

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

Parish Address

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Parish Center Hours

Sunday-Friday 9a.m.-9p.m.
Saturday..... 9a.m.-6:30p.m.

Mass Schedule

Saturday..... 8:30a.m., Vigil Mass 5:15p.m.
Sunday 8a.m.(Cantor) 10a.m. (Choir), 12:30p.m. (Spanish),
. 5:15p.m. (Young Adult Choir), 8p.m. (Fordham University during Academic Year)
Monday-Friday..... 7:30a.m., 12:10p.m.

Reconciliation

Tuesdays and Thursdays after the 12:10p.m. Mass
Saturdays 4p.m.-4:45p.m.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays after the 7:30a.m. Mass
Benediction at 12:00 p.m.

Religious Ed.

Parents should contact Hernan Sanchez at 212-265-3495 to register their child

Registration

If you worship with us regularly and would like to be registered as a parishioner, please fill out the form on page six of the bulletin or stop by the Parish Center.

Parish Staff

Rev. Gilbert Martinez, CSP *Pastor*
Rev. Ronald Franco, CSP *Associate Pastor & Vice Postulator,*
..... *Hecker Sainthood Cause*
Deacon Waldemar Sandoval *Saint Vincent de Paul Society,*
..... *Baptismal Preparation, Homebound*
Rev. Robert Collins, SJ *Director of Adult Initiation*
Sr. Maria Luz Lemus, OJS *Sacristan*
Mr. Hernán Sanchez *Director of Religious Education*
Ms. Kathy Zirnheld *Manager Welcome Center/Bookstore*
Ms. Diane Conroy *Director of Youth Formation*
Mr. Javier Castro *Facilities Management*
Mr. James Gerosimo..... *Director of Security*
Mr. John Znidarsic *Resources Manager*
Rev. James McQuade, CSP *St. Luke-Roosevelt Hospital Chaplain*
Rev. Lionel DeSilva, CSP *Assistant Chaplain*
Mr. Cleveland Kersh..... *Music Director*
Ms. Nancy Meyer *Cantor*
Mr. Michael Beltran *Cantor*

Paulist Ministries in Residence

Paulist Fathers

www.paulist.org

Busted Halo

Rev. David Dwyer, CSP www.bustedhalo.org

Vocations Office

Rev. David Farnum, CSP 212-757-4260

Outreach to Young Artists

Rev. Frank Sabatté, CSP www.openingsny.com

**From 59th and 9th
The Pastoral Corner**

Dear Friends in Christ –

The theme of this year's Catechetical Sunday celebrating those catechists who form our parish children in our faith and which we will observe in two weeks, is taken from today's Gospel: "Who do you say that I am?" What a timely question for us! Trying to answer this question is the cause of much of the strife and division in today's church and world. But this is not a new thing in the church. There have always been different approaches to who Jesus is. From monastics to mystics to cloisters to charismatics—all have found ways to meet the LORD. How have you met the LORD in your life?

Our parish Director of Religious Education, Hernán Sanchez has been preparing catechists for the beginning of this new year of catechism. Our thanks to Hernán and all those who have stepped up to share in Peter's quick response to Jesus' question: "You are the Christ".

Our meeting the LORD flows from the great Jewish Tradition. The Jewish High Holy Days begin this week with the celebration of *Rosh Hashanah* (Jewish New Year) and conclude ten days later with *Yom Kippur*. Since Jewish holidays begin at sunset on the previous day, *Rosh Hashanah* begins at sunset Friday, September 18, and continues until Sunday, September 20, with family celebrations and special sweet foods. *Yom Kippur* (Day of Atonement) begins Sunday, September 27, and ends with nightfall on Monday, September 28. It is the most solemn day in the Jewish calendar and is marked by prayers, fasting, and reflection. Jewish tradition says that *Rosh Hashanah* celebrates the birthday of the world with its ritual of sounding the *shofar* (ram's horn). The *shofar* represents the ram that was sacrificed in place of Abraham's son, Isaac, recalling God's mercy.

Let us continue to trust in the mercy of God and in the presence of Christ for us and in our world which struggles with so much strife.

Peace – Father Gil

P.S. I will be away next weekend in California for a dear friend's wedding. And, Father Ron will be leading a pilgrimage tour in Portugal, Spain, and France this week.

