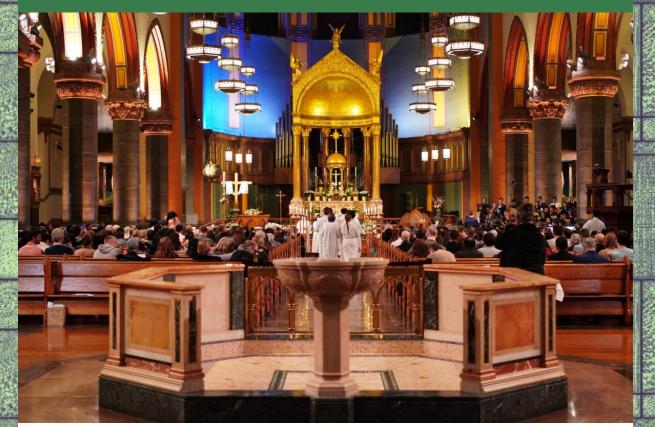
September 14th, 2023

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The Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the holy Spirit." Matthew 29:19

Jesus makes it crystal clear. Passing on the faith to the next generation is one of our principal responsibilities. There's no "let the kids decide" in Jesus' instruction to the disciples, nor to us. That's an important thing to remember as we celebrate our religious education efforts here at St. Paul's. It involves all of us!

Once upon a time in Catholic America, seemingly everyone went to Catholic School. There are countless photos of classrooms teaming with kids and Sister in full habit presiding. Some share idyllic stories of the May Crowning of Mary or playing hoops in the school yard with Father. Others remember the use of the ruler that kept them in line.

St. Paul's had a school just like that once... except for the ruler! Sadly, in the early 1960s, the development of Lincoln Center by Robert Moses dramatically changed the face of our neighborhood displacing countless parishioners. The

school struggled with diminished enrollment and eventually closed in the 1970s. The giant apartment building behind the Church sits on the old footprint of the school. The convent on 60th street, once home to the sisters who educated our youth, is now the home to Jesuits who work at America Magazine and teach at Fordham University. After the school closed, some attended Catholic Schools in neighboring parishes. Many attended our Sunday School program.

As a new Sunday School Year begins and as a new group of Adult Inquirers begin the path towards full initiation in the Church, we joyfully carry on the tradition of all those who came before us to share the Catholic faith with children, youth, and adults. Our religious ed programs are enjoying a robust enrollment this year. Our students and inquirers will be instructed by a faithful and talented group of teachers, sponsors, aids, and volunteers. I am grateful for Hernan Sanchez who has returned this year as our interim Director of Religious Education and for Dave de la Fuente who leads our Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) team. We are blessed by this amazing team.

As we commission our catechists in their important work, we are reminded that we share their ministry. We know that our faith is caught as much as it is taught. Our example in all that we say and do matters, especially to those coming into the Church as an adult or to a child looking at us for an example of unselfish love. It is by being with the Body of Christ, the Church, fully alive, that they will really understand the nature of God who is loving, caring, nurturing, accepting, forgiving, and so forth. May we all be teachers of God's love, seeking to transform our neighborhood and our world in His image.

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Fr. Eric Andrews, CSP *Pastor, St. Paul the Apostle*

Around the Parish

THIS OCTOBER: Three Big Changes Coming to St. Pauls!

Expansions & Additions to Our Schedule Coming Soon

We wanted to remind parishioners of three big expansions and additions to our parish schedule debuting next month!

- Starting on Friday, October 6th, we will resume weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Paul's. Every Friday, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following our 7:30 AM mass; Adoration will conclude with a Rite of Benediction at 11:45 AM. Note that when there is a Friday morning funeral, other liturgy or event scheduled, Adoration will be cancelled - we will do our best to inform the parish of this ahead of time!
- Starting on Saturday, October 7th, we will resume offering a Saturday morning mass at a new time, 9 AM. On Ordination Day in May or on the occasion of other significant Saturday morning events, we would cancel the Saturday morning Mass. Notice will be given in advance when this may occur.
- Starting in the first week of October, our Parish Center will have expanded hours on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. The Parish Center will be open until 8:30 PM on these days only; the church will still close at 5 PM on Tuesdays and 7 PM on Wednesdays.

We look forward to having more opportunities to pray and grow in faith with you all!

Last night, we had the pleasure of hosting Fr. James Martin, SJ for a discussion and book signing of his newest work, *Come Forth: The Promise of Jesus's Greatest Miracle*. Thanks to all who came to listen to his talk!

