

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
E-mail: stpaulyonkers@gmail.com

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
Friday 9:30-10:30 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

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
MARCH 29, 2026



MASS Intentions

Saturday **Mar. 28, 2026**
 5:00 Peter & Ann Fetzko Rosanne Snyder
Sunday **Mar. 29, 2026**
 7:45 Jose & Mercedes Borrani daughter
 9:15 Chris Pascucci & family (living) E. Slattery
 10:45 For the People of the Parish
 12:15 Bridget Reidy & Sean Flynn M. Courtney
 1:30 Msgr. John Gallagher Curtin family
Monday **Mar. 30, 2026**
 9:00 Henry & Jeanette Kostivitch J. O'Neill
 12:00 Ronald Lee Sharon Abraham
Tuesday **Mar. 31, 2026**
 9:00 Pietro & Anna Canale Pia Canale
Wednesday **Apr. 1, 2026**
 9:00 Msgr. John Gallagher (Anniversary)
 12:00 Joseph & Marie Henry Laura Winterroth



Sunday **Apr. 5, 2026**
 7:45 Evelyn, Peter & Frankie Daly family
 9:15 Sr. Eileen Treanor St. Paul's Parish
 10:45 Deceased of Foley Family Evelyn
 12:15 Concetta & Luigi Carletto family
 1:30 For the People of the Parish

Pray FOR THE SICK

Richard Lyons, Grace Lyons, Joseph Molack, Antone Flores, Victor Fierro, Timothy O'Connor, Valentina Rakaj, Pete Coppa, Rosemary Libre, 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, Willi Dunz, Noemi Asuncion Bernardez, Ann Zillitto, Patrizia DeGiovanni & Carol Santini.



Please remember in prayer all those who died this week especially, Margaret Henighan, Paul Monroid, Herminio Asuncion, Cornelio Sitchon, and those who mourn them.

LECTORS:

Mar. 28th 5:00 D. Estrosas
 Mar. 29th 7:45 S. Abraham 9:15 A. Canale
 10:45 A. Urgola 12:15 F. Brady

We are thankful for your consistent stewardship.

STEWARDSHIP: Week of March 22, 2026

1 st Collection	\$3,219
2 nd Collection	\$1,380
Shrines	\$157
Online Giving	\$1,600
Total	\$6,356

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HELL

*Father, accept this offering from your whole family.
Grant us your peace in this life, **save us from final damnation,**
and count us among those you have chosen.⁸²⁰ Canon of the Mass*

But does Hell truly exist? The whole Gospel attests to the existence of Hell. Many a time does the merciful Saviour warn His disciples against it:

- "And if your right eye scandalizes you, pluck it out and cast it. from you. For it is expedient for you that one of your members should perish, rather than your whole body be cast into Hell. "(Matt5:29)
- "Depart from me, you cursed, into everlasting fire."(Matt 25:41)

Every day we should pray for perseverance in the Catholic Faith and final perseverance. Heaven is not "in the bag" anyone can be lost even after years of being in the Church. This is why St. Ignatius Loyola includes an exercise on considering Hell and praying for salvation. The Church teaches in her *Catechism*:

1033 **We cannot be united with God unless we freely choose to love him. But we cannot love God if we sin gravely against him, against our neighbor or against ourselves:** "He who does not love remains in death. Anyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him."⁸¹⁸ Our Lord warns us that we shall be separated from him if we fail to meet the serious needs of the poor and the little ones who are his brethren.⁸¹¹ **To die in mortal sin without repenting and accepting God's merciful love means remaining separated from him forever by our own free choice.** This state of definitive self-exclusion from communion with God and the blessed is called "hell."

1034 Jesus often speaks of "Gehenna" of "the unquenchable fire" reserved for those who to the end of their lives refuse to believe and be converted, where both soul and body can be lost.⁸¹² Jesus solemnly proclaims that he "will send his angels, and they will gather . . . all evil doers, and throw them into the furnace of fire,"⁸¹³ and that he will pronounce the condemnation: "Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire!"⁸¹⁴

1035 **The teaching of the Church affirms the existence of hell and its eternity. Immediately after death the souls of those who die in a state of mortal sin descend into hell, where they suffer the punishments of hell, "eternal fire."**⁸¹⁵ The chief punishment of hell is eternal separation from God, in whom alone man can possess the life and happiness for which he was created and for which he longs.

