**Mass Schedule**

Vigil Saturday 4:30 pm  
Sunday - English  
8:00 am, 9:15 am,  
12:15 pm, and 5:00 pm  

Children’s Liturgy of THE WORD  
at 9:15 Mass, September through May  
all children age K to 4TH GRADE welcome  

Coffee & Donuts, in the Parish Center, following 9:15 Mass  

Sunday on Español  
10:45 am  
Coffee & Pan Dulce following 10:45 Mass  

**Holy Days of Obligation**  
8:30 am and 6:00 pm  

**Daily Mass**  
Monday through Saturday  
8:30 am in the Chapel  

**Devotions**  
Rosary in English ~ daily after 8:30 am Mass  
Our Lady of Perpetual Help ~ Tuesday after 8:30 am Mass  

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturday 3:30 pm - 4:15 pm or by appointment
Calendar of the Week

Monday: Aug. 28th.
Tuesday: Aug. 29th.
Wednesday: Aug. 30th.
Thursday: Aug. 31st.
Friday: Sept. 1st.
Saturday: Sept. 2nd.
Sunday: Sept. 3rd.

Coffee & Donuts following 9:15 Mass

ST. PAUL’S THANKSGIVING RESPONSE TO GOD THIS PAST WEEK

Weekly Collection Aug 20, 2017 $ 5,589.79
E-Contributions July 2017 $ 4,720.36
2017 Annual Appeal Assessment $92,119.00
Collected amount through 08/15/17 $53,520.00
Remaining Balance for 2017 $38,598.00

Thank You for your generous gifts to God and His people

St. Paul’s Religious Education Program for K through 8th Grade, will begin on Saturday September 9, 2017 at 9:30 to 11:00 am, Registration will take place on Sunday, August 27th following all Masses in the Parish Center. You can also find our Registration forms on our website: www.stpaulsf.org

The Mystery of Love

Join the cloistered Dominican nuns and guest Jim Brady as we unravel the mystery of Love and Relationships. The Masterpiece of Karol Wojtyla Saturday, September 9th, October 14th November 11th, December 9th and January 13th. 9:15 am to 11:30 am. Cost is $45. To register or for more information contact Sr. Joseph Marie, O.P. at dominicannuns@nunsmenlo.org or visit www.nunsmenlo.org

Second Collection

Next weekend Sept 2nd/3rd, there will be a Second Collection for the Preservation Fund. This collection helps in the Preservation of our Parish buildings; and as always, your generosity, prayers and support is appreciated.

Brown Bag Lunch

Next weekend, Sept 2nd/3rd, St Paul’s Community Outreach Program will be collecting Brown Bag Lunches after all Masses through 12:15 pm. The Missionaries of Charity will distribute these lunches to those in need. Your support is appreciated.

Box Top$ for Education- Summer Collecting

The St. Paul’s Grade School kids are collecting Box Tops of Education, this year’s goal is to raise $1000.00, between now and the 2nd Friday in October. If you’d like to help the School in reaching this goal please pick up a flyer in the vestibules of the church. If you have additional questions please contact Paul Sportelli, President of St. Paul’s PTG at ptgboard@stpaulsf.net

Parish Blood Drive

The next Parish Blood Drive will be on September 24, 2017 from 8am to 12noon. As always there never seems to be enough blood to keep up with the demand. To schedule an appointment, either to www.bloodheroes.com and go to the dropdown to find St. Paul’s or call Jill Alcantar at (415)586-8911. Thank you

Please pray for those in our book of the sick and especially for the following: Dylan Cazin, James Cotter, Spencer Snow, Gabriella Flores, Violet Bascope The Pedersen Family, Christine Sacino, Buzzy Kirkham, John Anzalone, Karen Davis, Lou Rivas, Elana Hall
For those who have died: Edward Abendroth, Daniel Gallen, Mary Seffens, Peggy Riley McAndrews, Robert Castellano

Breaking Bread Books are at the entrances to the Church. They are no longer in the pews. Please pick one up on your way into Mass and return it to the shelves when Mass is over. Thank you

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday 4:30 pm
St. Paul’s Altar Society (L&D)
Sunday 8:00 am
Amulio & Paolina Petrini (D)
Mary Clifford (D)
Sandy & Jere Driscoll (Anniversary)
9:15 am
The People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
10:45 am
Trinidad LaGarda (D)
12:15 pm
Jeanine Wais-Sullivan (D)
5:00 pm
The People of St. Paul’s (L&D)

Monday 8:30 am
The People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
Tuesday 8:30 am
Patsy Capetillo
Wednesday 8:30 am
Rose Marie Dietzen (D)
Mavis Canedo (D)
Thursday 8:30 am
Bruna M Fiore (D)
Friday 8:30 am
The People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
Saturday 8:30 am
The People of St. Paul’s (L&D)

Saturday 4:30 pm
Josephine & Jack Shea (D)
Imelda Murtha (D)
Mavis Canedo (D)
Sunday 8:00 am
SPHS Alumnae (L&D)
Michael Kotlanger (D)
9:15 am
Peter Vigna (D)
Alberto Alfaro (D)
10:45 am
Guillermo Morales (L)
12:15 pm
Jeanine Wais - Sullivan
5:00 pm
The People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
BE A ROCK

Peter's history as a follower or friend of Jesus is a bit spotty. It might be natural to wonder if Jesus, in giving him the keys to the kingdom, didn't feel a bit like a parent giving a teenager the keys to the family car. But it was at the moment when God's power and presence broke through everything else to raise up Peter's great profession of faith in Christ as Messiah that Jesus chose to establish the bond between the loving, forgiving mercy of heaven and our vocation to be witnesses of that love, mercy, and forgiveness on earth.

