

# St. Paul the Apostle Parish



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**Fr. Leonard F. Villa, Pastor**

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

**Fr. Michael J. Morrow**

**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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### Religious Education Office

Jackie Barton - Coordinator of Religious  
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602 McLean Ave., Yonkers, NY 10705  
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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](http://www.stpaulyonkers.org)  
E-mail: [stpaulyonkers@gmail.com](mailto: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



**ELEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**  
**JUNE 14, 2026**



**MASS Intentions**

**Saturday June 13, 2026**

5:00 Bob McHugh (LOM) Margaret Keane

**Sunday June 14, 2026**

7:45 Gerry & Maureen O’Sullivan

9:15 For the People of the Parish

10:45 Americo Rubeo & Joseph Pasqualoni

12:15 Eileen Slattery (living) Religious Ed

1:30 Jack Reidy Desmond Douglas

**Monday June 15, 2026**

9:00 The sick visited by The Legion of Mary (L)

12:00 Eileen Tobin (Bday memorial) J/C O’Neill

**Tuesday June 16, 2026**

9:00 Pat O’Sullivan (living-healing) Tuffy fmly

**Wednesday June 17, 2026**

9:00 Margaret & Frank Breen Cregin family

12:00 Teresa & Ann Nester

**Thursday June 18, 2026**

9:00 Unateresa Sheahan Gormley Sabel fmly/B Fallon

12:00 Pauline McCauley

**Friday June 19, 2026**

9:00 Unateresa Sheahan Gormley Sabel fmly/B Fallon

**Saturday June 20, 2026**

9:00 Brian Hurst Franchi family

12:00 Kelly & Marcus Daly & family (living)

5:00 Robert, Dorothy & John O’Neill

**Sunday June 21, 2026**

7:45 Peter Daly Daly family

9:15 For the People of the Parish

10:45 Patrick Donnelly Family

12:15 Giuseppe & Nello Imbrogno Family

1:30 The Scott Family (living) Kathleen Scott



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, Fr. Harry Burke, David D. Williamson, Gerard O’Sullivan, and those who mourn them.

**LECTORS:**

June 13<sup>th</sup> 5:00 D. Douglas

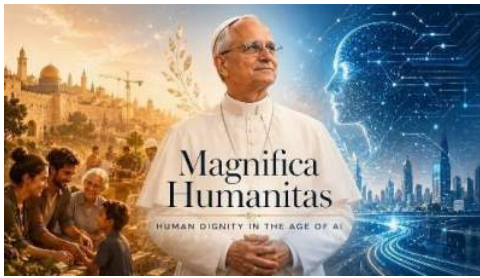
June 14<sup>th</sup> 7:45 S. Abraham 9:15 J. Barton  
 10:45 K. Snyder 12:15 E. Slattery

*We are thankful for your consistent stewardship.*

**STEWARDSHIP: Week of June 7, 2026**

1st Collection	\$4,036
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	\$1,130
Shrines	\$158
Online giving	\$2,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$7,824</b>

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish and its many needs. Your financial generosity for the upkeep of our Parish buildings and programs is essential and greatly appreciated. To sign up for WeShare go to [stpaulyonkers.org](http://stpaulyonkers.org) and click “Online Giving”. Thank you for your generosity!



## Pope Leo's First Encyclical: Magnifica Humanitas and Artificial Intelligence

-The encyclical teaches that human limits such as illness, aging, suffering, and vulnerability are not simply defects to be corrected; rather, human beings often flourish through their limitations, where they can discover wisdom, experience the closeness of others, and encounter the Lord (MH 118–119). Therefore, AI should serve humanity not by tempting us to escape limitation through optimization, but by supporting a life of “openness and communion” (MH 231).

-*Magnifica Humanitas* is addressed “to all the Catholic faithful, to all Christians and to men and women of goodwill” (MH 16). According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, the Catholic faithful are called to receive the pope’s ordinary teaching with “religious assent” (CCC 892). The title is Latin for “magnificent humanity.” It points to the document’s teaching that no machine can replace the God-given magnificence of the human person. Pope Leo XIV writes: “We must lovingly safeguard the grandeur of humanity bestowed upon us and revealed in its fullness in Christ, the splendor of which no machine can ever replace” (MH 15).

