

St. Paul Church

485 Alling St., Kensington, CT 06037

Sacred Heart Church

48 Cottage St., E. Berlin, CT 06023

MASS TIMES

Saturday 4:00pm Vigil

Sunday 8:00am, 10:00am & 12:00pm

Monday, Wednesday and Friday - 7:00am

Tuesday and Thursday - 5:00pm

All Masses are at St. Paul Church and are live streamed.
There are no regular Masses at Sacred Heart Church.

CONFESSION

Saturdays 8:30am-9:30am and 3:00-4:00pm

HOLY HOUR

Tuesdays 4:00-5:00pm

Baptisms: 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month

Baptism Instruction: 3rd Wednesday of the month

PARISH OFFICE

Monday-Friday 9am-4pm #860 828-0331

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- St Paul Parish Kensington CT



- saintpaulparish

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FRANCISCAN FRIARS



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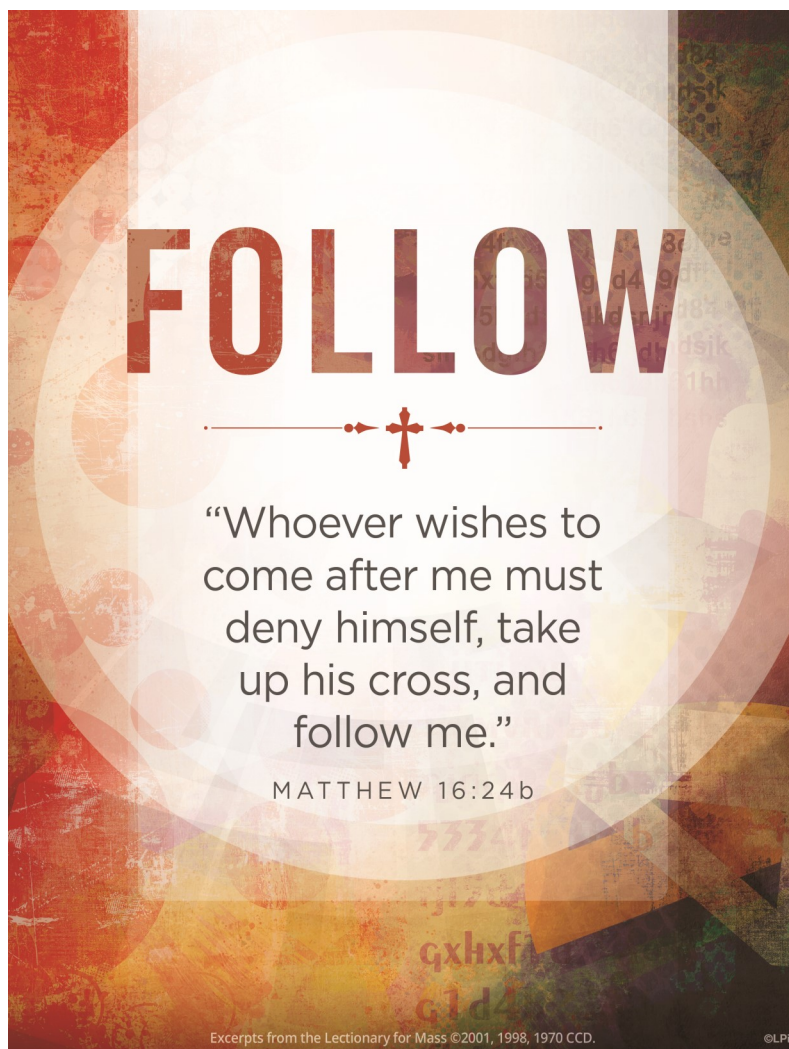
A Franciscan Family of Faith

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August 30, 2026

Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



*"Let the Church always be a place of MERCY and HOPE,
where EVERYONE is WELCOMED, LOVED and FORGIVEN."*

-Pope Francis

INTENTIONS

Blessed Mother Candles will burn this week for

†**Jacqueline Timko** by Judy, Marlene and families
Mary Mother of God by Maria DeFazio
 †**Lynne Baikal** by family
 †**Fr. Paul Mangiafico** by Ginny and family

Sanctuary Candles will burn this week for

†**Lawrence J. Fagan** 3rd Anniversary by family
Sacred Heart of Jesus by Maria DeFazio



†**Raymond B. Boisvert**

†**Raymond Gola**

†**Carole Gable Hawrylik**

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light
 shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the
 faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

PRESENTATION OF GIFTS Those who have made the offering for the intention for each Mass are invited to present the bread and wine during the Offertory for that Mass. To do so, please arrive at least ten minutes before the start time of the Mass, go to the sacristy and let the sacristan know you would like to bring up the gifts. If no one comes forward by that time, others will be invited to present the gifts.