EVENTS AT SAINT PAUL

Great Catholic Fiction Book Discussion

The Shack by William P. Young In a world where religion seems to grow increasingly irrelevant "The Shack" wrestles with the timeless question, "Where is God in a world so filled with unspeakable pain." The answers Mack gets will astound you and perhaps transform you as much as it did him.

Discussion led by Father John (Jack) Collins, CSP.

Monday, September 21 from 7 to 9 p.m. (Parish Center)

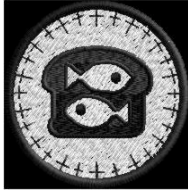
STARSTRUCK

The Church of St. Paul the Apostle will be celebrating The Year of Astronomy with a FREE Concert - Starstruck: One In the Universe on Friday, September 25th at 7PM. John Znidarsic, Artistic Director of Arts and Artists at St. Paul will be directing an array of performers from the worlds of Classical, Broadway, Jazz, Spanish, Gospel, and Dance who will all be collaborating on a unique experience where all our differences bring us together to create one universe. The evening will conclude with a reading from the "Book of Genesis" and a talk by Fr. Gil Martinez, CSP – Pastor. A reception will follow. Please join us as we celebrate The Year of Astronomy.

Friday, September 25 at 7 p.m.

Sharing & Caring...

Volunteering at the Church of St. Paul the Apostle.



LOAVES AND FISHES

A Generous gift!

Loaves and Fishes soup kitchen. A luncheon served every Tuesday and Thursday. With the start of the fall season, how about having your company come in an volunteer to serve a luncheon? It's a powerful two hour lunch.

Volunteer as a group on a Tuesday or Thursday, we are happy to have you help serve. Contact the welcomecenter@stpaultheapostle.org.

The Pantry needs to be replenished. We have larger requests, so we really need your help. Bring non-perishable food products to the parish center to help Saint Vincent de Paul in this monthly project. We are now helping 68 families through these difficult times. Last month we helped 117 people with groceries, 50 of these were children.

St. Joseph's Seminary Collection

This month, our Seminary begins its 113th academic year. It also happens to be the Year for the Priest. As our Holy Father said, "The Church needs priests who help the faithful experience the merciful love of the Lord and who are convinced witnesses of that love." In my first few months as Archbishop, I have come to know, admire, and love the extraordinary priests who have served and are serving our parishes, schools, and charitable institutions. Permit me, therefore, to seek your assistance in providing for our seminary system as, together, we prepare our future priests for similar lifetimes of service to the Lord and His Church. Your support guarantees that the faithful to follow us will be equally blessed to have exemplary priests caring for their spiritual, pastoral, educational, and charitable needs. Please be as generous as you can to this crucially important annual collection.

With gratitude and prayerful best wishes, I am,
Faithfully in Christ,

Most Reverend Timothy M. Dolan
Archbishop of New York

Ministry Activities

Religious Education for Preschool Children- Register now!!!

Saint Paul's offers a wonderful religious education program for three-to-five year old children called the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. The Catechesis is rooted in the Bible, the liturgy of the church, and the educational principles of Maria Montessori. Children gather in an "atrium," a room prepared for them, which contains simple yet beautiful materials that they use. In the atrium the child can ponder a biblical passage or a prayer from the liturgy by taking the material for that text and working with it - placing wood figures of sheep in a sheepfold of the Good Shepherd, setting sculpted apostles around a Last Supper table, or preparing a small altar with the furnishings used for the Eucharist. Two sessions will be offered on Sundays (9:30am-11:30am and 12:20pm-2:20pm) beginning September 20th. Please contact Hernan Sanchez at 212-265-3495 x341 to register.

FIRST DAY OF CLASSES

On September 20th after the 10:00 A.M. Mass, we are having the opening of school year orientation meeting in the church during this time the students will meet their teachers, find out the class they have been enrolled and classroom. All students are asked to gather in the back of the Church to meet their teachers.

SHARING OUR HERITAGE

If you are a parent raising children in the City and would like to meet other parents raising children in the City, you are most cordially invited to a meeting on Sunday September 13th after the ten o'clock Mass.

Immediately after the Mass please go to room 101 in the Ministry Building. Baby-sitting and refreshments will be provided.

The focus of the group will be on sharing our heritage, our Faith, with our children by listening to the Word of God so as to become "Missionaries to our own children".

