be a source of joy and fulfillment. I am grateful for the opportunity to serve the Church. I strive to be a faithful steward and through my service leave a legacy that survives beyond my death.

As your pastor, I would like to encourage you to consider ways that you can leave a lasting legacy. Let me suggest that making a planned gift to the Church is a way you can leave a legacy and express gratitude for what the Church has meant to you. A planned gift can be a lasting way to fulfill your stewardship of treasure.

You may be asking yourself what a planned gift is as it can be a confusing term and it is often misunderstood. Very simply, planned giving describes a donor's commitment to transfer capital assets to a qualified religious organization or other charity. More often than not, a planned gift is made by means of a formal agreement or contract. Planned gifts are normally made from the donor's accumulated wealth as part of an overall estate plan. The most common form of a planned gift is a bequest provision in a will.

Many Catholics find the idea of making a planned gift to their parish appealing. Parishioners often wonder how to go about making a planned gift and they have other questions about planned giving options.

One reason parishioners have questions is that they do not often hear about planned giving in their Catholic community. And Church leaders do not talk about planned giving as much as we could or should. It is my hope that my written reflection will help remedy the lack of information on this important subject.

Here at the Parish, faithful parishioners have found that naming the parish in their wills or trusts to be a very fulfilling way to show their appreciation for what the Church has meant to them. Some parishioners have left planned gifts in memory of a loved one or close friend. Others have made a bequest to support a particular parish ministry, or outreach.

Individuals who make planned gifts often enjoy significant tax advantages from their giving. Still others find that once their surviving family receives a reasonable inheritance, leaving a bequest to the parish is a fulfilling way to show their gratitude for God's blessings and leave a spiritual legacy.

I would prayerfully ask you to consider the Parish as a worthy object of your generosity. The Parish will remember you with gratitude in our prayers and you will have eternal rest knowing that you have left a lasting spiritual legacy. Please give thought to remembering your parish in your estate plan. It is a beautiful thing to do.

God Bless!

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

Academic Awards

Students that attend St. John the Baptist DHS from St. Paul the Apostle who have been placed on the *Mid Year Honor Roll*:



Icsis Munoz

Save the Date



Saint Paul the Apostle
Annual Golf Outing
and Awards Dinner
Thursday, June 2, 2022

Pray for the Recently Deceased

Margaret M. Wingendrер

February 9th, 2022

Nancy Piasio

February 20th, 2022



Pray for the Sick

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



Christine DiBari

Jeremiah McCarthy

Tree of Life

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

<i>Leaves</i>	\$ 350
<i>Clouds (1)</i>	\$ 2,500
<i>Stones (5)</i>	\$ 5,000



Maximum characters per line is 25/5 lines maximum
If you would like to memorialize any of the above, please call or come to the Parish Office during business hours to arrange.

Mass Time Change

The Saturday afternoon mass will revert back to **5:00pm** starting **March 19th, 2022**. 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.

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.



**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!