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Lincoln Park

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Fr. George Valliamthadathil, M.S.F.S.

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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

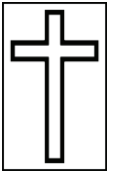
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Parish Meetings

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
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



PENTECOST SUNDAY
MAY 24, 2026

MASS Intentions

Saturday May 23, 2026

5:00 Dorothy, John & Robert O'Neill

Sunday May 24, 2026

7:45 Sharon Abraham (living) Religious Ed

9:15 Maddalena, Maria, Domenico Iemma

10:45 George Snyder Jr. (Bday memorial) Rosanne

12:15 For the People of the Parish

2:30 Kathleen Carty & Cathy D.

Monday May 25, 2026

9:00 Mary Gizzo Paul Nardoizzi

12:00 John & Mary Freyne

Tuesday May 26, 2026

9:00 George & Anita (living) Drita

Wednesday May 27, 2026

9:00 Edward Stack Josephine Reynolds

12:00 John & Mary Freyne

Thursday May 28, 2026

9:00 Angelo & Angela (living) Drita

12:00 Holy Souls in Purgatory

Friday May 29, 2026

9:00 Intentions of Virginia Markman (living)

Saturday May 30, 2026

9:00 Intentions of Brunga Family

12:00 John Vasile Laura Winterroth

5:00 Peggy Bralken & Tom Flynn Delia Flynn

Sunday May 31, 2026

7:45 Jerry Cregin Cregin family

9:15 Gerard Sullivan (living) Religious Ed

10:45 Members of Legion of Mary (living)

12:15 For the People of the Parish

1:30 Catherine Hassett (living-Birthday)



Richard Lyons, Grace Lyons, Joseph Molack, Victor Fierro, Timothy O'Connor, Valentina Rakaj, Pete Coppa, Rosemary Libre, Bridig Robinson, Kathleen Kerrigan, Carol Saxe, Maria Toppi, Camielle Moynihan, Eileen Coughlin, Carol O'Neill, Jane Curtin, Rose Rampa, Willi Dunz, Noemi Asuncion Bernardez, Ann Zillitto, Patrizia DeGiovanni, Carol Santini and Ed Catis.



Please remember in prayer all those who died this week especially, Nicholas Florio, Antonio Deuna, Fr. Harry Burke, David D. Williamson, and those who mourn them.

LECTORS:

May 23rd 5:00 D. Estrosas

May 24th 7:45 S. Abraham 9:15 A. Canale
10:45 A. Urgola 12:15 E. Slattery

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STEWARDSHIP: Week of May 17, 2026

1st Collection	\$3,459
2nd Collection	\$975
Shrines	\$201
Ascension Thursday	\$891
Online giving	\$1,500
Total	\$7,026

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BE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT
PENTECOST

Biblical Meaning of Blessing in the Bible

Origins & Hebrew Roots	Divine & Human Blessings		Key Biblical Examples
 <p>In Hebrew, "berakah" means "to kneel in reverence" or "to bless with uplifted hands," symbolizing divine favor and gratitude.</p> <p>Roots in Genesis 12:2—"I will make lin a great nation."</p>	 <p>Divine Blessing God's blessing brings life, prosperity, and Coverhantal promise (Psalm 103:2)</p>	 <p>Human Blessing Humans are called to bless one another in faith and love (Numbers 6:24–26)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Abraham: "I will bless you... and make your name great" (Genesis 12:2) • Moses' Priestly Blessing: "May the Lord bless you and keep you" (Numbers 6:24–26) • Jessus' Beatitudes: "Blessed are the poor in spirit..." (Matthew 5:3) • Paul's Teaching: "Bless those who persecute you" (Romans 12:14)
<p>Blessing is not just a wish. et is a sacred act of grace, empowerment, and spiritual alignment with God's will.</p>			

Cardinal Gerhard Müller recently reflected on the meaning of blessings:

On God's blessing and the fake blessing of this world (edited)

...(T)he Church teaches that Christ died on the cross for the sins of all people and that the Holy Spirit withholds God's grace from no one who turns to the Gospel so that they may lead a new and holy life in the footsteps of Christ. Only for this reason can the Apostle say to the baptized: "Do not live like the Gentiles in their futile thinking... Put off your old self, which is wasting away in deceitful desires; change your former way of life and renew your minds. Put on the new self, created in the image of God in true righteousness and holiness" (Ephesians 4:17, 22–24).