Please contact Father Collins at jcollinssp@aol.com if you wish more information, or just show up at the meeting. New comers are always welcome.

Thank you, Fathers Collins and Martinez.

BAKE SALE

Goodies of all kinds will be on sale at the rear of the church by members of St. Paul's Senior Group, after the the 10 a.m. Mass on September 20. Please bring your appetite and help make the sale a success. Proceeds from the bake sale go to the parish. Thank you.

DIRECTIVA PASTORAL

Padre Gilbert S. Martinez, CSP, Parroco
Padre Ronald Franco, CSP
Diacono Waldemar Sandoval
Gina Delgado: Coro Hispano



Misa Hispana: Domingo 12:30 pm
Cura Ultraya Cursillista: Domingo 1:30 pm
Confesiones: Llame por cita
Telefono: (212) 265-3495

Estimados Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo -

Hoy en las lecturas escuchamos la pregunta de Jesús a sus discípulos: “¿Quién dicen que soy yo?” Es Pedro que responde inmediatamente: “Tú eres el Mesías”. Cada vez que la asamblea dominical se reúne, sin importar la diversidad étnica o aspectos culturales, se forma una comunidad: familias, organizaciones, comunidades de base o grupos de oración y responde a la pregunta de Jesús. Asistimos a la misa no para vivir las rúbricas sino para recordar todo lo que da vida, y dejar que las acciones simbólicas se apoderen de nuestros corazones y nos transformen en personas nuevas en Cristo.

¿Cómo han sido transformados en nuevas personas?

En dos semanas vamos a celebrar el Domingo Catequético lo cual toma su tema de las lecturas de hoy: “¿Quién dicen que soy yo?” Nuestro Director de Educación Religiosa, Señor Hernán Sánchez ha preparado varios catequistas para formar a nuestros hijos en nuestra fe y prepararlos a contestar en la manera que hizo Pedro: “Tú eres el Mesías” Con mucho agradecimiento a Hernán y los catequistas, pedimos la ayuda de Dios.

Que Dios les bendiga.
PAZ – Padre Gil

Anuncio del Pastor

Debido a la reducción de padres en nuestra parroquia (eramos tres padres y fuimos reducidos a dos padres con la reasignación de P. Jamie), he decidido a reducir las misas feriales a dos misas – 7:30 AM y 12:10 PM. Ya no vamos a ofrecer la misa de 5:30 PM.

Les pido que continúen sus oraciones por vocaciones a la vida religiosa y al sacerdocio.
Paz – Padre Gil

Lecturas para la semana del 13 de septiembre de 2009

Domingo:	Is 50, 5-9/Sant 2, 14-18/Mc 8, 27-35
Lunes:	Nm 21, 4-9/Flp 2, 6-11/Jn 3, 13-17
Martes:	1 Tim 3, 1-13/Jn 19, 25-27 o Lc 2, 33-35
Miércoles:	1 Tim 3, 14-16/Lc 7, 31-35
Jueves:	1 Tim 4, 12-16/Lc 7, 36-50
Viernes:	1 Tim 6, 2-12/Lc 8, 1-3
Sábado:	1 Tim 6, 13-16/Lc 8, 4-15
Domingo siguiente:	Sab 2, 12. 17-20/Sant 3, 16---4, / 3Mc 9, 30-37

COLECTA PARA EL SEMINARIO ARQUIDIOCESANO

En este mes, nuestro Seminario comienza su 113 año académico. También este año es el **Año Sacerdotal**. Como ha dicho el Santo Padre, “La Iglesia necesita sacerdotes que ayuden a los fieles a experimentar el amor misericordioso de Dios y que sean testigos convencidos de ese amor.” En mis primeros meses como Azobispo, he llegado a conocer, admirar y amar a extraordinarios sacerdotes que han servido y sirven en nuestras parroquias, escuelas e instituciones caritativas. Permítanme, por consiguiente, solicitar su ayuda para proveer a nuestro sistema de seminario, para que juntos preparemos nuestros futuros sacerdotes para similares servicios de por vida al Señor y su Iglesia. El apoyo que ustedes nos ofrecen garantiza que la feligresía continuará siendo bendecida con sacerdotes ejemplares que velen por sus necesidades espirituales, pastorales, educativas y caritativas. Por favor, sean tan generosos como les sea posible para esta crucialmente importante colecta anual. Con inmensa gratitud y mis mejores deseos, me suscribo,

Fielmente en Cristo

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Reverendísimo Timothy M. Dolan
Arzobispo de Nueva York

REGISTRATE AHORA !!!

