Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:30 pm Vigil Mass
Sunday ~ in English 8:00 am, 9:15 am, 11:00 am, & 5:00 pm
Sunday ~ en Español 12:15 pm
Coffee & Donuts, in the Parish Center, following 9:15 Mass

Children's Liturgy of the Word
Celebrated at 9:15 am Family Mass
all children age Kindergarten to Fourth grade welcome, no registration required

Holy Day of Obligation: 8:30 am -or- 6:00 pm

Daily Mass and Devotions
Monday ~ Saturday, 8:30 am in the Chapel
Rosary in English ~ daily after 8:30 am Mass
Our Lady of Perpetual Help ~ Tuesday after 8:30 am Mass

The Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 - 4:15 pm -or- by appointment

BAPTISM PREPARATION ~ first Wednesday of each month 7:00 pm
RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) ~ September to May, please call the Rectory for information
MARRIAGE PREPARATION ~ contact Rev. Mario Farana at least six (6) months prior to your desired ceremony date

Rev. Mario P. Farana, Pastor
Rev. Shouraia Pudota, Ministerio en Español
Deacon Bill McLoughlin
Rev. Raymund Reyes, In Residence
Rev. Joe Bradley, In Residence

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
Dorothy Vigna, Director
School of Religion {CCD}
Saturdays 9:30 am ~ 11:00 am, September through May
Confirmation Preparation for Teenagers
Tuesdays 7:00 pm, September through May

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Saturday Vigil ~ Joseph Duggan, David Simi
Sunday ~ Diane Costa, Joseph Duggan, and Margaret Ann Kerns
Guillermo Morales en Español

LITTLEST ANGEL PREPARATORY PRESCHOOL
follow the yellow-brick road
Mrs. Peg Lazzarini-Kayser, Director
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Kindergarten through 8th Grade
Mrs. Katie Kiss, Principal
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Calendar of the Week

Monday: January 29th.
Tuesday: January 30th.
Wednesday: January 31st.
Thursday: February 1st.
Friday: February 2nd.
Saturday: February 3rd.
Sunday: February 4th.

RCIA 7pm
Confirmation Class 7:30pm
CCD class from 9:30 am to 11:00am
Athletic Board Crab Feed 6pm
Coffee & Donuts following the 9:15am Mass

ST. PAUL'S THANKSGIVING RESPONSE TO GOD THIS PAST WEEK
Weekly Collection January 21, 2018 $ 4,544.85
E-Contributions December 2017 $ 6,119.40

BROWN BAG LUNCHES
Next Sunday February 3rd/4th, St Paul’s Community Outreach
Program will be collecting Brown Bag Lunches after all the Masses.
Your generosity and support are always appreciated!

Second Collection
Next Weekend February 3rd/4th, there will be a Second Collection for the Preservation Fund.
This collection helps in Preserving our beautiful Church. As always, your generosity, prayers and support are always appreciated

Blessing of the throats
This coming week is the Feast of St. Blaise. We will be blessing throats after all masses Next weekend
February 3rd & 4th

The 2017 Financial Statements are now ready.
All statements have been mailed. If you did not receive your statement, please contact the Rectory if you need a copy sent to you. 415-548-7538

Catholic Charities Lenten Tours and Volunteer Opportunities
During Lent, Catholic Charities invites you to practice compassion by:
• Touring on of our programs service the poor and vulnerable
• Share your time by volunteering; tutoring, serving food or leading activities.
• Donating to those in need.
For more information contact Regina O'Conner, Volunteer Manager, (415)972-1297, volunteer
@CatholicCharitiesSF.org or visit our website: CatholicCharitiesSF.org/all-opportunities

Please pray for those in our book of the sick and especially for the following: Hope Eisenberg, Michael Lazzarini, Debbie Ferranti, Avo Heeguard
For those who have died:

