

May 1st, 2025



The Third Sunday of Easter



## The Pastor's Column

### A Musical Salute and Appeal!

161 songs sung, 45 choir members, 43 hours of rehearsal time, 36 musicians, 43 hours of rehearsal time, 4 thirty-minute passions sung... these are some of the awesome statistics from Palm Sunday, Holy Week, and Easter Sunday that Joey Chancey, our music director, has compiled. In addition, consider that the Passion Narratives that were sung Palm Sunday Weekend and Good Friday were composed by parishioner J. Oconer Navarro who specifically tailored the words and music for our choir members who sang it. That's a tremendous body

of work by our music ministry and every bit of it was done with the highest level of excellence, prayerfulness, and sincerity. We have all been blessed by their ministry and by joining our voices to theirs, all of us made sure glory was given to our God and his Son Jesus Christ during Holy Week. Like you, I couldn't be prouder of the spirit, artistry and energy of Joey Chancey, his associates Joey Rodriguez, Alison McCartan, and Our resident composer J. Oconer Navarro, and our choir!

Of course, Joey won't let the grass grow under their feet. Our Music Ministry is now preparing for their next endeavor, their pilgrimage to Italy. There, they will praise God in song in Assisi, the home of St. Francis; Florence, the center of Renaissance art; and the Eternal City, Roma. As they share their ministry with the universal Church, they will make a Jubilee year pilgrimage to all the holy places, including the newest: the final resting place of Pope Francis at the Basilica of St. Mary Major. This once in a lifetime experience will deepen their faith as they walk the paths of many saints, ancient and modern. In turn, this experience will only enhance their ministry with us upon their return as well as spread the Good News about our Music Program to a wider audience. Yours truly will accompany the choir to serve as chaplain, Italian food aficionado, and cheerleader. I'll be filling in for all their loved ones who would show up at every recital and concert beaming with pride.

Like all church choirs who go on pilgrimage, it takes a lot of bake sales to make it a reality. We have several members who are not able to afford to go on this trip and they need our help. Currently, they have raised one-third of their fundraising/scholarship goal. This coming Monday, May 12th the Choir will perform a spring benefit concert entitled "Marvelous Things" to raise funds for the pilgrimage. I encourage you to purchase an in-person or streaming ticket so you can enjoy a terrific night of music that will nurture the heart and soul. [Here's a quick link...](#) It is a great way to thank them for all their hard work and dedication, most of which is provided on a volunteer basis.

To go a step further, I call on those patrons of the arts out there to join me in considering a leadership gift to this effort and the Music Ministry overall. As you experienced these past two weeks, we have invested a lot of time, talent, and treasure in our sacred music program at St. Paul's. For it to grow, it will require more financial support. Soon, we will have a Capital Campaign and part of it is creating an endowment fund for this ministry. We only want to see this program grow and inspire more people! For my part, I am declining the free trip a priest usually gets on a pilgrimage so I can help someone who needs a helping hand.

Thanks to all of you who have already responded to this special pilgrimage fundraising appeal and to those who faithfully make a regular offering to the "Friends of Music" through Faith Direct. Thanks to the help of the Holy Spirit, we always make wonderful things happen at St. Paul's! God willing, this will be no exception!

May the joy of Easter continue to lift our hearts in song and praise!

Paschal Blessings,



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

## Upcoming Events

Fr. Dave Dwyer, CSP  
**SILVER JUBILEE**  
25 Years of Priesthood



Sunday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 10:00 AM  
Church of Saint Paul the Apostle, NYC

# Interfaith Lunch & Learn



with members of the  
**Stephen Wise Synagogue**

Join us for a two-part interfaith exchange with our neighbors from the Stephen Wise Synagogue as we explore the sacred spaces we use for prayer and study. Together, we'll reflect on why these spaces are designed the way they are – and how their design represents and facilitates prayer.

First, we'll meet at the St. Paul's Parish Center on May 6<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 PM. We'll welcome our guests from Stephen Wise, share a light lunch, and Fr. James DiLuzio will offer a tour of our church.

Then, on May 13<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 PM, the Stephen Wise Synagogue at 30 West 68<sup>th</sup> Street will welcome guests from St. Paul's. We will share a light lunch and a tour guided by Rabbi Dalia Samansky.

**RSVP REQUIRED**

Contact Fr. James DiLuzio at [jdiluzio@paulist.org](mailto:jdiluzio@paulist.org)

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In preparation for their first-ever  
**PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY**

the St. Paul the Apostle Music Ministry  
presents



*Marvelous Things*

***A Concert Benefitting a Pilgrimage  
of a Lifetime!***

Scan here for tickets!



**MONDAY, MAY 12 at 7:30PM**

**At the of Corner of Columbus Ave & 60<sup>th</sup> Street**

In preparation for their first-ever Pilgrimage to Italy, the St. Paul the Apostle Music Ministry presents *Marvelous Things: A Concert Benefitting a Pilgrimage of a Lifetime* on May 12, 2025 at 7:30pm at The Church of St. Paul the Apostle.