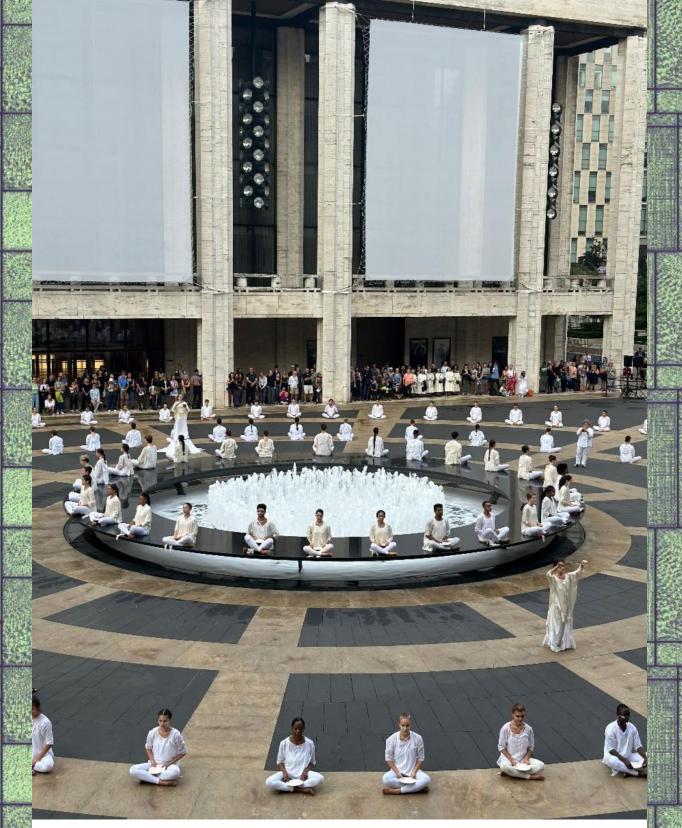
For anyone who was unable to make it, don't fret; copies of *Come Forth* are available for purchase at our Welcome Center Bookstore.



A large cohort of St. Paul's parishioners were present at the deaconate ordination of Chris Lawton, CSP and Dan Macalinao, CSP, both former

attendees of our parish before entering the Paulist seminary. Director of Music Joey Chancey, composer-in-residence J. Oconer Navarro, and several of our talented music ministers accompanied a chorus of angels at the ceremony. May the Holy Spirit guide Chris and Dan through their future ministry in their path to the priesthood!





In honor of the victims of the September 11th tragedy, the Table of Silence Project held its annual performance in Lincoln Center on Tuesday. We were grateful to have the project rehearse in our auditorium; you can even see the Oblate Sisters and associate pastor Fr. Paul Rospond in attendance in the background of the image.

Upcoming Events

JOIN THE MARCH TO END FOSSIL FUELS SEPTEMBER 17TH 1-4PM



Climate March

On Sunday, September 17th, concerned parishioners will join other Catholic groups and individuals in the Climate March. The focus of the march is to reduce and ultimately end the use of fossil fuel, a prime culprit in global warming. The Catholic contingent will meet in front of St. Paul's right after our 10AM mass before heading to the starting point of the march together.

If you are interested in being part of this new initiative, please come to the event this Sunday, or reach out to us for more information by email at <u>welcomecenter@stpaultheapostle.org</u>.



FORDHAM CENTER ON RELIGION & CULTURE

Sister Helen Prejean on Dead Man Walking

Opera, Activism, and Faith

September 22, 2023 6 – 7:30 p.m.

CRC FREE ADMISSION

FORDHAM The Metropolitan Opera

Catholic nun and death penalty opponent Sister Helen Prejean will be at our church for an evening of conversation on Friday, September 22nd at 6PM.

Her memoir about ministering to death row inmates, *Dead Man Walking*, is now an opera premiering at the Metropolitan Opera later this month. Sister Helen will be joined by composer Jake Heggie and mezzo-soprano Joyce DiDonato—who portrays her in the Met's production—at St. Paul's for a conversation about the opera and the roles art and faith play in galvanizing social action. Fordham University President Tania Tetlow will introduce the evening's guests, and the Center on Religion and Culture's director, David Gibson, will moderate the discussion. The event is open to all Fordham students and Alumni, St. Paul's parishioners, and the general public. Register by clicking below, or scan the QR code now!



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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul®



Our St. Vincent de Paul Society Conference here at St. Paul the Apostle Church (SVDP SPA NYC), needs your help so that we can continue to help our sisters and brothers in urgent need. Our annual fundraising campaign, the Friends of the Poor Walk, is coming up on Saturday, September 23rd, and we are asking for your financial support so we may reach our campaign goal!

Our Conference continues to meet with our community neighbors who are seeking resources for assistance. Many have never had to ask for help before, and the need continues to grow and grow. **Needs come in a multitude of ways** and may include food, shelter, eviction prevention, financial compromises, utility assistance, education, medical assistance and so much more. All the support the Conference gives is only possible by the generous donations we receive.

