

June 26th, 2025



## The Pastor's Column

A Local Missionary Journey

Just a quick note this week as I've got to run and get ready for this year's Pride Mass at the Stonewall National Monument sponsored by our Out at St. Paul Ministry. Please say a prayer for all who are coming to the mass this evening, members of OSP, parishioners who are allies, family members and friends. LGBTQ people will tell you that while this weekend is a celebration of the hard work done by many to gain civil rights, it is also a reminder that human dignity of every person continually needs to be defended and affirmed.

We gather at the Stonewall National Monument on the eve of the Feast of The Sacred Heart of Jesus to be reminded of the depth of Christ's love for us, a love that overcomes all boundaries, and to be the Body of Christ for all those who are searching and wondering if God really loves them. Having been at the

Mass for the last number of years I am amazed by so many people who come up to us and thank us. Many assume the Church had slammed the door in their faces and they have horror stories to prove it. Yet, they are heartened, and in some cases overwhelmed, by our presence and our invitation to join us at St. Paul's. For some, it's the first sign of hope in a long time that the Church really cares for them. It makes this local missionary experience so worth it for me.

It is also an important moment for many of our parishioners. Sometimes it's as hard to come out to their LGBTQ friends that they are a practicing Catholic, as it is to come out to family in the first place. Being together as a community to pray and give thanks to God for his love, in the heart of Greenwich Village on the eve of Pride Weekend, means so much. In the most vivid of ways, it is a sign that God comes to us, where we are and who we are, to offer life to the full!

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus, bring all of us love, mercy, reconciliation and peace!

God bless,



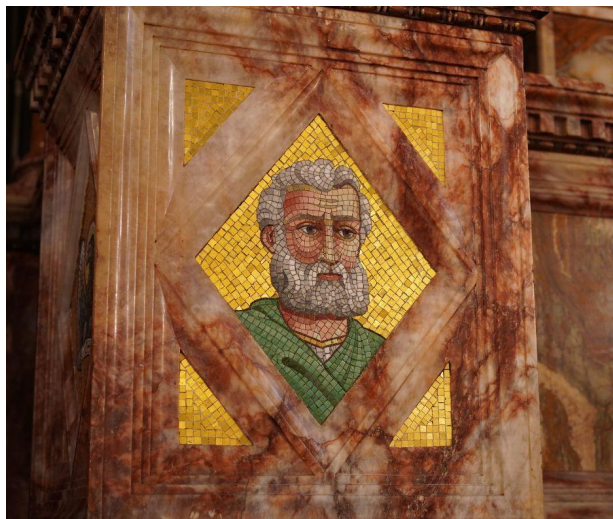
Fr. Eric Andrews, CSP  
*Pastor, St. Paul the Apostle*

## Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul



This Sunday, June 29th, is the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul. The sanctuary of St. Paul's features a myriad of depictions of these founding saints of the church.

Above the entrance to the church is a frieze of the Conversion of St. Paul during his journey on the road to Damascus. The large work - a mixture of stone relief and mosaic tiling - was executed by Lumer Martin Winter in Pietrasanta, Italy in the mid-1950s, around the same time the artist was also sculpting the tomb of Isaac Hecker located in the northeast corner of our church.





Two mosaics of Sts. Peter and Paul adorn the base of the baldachin on the high altar. The leftmost image of St. Peter is accompanied by an adjacent mosaic of the "keys to heaven", a symbol of the papacy and St. Peter's central role as the founding apostle of the Church. The rightmost mosaic of St. Paul includes a sword and a palm branch, symbolizing his evangelization and martyrdom.



Perhaps the most striking depiction of St. Paul is located in the southwest corner of our church. This painting - created by Robert Reid, a renowned American impressionist whose [work is featured the Metropolitan Museum of Art's American Wing](#) - illustrates the saint's unwavering devotion in the moments leading up to his execution.