Your ticket will generously support financial aid for Ministry members who would otherwise be unable to attend this very special Pilgrimage. The link to purchase tickets and make additional donations can be found here: [bit.ly/marvelousthings](https://bit.ly/marvelousthings)

For many of our Ministry members, this is a first-time experience of Italy; and

for all of us, this is a once-in-a-lifetime experience in a Jubilee year. Many of our members have shared that this Pilgrimage is made extra special because we get to embark on a spiritual and musical journey with this particular group. Our Ministry is a diverse group of musicians who have found a spiritual home and safe haven within St. Paul's, and our Music Ministry. We're looking forward to sharing our faith experience through music with the world at large.

Join us in person or via livestream for an evening of Music, Community, and Marvelous Things as we prepare to send off this beloved group of musicians. The evening will be led by Music Director Joey Chancey and will feature singers from both The St. Paul Choir and the Inspirit Ensemble.

If you are unable to attend our concert, or would like to make an additional tax-deductible donation towards our fundraising efforts, [you may do so via our fundraising page HERE!](#)



May's "Welcome Weekend" celebrations will be hosted by the Music Ministry! Stop by after any mass on May 10th and 11th for fellowship, or to hear more about the pilgrimage!

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# COME, HAVE BREAKFAST



A MORNING GATHERING FOR DISCUSSION OVER BRUNCH WITH



**Sr. Elizabeth Johnson, CSJ**

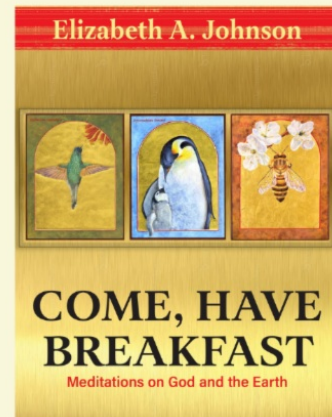
*Award-Winning Catholic Author*

*Distinguished Professor Emerita of Theology  
at Fordham University*

**FRIDAY, MAY 16<sup>TH</sup> AT 10 AM**  
**IN THE PARISH CENTER (405 W59TH ST)**

Elizabeth A. Johnson, C.S.J., is a professor, mentor, writer, editor, and public lecturer. A beloved teacher, *The National Catholic Reporter* has hailed Elizabeth as “one of the country’s most prominent and respected theologians.”

We will gather in the Parish Center for small group discussion with Elizabeth about her latest book, *Come, Have Breakfast*. With purchase of your ticket, you will receive a copy of the book in the mail ahead of the event. Come ready to discuss and share in some morning fellowship!



**\$25 FOR BOOK & BRUNCH**

**GET TICKETS AT**

**[WWW.STPAULTHEAPOSTLE.ORG/BREAKFAST](http://WWW.STPAULTHEAPOSTLE.ORG/BREAKFAST)**

[Get Tickets Here](#)

# ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

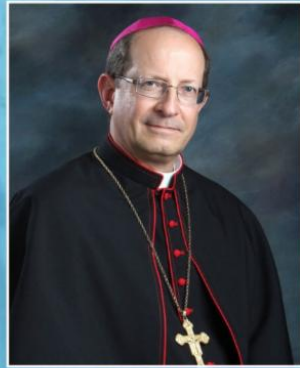


Benjamin Chisholm, *CSP*



Christopher Manalo, *CSP*

TO BE ORDAINED BY:



Most Reverend David J. Walkowiak, J.C.D.,  
*Bishop of Grand Rapids, MI*

SATURDAY, MAY 17TH, 2025 AT 10AM

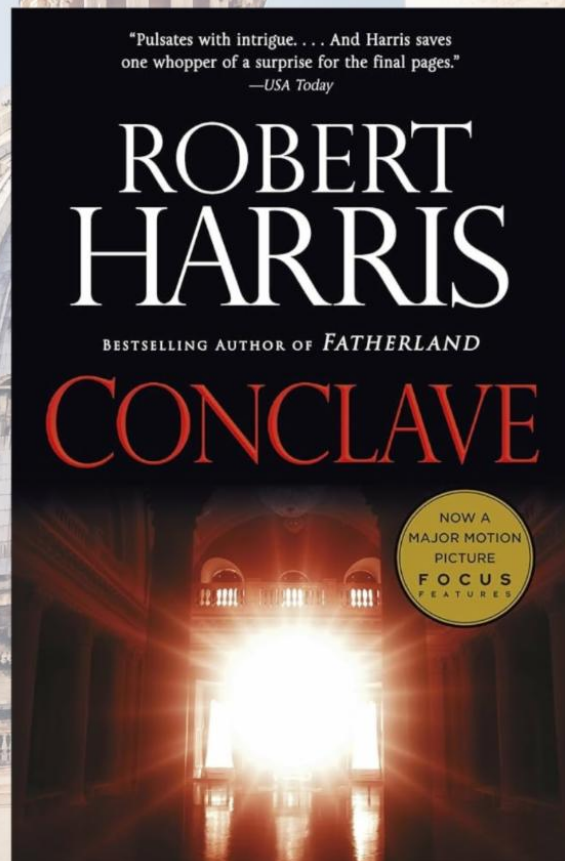
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# May BOOK CLUB

Behind the locked doors of the Sistine Chapel, one hundred and eighteen cardinals from all over the globe will cast their votes in the world's most secretive election.