Please give what you can. No amount is too small. Please visit our SVDP Conference's website at <u>www.svdpspanyc.org</u> and click on the 'DONATE NOW' button to donate. If you prefer to send a check, please make it payable to SVDP Conference SPA NYC. You can mail it addressed to SVDP Conference SPA NYC, or drop it off at the Parish Center: 405 West 59th Street; NY, NY 10019.

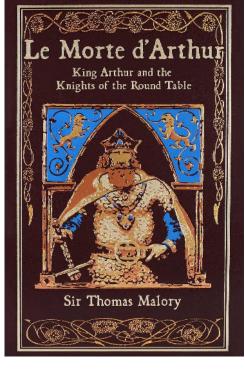
You can also donate via ZELLE; our address is 917-704-2939 / St. Paul the Apostle Conference, New York. Or, if you prefer Venmo, you can scan the QR code below:



SVDP CONF AT SPA NYC

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SAVE THE DATE! Come join our SVDP Conference members to meet and congratulate our new SVDP Conference President, Gabby Sacci Adickes! The reception will be held on Sunday October 1st immediately following the 10am and 5pm masses. Come say hello to Gabby and mingle with our SVDP Conference members and volunteers. We look forward to seeing you; don't miss it!



St. Paul's Book Club

Join the knights of the round table for Part One of our in-person book club discussion of *Le Morte d'Arthur*by Sir Thomas Malory. We will have our second meeting on Monday, September 18th at 6:30PM via Zoom to discuss this seminal Arthurian work.

Even if you missed the first meeting, it's not too late to join in! Please RSVP to <u>welcomecenter@stpaultheapostle.org</u> to receive our meeting link!



Apostolist Social Hour

Join our young adult community this Sunday, September 17th after the 5PM mass for a little meet-and-greet for our new Apostolist members! We'll meet in the back of the church after mass then step out for some fun and fellowship.

Slow Mass at Fordham - Lincoln Center

Deepen your experience of liturgy in partnership with one of our neighbors! Fordham Campus Ministry and Apostolist are teaming up to celebrate a "Slow Mass" on Wednesday, September 20th at 6:30PM. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Evan Cummings CSP in tandem with pastoral associate Dave de la Fuente. This Slow Mass will unpack the nuances and significance of the Eucharistic liturgy. We'll celebrate it together in Fordham's lovely Rupert Mayer SJ Chapel, and we will share fellowship with the Catholic students and staff at Fordham.

Please bring your IDs and proof of vaccination. Apostolist members can meet in front of the church and walk over together.

Praise & Worship/Adoration at Fordham - Lincoln Center

Our next Homebase event - adoration at Fordham University's Rupert Mayer SJ Chapel. will take place on Wednesday, September 27th at 6:30PM. Apostolist Homebase meets every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month and offers a wonderful opportunity to grow your relationship with God while being surrounded by people your own age. Apostolist members will meet in front of the church and walk over to the Fordham campus together.

Discussion with Rev. Lynn Elizabeth Walker

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SPIRITUALITY

Following the 5PM Mass on Sunday, September 24th, Out at St. Paul will host a discussion between OSP member Nora Del Rosario and Rev. Lynn Elizabeth Walker to listen and understand their experiences as openly transgender Christians. Rev. Walker will share her unique spiritual journey across the Catholic, Orthodox, and Episcopal traditions. There will be an audience Q&A following the discussion.

Rooftop Social

Join OSP members for a fall social on the Lower East Side on Saturday, September 30th. The social will be held on the rooftop of a private residence of an OSP Member. The exact time of our meet-up will be confirmed soon; RSVP by Wednesday, September 27th using the link below to receive updates and location details!

RSVP Here

Faith Formation

Confirmation Preparation for Adults

Interested in becoming a confirmed Catholic? Join us for our confirmation preparation classes on Tuesday evenings starting September 26th. Please contact associate pastor Fr. Paul Rospond - by e-mail at paul@paulist.org, or by phone at (310) 508-7047, to sign up or get more information.

Join us for a **Come and See** Discernment Retreat at our new seminary in Washington, DC.

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For details on how to register, please contact: **Paulist Fr. Ed Nowak**, our vocation director, at **vocations@paulist.org** or **917-763-7899**

Paulist "Come & See" Discernment Retreat

You've attended Paulist masses, you've listened to Paulist homilies -- but have you ever considered becoming a Paulist? If the answer is yes (or even if you're considering the question for the first time), consider joining the Paulist discernment retreat!

The retreat will be held at the newly-renovated Hecker House in Washington D.C., from October 27-29th.