1036 The affirmations of Sacred Scripture and the teachings of the Church on the subject of hell are a call to the responsibility incumbent upon man to make use of his freedom in view of his eternal destiny. They are at the same time an urgent call to conversion: "Enter by the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is easy, that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard, that leads to life, and those who find it are few."⁸¹⁶

Since we know neither the day nor the hour, we should follow the advice of the Lord and watch constantly so that, when the single course of our earthly life is completed, we may merit to enter with him into the marriage feast and be numbered among the blessed, and not, like the wicked and slothful servants, be ordered to depart into the eternal fire, into the outer darkness where "men will weep and gnash their teeth."⁸¹⁷

1037 **God predestines no one to go to hell;**⁶¹⁰ for this, a willful turning away from God (a mortal sin) is necessary, and persistence in it until the end. In the Eucharistic liturgy and in the daily prayers of her faithful, the Church implores the mercy of God, who does not want "any to perish, but all to come to repentance".⁶¹¹

610 1 Jn 3:14-15. **611** Cf. Mt 25:31-46. **612** Cf. Mt 5:22, 29; 10:28; 13:42, 50; Mk 9:43-48. **613** Mt 13:41-42.

614 Mt 25:41. **615** Cf. DS 76; 409; 411; 801; 858; 1002; 1351; 1575; Paul VI, CPG # 12. **616** Mt 7:13-14.

617 LG 48 # 3; Mt 22:13; cf. Heb 9:27; Mt 25:13, 26, 30, 31 46. **618** Cf. Council of Orange II (529): DS 397; Council of Trent (1547):1567. **619** 2 Pet 3:9. **620** Roman Missal, EP I (Roman Canon) 88.

In much contemporary theology in the Church, influenced by the false teachings of modernism, there is certainly a crisis about the doctrine of Hell. This can be explained by at least three reasons: (**NOTE:** The Catholic Church officially condemns Modernism, labeled by Pope St. Pius X as the "synthesis of all heresies," for reinterpreting divine revelation based on subjective experience, evolution of dogma, and secular philosophies rather than objective, immutable truth. It denies that God can be known by reason and reduces faith to internal feelings.)

1. The way of conceiving the nature of God. God is no longer considered a most perfect nature in which all virtues are present at their highest degree. According to the perennial doctrine, the virtue of mercy, but also that of justice, is present in God at their highest degree and, precisely because God is supremely just, Hell exists. The eternity of punishment corresponds to offenses against God, which always have an infinite value since God is infinite.

2. The denial of moral absolutes. Contemporary theology is heavily influenced by so-called situation morality, according to which moral judgment should be entirely subject to the evaluation of the individual and contextual case. Be careful with the adverb "totally." Indeed, while it is true that the final judgment belongs solely to God because only He can scrutinize the internal forum and discern all possible mitigating circumstances, it is also true that the objectivity of an act cannot be totally denied in the name of subjective situations, so that ultimately everyone would be justified in behaving as their own conscience determines in that specific situation.

(**NOTE: Human consciences cannot overrule God and His Commandments** as if conscience was absolute. A sincerely erroneous conscience is binding **with emphasis on sincerely erroneous**. For example, a human conscience cannot overrule the prohibition against adultery on the theory that a person judges it good in a given set of circumstances. That conscience is not sincerely erroneous because it is in rebellion against God's commandment and purports to overrule Him in that situation, as if the person were a god, the original sin repeated.)