Like any parent, Jesus no doubt foresaw the failings, the irresponsible maneuvers or impaired senses, the collisions that the church would be headed for. But, most importantly, he also saw us at that moment as God prefers to see us: capable of manifesting great faith, with a willingness to remain at the feet of Christ to understand what it truly means to be Messiah and Christ. As the letter to the Romans points out to us today, we have not known the mind or the wisdom of God, but God knows us and still chooses to manifest the reign of justice, joy, beauty, and peace through us. Let this be our vocation. Let us always strive to be solid ground on which the church of Jesus Christ can be founded and on which it can continue to be built.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Eucharistic Prayer II is a popular choice for Mass since it is both simple in structure and short. It is written with a preface, which is the section after the dialogue “The Lord be with you... Lift up your hearts... Let us give thanks,” which introduces all the Eucharistic Prayers. The preface states the reason for the eucharistic assembly on that occasion, and there are dozens of them covering almost every imaginable gathering for prayer, some specific to feasts, others for Masses for the dead or for other needs. The preface attached to the second Eucharistic Prayer may be dropped in favor of a more appropriate choice, especially one of the prefaces for weekdays. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal says that Eucharistic Prayer II is best suited for weekdays or “special circumstances.” In practice, however, it has become the common Sunday prayer because of its brevity and its comfortable familiarity. It also includes an optional phrase for adding the name of a deceased person remembered in the Mass, and therefore it is often prayed at funerals. Article 50 of the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy specified that the rites are to be simplified and restored “to the vigor they had in the tradition of the Fathers.” The rebirth of this ancient Roman prayer is a worthy response to this call

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday: 1 Thes 2:1-8; Ps 139:1-6; Mk 6:17-29
Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13; Ps 139:7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13; Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51
Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8; Ps 97:1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13
Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30
Sunday: Jer 20:7-9; Ps 63:2-6, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27

August 27th Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
For those working in post-abortion healing ministries: May the Holy Spirit work through them to bring healing, freedom, and peace to all wounded by abortion; We pray to the Lord:

Who do you say that I am?
27 de agosto 21° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

SÉ UNA ROCA
La historia de Pedro como seguidor o amigo de Jesús es un poco irregular. Resulta natural preguntarnos si Jesús, al darle las llaves del Reino, no se sintió un poco como el padre que le entrega a su adolescente las llaves del auto de la familia. Pero fue en el momento en que el poder y la presencia de Dios irrumpió traspasándolo todo para que brotara de Pedro la gran profesión de fe en Cristo como Mesías que Jesús eligió establecer el vínculo entre la misericordia amorosa de Dios y nuestra vocación como testigos de ese amor y ese perdón en la tierra.

Como cualquier padre, Jesús sin duda previó las fallas, las maniobras insensibles y los sentidos dañados, las collisiones hacia donde se dirigiría la Iglesia. Pero, lo que es más importante, también nos vio en el momento en que Dios prefiere vemos: capaces de manifestar gran fe, con el deseo de permanecer a los pies de Cristo para comprender lo que realmente es ser Mesías y ser Cristo. Como lo señala hoy la carta a los romanos, no hemos conocido jamás el pensamiento del Señor o llegado a ser su consejero, mas Dios nos conoce y aún elige para que manifestemos el reino de justicia, gozo, hermosura y paz. Que esta sea nuestra vocación. Que siempre busquemos ser tierra firme donde se pueda fundar la Iglesia de Jesucristo y sobre la cual sigue edificándose.

TRADICIONES DE NUESTRA FE
Más del 40% de la población católica en Estados Unidos es de origen hispano y sólo el 6% de los sacerdotes son hispanos. Hay algo que está mal en las cifras. Parte del problema es que en los seminarios estadounidenses no saben qué hacer con las vocaciones y culturas hispanas. Por otra parte, los hispanos desean que nuestros hijos tengan mejor vida y la vocación sacerdotal no constituye un lugar privilegiado en la escala social.

Ciertamente, había un tiempo en que los sacerdotes se trataban con mucho respeto, ya no. Últimamente la escasez de sacerdotes y los escándalos en la Iglesia han hecho que el sacerdocio pierda mucho de su encanto. La vida sacerdotal se ha hecho muy difícil. Hoy día el joven que busca el sacerdocio lo busca por servicio y vocación, no por prestigio o posición social.