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 4:30 pm
Kimberly Kempen (D)
Jack & Margaret Kotlanger (D)
Sunday 8:00 am
Amulio & Paolina Petrini (D)
Steve Phelps (D)
Sunday 9:15 am
Teachers & Students of St. Paul’s (L&D)
Sunday 11 a
Laura Colabianchi (D)
Rolando Gonzales (D)
Sunday 12:15 pm (Spanish)
Richard Gamarra (D)
Juanita Francisca Rivas (D)
Rene Francisco Colomer (D)
Sunday 5:00 pm
Rolando Gonzales (D)

Monday 8:30 am
Jose Rivera (D)
Tuesday 8:30 am
People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
Wednesday 8:30 am
People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
Thursday 8:30 am
Vickie Maharic (L)
William Maharic (D)
Friday 8:30 am
Kimberly Driscoll Kempen (D)
Saturday 8:30 am
People of St. Paul’s (L&D)

Saturday 4:30 pm
Josephine & Jack Shea
Ernest & Dolores Deligatti (D)
Mary Prentice & Michael Masullo (D)
Sunday 8:00 am
Frances Strachan (D)
Michael, Jack & Margaret Kotlanger (D)
Sunday 9:15 am
People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
Sunday 11 am
Evelyn Hunt (D)
Mary Ellen Lundy (D)
Sunday 12:15 pm (Spanish)
Rufino Gutierrez (D)
Solaro Family (L&D)
Jorge & John Lara (D)
Sunday 5:00 pm
People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
TRUE PROPHETS
In Deuteronomy today we hear that God's very words will fill
the mouth of a true prophet, but a false prophet will, in a manner of
speaking, put mere mortal words into God's mouth. In Mark's
Gospel, we see Jesus teaching and healing as a true prophet, one
filled with the authority of God's own voice. The whole history of our
church is filled with both true and false prophets. Some false
prophets were extremely popular and quite well-versed in scripture,
and even held positions of authority. But in today's Gospel we learn
that Jesus' fame spread because he taught with authority; he wasn't
an authority because he was popular or famous. Elsewhere, we
also learn from him, in his desert temptation confrontations with
Satan, that anyone can quote scripture, even against God's
purposes. Today we hear that his authority was not like that of the
scribes, who held the official positions of religious authority in his
day. Our work is to do our best to discern the true prophets in our
midst, and to be true prophets as well. The psalmist tells us how to
do this: by not hardening our hearts when God speaks. If we truly
listen to God, it will be God's very words filling our mouths.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION
This is the year of St. Paul, and so one of the most visited
churches of Rome is also one of the most beautiful: the Basilica of
St. Paul Outside the Walls. Like so many other churches, it was
founded by the master-builder (or financier) Emperor Constantine
about the year 315. Paul was martyred outside the walls of the City
of Rome at a place called Tre Fontane, probably on June 29, in
the year 65, perhaps the first anniversary of St. Peter's crucifixion.
Christians buried him in a quiet place about two miles away, and
visited to pray. Constantine was running low on bricks, apparently,
because the first church was tiny. In 386 it was demolished and
today's basilica begun. This vast and towering space looks much
the same today as it did in the fourth century.

The centuries have not been kind to ancient Rome, but until the
early 1800s St. Paul Outside the Walls survived beautifully, perhaps
because it has been assigned for nearly a thousand years to
Benedictine monks. It was therefore a vibrant place of daily prayer
even through the centuries when Rome was a poor and nearly
abandoned city. In 1823 a great fire resulted from a botched repair
job to lead on the roof, and St. Paul's was destroyed. It is said that
the whole world contributed to its restoration. Even the Russian czar
and the viceroy of Egypt gave alabaster, malachite, and lapis lazuli
for the pillars and the tabernacle. Several of the precious mosaics
were able to be restored, bringing the ancient basilica back to life.
One of the great treasures of the basilica is a set of prison chains,
said to have been worn by the Apostle in the last days before his
martyrdom. Unlike other Roman churches, St. Paul's stands in a
garden-like suburban neighborhood, surrounded by stately palm
trees, gardens, and parks.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK
Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13; Ps 3:2-7;
    Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30 — 19:3;
    Ps 86:1-6; Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17; Ps 32:1-2, 5-7; Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12; 1 Chr 29:10-12;
    Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Mal 3:1-4; Ps 24:7-10; Heb 2:14-18;
    Lk 2:22-40 [22-32]
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13; Ps 118:9-14; Mk 6:30-34
Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7; Ps 147:1-6; 1 Cor 9:16-19,
    22-23; Mk 1:29-39