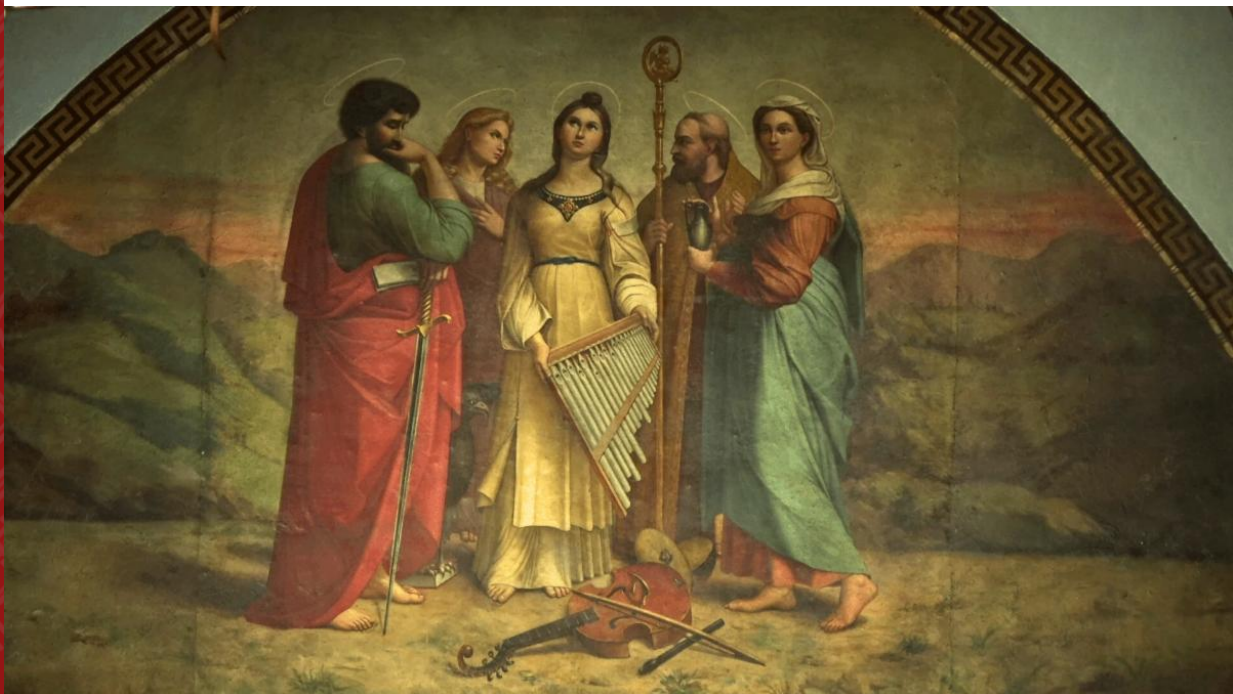


Right underneath this spectacular mural of St. Paul is a small bronze casting depicting St. Peter. Although the statue may appear unassuming at first glance, it is [a detailed copy of a larger 13th century statue by Arnolfo di Cambino](#) housed in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome. The original life-sized work, placed against the pillar of St. Longinus in the Basilica, is dressed up in papal regalia on this feast day every year. In our church, another statue of St. Paul is placed next to the bronze of St. Peter.



The base of our altar table includes a 19th century painting of our patron saint.

St. Paul is also depicted in our copy of Raphael's *Ecstasy of St. Cecelia* (pictured below), located in the north aisle of the church.



Did we miss anything?

These beautiful pieces of artwork deepen our prayer and strengthen our devotion to these two important saints; we are truly blessed to have them in our space of worship. You may even consider walking around the church this weekend while following a practice of *Visio Divina* (as discussed at this year's Lenten Retreat) to enrich your engagement with these images.

St. Peter and St. Paul, pray for us!

# Rooted & Growing



Cultivating Faith in the  
Sacred Chaos of Family Life

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St. Paul the Apostle is creating a new ministry tentatively called **Rooted & Growing** created especially for parishioners of little ones preschool aged and younger. Our hope is that this ministry will be a space to grow in faith, find support, and build friendships with others navigating the sacred chaos of this season of life.

We're having our first very casual get together at the end of June and, of course, the little ones are welcome!

Learn more and join our mailing list by clicking the button below, or by going to [bit.ly/stpaulsrooted](https://bit.ly/stpaulsrooted)

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**Saturday, June 28<sup>th</sup> at 2PM**

Meeting in the Parish Center (405 W59th St)

[Sign Up Here](#)

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# ***The Laudato Si Ministry Presents***



As we look forward to summer, we invite parishioners of all ages to join us for a family-friendly screening of the 2012 movie *The Lorax*, Dr. Seuss' celebrated tale of the titular character who "speaks for the trees." We will have activities for our youngest community members to learn more about how we can care of our common home at any age. **Lunch will be provided!**

