

SAINT PAUL



ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Start your Lenten Journey with
The Franciscan Friars of the Renewal

The Friars will be
preaching at all Masses
the weekend of 2/17 - 2/18
at St. Paul, Ramsey, NJ



Mission Retreat

7:30 – 8:30 PM

Mon. 2/19

Tues. 2/20

Wed. 2/21

+ Confessions

+ Inspirational Music

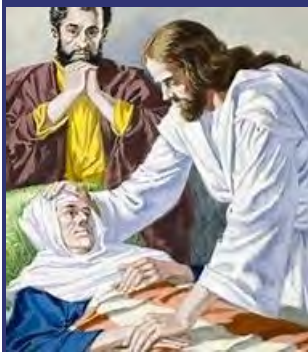
Let them inspire you to accept God's Unconditional Love, Forgiveness and
Unfathomable Mercy.



FRANCISCAN FRIARS
of the RENEWAL



ST. PAUL PARISH



On leaving the synagogue
Jesus entered the house of Simon
and Andrew with James and John.
Simon's mother-in-law lay sick
with a fever.
They immediately told him about
her.
He approached, grasped her
hand, and helped her up.
Then the fever left her and she
waited on them.

Schedule of Masses

Saturday: 9 am

Saturday Eve: 5 pm (Sunday Obligation)

Sunday: 7:30 am, 9 am, 10:30 am,
12 pm, & 7 pm

Weekdays: Monday-Friday 7:30 am & 12 pm

Holy Days: 7:30 am, Noon & 7:30 pm

National Holidays: 9:00 am

Spanish Mass: 7:00 pm, Second Saturday
Each Month

Mk 1:29 – 39

FEBRUARY 4, 2018

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, February 5 ~ St. Agatha

7:30AM Novena of Masses

12:00PM Miguel Joaquin ~ Rosario Egan

TUESDAY, February 6 ~ St. Paul Miki and Companions

7:30AM Monica Dougherty ~ The Remy Family

12:00PM Ashley Riggitano ~ The Riggitano Family

WEDNESDAY, February 7

7:30AM Dennis Gagnon ~ The Gagnon Family

12:00PM Justin Berthiaume ~ Joan Tommaney

THURSDAY, February 8

7:30AM Kevin Houlis ~ Martha & Frank Carey

12:00PM Novena of Masses

FRIDAY, February 9

7:30AM Barbara Kowalchuk ~ Eileen Morrissey

12:00PM Deceased Members of the Pelaschier & Zustovich Families ~ Pia Pelaschier

SATURDAY, February 10 ~ St. Scholastica

9:00AM Aurea & Fernando Rios ~ In Thanksgiving 50 Years Of Marriage

5:00PM People of the Parish

SUNDAY, February 11 ~ Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30AM Cornelius & Nora Lynch ~ Cathy & Joe Lynch

9:00AM Deceased Members of Holy Name Society

10:30AM Anthony Riccardi ~ Hank & Rose Enberg

12:00PM Joyce Paven ~ Kate Molinari

7:00PM Robert Lupano ~ The Schifano Family

CANDLELIGHT LIVING ROSARY



Our Candlelight Living Rosary honoring Our Lady of Lourdes will be held on

**SUNDAY AFTERNOON,
FEBRUARY 11TH at 4 pm in the Church.**

A Living Rosary is a beautiful spiritual opportunity for the entire family, where the Holy Rosary is prayed by candlelight with musical accompaniment.

This year marks the 160th anniversary of Our Blessed Mother Mary appearing to St. Bernadette in Lourdes, France, where Our

Lady revealed herself as The Immaculate Conception. The Blessed Mother has asked the faithful to pray the rosary daily for the conversion of hearts back to God, for peace in our families and in the world, for the intentions of Her Immaculate Heart.

Following the Rosary, the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick will be available for those in need.

Please join us . . . Bring your family . . . Bring a friend!