-The encyclical teaches that what seems to be human “limits,” such as “incapacity, illness, old age, suffering, [and] vulnerability,” must not be seen simply as “a defect to be corrected.” Rather, the magnificence of humanity is that we flourish “not despite [our] limitations, but often through them” (MH 118). In those moments, we can “discover a new wisdom, tangibly experience the closeness of others and encounter the presence of the Lord” (MH 119). Therefore, AI should serve the common good of humanity not by tempting us to escape human limitation through optimization, but by supporting a life of “openness and communion” (MH 231).

-Pope Leo XIV warns that “when efficiency becomes the ultimate measure of value, human beings are tempted to see themselves as a project to be optimized rather than as persons called to relationship and communion” (MH 112).

This means asking practical questions about AI-assisted technology in ordinary daily life:

- Does it help me remain faithful to the truth, despite the most appealing content? (MH 237)
- Does it help educate me and allow me to educate others? (MH 238)
- Does it help me cultivate genuine closeness in relationships and cherish places and times where physical presence remains crucial? (MH 239)
- Does it help me participate in the promotion of justice and peace? (MH 240)

-The encyclical is not a call to reject AI. It is a call to guide our development and use of AI toward the magnificence of humanity. (MH 4). No, the encyclical does not provide technical policy blueprints for AI governance. Instead, it offers the principles grounding the Church’s Social Doctrine as principles for discerning the development and use of AI, especially regarding its impact on human dignity, truth, responsibility, work, freedom, solidarity, peace, and the common good.

-The encyclical is framed by two biblical images: the Tower of Babel (Genesis 11:1-9) and the rebuilding of the walls of Jerusalem under Nehemiah (Nehemiah 2-6). **Babel represents a project of self-assertion, uniformity, and control: a society that sacrifices human dignity for efficiency and tries to reach heaven without God’s blessing. Nehemiah represents a different kind of building: prayerful, communal, responsible, and ordered toward communion. Nehemiah does not impose a solution from above; he listens, organizes, assigns responsibility, and helps the people rebuild together.**

Pope Leo XIV warns against the “Babel syndrome”: the idolatry of profit that sacrifices the weak, a uniformity that neutralizes differences, and the illusion that a single language (even a digital one) can translate the mystery of the person into data and performance (MH 10).

-Pope Leo XIV is not against AI. He does not issue a blanket condemnation of AI, nor does he praise AI as inherently good. The encyclical addresses the goods and dangers of technology, while also supporting innovation, productivity, and business enterprise. He teaches that these advances must remain ordered to human dignity rather than becoming the ultimate measures of value. Pope Leo XIV teaches that technology can “heal, connect, educate and protect our common home,” but it can also “divide, exclude and generate new forms of injustice” (MH 9). AI can be a “valuable tool” (MH 100), but it is not morally neutral in practice because it takes on the characteristics of those who “devise it, finance it, regulate it and use it” (MH 9). **The key question is not simply whether or not we use AI, but whether our use of AI is ordered toward the dignity of the human person and the common good.**

- “Disinformation,” “fake news,” and other forms of manipulation of information are not new, but AI can amplify them dramatically. The encyclical’s concern is not specific policies for the control of speech, but to call for the shared pursuit of honest communication and social trust (MH 132). Pope Leo XIV emphasizes that the shared pursuit of verified facts is a common good. A society cannot reason together, deliberate justly, or build trust if the difference between truth and falsehood is constantly manipulated. In addition, manipulated narratives can obscure the lessons of history and make people more vulnerable to fear, propaganda, and control (MH 191).

**-The encyclical warns against equating artificial “intelligence” with human intelligence.** The Holy Spirit has inscribed dignity in each of us, and “no computational system, however sophisticated, can create a heart that gives itself, or a conscience that discerns good from evil” (MH 233). Human intelligence is embodied. It matures through experience, relationships, joy, suffering, moral conscience, and responsibility. **AI can imitate language, behavior, analysis, and even empathy, but its outputs remain tied to data processing, statistical adaptation, and feedback. It does not possess a body, conscience, moral responsibility, or the capacity for genuine human understanding (MH 99).**

-The encyclical identifies violations of privacy as one harmful use of AI, but it places privacy within a broader concern: the danger of delegating moral responsibility to automated systems (MH 102). This is especially serious when AI influences decisions about employment, credit, access to public services, reputation, or opportunity. Such systems do not know “compassion, mercy, forgiveness, and above all, the hope that people are able to change” (MH 102). For this reason, important decisions affecting human dignity, as well as the governance of data, require transparency, accountability, and human responsibility.

