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 en 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

Parish Rectory and Offices
221 Valley Street, San Francisco CA 94131
415.648.7538 telephone
www.stpaulsf.org or find us on Facebook

REV. MARIO P. FARANA, PASTOR
Deacon Bill McLoughlin
Deacon Jim Myers
Rev. Raymund Reyes, in residence

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Terri Brady & Deacon Bill McLoughlin, RCIA Program
James Curran, Finance Chair
Eloise Helms, Community Outreach
Marilyn Highlander-Pool, Preservation Fund
Jamie Tracy, Administration

MUSIC MINISTRY
Vigil David Simi, Judith Reuter, & Patty Lazzaretto
Sunday Diana Cesta, Joseph Duggan, Margaret Ann Kerns
Guillermo Morales - en Español

Religious Education
Dorothy Vigna, Director
School of Religion CCD
Saturdays 9:30 am - 11:00 am, September ~ May
Confirmation Preparation for Teenagers
Tuesdays, 7:00 pm, September - May

BAPTISM PREPARATION
first Wednesday of each month 7:00 pm in the Rectory

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)
September - May, please call the Rectory for information

MARRIAGE PREPARATION
call Rev. Mario Farana
at least six (6) months prior to your desired ceremony date

LITTLEST ANGEL PREPARATORY PRESCHOOL
www.littlestangelpreschool.com
follow the yellow-brick road
Peg Lazzarini-Kayser, Director
415.824.5437

ST. PAUL’S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
www.stpaulschoolsf.org
Kindergarten through 8th Grade
Mrs. Katie Kiss, Principal
415.648.2055 or kkiss@stpaulsf.net
Calendar of the Week

Monday: Sept 11th.
Tuesday: Sept 12th.
Wednesday: Sept 13th.
Thursday: Sept 14th.
Friday: Sept 15th.
Saturday: Sept 16th.
Sunday: Sept 17th.

Men of St. Paul's Meeting 8pm

CCD Class 9:30am to 11am
Catechetical Sunday 9:15 Mass
Men of St. Paul's Pancake Breakfast

ST. PAUL’S THANKSGIVING RESPONSE TO GOD THIS PAST WEEK
Weekly Collection Sept 3, 2017 $ 5,029.64
Second Collection Sept 3, 2017 Preservation Fund $ 2,742.75
E-Contributions August 2017 $ 4,878.36
2017 Annual Appeal Assessment $92,119.00
Collected amount through 08/15/17 $53,520.00
Remaining Balance for 2017 $38,598.00

Women’s Lunch and Hike at Sutro Heights Park
Event is open to all women in St Paul’s Community...Join your fellow Women of St Paul's on Saturday September 30th, from 11:30am to 4pm for a relaxing potluck lunch at Sutro Heights Park followed by an activity of your choosing.
- A hike along the bluff towards the Golden Gate Bridge
- A trip to Sutro Bath Visitor’s Center
- Sit and enjoy the magnificent view of Ocean Beach
- Or just join us for lunch if that works better for you.
Sutro Heights Park is located at 846 Point Lobos Ave, SF 94121...Plenty of free street parking on 48 Ave between Geary Blvd and Anza Any questions Please contact Nancy Brana @ Nanbrana@AOL.com or 415-786-0116

SECOND COLLECTION
The Weekend of September 16th & 17th, there will be a second collection for the Priest Retirement Fund. Please Place your envelope in the first and only collection. Your generosity and prayers are always appreciated.

Next Sunday September 17, 2017 is the Men of St. Paul’s Pancake Breakfast. Please join us after the 8am and 9:15am Masses. It’s yummy!!

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

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 pegboard@stpaulsf.net

Please pray for those in our book of the sick and especially for the following: Carlos Mendez, Jose Ballesteros, Helen Green Prado Chavarin, Juan Villatoro, Lou Rivas, Dylan Cazin, James Cotter, Spencer Snow, Gabriella Flores, Violet Bascope, The Pedersen Family, Christine Sacino, Karen Davis, Elana Hall, Jan Spillane, Phillip Crouch, John Anzalone
For those who have died:

Saturday 4:30 pm
Alfred & Carmella Raffo Family (L&D)
Rita McMahon (D)
St. Paul’s Altar Society (L&D)
Mary Seffens (D)
Isabel Arguello (D)
Ruben Rodriguez (D)
Maria Mogenefskey
5:00 pm
The People of St. Paul’s (L&D)

Monday 8:30 am
Alicia Ramirez (D)
Tuesday 8:30 am
Anna Marie Baxter (D)
Wednesday 8:30 am
Jamie Tracy (L)
Thursday 8:30 am
The People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
Friday 8:30 am
Andres Alcantar Sr. (D)
Saturday 8:30 am
Bartolome Roldan (D)

Saturday 4:30 pm
Terry Gross (D)
The Reepen Family (L)
Michael Kotlanger (D)
Giuseppina Silvestri (D)
Jack & Margaret Kotlanger (D)
9:15 am
Catechetical Sunday
10:45 am
Franco Hernandez (D)
12:15 pm
The People of St. Paul’s (L&D)
5:00 pm
The People of St. Paul’s (L&D)

REMEMBER 9/11
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GOD’S WATCHERS