They are holy men. But they have ambition. And they have rivals.

Over the next seventy-two hours one of them will become the most powerful spiritual figure on earth.



**TUESDAY, MAY 20TH**  
**at 6:30PM in the Parish Center**  
RSVP to [welcomecenter@stpaultheapostle.org](mailto:welcomecenter@stpaultheapostle.org)

# Poets@StPaul

## In-Person Gathering



For more information, contact: [tholahan@paulist.org](mailto:tholahan@paulist.org)

Poets@StPaul meets monthly to learn more about poetry writing as well as sharing recent work. All are welcome to our poetry gatherings: poetry writers, poetry lovers and the poetry curious. Bring a poem you have written or a favorite by another! Reading and discussion to follow.

**Wednesday, May 21st**  
at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center



# 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**



# Laudato Si

## Ministry at St. Paul's

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

Scenes From the Week



Congratulations to Blanca Fernandez, Webster Daniel Ross IV, Aiden Willemsen-Fernandez, Clara Lin, Racquel Tepox, Riley Jeffery, Analiese Lynelle Vegazo, Tyreem Civil, Emme Rose Cassillo-Moretto, and Lila Grace Cassillo-Moretto for receiving their First Holy Communion at our Sunday 10 AM mass this weekend! Keep them in your prayers as we continue to celebrate the Easter season.



## Parish Donations

<b><u>Collections</u></b>	<b>Week Ending in 4/27/2025</b>	<b>Week Ending in 4/29/2024</b>
Total	\$10,463	\$6,815
In-Pew	\$10,463	\$6,815
Faith Direct	N/A	N/A
YTD* (+22.39%)	\$887,604	\$725,251

\*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>
April Operating Budget	\$291,500	\$233,333
April In-Pew Collections Total	\$79,223	\$33,149
YTD Surplus/Deficit (end of February)	+\$290,885	+\$186,762

## Holy Humor

# The Holy Spirit getting me to Mass in the morning



[See More](#)

Prayer Requests



## Prayer Requests

Grant eternal rest to Jonathan Gagne, Eileen Schreiber, John Annoreno, Bro. Gary Eck, S.M., Giuseppe Ciavarella, Rev. Msgr. Michael Crimmins, Sabrina Clauss-Ehlers, John Freitas, Zdenko Dujmovic, Therese Anne Walles, Stephanie Katechis, and Robert K. Echenauer.

Grant health or healing to Neal Hitzig, Isha Clarke, Robbin Kemp, Christine Becker, Tiffani Nelson, Liliana Rohrer, Denise Abady , Don Belsito, April McDonald, Daniel Wilson, Rev. John Krivak, Jewel Amond, Luke Nedza, Christopher Henderson, Nick Burriesci, Margaret Pietsch, Julia Horan, Dr. Adria Gallup-Black, Barbara Abady, Maureen Moriarty, Daniel and Linda Wilson, and the Assante Family.

Grant peace and well-being to Keon Whyte, Rev. Samuel Perrins, Karolina Jiménez , Kyle Frank, Rick Frank, Bridget Frank, Marcine Stephenson , Antoinette Cinturati, Patrick Brennan, Leonardo Canas, Baby Elias, and Mariana de los Angeles Sevcek.

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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, May 2nd**  
7:30 AM † Irene & Edward Dybowski  
12:10 PM † Mario Domingo Ramos de Vera  
& † Benjamin Felarca Ramos

**Saturday, May 3rd**  
8:00AM - For the People  
5:00PM † Zeny Mariano

**Sunday, May 4th**  
8:00AM - Susan & Anthony Viola  
10:00AM - Morente & Fesalbon & Family  
12:30PM † Jose Theodore Lopez  
5:00PM † Marcin Broda

**Monday, May 5th**  
7:30 AM † Drew Melio  
12:10PM † Gavino P. Abaya, Jr.

**Tuesday, May 6th**  
7:30AM † Jesus Loanzon, Jr.  
12:10PM † Lena Abraham

**Wednesday, May 7th**  
7:30AM † Pierre Olney  
12:10PM † Joe Ezzie

**Thursday, May 8th**  
7:30 AM † Jane Gallatin  
12:10 PM † Suzanne Janissen

## 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>.



## Make a Gift to St. Paul's

Your support is the primary way that we can continue to serve the people of St. Paul's - **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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