

August 7th, 2025



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## The Pastor's Column

### OCIA On the Air

Our Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) team led by Dr. Dave de la Fuente have been busy preparing themselves for Fall and a new cadre of folks seeking to join the Catholic Church through St. Paul's. Last week, the team journeyed to Chicago for a National Conference. There, they met others engaged in this ministry and learned many new best practices that they will put into action this year. They also had a chance to connect with the Paulists in Chicago, including St. Paul's own Fr. Dan Macalinao, CSP.

As if that weren't enough, they also launched a new podcast series entitled

**INQUIRY**. The first episode was recorded in a hotel lobby in Chicago while the OCIA team was at the Conference. The group explored the ways in which Scriptures was in their lives. In the Second Episode, the conversation on Sacred Scriptures continues including ways one can pray with the Word of God. While the series is designed for people who are inquiring about entering the Catholic Church, it's great for all of us... We can never learn too much about our faith! If you know someone who might be interested in becoming Catholic, share the link with them! It will help them get to know the OCIA team and the Spirit of St. Paul's.

I am so grateful Dr. Dave and to all those on the OCIA Team! Their dedication, thoughtfulness, and creativity has elevated the experience for all who have knocked on our door. We are looking at another robust class this year. We will need sponsors! If you are interested, get in touch with Dave. He will be happy to hear from you.

Finally, remember we are all ambassadors of Christ. We are called to preach the Gospel through our words and deeds and called to invite those who are searching for a Church home to come and experience our parish. It all starts with a simple invitation: "Want to go to Mass with me?"

God bless,



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



We are excited to announce the launch of a new podcast from our OCIA ministry called **Inquiry!** Co-hosted by director of OCIA - Dr. Dave de la Fuente - and Fr. Frank DeSiano CSP in collaboration with the OCIA ministry team of the Church of St. Paul the Apostle (NYC), **Inquiry** explores the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults, especially as it is experienced at St. Paul's.

Each episode features different members of the parish community: OCIA catechists and team members, current participants, alumni, and parish leaders. We share about the experience of God, the OCIA journey, and the meaning of being Catholic today. This project is made possible by a Paulist Mission Impact Grant.

[Listen to the first few episodes on Spotify by clicking the link here!](#)

## Upcoming Events



*St. Paul's*



# SENIOR LUNCHEON



Sponsored by our new Women's Ministry!



Enjoy lunch with your fellow parishioners,  
friends, Paulist Fathers, and Oblate Sisters!  
There will be good food and great fellowship.

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup>**  
from 11:30 am - 2:00 pm

RSVP: [STPAULTHEAPOSTLE.ORG/LUNCH](http://STPAULTHEAPOSTLE.ORG/LUNCH)

Sign Up for Senior Lunch

**WELCOME**



**WEEKEND**

**AUG 9 & 10**



**AFTER MASS**



# Laudato Si'

## INTERFAITH PICNIC IN CENTRAL PARK



WITH MEMBERS OF  
CHRIST METHODIST CHURCH  
TEMPLE EMANU-EL  
THE ISLAMIC PEACE ISLANDS  
INITIATIVE

Join us for an picnic in Central Park to celebrate God's Creation! Bring your own lunch and blanket and join with us to discuss our mutual Care of the Earth and upcoming initiatives.

We will meet at the South East Corner of Central Park South and Fifth Avenue - directly across from the Plaza Hotel - at 12:30 sharp and walk together to our picnic spot. If you miss us, we'll be at the lawn overlooking the pond of the park's Bird Sanctuary near the staircase where the famous tulip beds bloom every spring.

**AUGUST 10<sup>TH</sup> FROM 12:30 PM - 2:00 PM**

MEET AT CENTRAL PARK SOUTH & FIFTH AVENUE ACROSS FROM THE PLAZA

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**THIS WEEKEND: Second Collection for  
Pastoral Solidarity for the Church in Africa**



**#StandWithAfrica**  
**#1Church1Mission**

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**CHURCH IN  
AFRICA**

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# *Feast of the Assumption*

OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

*Masses:*

**AUGUST 14<sup>TH</sup> at 6:30 PM (Vigil)**

**AUGUST 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 AM,  
12:10 PM\***

\*livestreamed to Facebook, YouTube,  
and the St. Paul's app





*homecoming*

OSP will host its first-ever reunion, called Homecoming, on **Saturday, October 11th and Sunday, October 12th.**

The weekend will include a talk about the history and future of OSP on Saturday afternoon, a reception on Saturday evening, and Mass on Sunday at 5pm. Everyone who has ever been involved with OSP in any way is invited. If you didn't receive the save-the-date email, please let us know -- and please help us spread the word!