Para las familias que son miembros registrados de la Iglesia de San Pablo y le gustaría registrar sus hijos en la clase de Educación Religiosa los formularios estan disponibles en la oficina parroquial o pueden llamar a Hernán Sánchez al teléfono 212-265-3495 EXT. 341. **La fecha límite para registrarse es el 30 de Agosto. Después de la misa estaremos tomando las registraciones tardias el Domingo 30 de Agosto.** Las clases comienzan el 20 de septiembre

REGISTRATE AHORA CATEQUESIS DEL BUEN PASTOR PARA NIÑOS DE 3 A 5 AÑOS

Este es un programa de desarrollo espiritual para los pre-escolares los cuales se fundamenta en los principios de la educación de Montessori.

Las clases son de dos horas de duración y se llevan a cabo todos los domingos. Sección II: 12:20- 2:20 pm

La catequesis del Buen Pastor, Nivel I es para niños de 3 a 5 años de edad. La registración es bastante limitada solamente aceptamos 12 niños por clase. El espacio es limitado actúa ahora!!!



Saturday, September 12th

Most Holy Name of Mary

8:30 Bayoran Family
(Thanks Giving Mass for Blessing)

5:15 Sainthood Cause of Pierre Toussaint

Sunday, September 13th

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 †Dolores Florio

10:00 †Thomas Kirchner

12:30 † For the people

5:15 † Sainthood Cause of Fr. Hecker

Monday, September 14th

Exaltation of the Holy Cross

7:30

12:10 Peter Bevonat

Tuesday, September 15th

Our Lady of Sorrows

7:30 †Bridget Bucklet

12:10 For all catholic priest

Wednesday, September 16th

SS. Cornelius, pope & martyr; Cyprian. bishop & martyr

7:30 Cathlic Church

12:10 †Maximo Reinoso

Thursday, September 17th

St. Robert Bellarmine, bishop & doctor

7:30 Thanks Giving for what the priests do

12:10 †John J. Wright

Friday, September 18th

7:30 †Sister Ruth E. Speak

12:10 †Santiago Garin

Saturday, September 19th

St. Januarius, bishop & martyr

8:30 †Theresa Madonna

5:15 †Margaret H. O'Donnell

Please remember in prayer the following Paulist Fathers, the anniversary (day/year) of whose death is this week (*denotes served at St. Paul's): John P. Harden (9/14/28), Ellwood E. Kieser (9/16/2000), John Elliott Ross* (9/18/1946).

Readings for the Week of September 13, 2009

Sunday:	Is 50:5-9a/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35
Monday:	Nm 21:4b-9/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17
Tuesday:	1 Tm 3:1-13/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Wednesday:	1 Tm 3:14-16/Lk 7:31-35
Thursday:	1 Tm 4:12-16/Lk 7:36-50
Friday :	1 Tm 6:2c-12/Lk 8:1-3
Saturday:	1 Tm 6:13-16/Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday:	Wis 2:12, 17-20/Jas 3:16---4:3/Mk 9:30-37

Did You Know?...Ask Fr. Ron

Who are the "Doctors of the Church"?

There are 33 saints who, in recognition of their great learning and consequent contribution to the Church's doctrinal and spiritual life, have received the special title "Doctor of the Church." The title originally came to be used in the West in reference to four of the most eminent Fathers of the early Church: St. Ambrose (c.340-397), St. Jerome (c.342-420), St. Augustine (354-430) known as *Doctor gratiae* ("Doctor of grace"), and St. Gregory the Great (540-604). Their special status was formalized in 1298, when Pope Boniface VIII ordered the feasts of these four Doctors to be celebrated throughout the universal Church. Meanwhile, in the East, three Church Fathers enjoyed a comparable preeminence - St. Gregory Nazianzen (c.329-c.389), St. Basil the Great (c.329-379), and St. John Chrysostom (c.347-407). Their feasts were made obligatory throughout the East by Leo VI, "the Wise" (Emperor 886-912). In the East, in addition to their individual feasts, the three also share common feast ("the feast of the three Hierarchs") on January 30. By analogy with the four Western Doctors, a fourth Eastern Doctor, St. Athanasius (c.297-373) was eventually added. Pope Pius V recognized the four Eastern Doctors in the Roman Breviary of 1568.