HOSPITAL VISITS Our friars will be happy to visit you or your loved one in the hospital if you kindly send a request. Email ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org or call 860-828-0331.

TO REQUEST A LOW GLUTEN HOST Please arrive for Mass about 10 minutes early, go to the sacristy and let them know you need a low gluten host. Sit near the front of the new wing. Before Communion, look for a Eucharistic Minister to come forward with a consecrated host for you.

SAINT MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL

Defend us in battle. Be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls.



Saturday, August 29, 2026 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 4:00 pm †**Zbigniew Mazurek** by family
Sunday, August 30, 2026 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 am †**Tadeusz Cichocki** by Cichocki family
 10:00 am **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**
 12:00 pm †**Roland** 15 Year Remembrance and
 †**Catherine** 10 Year Remembrance
 In Memory by John & Diana Bisson and Bisson family
Monday, August 31, 2026
 7:00 am †**Frank Grandone** by family
Tuesday, September 1, 2026 Weekday and World Day of
 Prayer for the Care of Creation
 5:00 pm †**Rich Pampuro** 5 Year Remembrance by family
Wednesday, September 2, 2026 Weekday
 7:00 am †**John Kozak** by a friend
Thursday, September 3, 2026 St. Gregory the Great
 5:00 pm †**Robert J. Fitzsimmons** by wife Anita and family
 †**John Sampl** 3 year Anniversary by daughter Linda
 †**Souls in Purgatory** by Emanuele Lombardo
 John Nappi, Jr. by wife
 †**Fr. Paul Mangiafico** by Ginny and children
Friday, September 4, 2026 Weekday
 7:00 am †**Vanereno and †Ada Ciramicoli** by family
Saturday, September 5, 2026 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 4:00 pm †**Gerald and †Anthony Vanty** by Vanty family
Sunday, September 6, 2026 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
 8:00 am †**Fr. Joseph Benicewicz** 2nd Anniversary
 by Ron and Joan
 10:00 am **Parishioners of Saint Paul Parish**
 12:00 pm †**Fr. Joseph Benicewicz** by Tabaczynski family

Mass will be celebrated for the intentions listed below by the Franciscan Friars Conventual at a time and location to be determined by the friars:

Saturday, August 29, 2026

†**Kieran Egan** by wife Margaret

Tuesday, September 1, 2026

**Living Friars, Families, Friends and Benefactors of the
 Franciscan Order**

Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

Sunday, September 6, 2026

†**Fr. Joseph Benicewicz** by Rich

INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR PARISH FAMILY?

Our next Registration Meeting is **Monday, Sept. 14** at 7 pm in the St. Paul Church Hall (downstairs). Please let us know if you plan to attend by calling the office at 860-828-0331 or by emailing us at ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org.

Parish Collection
Aug. 11-17, 2026

In Church	\$	9,383
Office	\$	1,206
Online Giving	\$	5,398
Total	\$	15,987

Parish Collection
Aug. 18-24, 2026

In Church	\$	8,708
Office	\$	1,610
Online Giving	\$	5,518
Total	\$	15,836

Second Collections:

August 29/30 - Columbia Earthquake Relief*

*The Archdiocese of Hartford has authorized a Second Collection to be taken this weekend, August 29/30, for a diocese in Colombia which was significantly affected by the recent earthquake. The Diocese of Quibdó, located in the Pacific region of the country; is also one of the poorest and most vulnerable areas of the country.

One of our Archdiocese of Hartford priests, Fr. Diego, has a personal connection to the Bishop of Quibdó. He received this message/request below and will serve as the bridge between our donors and the Diocese of Quibdó.

We are grateful to the Lord to share that all of our families are safe, and none of our family members were victims of the earthquake. However, the Catholic Church in Colombia has suffered significant losses, including damage to churches, and many families are now in need of assistance.

From the Archdiocese of Hartford: We are deeply grateful for your consideration, prayers, and generosity. We believe this is an opportunity for our local Church to stand in solidarity with our brothers and sisters in Colombia during this difficult time. May God bless you and all those who are working to bring hope and assistance to the affected communities.