# October 11<sup>th</sup> and 12th

Sign up by clicking the button below, or go to [www.stpaultheapostle.org/homecoming](http://www.stpaultheapostle.org/homecoming)

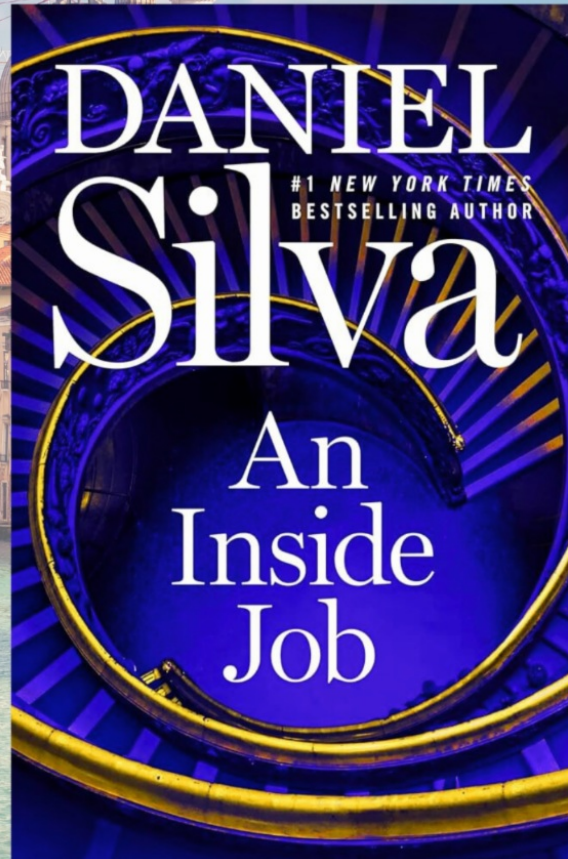
[Click Here for Interest Form](#)

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# September BOOK CLUB

Art restorer and legendary spy Gabriel Allon must solve the perfect crime in the dazzling new tale of murder, greed, and corruption from #1 New York Times bestselling novelist Daniel Silva.

An elegant and stylish journey through the dark side of the art world and the Vatican's murky finances, *An Inside Job* proves once again that Daniel Silva is the reigning master of international intrigue and suspense.



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD  
at 6:30PM in the Parish Center

RSVP to [welcomecenter@stpaultheapostle.org](mailto:welcomecenter@stpaultheapostle.org)

# SVDP Needs Your Help!

Greetings! The St. Vincent de Paul Society at our church assists members of our parish community in their time of need.



With your support, we have distributed over \$50,000.00 of direct aid to the most vulnerable among us. Some of the things we help with are eviction prevention, utility payments, medical emergencies, clothing and food.

Currently, the need in our community is growing at a rapid pace and we must ask for your help. Please consider donating to our organization so that we can continue our work.

**Monetary donations can be made online at [svdpspanyc.org](http://svdpspanyc.org), by drop off to the Parish Center or by mail to: SVDP at St. Paul the Apostle Church 405 West 59th Street NY, NY 10019. You can also scan the QR Code below.**

Reach us by phone at 203-493-4021. God bless you!



**Scan Here to  
Donate Now**



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# MUSIC MINISTRY

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# PILGRIMAGE to ITALY

September 16 - 25, 2025

FLORENCE | ASSISI | ROME

Together as a parish community, we've raised enough money to completely sponsor **thirteen** Music Ministers' Pilgrimages to Italy. We cannot thank you enough for the overwhelming support you've shown our Ministry!

**We are so close to reaching our fundraising goal, and are deeply grateful for anything that you have to give.** All donations are 100% tax-deductible, and support the ongoing growth of our Music Ministry. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts!