DEVOTIONS AND MEMORIALS

To have a loved one remembered please call the Parish Center Sanctuary Lamp ~ Bread and Wine



ALTAR BREADS

Ashley Riggitano ~ The Riggitano Family

ALTAR WINE

Ashley Riggitano ~ The Riggitano Family

SANCTUARY LAMP

Catherine Ponterio ~ John Ponterio

PRAYER REQUESTS

Military

All the women & men who serve in our armed forces.

Sick

Margaret Drobesh, Michael Mariniello, Judy McLay, Frank Aiello, Lorraine Harburg, Ava Richardson, and Ann Nardo

For those names that are listed on the altar.

Deceased

George Hauck

ASH WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 14, 2018



Ash Wednesday
Remember that you are dust,
and to dust you shall return.
-Ecclesiastes 3:20

Schedule of Masses

7:30 am Mass,

9:00 am Mass

Noon Mass

3:30 pm Prayer Service

7:30 pm Mass

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parish Family,

Two things usually tell us it's February: the *Super Bowl* and the *Sharing God's Blessings Appeal*. This year, they converge on the same weekend. While I'm not a big professional football fan, I do enjoy Super Bowl parties (who doesn't enjoy a get together where you can just eat unhealthy food all evening? I don't usually care so much who wins the game, but pass that dip!). The *Sharing God's Blessings Appeal* usually doesn't excite people as much, but that's too bad. During my years working in the Chancery in Newark as Director of Vocations I saw firsthand all the good that the Appeal (formerly called the *Archbishop's Annual Appeal*) does. It was the funds generated by the Appeal that helped us help young men discern a call to priesthood, and seminarians prepare for ordination. Personally speaking, my eight years of seminary education was far too expensive for my family to pay for me. Part of the cost of my seminary education came from student loans which I re-paid monthly for the first thirteen years of my priesthood, but the larger part of my seminary education was paid for by the Archdiocese of Newark through the Annual Appeal. I still pray today for those who contributed back in the 1980's to this appeal: they helped my dream of becoming a priest come true, and although I did not meet them personally here on this earth, I hope to meet them in heaven!

As a pastor, I've also seen the ways the Appeal benefits local parishes: through the offices in Newark that support our ministries, help train our ministers, and assist the local pastor in his (at times) overwhelming administrative duties. And, living in the *City of Newark* and working in the *Archdiocesan Center*, I saw firsthand how the Appeal supports and makes possible the Church's outreach to the poor, the hungry, the homeless, and so many others who are in need. The Appeal also helps parishes in the inner cities keep their doors open, so that Christ and the comfort of His Sacraments can be made available to all those of faith who come to Him. Living in Newark across the street from *St. Michael's Medical Center*, I saw firsthand how the presence of Catholic Healthcare is so crucial a presence in the cities and for people who

are suffering. I know, too, how the Appeal helps our retired priests who gave their lives in service to live out their years simply but in peace. Living in Northwest Bergen County, it is easy to be a bit removed from these realities, but what a great opportunity we have to assist the work of the Church in places where the need is great.

This year, Cardinal Tobin has set as a goal 100% support for the Sharing God's Blessings Appeal among our priests. The priests, among the more modestly paid people in northern New Jersey, are usually as a group among the highest givers. We priests recognize that we are part of the larger Church here in the Archdiocese, and we have a responsibility well beyond our own parish. While Fr. Stefano, Fr. Paul and myself presently minister here in Ramsey, we are not ordained FOR Ramsey- we are ordained for the Archdiocese of Newark, and we are here only because they support us and have asked us to come here. For the past few years, St. Paul Church has fallen short of our parish goal for the Sharing God's Blessings Appeal. It is my hope that this year we can be more connected to the work of Christ and His Church beyond just our own boundaries. I've already made my own personal pledge to the Appeal. Other financial obligations make it difficult for me this year, but I make my pledge as an act of trust in the God who is not outdone in generosity. This weekend and in the coming weeks we will all have an opportunity to be part of something wonderfully larger than ourselves, and so necessary for those in need. I ask you to pray about what part God might be calling you to take in this crucial outreach. Some say the Catholic Church is the largest social service organization worldwide- parishes, hospitals, shelters, food pantries, and all sorts of organizations and institutions around the globe make it possible. May we do our part in building up Christ's Kingdom here in our place, a Kingdom of justice, peace, compassion and love. Christ expects no less of us!