ONLINE GIVING

Thank you for your ongoing support of St. Paul Parish. For information about online giving, scan the code or visit:

<https://www.osvhub.com/stpaulkensington/giving/funds>



BATHROOM RENOVATIONS

Please note that for the next few weeks, the men's and women's bathrooms in the basement of the church will be under construction. The family bathroom, near the entrance to the Church Hall, will be the only bathroom available for use.



A Glance Ahead

TMIY! Men's Group, 7am.....	Saturday, August 29
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday, August 30
FF Confirmation Parent Meeting	Sunday, August 30
Women's Clothing Collection Ends	Monday, August 31
Holy Hour, 4pm	Tuesday, Sept. 1
FF Parent Meeting	Tuesday, Sept. 1
Ladies' Guild Meeting	Wednesday, Sept. 2
Evening Rosary, 6pm at SH	Wednesday, Sept. 2
Quilters & Crafters, 9am	Thursday, Sept. 3
FF Parent Meeting	Thursday, Sept. 3
<i>First Friday</i>	Friday, Sept. 4
<u>NO</u> TMIY Men's Group Meeting	Saturday, Sept. 5
Children's Rosary, 10am SHC	Saturday, Sept. 5
<i>First Saturday</i>	Saturday, Sept. 5
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday, Sept. 6
<i>Labor Day (Parish Office Closed)</i>	Monday, Sept. 7
Holy Hour, 4pm	Tuesday, Sept. 8
Women of Faith gathering	Thursday, Sept. 10
<i>Patriot Day</i>	Friday, Sept. 11
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday, Sept. 13
Hallow App Launch! See page 5 for details.	
13th of the Month Rosary	Sunday, Sept. 13
Mother's Rosary, 2pm	Monday, Sept. 14
New Members Registration, 7pm	Monday, Sept. 14
Holy Hour, 4pm	Tuesday, Sept. 15
Human Trafficking Awareness & Prevention	
Special Presentation at 7pm	Tuesday, Sept. 15
Evening Rosary, 6pm at SH	Wednesday, Sept. 16
Berlin Fair Weekend!	Sept. 17-20
OCIA begins	Sunday, Sept. 20

FOODSHARE ST. CLARE FOOD PANTRY & MOBILE FOODSHARE

The following items are being requested at this time:
Mayonnaise, Ketchup, Peanut Butter, Jams / Jellies, Soups, Canned Fruit, Apple Sauce.

Volunteers are needed on **Thursday, September 10** at 9:00am to transport food items from St. Paul Church to Sacred Heart Church. Volunteers are also needed that day at Sacred Heart at 9:30 am to fill grocery bags for Friday's distribution.

The first St. Clare/Foodshare distribution at Sage Park will take place on Friday, September 11 from 11:30 am to 12:15 pm. Those volunteers are asked to arrive at the park at 11:00 am to assist in the distribution effort.

For info about St. Clare's Pantry or Foodshare Mobile program including volunteering contact Nancy Timbrell at 860-601-7866 or n.timbrell@stpaulkensington.org.

2026 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

The **FINAL** concert will be **FRIDAY, SEPT. 4** at 6:30 pm
(The original date, Aug. 20, was rescheduled due to rain.)
Join us on the Parish Green!

- o Featuring **Downtown 6!**
Dynamic, energizing, versatile dance band to get a crowd on its feet!
- o Bring your own lawn chair/blanket
- o **Please bring a canned or non-perishable food item for our St. Clare Food Pantry**
- Sponsored by *Manafort Brothers Incorporated and the Berlin Arts & Culture Committee.*



Hosted by St. Paul Parish in collaboration with the Town of Berlin. Donations can be payable to St. Paul Parish.
Contact Bud Volz with questions: b.volz@stpaulkensington.org.



WHAT IS A 'FIRST FRIDAY'?

A "First Friday" is the first Friday of the month and is often marked by special devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus since Jesus died for us and won our salvation on a Friday. Every Friday of the year, and not only the Fridays in Lent, is a special day of penance as stipulated in the Code of Canon Law: "The penitential days and times in the universal Church are every Friday of the whole year and the season of Lent" (Canon 1250).

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque (1647-1690) reported visions of Jesus Christ directing her to promote devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus on nine consecutive First Fridays in reparation for sins and in order to show love to Jesus. In return for this act of devotion, which usually includes Mass, Communion, confession and even an hour of Eucharistic Adoration on the eve of the first Friday of the month, our blessed Savior reputedly promised St. Margaret Mary the following blessings: "In the excess of the mercy of my Heart, I promise you that my all powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour."