Paulist vocation director Fr. Ed Nowak would be happy to answer any questions or chat with anyone interested in exploring a vocation -- just send him an e-mail at vocations@paulist.org.

Parish Spotlight

Prayer Requests

Grant eternal rest to Rev. Dennis Boylan, Margarita Garcia, Gertrude Yarrosh, George & Marguerite LaMarque, Anthony Gjon Ndrei, and Mary Quigley.

Grant health or healing to Roy Sterenfeld, Denise Abady, Leah Garcia Bofill, Bernadette Springer, Edwin Narciso, Herta Fuchs, Vanessa Belsito, Fr. Ronald Yarrosh, Claudine Eckhart, Carlos Santiago Abreu, Zdenko Dujmović, Michelle Gorelick, George Lindhjem, Christopher Henderson, Jeanne Connors, and Dilara Ayse Osman.

Grant peace and well-being to A'Dante Khalil Shayne Arthur Small, Herta Fuchs, Carlos Santiago Abreu. Joseph Bofill, Clarissa Torodoff, Donna Marie Henderson, Nuala Quigley, Rev. Samuel Perrins, Anne A., the Gorelick family, and the immigrant families at the Watson Hotel.

Have someone you would like our parish to pray for? You can submit prayer requests through our online form below. The names in your intentions will be shared with the parish here and will remain in our virtual newsletter one month after submission.

Click the button below to fill out our prayer request form:

Submit Your Prayer Requests

Mass Intentions

Friday, September 15th 7:30AM + Manoel Balbino 12:10PM + Stephen Jacobusky

Saturday, September 16th 5:00PM + Madrina Isolina

8:00AM - For the People 10:00AM + Ed Pon 12:30PM + Juan Anthony Torres 5:00PM + Marcin Broda

Monday, September 18th 7:30 AM + Christopher Wieczorek 12:10PM + Edward Fagan

Tuesday, September 19th 7:30AM + Anne Ryan 12:10PM + Ligia Menzies

Sunday, September 17th Wednesday, September 20th 7:30AM + Enis Rose Kutch 12:10PM + Roland Bazile

> Thursday, September 21st 7:30AM - Salvatore T. Calio 12:10PM + Joseph Buglisi

Parish Information



Church Hours

Monday-Tuesday, Thursday - Friday 7:00 AM - 5:00 PM Wednesday 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM Saturday 9:00 AM - 6:30 PM Sunday 7:00 AM - 6:30 PM

Mass Schedule

Monday - Friday

7:30 AM and 12:10 PM <u>Saturday</u> 5:00 PM <u>Sunday</u> 8:00 AM - Mass Without Music 10:00 AM - Mass With St. Paul's Choir 12:30 PM - Misa con Coro en Español 5:00 PM - Mass With Inspirit Ensemble



Donate flowers for weekend masses and special occasions to beautify our sanctuary!

Make a gift in honor of or in memory of a loved one. Their name - and even yours, if desired - will be acknowledged on our weekly newsletter and social media. Our parish staff will order the arrangements on your behalf in order to coordinate with the liturgical seasonal colors.

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Virtch Church ONLINE MINISTRY



Happy Summer!

With the sun shining outside and many parishioners on the move, we know you might not always be around to celebrate with us. Stay connected to the parish you love and take St. Paul's with you wherever you go through Virtch Church!

Whether you're home sick, enjoying a long weekend, or just need a spiritual vacation in the middle of the workday, you can always pray with us on Virtch Church.

Join us Monday-Friday at 12:10PM, or on Sunday at 10:00AM and 5:00PM. Our masses are live-streamed to our <u>website</u>, our <u>YouTube page</u>, and our <u>Facebook page</u>. In addition to these platforms, <u>check out our Instagram</u> to never miss what's happening at St. Paul's!



Our services, along with the readings and hymns for the day, can be found on our <u>SPA app</u> - you can download it by scanning the relevant QR code above! Our app also has an online "copy" you can access through your phone's browser in case you have difficult accessing it. Find it at <u>https://stpaulny.web4uapps.com</u>.

Help Keep St. Paul's Cool!

Of course, this season of sunshine also means roaring temperatures outside.

While we promise to keep the lights on and the AC running through whatever heat waves summer throws at us, we need your help!

Consider donating to St. Paul's. Your support is the primary means through which we can continue to serve the parish community. To donate online go to <u>stpaultheapostle.org</u> and click on "Make a Donation" in the top right corner. Please remember that you can have your donations go directly to the ministry of your choice!

Or with the Faith Direct Text-TO-GIVE platform, you can text a donation to make a quick gift to help support The Church of St. Paul the Apostle.

Just text NY539 to the number (646) 859-1860 to enroll.



You can also find us on Venmo. Just scan the QR code above, or search for <u>@stpaulsnyc</u> to donate now!

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