

St. Paul the Apostle Parish



Lincoln Park

Fr. Leonard F. Villa, Pastor

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Deacon Rudolph Teng

Deacon Thomas Barbagallo

Masses

Saturday 9:00 AM Sunday Vigil 5:00 PM
Sunday 7:45 AM, 9:15 AM, 10:45 AM, 12:15 PM
Latin Mass 1:30 PM, first three Sundays
2:30 PM fourth Sunday of the Month.
Weekdays 9:00 AM
Holy Days 9:00 AM, 7:30 PM

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Sacrament of Baptism

Sundays at 2:45pm except the 4th Sunday of
each month by appointment

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00-4:45 PM. Anytime requested.

Sacrament of Marriage

Six months advance notice is mandatory.
Marriage preparation course required.
Call rectory for appointment.

Sacrament of the Sick

Call the rectory for attention to home-bound

Parish Registration

Contact the rectory

Parish

Website: www.stpaulyonkers.org
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Parish Meetings

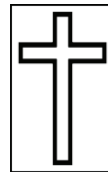
Monday	6:45 PM St. Paul's Folk Dance
Tuesday	7:30 Legion of Mary
Tuesday	8:00 PM Prayer Group
2nd Tuesday	8:00 PM Men's Group
Wednesday	7:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting
Thursday	7:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting
Thursday	7:00 PM Al-Anon
1st Friday	9:30-11:00 Adoration
Friday	7:30 PM Boy Scouts
Saturday	9:30 AM Religious Educ. PreK-8
Sunday	7:00 PM A.A. Beginners Meeting

Pregnancy Hot Line

Tel: 800-640-0767



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT NOVEMBER 30, 2025



MASS *Intentions*

Saturday Nov. 29, 2025

5:00 Pat O'Connor & Tommy Smyth Family

Sunday Nov. 30, 2025

7:45 Eibhlin McGowan Kieran/Brid O'Sullivan

9:15 Mary Kilgariff (living) St. Paul's Rel Ed

10:45 Sebastian Conticello (25th Anniv) Donna

12:15 Mary Shea Condon Family

1:30 For the People of the Parish

Monday Dec. 1, 2025

9:00 Carmelina Albaraccin Teng family

12:00 Denis Freyne & family (living)

Tuesday Dec. 2, 2025

9:00 Ellen Lupo Geraldine Mauro

Wednesday Dec. 3, 2025

9:00 Ralph Dello Ioio Catherine McCarthy

12:00 John Freyne & family (living)

Thursday Dec. 4, 2025

9:00 Rosaleen DaRos Curtin family

12:00 In Thanksgiving

Friday Dec. 5, 2025

9:00 James Stephen Dudek Catherine McCarthy

Saturday Dec. 6, 2025

9:00 Thomas Brennan (Bday Mem) Mary Brennan

12:00 Eoin Hassett (living)

5:00 Joan Odell (Anniversary) son, Stephen

Sunday Dec. 7, 2025

7:45 For the People of the Parish

9:15 Catherine Cafferky Mary

10:45 Frank Beirne (Anniversary) Mary Beirne

12:15 Les Hardy Kathleen Jacob

1:30 John Vasile Laura Winterroth



Pray FOR THE SICK

Michael Curtin, Richard Lyons, Grace Lyons,
Ayanah Audrey Naron, Cresvic Flores, Joseph
Molack, Antone Flores, Victor Fierro, Timothy
O'Connor, Valentina Rakaj, Maureen Pastor, Pete
Coppa, Rosemary Libre, Steven Guzzardi, Joseph
Reagan, Leny Sunaz, Bridig Robinson, Kathleen
Kerrigan, Carol Saxe, Maria Toppi, Eleanor Coloso,
Sonny Tiongson, Camielle Moynihan, Eileen
Coughlin, Carol O'Neill, Jane Curtin, Rose Rampa &
Patrizia DeGiovanni



Please remember in prayer all those who died
this week and those who mourn them.

LECTORS:

Nov. 29th 5:00 D. Estrosas

Nov. 30th 7:45 S. Abraham 9:15 A. Canale

10:45 A. Urgola 12:15 F. Brady

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STEWARDSHIP: Week of November 23, 2025

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About Mary You Can Never Say Enough

(*De Maria Numquam Satis*)

St Bernard of Clairvaux

Pope Benedict, before he was Pope, as Cardinal Ratzinger, commented on the title of this essay in a book called *The Ratzinger Report* pages 105-109. About this saying he said: *It seemed exaggerated to me. So, it was difficult for me to understand the true meaning of another famous expression...the declaration that designated the Virgin Mary as the "conqueror of all heresies."* Now in this confused period where truly every type of heretical aberration seems to be pressing upon the doors of the authentic faith-now I understand that it was not a matter of pious exaggerations, but of truths that today are more valid than ever. Then Cardinal Ratzinger listed six things, which point to the importance of Mary about the fullness of the Catholic Faith:

- 1) The Church's teaching on Mary points to the correct teaching on Christ. **The Marian dogmas flow out of direct service to Christ. They protect the original faith in Christ as true God and true Man in one divine Person, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity.**
- 2) Teaching on Mary shows the right relationship between Scripture and Tradition
- 3) In her person Mary binds together in a living way the old and new People of God. She is the connecting link between the Old and New Testaments.
- 4) Mary is the unity of two dimensions of the human person, intellectual understanding, and the reasons of the heart as the great thinker Pascal would say. (Blaise Pascal: *The heart has its reasons which reason knows not. Les Pensées*)
- 5) Mary is the image and model of the meaning of the Church.
- 6) With her destiny as Virgin and Mother, Mary continues to project a light on that which the Creator intended for women in every age, ours included, an age, in which the very essence of femininity is threatened.

Venerable Bishop Sheen pointed out that those who lose devotion to Mary lose belief in the Divinity of Christ and those who intensify devotion to her are led to that belief. Mary always points to her Son! Below follows another reflection on the Mother of God by the great Pope, St. Pius X:

[C]an anyone fail to see that **there is no surer or more direct road than by Mary for uniting all mankind in Christ and obtaining through Him the perfect adoption of sons**, that we may be holy and immaculate in the sight of God? For if to Mary it was truly said: "Blessed art thou who hast believed because in thee shall be fulfilled the things that have been told thee by the Lord" ... How do you think otherwise? **Could not God have given us, in another way than through the Virgin the Redeemer of the human race and the Founder of the Faith? But, since Divine Providence has been pleased that we should have the Man-God through Mary, who conceived Him by the Holy Ghost and bore Him in her breast, it only remains for us to receive Christ from the hands of Mary.** Hence whenever the Scriptures speak prophetically of the grace, which was to appear among us, the Redeemer of mankind is almost invariably presented to us as united with His mother...

And that **through the Virgin, and through her more than through any other means, we have offered to us a way of reaching the knowledge of Jesus Christ**, cannot be doubted when it is remembered that with her alone of all others Jesus was for thirty years united, as a son is usually united with a mother, in the closest ties of intimacy and domestic life. Who could better than His Mother have an open knowledge of the admirable mysteries of the birth and childhood of Christ, and above all of the mystery of the Incarnation, which is the beginning and the foundation of faith? Mary not only preserved and meditated on the events of Bethlehem and the facts which took place in Jerusalem in the Temple of the Lord, but sharing as she did the thoughts and the secret wishes of Christ, she may be said to have lived the very life of her Son. Hence **nobody ever knew Christ so profoundly as she did, and nobody can ever be more competent as a guide and teacher of the knowledge of Christ.** **Saint Pius X** (emphasis added) *Ad diem illum laetissimum* (END)

"I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church."

The Church was already Catholic on the morning of Pentecost. The Church which is "Jesus Christ spread abroad and communicated" completes—so far as it can be completed here below—the work of spiritual reunion made necessary because of sin; that work was begun at the Incarnation, God becomes Flesh and was carried on up to Calvary. In one sense the Church is herself this reunion, for that is what is meant by the name of Catholic, by which we find her called from the second century onward, and which in Latin and well as in Greek was for long bestowed upon her as a proper noun.
Cardinal Henri de Lubac S.J.

NOTE: Heresy is a sin against faith and the First Commandment. It is the obstinate denial of some truth after baptism which must be believed by divine and catholic faith, or it is likewise an obstinate doubt concerning the same (Catechism of the Catholic Church #2089) **Divine faith** is the "acceptance of the revealed truths as true through grace on the authority of the Word of God revealing. **Catholic faith** is the sum of truths revealed by God in Scripture and Tradition and which the Catholic Church presents in a brief form in her creeds.

In the human being, faith stands for the habit or virtue by which these truths are assented to. The heretic, who is aware that his belief is at odds with Catholic teaching and yet continues to cling to his belief pertinaciously is **a formal heretic. Material heresy**, on the other hand, means that the individual is unaware that his heretical opinion denies some truth, which is to be believed by divine and Catholic faith. The opinion of a material heretic is still heresy, and it produces the same objective results as formal heresy, but, because of his ignorance, he commits no sin by holding it.