Source/Read More:

<https://www.simplycatholic.com/what-is-a-first-friday/>

<https://www.simplycatholic.com/how-to-observe-first-fridays-and-first-saturdays/>

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Sept. 6, 2026

For readings online, scan or visit

<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings/090626.cfm>

Reading 1: Ezekiel 33:7-9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Second Reading Romans 13:8-10

Alleluia

R. Alleluia, alleluia. 2 Corinthians 5:19

God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus said to his disciples: "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have won over your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, so that 'every fact may be established on the testimony of two or three witnesses.' If he refuses to listen to them, tell the church. If he refuses to listen even to the church, then treat him as you would a Gentile or a tax collector. Amen, I say to you, whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven. Again, amen, I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything for which they are to pray, it shall be granted to them by my heavenly Father. For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them."



2026 Berlin Fair

Thursday, September 17
through
Sunday, September 20.

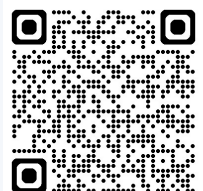


We need your help in our parish food booths!

- o The Sacred Heart booth serves burgers, hot dogs, meatball grinders, sausage grinders, pasta, lobster bisque soup and more.
- o The Saint Paul booth menu includes chicken nuggets, grilled chicken salads and sandwiches, nachos with cheese and/or chili, and more.

Sign up with friends & family and have fun serving the community together!

To sign up, visit our website, scan



or click this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C49A5A628A0F94-64592530-berlin#/>

For questions regarding volunteering, contact Helen deRito at 860.559.5695 (text or leave msg) or helenderito@gmail.com

Hallow

St. Paul Parish is thrilled to announce our partnership with **Hallow**. Through prayer and meditation rooted in the Catholic faith, Hallow helps people grow closer to God and find peace, everyday. Hallow is the most popular Catholic prayer app worldwide, offering guided prayer sessions, the Rosary, sleep meditations, Lectio Divina, special challenges during Lent and Advent, community challenges, and much more.

During the weekend of September 12/13, a representative from Hallow will be here on our parish campus to share details about the app and how you can take advantage of this special resource.

Plan to take a few minutes after Mass on Saturday, Sept. 12 or Sunday, Sept. 13 to learn more about Hallow's many great features and to learn how to join our parish page!

We will have light refreshments in the Church Hall after all Masses as well. We look forward to seeing you there!

YOUNG MEN'S GROUP

Kingsmen is a Catholic group for the young men of St. Paul Parish. We are dedicated to fostering authentic community, brotherhood, and leadership among young men through our Lord, Jesus Christ. Grounded in the belief that strong community is essential to the formation of faithful men, we strive to cultivate a welcoming environment where belonging is embraced, friendships are strengthened, and meaningful connections are formed. To learn more, email Tony deRito at tonyd433@gmail.com or visit <https://CatholicKingsmen.com>.



YOUNG CATHOLIC PROFESSIONALS

YCP Catholic network is open to professionals age 18-39. Visit their website to learn more!
<https://www.youngcatholicprofessionals.org>



Upcoming Events

- o 2nd Annual Young Adult Gala
Sep 12, 6:00 pm in Darien.
- o More Than Money: What It Means to Live Generously
- o Sep 25, 7:00 pm in New Haven



CROSSROADS 4 CHRIST

C4C is a community of Catholic young adults learning to deepen our relationship with Jesus and one another. There are chapters in New Britain, Middletown, Waterbury, Storrs and more. Ready for something more in your life? Ages 18-39. Learn more at <https://crossroads4christ.org>

CROSSROADS4CHRIST

FAITH FORMATION

Our Faith Formation team met recently to prepare for the new school year. There are 27 volunteers for Gr. 1-6. A few more teachers are needed for Gr. 4 & 5. We have 14 Confirmation volunteers for Gr. 7-9. Some of these amazingly generous and faith-filled people are pictured below and others are listed by name. Please keep them in your prayers. May God bless them, the Holy Spirit inspire them and the kids learn about God's love and the beauty of our Catholic faith under their guidance. **Is the Holy Spirit calling you to join our team as a catechist or a sub?** Contact Robin or Linda for information at 860-828-1934 or faithformation@stpaulkensington.org



Confirmation catechists (L-R): Haylie Perks, Chris Pelosi, Shibani Corcoran, Bill Uliasz, Allie Nawalaniec & Kevin Daley. Not pictured: Jenn Carey, Dorothy Foster, Joe & Maureen LaVallee, Austin Susco, Melissa Fazzio.