-Transhumanism and posthumanism are two philosophical currents related to the future of technology. For a brief definition, transhumanism advocates using technology to overcome or enhance the limits of the human condition. Posthumanism goes further, imagining that humanity itself may be surpassed, replaced, or merged with machines or other forms of life.

-*Magnifica Humanitas* critiques these visions when they treat the human person as something to be perfected, surpassed, or optimized. Pope Leo XIV warns: “If the human being is treated as something to be perfected or surpassed, it becomes easier to accept that some lives are less useful, less desirable or less worthy” (MH 117). Against this, the encyclical insists that history can be changed for the better “when individuals truly take the dignity of everyone seriously” (MH 124). **The fulfillment of humanity, in all its magnificence and woundedness, does not come through “technological divinization,” but through “God’s grace received in Christ” (MH 126). END.**

You can read the whole encyclical here: <https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/encyclicals/documents/20260515-magnifica-humanitas.html> Ascension Press has an excellent summary here from which these bullet points are taken: <https://ascensionpress.com/blogs/articles/a-complete-guide-to-pope-leo-s-encyclical-magnificent-humanitas?srsId=AfmBOoPb3l8KJyw5RGDJT0hZsx4DrTwK87WYVHDCmrNdRDWe91i1iIN>

**Father's Day Remembrance** – There are envelopes available in the rear of the church for Father's Day. Fill in the names of your loved ones and return to be placed on the altar for the month of June.

The Month of June is dedicated to The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. We are proud to honor The Sacred Heart and The Family: father, mother and children, the building block of society and the church with a **Rosary Rally** on Saturday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 1pm in front of the church

## FORMED

**Bible Study and More!** Go to [stpaulyonkers.formed.org](http://stpaulyonkers.formed.org) and register which gives you access to quality Catholic on line programs, movies, audios, and books. This week Watch: *Jesus Thirsts: The Miracle of the Eucharist. When God Resurrects Your Life – How to Grow in Eucharistic Devotion*; or a 4 part visual journey film series on *The Mysteries of the Rosary/Paradisus Dei*.

**Foundations of Faith – June 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>** – 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.


**Relay** - A Catholic Path to Healing from Pornography. A fully anonymous app-based recovery program that combines clinically proven therapeutic techniques with Christian principles. Developed with input from leading Christian therapists, Relay helps individuals overcoming compulsive sexual behavior through daily structure, virtuous habits, and connection built to support long-term recovery. Manage your triggers, Practice real honesty, Uncover root issues, Track your progress, Join a global community, Get daily support. [joinrelay.app/parish](http://joinrelay.app/parish)

**Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers** will meet on Thurs, June 18th, 12:30pm, St. Ann's Church, Fr. Anthony Hall, Yonkers. Info: 914.423.5331. New members are always welcome.

**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 Society of the Patricians** invites you to share your thoughts on the following topic: I'm Living My Truth, Isn't That Enough? Please join us on: Thurs., June 18<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the school cafeteria, entrance in the parking lot. Refreshments will be served.

**Friends of Troop 47** will be fundraising after masses during the month of June for a drawing to be held at their Annual 4th of July Ceremony at Conor Park. Winner need not be present. If the event is postponed, the draw will occur, and the winner contacted. Funds will be used to purchase new equipment. Thank you to the Parishioners of St. Paul's for your 96 years of continued support of Troop 47.

Calling all caring hearts!  Join us for a **Baby Bottle Drive** to support Gianna's House Pregnancy Care Center in Brewster. Here's how you can get involved: - Pick up an adorable baby bottle after any Mass on June 27 & 28. - Fill it with love by donating spare coins, dollars or donations (checks made payable to Gianna's House). - Return your filled bottle to the church by July 12 after any Mass. Your small act of kindness can make an enormous difference in providing comfort and care to moms who need it most. Gianna's House is a Catholic pro-life pregnancy resource center helping women experiencing unexpected pregnancies to break down the obstacles they face so they can choose life for their babies. For any questions or further information, please contact: [director@giannashouseinc.org](mailto:director@giannashouseinc.org) or visit us at: [giannashouseinc.org](http://giannashouseinc.org).

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