In the context of the Synods of Bishops and the national-synodal processes in the local churches, a favorite topic of certain bishops, theologians, and contemporary laypeople repeatedly surfaces. **Instead of leading people to the God-man Jesus Christ, the one and true mediator between God and humanity, they see the future of the Church, in a monothematic and spiritually limited way, in the adoption of gender and rainbow ideologies.** Therefore, they even risk the visible unity of the Church in the truth of Christ, as the Lord himself, as head of the Church, entrusted it to the entire College of Bishops, with and under the Pope as the personal successor of Peter on the Roman Cathedra.

The private or even paraliturgical blessing of same-sex and opposite-sex couples in irregular relationships is based on the heretical denial of the revealed truth that God created humankind as male and female. And Jesus, who in his person is the way, the truth, and the life, confirmed the original will of the Creator against the Pharisees' casuistry on divorce and definitively revealed that man and woman become one flesh only through the marital vows (cf. Mt 19:3–9). Thus, in marriage, man and woman form a personal and sexual unity in mutual love, in their shared life, and in their openness to the children God desires to give them. And only man and woman in marital unity are blessed by God so that they may be fruitful, multiply, populate the earth, and (wisely) rule over all other creatures on earth (cf. Gen 1:28).

There is no mention, either in Sacred Scripture or in the entire Tradition of the Church, of blessing people in adulterous relationships—and certainly not of authorizing bishops to order or permit fraudulent and blasphemous blessings. The liturgical or private blessing (benedictio = approval) with which we are blessed in Christ is a prayer of the Church, trusting in God's help and assistance for people so that they may be encouraged in all that is good, and by no means an endorsement of an ungodly life of sin. Human weakness can be no excuse, because the Holy Spirit helps us with his grace, which God does not withhold from anyone who earnestly asks him for it (cf. Rom 8:26).

But of those who “exchange the truth of God for a lie” and replace God’s order with their own ideologies and self-constructed pseudo-theologies mixed with sociology and psychology, the Apostle says that they think wrongly and live in sin, which means the death of the life of grace; and that, knowing their wrong actions, they still agree with those who act in such a contradiction to God (cf. Rom 1:25, 32).

...Anyone who, as a teacher of the faith appointed by Christ and a shepherd of the faithful, is truly interested in the inner peace and eternal salvation of the believers entrusted to their care, does not make people in difficult situations pawns of a godless ideology or instruments of their self-promotion within the woke community, but rather points them personally to Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

“For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect was tempted as we are yet did not sin. Let us therefore, with confidence, approach the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and grace and receive help in due time” (Hebrews 4:15-16). For he alone is the true Messiah, and he alone can help people without exception from every spiritual distress and all emotional strain—unlike the worldly saviors who, with their doctrines of self-redemption, have so often been the downfall of humanity.

Gender ideology directly contradicts Christian anthropology. And with its arbitrarily invented 60–80 genders, it also directly contradicts biological science. It violates common sense, which knows that every individual human being originates from the union of their own father and their own mother. With the woke ideology, originally stemming from atheistic-materialistic thought, a destructive heresy and a schismatic divisive force has infiltrated the Catholic Church, comparable in the extent of its contradiction to the revealed truth of God to Manichaeism or Pelagianism.