For those who feel alone in their grief following an abortion:
May they deeply experience the Lord's mercy and healing; We
pray to the Lord:
Join others, in a small group setting, for a Lenten Journey to reinforce your faith. Share and discuss Sunday Reflections and prayers written by Sr. Terry Richard, O.P. and daily meditations by Deacon Charles Paolino. Pope Francis stated; "Lent is a new beginning, a path leading to the certain goal of Easter, Christ's victory over death. This season urgently calls us to conversion. Christians are asked to return to God with all their hearts, to refuse to settle for mediocrity and to grow in friendship with the Lord. Jesus is the faithful friend who never abandons us."

St. Paul's Parish will offer two groups, one meeting on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. with Deacon Bill McLoughlin, and the evening group will be meeting on Thursdays evenings, at 7:00 p.m. with Dorothy Vigna. Both groups will meet in the Rectory.

Sign up sheets for your participation will be located at the main entrance of the Church (on the back table) for the next two weekends.

Have Questions? Talk to Bill, Dorothy, or Fr. Mario
DON'T GIVE UP 

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LENT – EASTER 2018

Returning your palms

Please return your palms from last year over the next two weekends
Feb 3rd/4th & Feb 10th/11th.
These palms will be used to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday February 14, 2018
Thank you

February 14, 2018

8:30am Mass in the Church
12:00 noon scripture service
6:00pm Mass in the Church

Come join Lenten Spiritual Journey 2018

Renew 2018 invites you to join a weekly small faith-sharing group. The groups use a lectionary-based material that includes shared prayer, reading of the Gospel, and group discussion. Each group meets six times during the Lenten Season beginning the Week of Ash Wednesday and ending the week before Holy Week. Sign-up sheets for Renew 2018 will be located at the main entrance of St Paul Church on February 3rd/4th and February 10th/11th. If you have any questions or would like to join a group or start a group, please contact the Rectory for more information
(415) 648-7538
Lenten Spiritual Journey Sessions:
Tuesday 9:30am in the Rectory
Thursday 7 pm in the Rectory

DON’T GIVE UP CHOCOLATE FOR LENT

Instead, take a 40-day journey to become the best-version-of-yourself.
Join our parish for Best Lent Ever, a free email program designed to help you have a life-changing Lent.
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Are you ready to have your best Lent Ever?
Sign up at DynamicCatholic.com/Lent
Stations of the Cross followed by a Soup Supper

Join other parishioners to "WALK THE WAY OF THE LORD" on Wednesday evenings beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Church. We will learn how Peter, Paul, John, and Pope Francis felt as they followed Jesus as He carried His cross. May we too, help carry this cross. This usually takes about 30 minutes and then everyone is invited to the Rectory for a Simple Soup Supper shared together. Different groups from the parish make the soup. A Donation Cup is put out for offerings to Rice Bowl. This is a small amount of time to spend with the Lord, also meeting and sharing with other parishioners from St. Paul's.