Gr. 1-6 (L-R): John Norton (teaching Conf. also), Ann Frigeri, Stefanie Stanek, Cathy Sullivan (sub), Nancy Kennure, Cindy Hammond, Krista Hilbie, Julia Solek & Kayden Santana.



Gr. 1-6 (L-R seated): Jillian Asselin, Maryrose Pasco, Theresa Root, Pat Ksiazkowski. (standing): Dan Akier, Erin Georgini, Jay Kuselias, Lisa Moscaritolo, Catherine Shatos, Donna Rutkowski (teaching Conf. also), Alisa Uba and Irene Chlastawa (sub).

Grade 1-6 catechists not pictured: John Frigeri, Kara Satalino, Allison Michaels, Daria Szarwacki, Lena Pinchera, Suzy Ciarcia, and Christina Norton.

Update from our Director of Youth Ministry, Suzy Gujda:

It's Back to School Time! Welcome back to all our Saint Paul School students! While we didn't take a break from Jesus this summer with Youth Ministry, we have a few fun things planned now that the school year has begun!

We look forward to growing more in faith throughout the year.

Thank You to all who participated, volunteered, and supported our first *Bible Story Adventure Week*!

With 27 "adventurers" and 16 teen helpers, we were able to dig deep into the stories of David and Goliath, Daniel and the Lions' Den, Cain and Abel, the Good Samaritan, and the Raising of Lazarus. We learned about the faithful powers of prayer, trust, love, effort, and courage, all while having fun and seeing how God calls us to learn from these brave Biblical heroes and early saints, and act in faith as they did.

Thank you to all the parents who dedicated five evenings for their children to grow in faith, fellowship and fun! Our bellies were full, but it was our souls that were fueled!

See more photos on our website.



Altar Servers: St Paul's has been blooming with faithful young servants. Our new fall schedule will be in inboxes by MONDAY August 31st. **Due to technical issues, please check your SPAM folders if you don't receive an email, or reach out to Suzy Gujda directly.

Congratulations to our new Sacristan, Gabriel Puskarz!

The Sacristan is responsible for ensuring that everything needed for Mass and other liturgical celebrations (sacred vessels, candles, linens, etc.) is prepared for the friars ahead of time and is properly returned to the sacristy afterwards. Gabe, we are grateful for your dedication! (Gabe was trained by Ellie Henriques who served as Sacristan for the past three years and is now heading off to college.)



"Mother's Rosary" Our Monday afternoon Rosary gatherings will resume on Monday September 14th. All prayerful souls are welcome to join us at 2:00 pm near the Pieta Statue. (On rainy days, we will meet in the church near the Blessed Mother statue).



Youth Bible Study will resume in September. Be on the lookout for new dates and times in next week's bulletin!

Ready to Serve? Youth Ministry is ready to shine some light, love, and helpful hands to our community. Whether tending to the grounds of the Franciscan Sisters of the Eucharist, spending time with the elderly at our local senior centers, or coming together in prayer for those in our community, we invite you to join us.

Follow our YM Instagram @saintpaulparish_youth for updates and news and invite a friend to join as well. This is our year to serve our Lord by serving His people.

@saintpaulparish_youth



Youth Ministry Milestone: As the new Director of Youth Ministry this past year, I wanted to take a moment to say THANK YOU to our parish and families for all your support, love, encouragement, and faith. We had an eventful and faith-filled year.

Look out for the Fall "YM Spotlight Letter" with all that 2025-2026 brought and all that we are looking forward to!



THE ROSARY

Join us to pray the Rosary at St. Paul Parish!



***Wednesday evening Rosary** at Sacred Heart Church.
6:00-6:30pm. **Next date:** [Sept. 2nd](#).

*We also pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.
Prayer booklets provided. All are welcome!*

***13th of the Month Rosary** at 12pm in St. Paul Church
Next date: [Sunday, September 13](#). (Church Hall)

***Children's Rosary** 10am at SHC. [1st Saturday of the Month](#). Next: [Sept. 5](#). Email: cheryl batter@att.net.

***Monday Rosary** Mondays at 2:00 pm on the Parish Green
All are welcome! We gather at the Pieta statue in the Prayer Garden as weather permits. If it's raining, we move into the church near the Blessed Mother statue. Join us for our next Monday Rosary on [September 14th at 2pm](#).