And the study of church history teaches us that only through the continuous resistance of the Magisterium of the Popes and Councils, and the intellectual power of the great Church Fathers from Augustine to Thomas Aquinas and John Henry Newman, could these and other existential threats to the Church be averted. **All man-made empires and atheistic strongholds of thought must fall sooner or later. But the gates of hell cannot overcome the Church, because Jesus, the Son of the living God, built it on the rock of St. Peter.**

It is not the transformation of the Church into a philanthropic movement with a religious-social slant that will lead the secularized people of the de-Christianized West back into the open arms of the Good Shepherd, Jesus Christ, who is the “Light of the Nations.” Only the Council Fathers of the Second Vatican Council can be said to express this desire: “To enlighten all people with the glory of the Church, which shines on the face of her as she proclaims the Gospel to all creation.” (Lumen Gentium 1)

The true disciples of Jesus do not seek the approval of people or the fake blessing of the “powerful, famous, and influential of this world” (cf. 1 Cor 2:6). For in love and truth, “the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ has blessed us with every blessing of his Spirit through our fellowship with Christ in heaven” (Eph 1:3). (All emphasis added) (END)

Cardinal Müller is the former Cardinal-Prefect of the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith.

NOTE: Any attempt to bless serious sin, attempting to co-opt God to sinful behavior, is a sin of blasphemy, mocking God the Creator. God will not be mocked. God will forgive serious sin through true repentance.

Catechism of the Catholic Church

1677 *Sacramentals are sacred signs instituted by the Church. They prepare men to receive the fruit of the sacraments and sanctify different circumstances of life.*

1678 **Among the sacramentals, blessings occupy an important place.** They include both praise of God for his works and gifts, and the Church's intercession for men that they may be able to use God's gifts according to the spirit of the Gospel. (emphasis added)



End Of Life Decision Making - The Archdiocese will be presenting an event at St Ann's Church, Fr. Anthony Hall, May 30th from 10am to 12 noon. Discussion will also include Living Wills and Health Care Proxies. To register please call 914-815-3009 or email advocatesoflife@optonline.net

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 at the cost of \$50 a ticket. \$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. The Knights will also be at all Masses the weekend of May 30 & 31st with raffles to purchase.

Golden Jubilee Wedding Mass will be celebrated Sun., June 7th at 2:30pm at St. Patrick's Cathedral, The Most Reverend Ronald A. Hicks, Archbishop of New York Celebrant. All who wish to attend can either register themselves or contact the rectory to register by Wed., May 20th. Couples unable to attend the Mass can still request a certificate through the parish.

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 Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday. Study: *Lectio: Evangelization, Session 2: Clothed in Power; Lectio: Peter, Session 8: Peter & Pentecost; Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Session 7: The Holy Spirit and the Life of Grace; or The Wild Goose*. Tomorrow is also the Memorial of The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church. Study: Symbolon: Knowing the Faith, Session 9: *Mary and the Saints, or The World's First Love: Mary, Mother of God*. Tuesday watch True Reformers: Session 3- *Saint Philip Neri: The Apostles of Joy* or Watch: St. Philip Neri.

Foundations of Faith – May 27th & 28th – 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.

Thursday, June 4th - Sacred Heart High School's 13th Annual Golf Outing at Dunwoodie Golf Course - where every dollar raised supports their gym restoration effort. For more information or any questions, please contact Lily Tucci, Director of Advancement, at ltucci@sacredhearths.org. We hope you'll join us this spring for a great day on the green!

St. John the Baptist/St. Ann's Vacation Bible Camp – Registration is now open for children to attend Vacation Bible Camp- held the week of July 13th thru July 17th, in Monsignor Maloney Hall, under St. John the Baptist Church. Fun week, our theme, "Illuminations Stations, shining a light on who Jesus really is", with music, arts and crafts, Bible study and recreation/games. For more information email sjbmhtsa.vbc@gmail.com



The 2026 Cardinal's Appeal is in progress. Our parish goal is \$50,000. Every gift/pledge is important no matter what the size. We are currently at \$45,360 or 91% of goal. You can give online at the parish website and there are Appeal envelopes in the back of the church. Thank you for your generosity.



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