3. The denial of Catholicism as the true religion and the way to salvation. Contemporary theology is strongly influenced by a get-along spirit. Karl Rahner's so-called theory of anonymous Christianity asserts that, in fact, everyone is already saved as a human being and as part of a history that has been assumed and already totally redeemed by God. (**NOTE:** This is NOT Catholic teaching.) (END)

How can we fail to recall here the solemn warning of Saint Pius X: "Wanting to reconcile the Faith with the modern spirit leads not only to the weakening of the Faith, but to its total loss" Very brief conclusions... First, the crisis of society arose from a Christianity transformed into a religion of man. The self-destruction of the Church stems from its adherence to the religion of man. The two crises are therefore similar, if not identical: they both reside in the rejection of the natural common good and in the obscuring of the supernatural common good, as well as in the correlative exaltation of the human person.

...(W)e must never, NEVER, despair. Without being prophets, we can say serenely, with ABSOLUTE certainty, that nature and God's grace will have the last word... Let us therefore wait patiently and bequeath this virtue of patience to our children and grandchildren. In this way, we will have done our best, and whoever does their best, where the destiny of birth and divine will have placed them, is assured of victory. For to do one's best is to act, and this act of unwavering fidelity to nature and grace is superior to all the powers of Hell that could be unleashed against them. Marcel De Corte (END)

NOTE: Saint Pio of Pietrelcina (1887-1968) says that "**the virtue that best assures us of our perfection is the virtue of patience.**" St Thomas Aquinas said, **the virtue that best demonstrates a man's holiness is holy patience!**" Jesus speaks clearly: "In your persevering patience, you will possess your souls." (Luke 21:19)

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Confession will be offered in all Parishes throughout the entire Archdiocese of New York on Monday, March 30th from 2PM to 4PM and 6PM to 8PM in preparation for Easter.



Last Day for Easter Flower Offering - Please consider memorializing a loved one during this Easter season by donating \$20 for a pot of lilies, envelopes are available in the rear of the church.

Foundations of Faith – April 8th & 9th – A Journey Through the Catechism of the Catholic Church presented by Fr. Morrow on Wed. at 7:30PM or Thurs. at 10AM (same presentation). For questions call 914-965-9333.

Our Knights of Columbus council is running a 50/50 raffle. Grand prize \$3000 and other lower cash prizes. Only 300 tickets will be sold. \$7500 in prizes. 20 chances in 300 to win a cash prize. Please go to <http://www.kofc3995.org> and click on Raffle Programs at the top of the page for details.

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 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. Watch: *Lectio Eucharist – The Last Supper and the Cross; Lectio: Salvation; Triduum – A Spiritual Pilgrimage; The Passion According to Saint Luke; Holy Week in Rome; No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through the Passion; or The Resurrection of Jesus – Fact or Fiction*. Listen to: *Holy Week* by Dr. Brant Pitre, *Jesus of Nazareth: Holy Week* by Pope Benedict XVI, or *Glimpses Along the Way of the Cross*.

Tax statements for your church contributions are available, at your request, at the rectory. Please call the rectory weekdays before noon or preferably email your request to stpaulyonkers@gmail.com.

Grown-up Faith Formation - The Legion of Mary is offering a monthly opportunity for you to learn about/refresh your memory on our Faith (and you get to have coffee/tea and a nosh). It might be what you need to find some peace and to get some answers to questions. There will be an opportunity for Confession (don't worry if it has been a while). Saint Paul School Cafeteria, Saturday, April 25th from 9:30am - 11:00am

Lourdes Virtual Pilgrimage Experience – Wed., April 15th, 12pm at Manhattan University, Smith Auditorium. An opportunity to touch the Grotto Rock, Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, and a Holy Rosary Procession. For more info. call 718-862-7546.



This year's *Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal* has begun. This year, our parish is asked to raise \$50,000 of the \$21M goal for the *Appeal*. We are currently at \$29,755 or 60% of goal! {Last year, thanks to 100 participants we were able to reach 110% of our goal.} Please know that if all of us here today participate we will easily reach our goal this year.



holy week

Holy Thursday April 2, 2026

7:30PM Mass of the Lord's Supper
 8:30PM to 12PM Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Good Friday April 3, 2026

9:00AM Tenebrae, Office of Readings
 Morning Prayer
 3:00PM Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

7:00PM Solemn Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday April 4, 2026

9:00AM Tenebrae, Office of Readings
 Morning Prayer

Easter Vigil April 4, 2026

8:00PM Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday April 5, 2026

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