***Rosary Makers** Our Rosary Makers group meets on the first Monday of each month at 1:00 pm in the Church Hall from Sept. through June. They will resume from the summer break on [Monday, September 14th](#) (since the first Monday of Sept. is Labor Day). New members always welcome! Questions? Contact Lynn Misteri at 860-913-5448.

ST. PAUL LADIES' GUILD

Our *Welcome Back Reception and Membership Drive* will be held on [Wednesday, September 2nd](#) at 6:00 pm in the Church Hall. We will have our first business meeting, and small sandwiches and desserts will be served.

The guest speaker for the evening will be Dr. Richard Branfield, Emeritus Professor of Geography at Central Connecticut State University.

Through a slideshow and discussion, Dr. Branfield will present "Around the World in 80 Gardens", the culmination of his career in tourism to the world's great gardens and floral kingdoms in the world.

This program kicks off what we hope will be a successful year for the Ladies' Guild as we encourage new members to join us. We hope our current members will consider inviting a friend to join them on September 2nd.

The Ladies' Guild continues to support the parish and school through its fund raising activities while providing interesting and fun evenings for its members that include time for fellowship and of course, delicious treats.

Consider coming as a one-time guest or as a new member to any of our meetings held on the first Wednesday of the month.

Food pantry donation for Sept. 2 is peanut butter and jelly.



BLUE MASS

Save The Date
[October 18, 2026](#)
12:00 pm Mass



Save the date for our **3rd Annual Blue Mass** to express gratitude to our First Responders. **We will have a planning meeting** on [September 3](#) at 6:30 pm in the Church Hall.

All are welcome to attend this meeting. Come and serve on this important and rewarding committee!

For more information, contact Elaine Pavasaris:
860 463 9193 or elaine@homesweethome.com.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our St. Paul Social Action Ministry is seeking parishioners who have the time and energy to help us throughout the year.

Please prayerfully consider joining this ministry. To sign up or to request more information, please contact Joan Baker: 860-638-8900 or jmb7000@comcast.net.



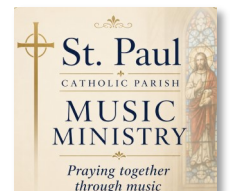
PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

If you or someone you know is going through a difficult time and in need of comfort, we have prayer shawls available for men, women and children. The women in our group knit/crochet these beautiful shawls and include their good wishes and prayers in each one. There is no charge, but donations are appreciated. If you are interested in getting a shawl or joining our group, please call or text Jeanne Charbonneau at 860-913-9023 or send an email to jcharb21@gmail.com. For anyone who would like to join the prayer shawl ministry, we meet on the [second Tuesday of the month](#) from September to June at 1:00pm in the Church Hall. It doesn't require a lot of time and you meet many wonderful people.



Great opportunities await those who sing God's praises!
We have many ways to participate in our Music Ministry:

- + St. Paul Parish Choir
- + Contemporary Choir
- + Cantors (audition required)
- + Children's Choir
- + Instrumentalists (audition required)



The Parish Choir and Children's Choir will both practice on Tuesday evenings with the Parish Choir beginning in Sept. (after Labor Day) and the Children's Choir beginning in Oct.

For more information, see Eric after any Sunday Mass or email him at e.hoffman@stpaulkensington.org.

PRAYER REQUESTS To make a prayer request through our *Daughters of Jairus Prayer Line*, call Terry 860-828-6667 or Pat 860-305-0147 with your confidential request. Please give the first name of the person to be prayed for & the intention.

PARISH PRAYER LIST To *add* someone or let us know that a name can be *removed* from our Prayer List, please contact us at ourchurch@stpaulkensington.org or 860-828-0331. Please be sure to ask for permission from the person to be added. Names will remain on the list for one full month. After one month, we ask that you please renew your request. Thank you for helping us keep our Prayer List up to date.