[Support Our Pilgrimage](#)

# Laudato Si

## Ministry at St. Paul's

[CLICK HERE TO READ  
OUR WEEKLY REFLECTION](#)

### Parish Donations

<b><u>Collections</u></b>	<b>Week Ending in 8/3/2025</b>	<b>Week Ending in 8/4/2024</b>
Total	\$8,326	\$6,313
In-Pew	\$8,326	\$6,313
Faith Direct	N/A	N/A
YTD* (+22.72%)	\$1,190,930	\$970,472

\*Financial Year begins on September 1st and ends August 31st

<b>Monthly Church Operating Budget</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>
August Operating Budget	\$291,500	\$233,333
August In-Pew Collections Total	\$8,326	\$34,406
Sep. '24 to Apr. '25 Cumulative Surplus/Deficit	-\$106,688	-\$112,068

## Holy Humor

the line for confession after i  
foolishly arrived 3 minutes after it started



[See More](#)

## Prayer Requests



# Prayer Requests

Grant eternal rest to Stephani Joy Katechis, Emilia Hernandez Pabon, Dr. Robert K. Eschenauer, Liza Monette David, Robert Nilles, Sr. Angela Stodolski, S.C., Olivia Besteiro , Thomas R. Hessel, Nicholas P. O'Neill, and Marian A Milne.

Grant health and healing to Paula Ryan, Maureen Belsito, Luke Janke, Dee Tomeo, Valerie Bosco, Tony Micakaj, Liza David, Paul Schmittner, Rev. Ronald Yarrosch , Jayne Boccuzzi, Donnie Strickland, Michael Conner, Rudy Alamia, Kathryn Sanders, Christopher Henderson , Lucy Gbile, Francela Lopez, Denise Abady, Albert Besteiro, Shay Gavin, Daniel, Linda and Nathan Wilson, Mary Dare, Kathleen Friel, Yvonne Beatrice, Mary Dare and Luz Maria Baquera.

Grant peace and well-being to Marcine Stephenson, Tessa Grace, Mariana de los Angeles Sevcek, Marcine Stephenson , Antoinette Cinturati, Patrick Brennan, Leonardo Canas, Keon Whyte, Marguerite Zohni, Neil Sussman, Baby Elias, Neil Sussman, Catherene Baker, and Jean Blackwell.

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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, August 8th

7:30 AM - Oksana Vasel

5:00 PM † Lucy Rosario Zenteno

## Saturday, August 9th

8:30 AM † Richard Tooker

5:00 PM † Lost Souls of Purgatory

## Sunday, August 10th

8:00AM † Edward Bergin

10:00AM † David Tirado Garcia

12:30PM † Mercedes Zuniga Avila Diego

and † Juana Zuniga Diego

5:00PM † Marcin Broda

## Monday, August 11th

7:30AM † Helene McGrady

12:10PM - Renato Pagani

## Tuesday, August 12th

7:30 AM † Liam Andrew Lobo

12:10 PM † Felicidad Ramos &

Alfonso Martinez

## Wednesday, August 13th

7:30AM † The Box Family

12:10PM † Gavin C. Abayo, III

## Thursday, August 14th

7:30 AM † Concetta Caradonna

12:10 PM † Domingo June Trinidad de Vera,

Jr. & † Teresita B. Calisay

## Parish Information



## Church Hours

Monday-Tuesday, Thursday - Friday

7:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Wednesday

7:00 AM - 7:00 PM

Saturday

8:30 AM - 6:30 PM

Sunday

7:00 AM - 6:30 PM

## Mass Schedule

**Daily Mass**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

7:30 AM and 12:10 PM

Wednesday

7:30 AM, 12:10 PM, and 6:30 PM

Saturday

8:30AM

**Sunday Mass**

Saturday

5:00 PM (Vigil)

Sunday

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



## Make a Gift to St. Paul's

**You may be away for the summer, but our bills aren't going anywhere! Help us keep the air conditioning running and our ministries flourishing by showing your support to St. Paul's.**

Your support is the primary way that we can continue to serve the people of our parish - **we've put some information below about how you can give back if you are able to.** Please remember that you can have your donations go directly to the ministry of your choice!

To donate online go to [stpaultheapostle.org](http://stpaultheapostle.org) 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 [@stpaulsnyc](#) to donate now!

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# Virtch Church ONLINE MINISTRY





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WEEKDAYS AT 12:10 PM

SATURDAYS AT 5 PM

SUNDAYS AT 10 AM & 5 PM



Virtch Church on the St. Paul's  
Website

Virtch Church on YouTube

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Our services, along with the readings and hymns for weekends, can be found on our [SPA app](#) - 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 <https://stpaulny.web4uapps.com>.



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