***Sunday, June 29<sup>th</sup>***  
***at 11:30 AM in the Parish Center***

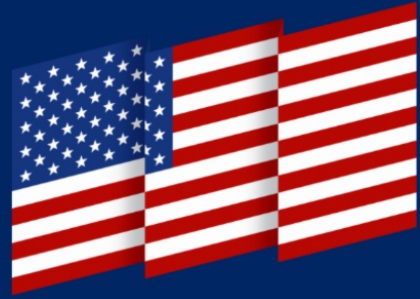
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# 4TH OF JULY

— CLOSURES —



FRIDAY, JULY 4TH  
INDEPENDENCE DAY

CHURCH AND  
PARISH CENTER CLOSED  
WITH ONE MASS AT 10 AM



**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)

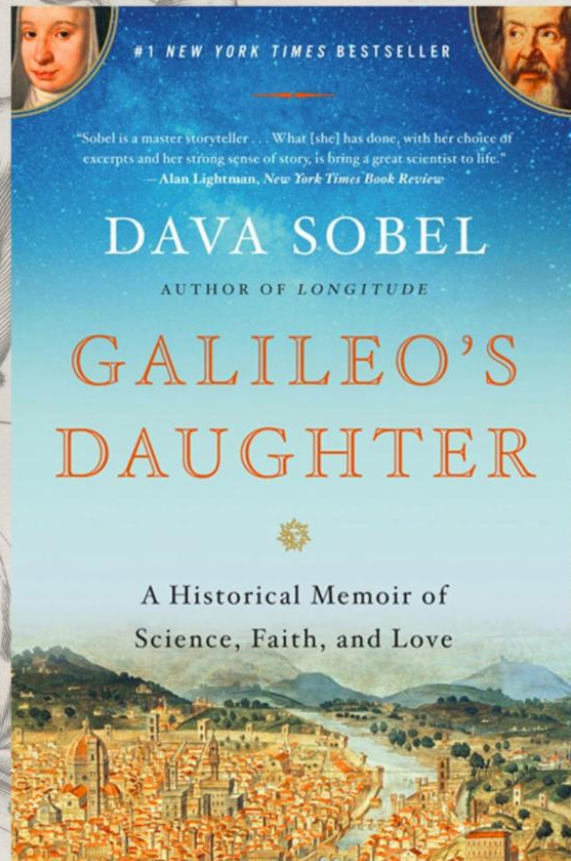
📱 (917) 763-7899

🌐 [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!



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**We did a Marvelous Thing.** 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, and hope that you enjoyed Monday night's concert as much as we did!

If you missed the concert and would like to receive a full recording of the evening, all you have to do is make a donation to our Pilgrimage Fundraiser on Zeffy! [Anyone who makes a donation via Zeffy will receive a link to the recorded performance of our spring concert, \*Marvelous Things\*.](#) The suggested donation is \$25+.

**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!

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# Laudato Si

## Ministry at St. Paul's

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

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## 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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You can also find us on Venmo. Just scan the QR code above, or search for [@stpaulsnyc](#) to donate now!

## Parish Donations

<b><u>Collections</u></b>	<b>Week Ending in 6/22/2025</b>	<b>Week Ending in 6/23/2024</b>
Total	\$29,460	\$26,334
In-Pew	\$7,341	\$7,022
Faith Direct	\$22,119	\$19,312
YTD* (+23.23%)	\$1,085,288	\$880,678

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

<b><u>Monthly Church Operating Budget</u></b>	<b>FY 2025</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>
June Operating Budget	\$291,500	\$233,333
June In-Pew Collections Total	\$39,291	\$40,123
Sep. '24 to Apr. '25 Cumulative Surplus/Deficit	+\$82,097	+\$25,971

## Holy Humor



[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 Yarrosh , 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, June 20th**

7:30 AM † John Onacilla  
12:10 PM † Delores Desso

**Saturday, June 21st**

8:30 AM † Susan Grant  
5:00 PM † Salvador & Josefa Montevirgen

**Sunday, June 22nd**

8:00AM † Robert Elgort  
10:00AM † Fr. Thomas Kane, CSP  
12:30PM - Juan Francisco Ochoa & Joseph Ree  
5:00PM - The Loanzon Family

**Monday, June 23rd**

7:30 AM † Alexander Wieczorek  
5:00 PM † Bryan Mayurnik

**Tuesday, June 24th**

7:30AM † Rosaleas Nunez  
12:10PM † Erich Kollmar

**Wednesday, June 25th**

7:30AM † Peter Acampora  
12:10PM † Olivia Besteiro

**Thursday, June 26th**

7:30 AM † John & Remada Mascarenhas  
12:10 PM - Alex Zemkiy & Family

## 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

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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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