Bobby Adamowicz	Maria Lauria
Nancy Adamowicz	Richard Lee
Emile Albert	Sylvia Lococo
Amara Alice	Mary Jane Lynch
Terry Anderson	Lisa Mangiafico
Elaine Andrews	Lorraine McCarthy
Lynn Cooley Bak	Nancy Motulko
Zulma Barbieri	Lenny Mulrooney
Wendy Blackmar	Ann Marie Musshorn
Cheryl Brown	Our Military
Michael Vincent Bulawa	Patricia O'Neill
George Bushnell	Esther Ouellette
Marge Bushnell	Beverly Oraczewski
Christopher C.	Emma Pagano
Mark Camilleri	Judy Pappalardo
Janet Carroll	Steven Pavano
Pearl Casey	D. J. Pavasaris
Jonathan Cheung	Ada Payamis
Doug Clarke	Joan Pinney
Maureen Corr	Marilyn Puopolo
Arlene Cotrona	Nicky Ragozzino
Roger Coyle	Barbara Rich
Linda Cullen	Christopher Roddy
Lenny Cullen	Susana Romero
Jose Dagna	Shirley Sansone
Martin Dagna	Oscar Seipel
Marie DeFazio	Raul Seipel
Fr. Tony DeFronzo	Chris Sloane
Kathleen DeLisa	Kevin Stanowski
Dick Dubay	Elizabeth Smulski
Alyssa Dutkiewicz	Claire Suzuka
Josefina Fernandez	Pat Swent
Diana Fitzpatrick	Angelica Szczygla
Maureen Freeman	Gabriel Szczygla
Alyssa Glaser	Julia Szczygla
Donna Gray	Lucia Teodoro
Zofia Grochot	Catherine Trombley
Linda Hannold	Jeffrey V.
Evan Hill	Steve Varano
Joel Jakiel	Scott Veley
Peter Jurgilewicz	Taylor Wachtarz
Deborah Kasper	Lois White
Wendy Kenzior	Father Josh Wilbur
Adam Krzynowek	Grace Winch
TJ Larkin	



Please join us for a special presentation sponsored by our Culture of Life and Social Action Ministries:



Human Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Tuesday, September 15 at 7:00 pm

In addition to providing an overview of human trafficking, this presentation by a member of the Archdiocese of Hartford's Human Trafficking Task Force will include a prevention framework for engaging parishioners in anti-trafficking work.

You will learn about the important elements of prevention and the actions parishes, ministries and individuals can take to prevent trafficking in their communities. The presentation will also cover the topics of intervention and support/assistance for victims.

School Resource Officer Mark DePinto from the Berlin Police Department, will also be available to answer questions about BPD's involvement in prevention and intervention locally. Save the date!

HELPING HANDS Our Helping Hands Ministry assists our senior parishioners with social and spiritual support. To volunteer or request assistance, contact the office at 860-828-0331 or Mark Duplin at mfduplin@outlook.com.

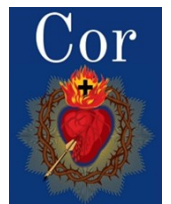
TMIIY / COR MEN'S GROUP

Attention Men: Our Men's Group is starting a new session for the fall. **You are invited to join your Brothers in Christ** for these gatherings on **Saturday Mornings at 7am:**

A full schedule of events can be found on our website. (Look under Ministries or in the Parish News section.)



If you're looking to be a better husband or father, build friendships with like-minded men, be the best man you can be, or deepen your relationship with God, we invite you to join us!



Meetings begin at 7:00am. If you're up early, join us for coffee and breakfast at 6:30 as well.

To learn more, contact Bud Volz at budvolz@comcast.net.

Check out this video highlighting the upcoming session, *Apostles of the New Springtime*

<https://youtu.be/bHQMedpxHhQ?si=N3MrBH1R-1AVHCTt>

Note: There will be NO meeting on Saturday, September 5 (Labor Day weekend) or Saturday, September 19th (Berlin Fair).



OCIA and ADULT CONFIRMATION If you are an adult who is interested in becoming Catholic OR who was baptized Catholic and received Holy Communion but have yet to be Confirmed, we currently have two programs to assist you.

- **OCIA – Order of Christian Initiation for Adults**
- **ACP – Adult Confirmation Program**

For more information, please complete our online inquiry form. Scan here → or use this link:

<https://stpaulkensington.org/adult-confirmation-ocia/>



OCIA provides individuals with the spiritual and intellectual formation and preparation that is necessary to join the Catholic Church.

Contact us to learn more if you or someone you know...

- o has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic, or
- o was baptized Catholic as a child, but has not celebrated the Sacraments of the Eucharist and Confirmation

Our upcoming program will start on **Sunday, September 20**. Meetings will be held at **10:00 am** in the Church Hall every Sunday until Easter. (Easter falls on March 28, 2027.)

OCIA offers a small group setting to learn more about our Catholic faith. Sessions focus on the teachings & experience of the Catholic Church and prepare individuals to enter full communion at Easter with the reception of the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. You are welcome to participate with your questions, your insights and your faith story in a warm accepting setting.