El sacerdocio es un apostolado que se recibe con el sacramento del Orden. Ser ordenado es recibir órdenes, es decir, ser obediente. Hoy más que nunca, el sacerdote está llamado a la misma obediencia de Jesucristo, obediencia que lo llevó a la cruz y a la resurrección. Oremos por nuestros sacerdotes para que su entrega sea total.

27 de agosto 21° Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario
Por los que trabajan en los ministerios de sanación posaborto: Para que el Espíritu Santo obre por medio de ellos para llevar sanación, libertad y paz a todos los lastimados por el aborto; rogemos al Señor:

¿Quién dicen que soy yo?

LECTURAS DE LA SEMANA
Lunes: 1 Tes 1:1-5; 8b-10; Sal 149:1b-6a; 9b; Mt 23:13-22
Martes: 1 Tes 2:1-8; Sal 139 (138):1-6; Mc 6:17-29
Miércoles: 1 Tes 2:9-13; Sal 139 (138):7-12ab; Mt 23:27-32
Jueves: 1 Tes 3:7-13; Sal 90 (89):3-5a, 12-14, 17; Mt 24:42-51
Viernes: 1 Tes 4:1-8; Sal 97 (96):1, 2b, 5-6, 10-12; Mt 25:1-13
Sábado: 1 Tes 4:9-11; Sal 98 (97):1, 7-9; Mt 25:14-30
Domingo: Jer 20:7-9; Sal 63 (62):2-8, 8-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27
Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

an introduction to the Stories, Rituals, and Symbols of the Catholic Community, leading to Baptism, Holy Eucharist, and Confirmation

St. Paul Catholic Church is proud to offer an RCIA Program for adults who wish to become Catholic; who were baptized Catholic but haven’t received the Sacraments of Holy Eucharist or Confirmation; and adult Catholics who simply want to delve deeper into the Catholic faith.

**St. Paul’s RCIA Program for 2017-2018, begins**

**Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 7:00 pm**

St. Paul Catholic Church, Rectory, 221 Valley Street, San Francisco

Please contact Terri Brady or Deacon Bill McLoughlin, at 415.648.7538 if you, or someone you know, is interested in the RCIA program.
Support your community.
Donate Blood.

Blood Centers of the Pacific provides blood to more than 50 local hospitals.

Saint Paul's Church
BLOOD DRIVE
Sunday, September 24, 2017
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: Coach
221 Valley Street, San Francisco, CA 94131

To schedule your life-saving appointment, Please register online at www.BloodHeroes.com
Select 'Donate Blood' Sponsor Code: SaintPaulSF
Or contact Jill Alcantar at 415-586-8911 with questions.

Each donor receives a FREE sandwich and drink from ROXIE Foods on San Jose Avenue.
Appointments encouraged, but Walk-Ins are welcome!

Blood Centers of the Pacific
888-393-4483
bloodcenters.org

SAVE TIME! Complete your FAST TRACK Health History
the day you donate at www.bloodcenters.org
Seek Comfort in Prayer Together

At the Rachel Mourning Shrine.
Remembering our babies who died before, at, or after birth.
We hold these children gently in our hearts and pray for all those who mourn for them.

“For I will turn their mourning into joy.” Jeremiah 31:13

Mass and Healing Liturgy in memory of our Little Ones

Sponsored by The Archdiocesan Project Rachel Ministry and Holy Cross Cemetery

Saturday, September 16, 2017 – 11:00 a.m.

Archbishop Salvatore Cordileone, principal celebrant

Holy Cross Old Mausoleum,
Holy Cross Cemetery  1500 Mission Road  Colma, CA

Parents, family and the community are welcome.
A gathering and light luncheon will follow Mass at the Rachel Shrine.

For further information, please contact the Respect Life Program at 415-614-5570 or Project Rachel Ministry at 415-717-6428

To reach the Mausoleum, please enter by the Main Gate at Holy Cross Cemetery, 1500 Mission Road, Colma. Signs will be posted to direct you.
Buscando Juntos Consuelo en la Oración

Recordando a los niños que murieron antes, durante o después de haber nacido.
Manténemos a estos niños amorosamente en nuestros corazones y oramos por todos los que aún sienten tristeza por ellos.

“Cambiare su tristeza en alegría” Jeremías 31,13

Misa Memorial y Liturgia de Sanación en Memoria a Nuestros Niños

Patrocinado por el Ministerio Arquidiocesano Proyecto Raquel y el Cementerio Santa Cruz (Holy Cross Cemetery)

Sábado, 16 de septiembre del 2017 – 11:00 a.m.
Arzobispo Salvatore Cordileone, celebrante principal

Holy Cross Old Mausoleum,
Cementerio Holy Cross 1500 Mission Road Colma, CA

Padres, familiares y la comunidad son bienvenidos.
Después de misa habrá una pequeña recepción en el santuario Raquel.

Para información comuníquese con el Programa Respeto a la Vida al (+1) 614-5570.

Para llegar al Mausoleo por favor entrar por el portón principal del Cementerio Holy Cross, 1500 Mission, Colma. Habrá rótulos y señales para indicar cómo llegar al lugar.