To these eight, 25 others have since been added, representing all periods of the Church's history. The recognized requirements for the title are *eminens doctrina*, *insignis vitae sanctitas*, *Ecclesiae declaratio* (i.e. eminent learning, a high degree of sanctity, and proclamation by the Church). Historically, only saints who were not martyrs have ever been proclaimed Doctors. In the traditional (pre-1969) Roman liturgy, Matthew 5:13-19 ("You are the salt of the earth") was read as the Gospel on most of the Doctors' feasts. In the current Office of Readings, the 1st Responsory on memorials of Doctors (based on Sirach 15:5-6) proclaims: *In the midst of the Church he spoke with eloquence; the Lord filled him with the spirit of wisdom and understanding. The Lord rewarded him with joy and gladness.* The *Benedictus* antiphon at Morning Prayer (loosely based on Daniel 12:3) reads: *Those who are learned will be as radiant as the sky in all its beauty, those who instruct the people in goodness will shine like the stars for all eternity.* At Evening Prayer, the *Magnificat* antiphon prays: *O blessed doctor, light of holy church and lover of God's law, pray to the Son of God for us.*



**ST. PAUL
THE APOSTLE
BOOK & GIFT SHOP**

Great Catholic Fiction Book Discussion

September selection is The Shack by William Paul Young. Discussion scheduled with Father John Collins, CSP.

Monday, September 21 at 7 p.m. Parish Center.

“Finally! A guy-meets-God novel that has literary integrity and spiritual daring. The Shack cuts through the clichés of both religious and bad writing to reveal something compelling and beautiful about life’s integral dance with the divine. The story reads like a prayer-like the best kinds of prayer, filled with sweat and wonder and transparency, and surprise. When I read it, I felt like I was fellowshiping with God. If you read one work of fiction this year, let this be it.”
Mike Morrell

Breath for the Soul by Sr. Joan Chittister

This simple little book attends to what we human beings are most inclined to forget: preparing for and engaging in prayer. This is great spiritual reading for every person who longs for prayer to be the very breath of his or her soul. This book embraces Joan Chittister’s core belief on prayer. A great gift for someone you love.

Special Announcement

In 2006, the Paulist Fathers began a Strategic Planning Process aimed at addressing the declining numbers of Paulists. As you know last May, the Paulist Community decided to reduce the number of associate pastors in our parishes. Our parish priest staff was reduced by one leaving myself as the pastor and Father Ron as the one associate pastor.

Because of this reduction in staff, we are not going to reintroduce the 5:30 PM Daily Mass, which we normally do after Labor Day until Memorial Day. The 7:30 AM and 12:10 Daily Masses will continue as usual. Father Ron and I are not able to provide reliable coverage of three daily masses. We will, however, take every opportunity to provide evening masses on special feast days, days dedicated to the Year for Priests, and during liturgical seasons such as Lent.

Thank you so much for your support to the Paulist Fathers and please continue to pray for vocations to religious life and the priesthood. Fr. Gil.

Around the Diocese

Announcement on Child Protection

Anyone who needs to report an alleged incident of sexual abuse of a minor by priest, deacon, religious or lay person serving in the Archdiocese of New York is asked to contact Sr. Eileen Clifford, O.P. at (212)371-1000 x2949 or Deacon Lawrence O’Toole at (914)594-4646. Both may also be reached via e-mail at victimassistance@archny.org. Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan website, <http://ny-archdiocese.org>. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.

Fordham's Mass of the Holy Spirit Tonight

The Fordham University Office of Campus Ministry cordially invites all parishioners to the annual Mass of the Holy spirit tonight, September 13 at 8 p.m. in the Church of St. Paul the Apostle. The Mass – a tradition at Jesuit schools – celebrates the beginning of the academic year. A dessert reception will follow. Contact Pat Callaghan (212) 636-6267 with any questions.

BECOME A REGISTERED PARISHIONER

If you worship with us regularly and would like to be registered as a parishioner, please fill out the form below and return to our church offices or place in one of the collection baskets or boxes. Please print clearly.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ZIP _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER(S):(home)_____

(cell)_____ and/or (work)_____

EMAIL: _____