*In His love,
Father John*

JOIN US IN WISHING OUR
WONDERFUL PASTOR A VERY



Fr. John Gabriel
February 4, 2018

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

ALL ARE INVITED TO OUR NEWLY FORMING
"ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE"
AS WE STUDY POPE FRANCIS ENCYCLICAL
"LAUDATO SI"
AND SEE HOW GOD IS CALLING US TO BE
"STEWARDS OF CREATION."
Monday evening, February 5th, 7:30 p.m.
Parish Center, Upstairs Meeting Room.
COME AND JOIN US!

ST PAUL FAMILY MASS
Sundays at 9:00 AM



Please consider joining our Family Mass

Come One And ALL:

Altar Servers

Greeters

Choir Members

Lectors

Eucharistic Ministers (18 and older)

Ushers

Training is available to anyone who wants to
participate in any of these roles

Please Contact us at:

familymass@stpaulrcchurch.org

Or visit stpaulrcchurchfamilymass.org



ARCHDIOCESE OF NEWARK
2018 LENTEN REGULATIONS

1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On the day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is serious obligation.

3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.

4. The time of fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 18, 2018 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 27, 2018.**

*Canon 920, §1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.



NEW!

EVENING MASSES ADDED
DURING LENT

Mass will be celebrated every Monday and Wednesday Evening during Lent at 7:00 pm in the church. Please join us!

VESPERS FOR THE VIGIL OF ST. VALENTINE



All couples are invited to join Fr. John Gabriel on the evening of

**Monday, February 12 at 7:30pm
in the Church for
"Vespers for the Vigil of St. Valentine".**

During this prayer service, he will share a few thoughts on the Sacrament of Marriage and couples will have the opportunity to renew their wedding vows. Afterwards, we invite all to the rectory for champagne and wedding cake.

Please respond to Donna Schifano at (201) 327-0976 or dschifano@stpaulrchurch.org.



MARDI GRAS PARTY!



St. Paul Family Mass Ministry invites you to a

Mardi Gras Party!

Fun for Kids and Adults

DJ, pizza, soft drinks

Tuesday, February 13th at 5:00 p.m.

In the Academy of St. Paul Cafeteria

Bring your palms to be burned

RSVP: lisamclark1@verizon.net





Join us on Thursday, February 15th
7PM at St. Paul School for a
rewarding, fun service opportunity to
benefit children in need.

We will be making “no sew” blankets to donate to Project Linus. The blankets will provide love, security, warmth and comfort to children in hospitals and shelters in New Jersey. For more information, go to <http://www.projectlinus.org> No skills are needed, except for cutting and tying – we promise! A \$10 materials fee will be collected at the door and an RSVP is a MUST to ensure we have enough material for all. Please go to SignUpGenius.com and to the St. Paul Sisterhood Project Linus Event for details and sign up.

Questions should be directed to Lynn Connell (201) 546-2819 or Jane Triglia (201) 934-1295. Please do not call the Parish Center as they won't be able to answer your questions.

SHARING GOD'S BLESSINGS ANNUAL APPEAL 2018



This year's Appeal is a perfect opportunity for us to reflect on God's generosity and to share the blessings we have been given with those around us. This year, our parish goal is \$114,079.

The Annual Appeal provides the poor with food, shelter and clothing; makes religious education, spiritual guidance and CYO programs available for the young; insures the future leadership of the Church with seminarian education and training; and most important, brings Christ's Good News to the people of the Archdiocese.

Our parish also benefits by receiving a rebate from the appeal if it exceeds its goal. It is important for all of us to participate. Please consider making a gift to the 2018 Sharing God's Blessings Annual Appeal.