If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Raymond at 860-828-0332 or rraymond@stpaulkensington.org.

ACP is for adult Catholics who never received the Sacrament of Confirmation for various reasons and would like to do so.

ACP is open to adult Catholics in the Archdiocese who are 18+ years old, have been Baptized and received First Holy Communion, never received the Sacrament of Confirmation, and if married, are in a valid Catholic marriage. (If married outside the Catholic Church and would like to have your marriage recognized in the Church, please contact one of the friars.)



Our parish typically holds two six-week ACP sessions per year, one in the fall and another in the spring. Our Fall 2026 ACP is now underway. If you would like to learn more or to get on our list for the Spring 2027 session, click on the link above. Questions can be directed to Todd Cusano at tcusano@att.net.

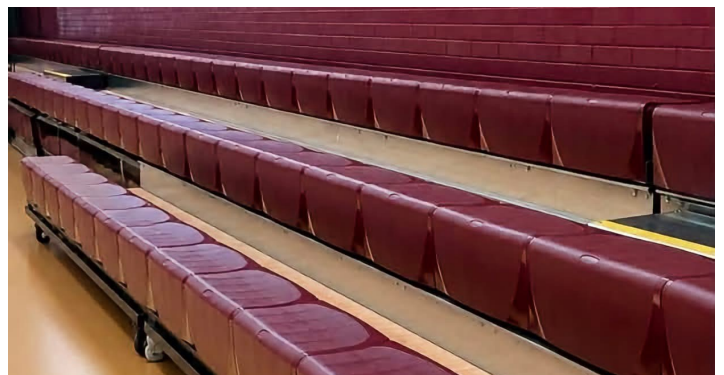
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Rooted in Faith & Ready for a New School Year!

A huge shout out to one of our talented SPS parents, Mrs. Caravaca, for creating a beautiful hand-painted welcome sign! We love how it brings our "Rooted in Faith" theme to life while incorporating faith, learning, school spirit, and our Lion!



Thanks to the incredible generosity of private donors, our school gym has received an exciting upgrade—brand-new bleachers! Just in time for Back to School! Our new bleachers provide more seating for our families and fans, store more efficiently to maximize valuable gym floor space, and include accessible seating to ensure everyone can comfortably enjoy our events.



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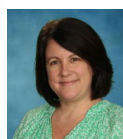
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BUSINESS / PROFESSIONAL CLOTHING DRIVE

Our St. Paul Culture of Life Ministry is conducting a clothing drive for the month of August, in conjunction with the Cathedral of St. Joseph's Food Pantry & Clothing Distribution Center of the Archdiocese of Hartford.



Items being collected are gently-used/laundered or **new business casual and professional clothing for women.**

The following items are needed, in any size:

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| ☐ Dress Slacks
(No Jeans) | ☐ Sweaters |
| ☐ Dresses | ☐ Blazers |
| ☐ Skirts | ☐ Shoes |
| ☐ Blouses | ☐ Purses |
| | ☐ Costume Jewelry |

Also needed are **NEW and UNOPENED** socks and undergarments for women. The donated items will be distributed to women who have been rescued from trafficking, to help them in the job interview process and in their new work lives. Items can be dropped off in the labeled bins at the church entrances. The collection will run **through Monday, Aug. 31.**

Questions? Please call Cheryl Pagano at 860-218-3177 or Lynn Misteri at 860-913-5448. **THANK YOU!**

WOMEN OF FAITH

Our Women of Faith group will return from summer break and resume meeting on **Thursday, September 10th.**



As we prepare to begin our sixth year together, we warmly welcome all women of the parish to join us this fall.

The topic for our September 10th gathering will be: ***How do you know when God is telling you to let go.***

Whether you are a returning member or considering attending for the first time, we invite you to be part of this faith filled community of prayer, fellowship and spiritual growth. *We look forward to welcoming you in September.* Should you have questions, email us at womenoffaith@stpaulkensington.org

ITALIAN NIGHT

Save the date for Italian Night!

Saturday, November 7th
Saint Paul School gym
Following 4:00 pm Mass



All proceeds from the evening will benefit the Youth Ministry of our parish. **TICKETS WILL GO ON SALE OCTOBER 1ST.**

If you would like to donate or if you are interested in helping out, please contact Lynn Misteri, (860) 913-5448 or Betty Lasker (860) 992-8390. **Donations for the event are currently begin accepted** and can be sent to the Parish Center or picked up by contacting either Lynn or Betty.

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