Join us Wednesdays in Lent – at 6:00 p.m. in Church
February 21st
February 28th
March 7th
March 14th
March 21st
St. Paul’s 2018 Community Outreach Lenten Schedule

DAILY MASS – During Lent the 8:30am Mass will be celebrated in the Chapel

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – will be the following:
Wednesday morning in the Chapel, beginning Feb 21, 2018. following the 8:30am Mass
Wednesday evening stations will take place in the Church at 6pm, beginning Feb 21, 2018 followed by a Soup Supper in the Rectory
Thursday evening Spanish stations will be held in the Chapel under the Church at 6:30pm, beginning Feb 22, 2018

COMMUNITY OUTREACH – Our Lenten gifts to be shared with our brothers and sister in need are listed below:
Please bring the items on the assigned weekend:

Sunday Feb 18, 2018 - Diapers – Epiphany Center
Sunday Feb 25, 2018 – Sweatshirts – Daughters of Charity
Sunday March 4, 2018- Brown Bag Lunch
Sunday March 11, 2018– Men’s Socks, Underwear, Colored T-shirts - Daughters of Charity
Sunday March 18, 2018 – Toiletries - Daughters of Charity

We are all journeying into our inner desert together. By the time the Triduum comes may we each have a deeper appreciation of the mighty acts of God and the tender love revealed in Jesus.

Abstinence
Is a penitential practice consisting of refraining from the consumption of meat and is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 year of age and older. Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and the Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence. Pastors and parents are encouraged to see that children who are not bound by the obligation to fast and abstain are led to appreciate and authentic sense of penance.

Fasting and Abstinence-
In addition of abstinence, fasting is to be observed by all Catholics between the ages of 18 – 59 (inclusive). On days of fasting, one full meal in allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according of one’s needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted but liquids are allowed.

Note: if a person is unable to observe the above due to ill health or serious reasons, they are urged to practice other forms of self-denial that are suitable to their condition
Please note Mass time changes for Sunday Masses on Palm Sunday. Mass times will be
8am, 9:30am, 11:15am, 12:30pm and 5:00pm

And Easter Sunday.
Mass times will be 8am, 9:30am, 11:15am, 12:30pm

Coming Events:

Stations of the Cross and Soup Supper during Lent.

Stations of the Cross Wednesdays following the 8:30am Mass in the Chapel
Stations of the Cross on Wednesdays at 6pm in the church followed by soup supper in the Rectory
Wednesday’s February 21st, through March 21st.

Stations of the Cross in Spanish will be held on Thursday’s @ 6:30pm in the Chapel under the
Church February 22nd through March 22nd.

Church Decorating for Easter March 31, 2018, 10:15am Lunch will be provide

Encountering Lent
Companions on the Journey

February 3rd/4th and February 10th/11th, you can pick up your Lenten Rice Bowls in
the front and side vestibules of the Church.

CRS Rice Bowl – the largest and oldest Lenten program practiced by Catholics in the United States. generations of
Catholics have used their Lenten sacrifice to alleviate hunger caused by poverty and improve the lives of individual
and families in developing countries as well as in their own communities. How they come together as communities of
faith to help those in need are stories worth telling.

Within the rice bowl you will find a pamphlet with information on how your donations help.
If you would like more information on CRS rice bowl please go to their website: www.crsricebowl.org Read stories
of hope, find recipes and daily reflection or download their app to your iPhone from the iTunes store.
Please return your Rice Bowls to Church on Palm Sunday March 24th/25th.

HOLY WEEK / EASTER SCHEDULE

March 29, 2018  HOLY THURSDAY
March 30, 2018  GOOD FRIDAY
March 31, 2018  HOLY SATURDAY
APRIL 1, 2018  EASTER SUNDAY

Mass of the Last Supper: 6:30 p.m.
Confessions: 11:00 a.m.—12 noon
Good Friday Services: 12:00 noon – 3:00 p.m.
Confessions: 3:00 p.m. – 4:00
p.m.
Confessions: 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Easter Vigil Mass: 7:30p.m.
Mass: 8:00a.m.,9:30a.m.11:15: am (Spanish)
12:30p.m.
NO 5:00 p.m. Mass