In the ancient world watchmen were extremely important people. They kept communities safe, and were there to alert them to any impending danger or attack. Before locks, alarms, and security systems, watchmen were the protectors, the safety measure. So when the Lord charges Ezekiel as a watchman today, it is a weighty charge. So weighty, we learn, that if Ezekiel fails to sound the alarm for those around him and they perish in a state of wickedness, Ezekiel will be held responsible! This profound connection between God’s will on earth and in heaven is repeated in today’s Gospel, where Jesus instructs us that we are to be the security force, the watchmen placed on alert that nowhere in the Body of Christ, the church, will there be any two members of the one Body who are not reconciled. Scripture tells us that Jesus reconciled all things in heaven and on earth through the blood of his cross. But we are given the mission to continue that reconciliation on earth as in heaven through our ceaseless efforts to be, as Paul would write, ambassadors of reconciliation. Let us not get too comfortable thinking that we are responsible only for keeping our own lives from the path of wickedness and disagreement. We are also held accountable for the lives of the members of Christ’s body around us.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

On Good Friday, at the heart of the Triduum, the commemoration of the Lord’s Passion is colored by sobriety and decorum, but this Thursday the mystery comes in a luminous celebration of Christ’s victory. In its deepest origins, the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is the feast of a dedication of a church, since in the year 335 the Church of the Holy Sepulchre was dedicated on September 13, and on the following day the “true cross” discovered by St. Helena was brought outside to the faithful for veneration. It is a great feast of the Eastern Church, which often marks it by having the whole assembly prostrate themselves on the floor honoring the life-giving cross.

At the core of the tradition is the quest of Helena, mother of the Emperor Constantine, to acquire the cross and the nails of the Crucifixion from the ruins of Jerusalem. When she was satisfied that she had found them, thanks to the healing of a sick man whose body was placed on the cross, she had her son fund the building of the great basilica. The history of the relic is complicated, especially because it was carried off by invading Persians in the year 614 and “went missing” for fifteen years. Thursday’s feast does not celebrate the relic, but rather the life-giving cross from which salvation flows. It’s a good day to look around your house or office: Don’t those walls look bare without a cross? What better day to remedy that?

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Col 1:24 — 2:3; Ps 62:6-7, 9; Lk 6:6-11
Tuesday: Col 2:6-15; Ps 145:1b-2, 8-11; Lk 6:12-19
Wednesday: Col 3:1-11; Ps 145:2-3, 10-13ab; Lk 6:20-26
Thursday: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-38;
Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17
Friday: 1 Tm 1:1-2, 12-14; Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-8, 11;
Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
Saturday: 1 Tm 1:15-17; Ps 113:1b-7; Lk 6:43-49
Sunday: Sir 27:30 — 28:9; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;
Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

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St. Paul Catholic Church

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!
The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

October 4, 2017, we celebrate the Feast of St. Francis. While it can be customary to have the blessing of the pets, this year St. Paul's will be having a Pet Food Drive during the month of October, beginning the weekend of October 6th/7th through October 28th/29th. Our donations will be going to San Francisco, SPCA and Muttville Senior Dog Rescue.

Many of us have pets as part of our families and couldn’t imagine life without them. While these Dogs and Cats are waiting for a forever home to go to, we as a community can help make their stay easier in the shelters.

While, dry or canned foods are needed for the pets it’s not their only needed items. Both shelters explained that they are very lucky that many companies and individuals help in the daily feeding the animals, there are many other items that help the shelters and I’ve listed them below along with the web address of both shelters wish lists. This may help you in deciding how you can help with our drive.

Both shelters are always in need of new or gently used, blankets, sheets (Not fitted) and bath towels (not hand towels or wash clothes)

Many of these items can be purchased on Amazon or in any of the Pet Stores.

If you want to see more items that they need you can visit the Muttville website: http://www.muttville.org/give#wishlist

For the SPCA visit: https://www.sfspca.org/get-involved/donate/kind-donations/wish-list
# Muttville Wish List

Cloud Star Chewy Trick Trainers 3 Flavor Variety Bundle  
Cloud Star Chewy Tricky Trainers, Liver Flavor  
Cloud Star Original Soft and Chewy Buddy Biscuit, Roasted Chicken Flavor  
Buddy Biscuits Soft & Chewy Dog Treats Variety Pack  
Weruva Dog Food, Paw Lickin’ Chicken, 5.5-Ounce Cans (Pack of 24)  
Wellness WellBites Soft & Chewy Treats For Good Dogs (The mutts REALLY love these treats!)  
Blueberry Pet 1-inch by 4-Feet Classic Solid Large Basic Nylon Dog Leash Made For Last – Medium Turquoise, Large  
Coastal Pet Products DCP304 Black Nylon Collar Lead for Pets  
ADOPT ME Yellow Color Coded 4 Foot Padded Dog Leashes  
Puppia Soft MEDIUM and LARGE Dog Harnessed in ANY color  
AKC Box Weave Solid Cuddler  
ASPCA Microtech Striped Dog Bed Cuddler, 28 by 20 by 8-Inch  
Best Friends by Sheri OrthoComfort Deep Dish Cuddler in Sherpa, 20”x20”x12”  
Doggy beds by P.L.A.Y.  
GREENIES PILL POCKETS Treats for Dogs Chicken Flavor – Capsule Size Value Size 15.8 oz. 60 Count  
Puppia Soft Dog Harness, all sizes and any color

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# San Francisco SPCA Wish List

Baby Food - we use Gerber 2nd Foods: Chicken, Turkey and Beechnut for weaning kittens.  
Bath- and beach-sized Towels  
Flannel and fleece blankets  
Pet beds  
Unopened bags and cans of cat or dog food  
Dawn dishwashing liquid  
Facial tissue  
Front-attachment dog harnesses, all sizes  
Towels  
Sheets (not fitted)  
Copy paper  
Rubber dog toys  
Extra large dog beds in good condition (40"+ circular, 36"x40"+ rectangular)  
Durable, clean plush dog toys (no balls/tennis balls)  
Unopened high quality training treats (Natural Balance, Zukes, etc)  
Clean Kongs (good condition, any size)
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.