

July 10th, 2025



15th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## A Farewell

Dear Community of St. Paul the Apostle,

It is time to say farewell as I prepare to return to studies in DC at the Catholic University of America. My time at the parish started last fall with much anticipation and excitement, and it has not worn off! Though it is difficult to make the transition, I leave inspired.

The first parish event I got involved with was the spirited Be-the-Attitude retreat in the fall of 2024. That retreat really set the stage in getting to know the parish community. St. Paul's knows how to do unity in diversity well. I was inspired by everyone's readiness and eagerness to join together and share their experiences of faith.

That retreat was certainly not a one-off event where the fervor and unity of the parish were exemplified. I continued to experience the vibrant life of the parish

at events like the Christmas concert, the Mardi Gras party, the Easter Vigil, the Lenten retreat just to name a few. Apart from the events, the stories of the joys and sorrows of life, shared with me throughout the year have a special place in my heart. They testify to the reality of Christian holiness, as Cardinal Tolentino writes, "...the humanity of human beings has become the dwelling place of the divine, of God." It is when we walk alongside one another in faith that we grow closer to God. By the witness of your Christian lives, I have been inspired and nourished. I will always be grateful for that invaluable gift.

Thank you to Fr. Eric in his guidance as my supervisor. It was a great blessing to be in ministry with Fr. Chris, with whom I was in seminary, and with Fr. Paul, who was the first Paulist priest I met back in undergrad at UCLA. Also, I am grateful for the work and dedication of my ministry support team. Thank you to all of the staff at St. Paul the Apostle that keeps this place going.

The list of highlights of my time here are too many, but I would like to make note of one in particular: singing the Exsultet chant at the Easter Vigil. I knew I could sing in the shower, but I did not know I could sing in Church! What a pleasant surprise... for everyone! The Exsultet is such a powerful synthesis of God's love for us through the ages and especially, now, when we experience the fruits of the Resurrection. What helped me understand this reality of the resurrection in a new depth were these striking words from a Byzantine hymn, "From the tomb you rose today, O Lord of tender compassion, Also from the gates of death You led us out, O our Saviour. **On this day Adam is dancing and Eve rejoices...**" To Pope John Paul II's famous words, "We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our song," I would like to add that the Resurrection is our dance. May we live the joy of the Gospel aware that Christ accompanies us in the ups and downs of life. Let's dance!

Though I was away from classes this year, this community has been the greatest school on the road toward priesthood. Thank you for your support and for being part of the journey! Pray for me! I shall pray for you!

God bless,



James Alexander Marquez, CSP  
*Seminarian, Paulist Fathers*

## Upcoming Events

**WELCOME**



**WEEKEND**

**JULY 12 & 13**



**AFTER MASS**

This month's Welcome Weekend celebrations will, ironically, also be our farewell to seminarian James Marquez, CSP! Stop by the back of the church after all masses to see him off, or join us after the 12:30 PM mass in the Parish Center for a party hosted by the Hispanic Community at St. Paul's.

# FAREWELL JAMES MARQUEZ, CSP



Join us to celebrate with Seminarian James as he concludes his pastoral year at St. Paul's!

Stop by at any mass next weekend to give thanks for his service to our church and wish him well as he continues his novitiate.

**SUNDAY, JULY 13TH**  
**AFTER ALL MASSES**

**PARTY IN THE PARISH CENTER**  
**FOLLOWING THE 12:30 PM SPANISH MASS**

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**THIS WEEKEND: Second Collection for the Catholic Missions  
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## AFTER MASS HANG ROSARY MAKING

SUNDAY, JULY 20TH  
ST. PAUL'S PARISH CENTER  
FOLLOWING 5PM MASS

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**July**  
**25-27**  
**2025**

# The Paulist Fathers Come & See: History & Ministry at The Church of Saint Paul the Apostle in New York City

For more information and to register, contact:

Paulist Fr. Ed Nowak, C.S.P., Vocation Director

✉ [vocations@paulist.org](mailto:vocations@paulist.org)