To learn more about the ministries for the Archdiocese of Newark, please visit www.racn.org/sharing, like us on facebook at *Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Newark* or tweet us at @NwkArchdiocese

St. Paul Parish Community
Invites All Men of the Parish

Men's Cornerstone

February 23-24, 2018

"Strength Through Peace"



"The Lord will give STRENGTH to his people; the Lord will bless his people with PEACE." Psalm 29:11

Since 1988 more than 650 men have participated and benefitted from Cornerstone

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Father John Gabriel, Pastor
Father Paul Houllis, Spiritual Director

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS



Saint Paul's Youth Group (SPYG) meets every single Tuesday night from 7-9pm in the youth room. The youth room is located in the school above the gym. If you are in grades 9-12 and want to experience faith in a new, fun, and never seen before way than this is the place for you. For more information contact Craig Jandoli at craigjandoli@gmail.com.

WEEKLY CORNER CALENDAR

Monday, Feb. 5

12:00PM-2:00PM *Staff Meeting-Prayer – Rectory*
3:30PM-5:00PM *Altar Server Training – Church*
4:00PM-7:15 PM *Faith Formation – School*
4:00PM-7:15 PM *Faith Formation – Cafeteria*
7:00PM-9:00PM *Women's Prayer Group – PC-CR*
7:30PM-8:30PM *Environment Meeting – PC-UMR*
7:30PM-9:30PM *Intro to the Heart-Theology of the Body – Library*

Tuesday, Feb. 6

6:30AM-7:30AM *Men's Prayer Group – PC-CR*
5:00PM-7:00PM *ASP Play Auditions – Music Room*
5:00PM-7:00PM *ASP Play Auditions – Cafeteria*
7:00PM-8:30PM *Altar Server Training – Church*
7:00PM-9:00PM *Youth Group-1st Meeting – Youth Rm*
7:00PM-9:30PM *Choir Rehearsals – Church*
7:30PM – 9:30PM *Men's Prayer Group – PC – UMR*

Wednesday, Feb. 7

10:00AM-12:00PM *Bible Study – PC-CC*
12:00PM-1:00PM *ASP Students Attend Noon Mass – Church*
7:30PM-9:00PM *Bible Study – PC-CR*
7:30PM-9:30PM *Men's Basketball League Gym*

Thursday, Feb. 8

5:00PM-7:00PM *ASP Play Auditions – Cafeteria*
5:00PM-7:00PM *ASP Play Auditions – Music Room*
7:30PM-9:00PM *Bible Study – PC-CC*
8:00PM-9:30PM *Prince of Peace Prayer Group – Church*

Friday, Feb. 9

12:00PM-5:00PM *ASP Pre-K Conferences – Gym*
9:00AM-10:00PM *ASP SC Dance – School*

Saturday, Feb. 10

9:00AM-11:00AM *Men's Cornerstone – PC-CR*
10:00AM-12:00PM *Bible Study – P-CR*
1:00PM-2:00PM *Confessions – Church*
1:00PM-4:00PM *Stephen Ministry Training – PC-CR*
2:00PM-3:30PM *Altar Server Training – Church*

Sunday, Feb. 11

8:00AM-12:00 PM *Faith Formation – Cafeteria*
8:00AM-12:00 PM *Faith Formation – School*
9:00AM-10:00AM *Boy Scout Sunday – Church*
9:00AM-11:00AM *RCIA – PC-CR*
11:30AM-12:30PM *Baptism Sessions – Library*
1:30PM-3:00PM *Altar Server Training – Church*
4:00PM-5:00PM *Living Rosary-Our Lady of Lourdes Church*
7:00PM-8:00PM *Evening Mass – Church*
7:30PM-9:30PM *Men's Basketball – Gym*

RESPECT LIFE

The next Respect Life Meeting will be held on Monday, February 26th at 7:30 pm in the Parish Center. PLEASE JOIN US!