All those things are to be believed by divine and Catholic faith, which are contained in the written Word of God or in Tradition, and which are proposed by the Church, either in solemn judgment or in its ordinary and universal teaching office, as divinely revealed truths which must be believed." (First Vatican Council, 1870) Tradition is the faith that the apostles received and handed on to the faithful by word of mouth or by letter. **It is the living transmission of the apostolic preaching accomplished in the Holy Spirit** (Catechism of the Catholic Church # 78). It is the living faith of the Church.

The Knight of Columbus Cardinal Hayes Council 3995 will be hosting the Silver Rose Ceremony dedicated to Our Lady of Guadalupe on December 7th at 2:30 PM at St Paul the Apostle Parish. All are welcome.

Weekly Friday Adoration: Our Lord will be exposed on the altar for an hour every Friday morning from 9:30 to 10:30am. The hour will begin with a recitation of the Rosary followed by silent prayer.

Poinsettia Plants on the Christmas altar memorialize our loved ones. Please donate \$20 for a memorial plant. Envelopes can be found in the back of the church.

FORMED

Bible Study and More! Go to stpaulyonkers.formed.org and register which gives you access to quality Catholic on line programs, movies, audios, and books. Today is the Feast of St. Andrew, Apostle. Watch: *St. Andrew: After the Upper Room, Daily Reflections*, or *Lectio Evangelization, Session 2: Clothed with Power*. Today is also the First Sunday of Advent. Register at daily.formed.org to receive daily advent reflections on the Mass readings with Dr. Tim Gray. Watch: *Advent, Prepare Your Heart* with Fr. Agustino Torres, CFR; *Behold* with Sr. Miriam James, SOLT; or *Adore* with Fr. John Burns.

Our Knights of Columbus council is having their Charitable Raffle with a \$50,000 in cash prizes. Drawing will be held Dec.6th. Ticket price: \$10 for a book of four. You can visit kofc3995.org for more information and how to purchase tickets to support their charitable efforts.

The Mass book for 2026 is open. You may visit or call the rectory before 12 noon or submit your requests through our email at stpaulyonkers@gmail.com

St. John Paul II Church at Immaculate Conception, Sleepy Hollow, Annual Christmas Fair, Dec. 7th, 10am-4pm – French chocolate, baked goods, Christmas gifts, soaps and more!

Knitting Group seeking new members. Join for knitting, crocheting & good company. Fridays 10am to 12noon in St. Barnabas HS cafeteria. For more info. Contact Joanne at 718-994-6364 or Veronica at 914-237-1148.

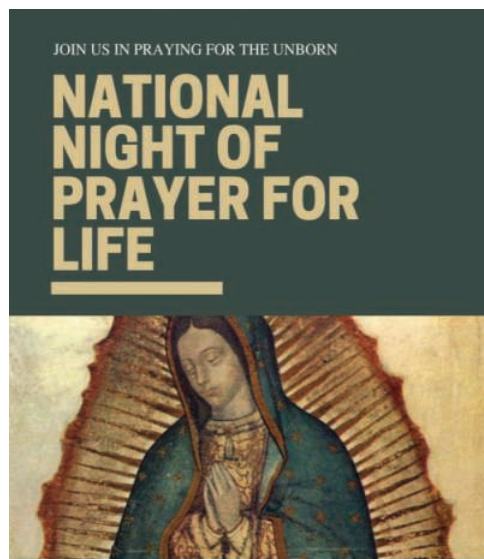
Scout Christmas Wreath Distribution will be taking place after each mass this weekend. The Scouts and Leaders of Troop 47 would like to thank all for their support & wish everyone a Merry Christmas season and a Happy & Healthy 2026 New Year. Any concerns contact Scoutmaster Tom Smyth 237-0294

Legion of Mary Movie Matinee Saturday, Dec. 13th @1pm in School Cafeteria -*The Bells of St. Mary's*.

Sacred Heart Church Christmas Market- Sat., Dec. 6th, 10am-6pm in the Grade School. Handcrafted gifts & Crafts, Santa & kid's activities, delicious treats! For more info. Contact Lisa Maskara 914-310-5457.

The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers is having their Annual Christmas Luncheon on Thurs, Dec 11th, 1:00pm at Tombolino Ristorante. Cost \$31 per person payable in cash at the luncheon. Reservations required. Info/reservations, 914-423-5331. Members/guests are welcome.

Holiday Toy Drive - Please join Hodder Farenga Funeral Home in a Holiday Toy Drive now through December 15th. New, unwrapped toys or clothing may be brought to Hodder Farenga. All donations will benefit Elizabeth Seton Children's Center in Yonkers, NY. Help Us Decorate This Holiday With Joy!



Annual National Night of Prayer for Life begins with Mass at 7:30PM Dec. 8th to 1:00AM Dec. 9th. During the Hour of Unity, 12 AM – 1 AM EST, we will be united with churches across the country in prayer.



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