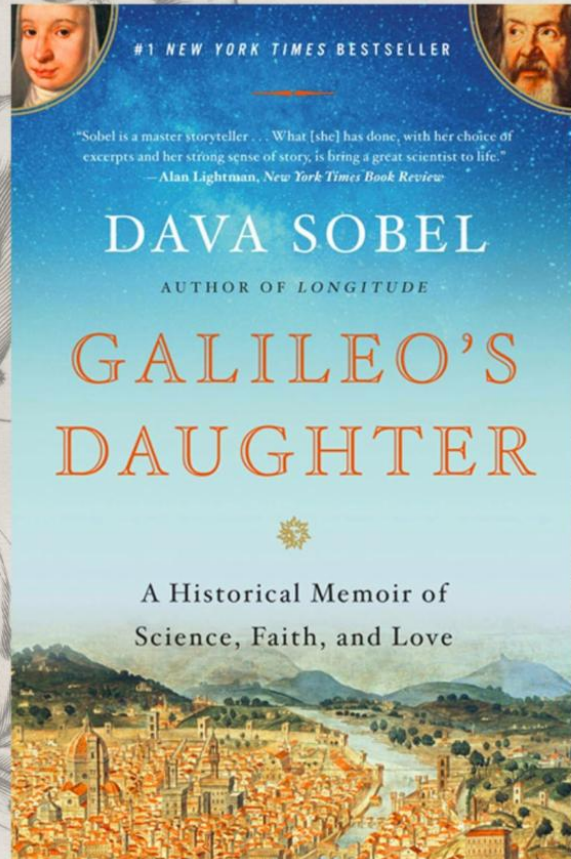
📞 (917) 763-7899

🌐 [beapaulist.org/comeandsee](http://beapaulist.org/comeandsee)



# July BOOK CLUB

Inspired by a long fascination with Galileo, and by the remarkable surviving letters of his daughter Maria Celeste, a cloistered nun, Dava Sobel has crafted a biography that dramatically recolors the personality and accomplishments of a mythic figure whose early-seventeenth-century clash with Catholic doctrine continues to define the schism between science and religion—the man Albert Einstein called "the father of modern physics—indeed of modern science altogether."



WEDNESDAY, JULY 30TH  
at 6:30PM in the Parish Center  
RSVP to [welcomecenter@stpaultheapostle.org](mailto:welcomecenter@stpaultheapostle.org)

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

REGISTRATION NOW OPEN FOR  
2025 - 2026 School Year

For families registering for Religious Education at St. Paul's for the first time, the Religious Education Registration Form is available at the parish receptionist's desk and on our parish website.

Para las familias nuevas que son miembros registrados de la Iglesia de San Pablo y le gustaría registrar sus hijos en la clase de Educación Religiosa los formularios están disponibles en la oficina parroquial, en la librería de la iglesia o en la página de internet. Las clases se llenan muy rápido, regístrese ahora.

[CLICK HERE TO ACCESS THE REGISTRATION FORMS OR LEARN MORE](#)

REGISTER BY  
Friday, August 1st

FIRST CLASSES  
Sunday, September 21st

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# 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

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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

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OUR WEEKLY REFLECTION](#)

### In The News



Inside a glorious West Side church built with stones salvaged from 19th century city landmarks

When Father Isaac Hecker began planning a new Catholic church on

Columbus Avenue and 60th Street, he imagined a "noble basilica" that would reflect "the artistic ideals of the past, with the American genius of his day," states the website of that church, St. Paul the Apostle.

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## Doctrine Chief Predicts Pope Leo Will Retain Francis' Blessings Provisions - New Ways Ministry

Pope Francis' pastoral provisions for the blessing of individuals in same-gender relationships will remain unchanged by Pope Leo XIV, according to the Vatican's doctrine chief.

Cardinal Victor Manuel Fernández, the Prefect of the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith, and also the author of the 2023 document which expressly permitted informal blessings of people living in "irregular" situations, told an Italian newspaper that Leo is unlikely to rollback the provisions.

[Read More](#)

## Parish Donations

<b><u>Collections</u></b>	<b>Week Ending in 7/6/2025</b>	<b>Week Ending in 7/7/2024</b>
Total	\$13,689	\$8,064
In-Pew	\$13,689	\$8,064
Faith Direct	N/A	N/A
YTD* (+23.31%)	\$1,107,440	\$898,073

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

<b>Monthly Church Operating Budget</b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>
July Operating Budget	\$291,500	\$233,333
July In-Pew Collections Total	\$13,689	\$29,855
Sep. '24 to Apr. '25 Cumulative Surplus/Deficit	+\$82,097	+\$25,971

## Holy Humor

You know you're Catholic when..... Walking through HomeGoods and I felt the urge to genuflect.



[See More](#)

# 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, and Rudy Alamia.

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, and Baby Elias.

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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, July 11th**

7:30 AM † Trevor J. Spano

5:00 PM - Joyce Baptiste

**Saturday, July 12th**

8:30 AM - Michele Gorey

5:00 PM † Carmen Curet

**Sunday, July 13th**

8:00AM † Rod "Mayang" Valenzuela

10:00AM † Bernardo Camberos

12:30PM † Rosa Guzman

5:00PM † Marcin Broda

**Monday, July 14th**

7:30AM † Donal Duff

12:10PM † June Paquette

**Tuesday, July 15th**

7:30 AM - Sofia and Siriana

5:00 PM † Clifford Andrews

**Wednesday, July 16th**

7:30AM † Mary Deysher

12:10PM † Oscar Ramos do Prado

**Thursday, July 17th**

7:30 AM - Paula Ryan

12:10 PM - Ruth Aled Martinez Diaz

## 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.



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