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Please don't forget that your help is needed to enact the Pain Capable Unborn Child Protection Act. This legislation would protect innocent babies from enduring the pain of late-term abortion (20 weeks-or 5 months-post fertilization and beyond). Contact NJ legislators, and ask them to support NJ Bills A-3452 and S-2026. **For more information on this and other ways to get involved, visit:**

<http://babiesinthewombfeelpain.com/get-involved/> or visit our parish website: www.stpaulrchurch.org.

A MORNING OF HEALING for those who have suffered the loss of a child due to miscarriage, stillbirth or neo-natal death will be held:

DATE: Saturday, Feb. 17

TIME: 8:30am-12:30pm

PLACE: St. Thomas the Apostle Church, 60 Byrd Avenue, Bloomfield NJ

AGENDA: Presentation on topics specific to perinatal loss, small group discussion, Memorial service for your child, resources and fellowship

REGISTRATION REQUIRED:

<http://Events.rcan.org/PerinatalLoss>

Or contact Cheryl Riley: rileyche@rcan.org or 973-497-4350.

NO CHARGE/BABYSITTING AVAILABLE

All are welcome - whether your loss was recent or long ago.

STEWARDSHIP TREASURE

WEEKEND of Jan. 27 – 28: \$20,809.00

\$14,421.00 Collection // \$6,388.00 from Faith Direct

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code: NJ654 to sign up for Online Giving.

Thank you for your continued support.

EASTER FLOWERS DONATION



During the season of Lent we look forward to Easter glory. If you wish to make a donation toward the Easter flowers, please complete the following:

In Memory of _____

Donor: _____

RETURN TO THE PARISH CENTER

PARISH SCHOOL NEWS



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Academy of St Paul is our parish school! Make a Catholic education a priority for your family.

Academy of Saint Paul, a 2015 National Blue Ribbon School, provides academic excellence in an atmosphere of love and Catholic Christian values through scholarship, spirituality and service. Our rigorous curriculum and exemplary teachers prepare our students to take their place as faith-filled stewards in the Church and the world. Let us partner with you in your child's school success and in the development of their Catholic identity. Call 201-327-1108 to arrange a tour. For more information, visit www.academyofstpaul.org.



Academy Happenings

Academy of Saint Paul students celebrated the Feast of Saint Paul last week as a school community. Mass was followed by a communion breakfast as seen in the photos below. Students had cereal, fruit, and breakfast drinks at tables with their fellow classmates. In conclusion of the celebration, Youth Song sang to the school and showcased their talents that we are so blessed to have them



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SACRAMENT INFORMATION

Baptism

Parents, please contact the Parish Center during the pregnancy, or prior to adoption, to begin preparing for your child's baptism.

Penance

Saturdays 1:00-2:00 pm or by appointment.

Marriage

Arrangements must be made one year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick

At two special Eucharistic Liturgies in Church during the year. Visitation of the sick at home any time.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

For those interested in becoming a Catholic. Call the Parish Center for information.

PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY

JOIN FR. PAUL HOULIS AND CHRISTOPHER WEST ON AN EPIC PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY IN NOVEMBER!

Imagine having private time in the Sistine Chapel – which St. John Paul II called "the Shrine to the Theology of the Body" – with the world's leading teacher and author on the Theology of the Body! Father Paul Houlis will be joining Christopher as a chaplain on an epic, once-in-a-lifetime pilgrimage to Italy Nov. 8-17! We'll start in Assisi and make our way south to Rome, with daily Mass in stunning churches and daily formation from Christopher and the pilgrimage team. Package includes papal audience; exclusive Sistine Chapel visit with special talk by Christopher; Bernini's "Ecstasy of St. Teresa" masterpiece; visiting the four major basilicas; Tuscan winery sampling; Ancient Roman history, amazing food and more! You also have an opportunity to extend your pilgrimage and visit Florence, Padua and Venice. Spaces are limited due to the capacity limit for the Sistine Chapel. For pricing and full itinerary details, go to corproject.com/italy. Flight is from JFK and land-only pricing is available. For questions, contact Bill at The Cor Project at bill@corproject.com.