



SAINT PAUL'S PARISH

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Mass for the Lord's Day

Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM

Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:00 AM

St. Paul's Church

Daily Mass

Monday - Friday: 12:10 PM

Saturday - 9:00 AM

DiGiovanni Hall

Because of very limited capacity in the church to ensure safe social distancing, one must register for a seat at Mass. For entry to a Mass, one must have proof of registration and a face mask. Thanks for your understanding.

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SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Please inquire at the parish office

Penance & Reconciliation

Tuesdays 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM (Church)

or by appointment

Eucharist

See Mass schedule above

Marriage

Couples planning to marry in the Church should make an appointment to see one of the priests as far in advance as possible (at least six months)

Confirmation

Celebrated annually, contact the parish office for info

Holy Orders

If you feel called to consider a vocation to priesthood or diaconate, speak to a priest or call the

Vocations Office at (617) 746-5939

Anointing of the Sick

Please contact a priest

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 26, 2020

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LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Saturday, July 25 Saint James

5:00pm For peace throughout the world and for those affected by war and violence

Sunday, July 26

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30am For the People of St. Paul's Parish

9:30am For the safety and legal protection of all children in the womb

11:00am Memorial: Mary Gael Mellon

Monday, July 27

Memorial: Bradley Grill

Wednesday, July 29

12:10pm Choir School Fund Intention

Thursday, July 30 Saint Peter Chrysologus

Friday, July 31 Saint Ignatius of Loyola

12:10pm Special Intention: Brian O'Connor & Molly

Saturday, August 1 Saint Alphonsus liguori

5:00pm For justice and peace in our nation

Sunday, August 2

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

The parish is always ready to receive adults into the process of preparation for baptism or reception into Full Communion with the Roman Catholic Church. Please e-mail rciastpaulcambridge@gmail.com for information.

PARISH FOOD PANTRY

Non-perishable food may be left at the DiGiovanni Hall Chapel Monday through Friday between 11:00 AM—1:00 PM and on Sundays from 7:00AM— 12:00PM in the church vestibule. The food pantry is open Saturdays from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

PARKING FOR MASS ON SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Free parking at the Cowperthwaite Garage is available by permit only for those attending Mass on weekends only. Contact the Parish office for an parking application.

NEW PARISHIONER WELCOME TO SAINT PAUL PARISH!

To register, please fill out a registration card available in the church vestibule or at the parish office.

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Please contact parish staff by email for assistance.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Suspended until further notice.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Dear Friends,

In this Sunday's second reading, Saint Paul famously says in his Letter to the Romans, "We know that all things work for good for those who love God." On one level, this verse speaks to God's Divine Providence, His ongoing care and governance of the world. On another level, it very fittingly sums up my past eight weeks here at the parish.

We as human beings do not always choose the circumstances in which we are called to live. We are presented with unforeseen challenges and situations in life. The question is: How do we respond? I believe the key is in St. Paul's words. The key to all circumstances in life is loving God in all things, in all that we do. If we do indeed love God, even in all of life's challenges, we trust that all things will work for good.

We should be sure to remember that God is always at work in His people. God's Providence, God's plan for the world and for each one of us is happening right now. He is guiding and governing our world through a difficult time. Even challenges, suffering, and tragedies do not fall outside the scope of God's Providence. The most important thing to remember about God's providence is that He directs everything toward the good, toward His goodness and mercy. In God's goodness, He has given us a dignity to act under His Divine Providence. To put it simply, we can choose to love God or not to love God.

What I've witnessed this summer is a clear choice to love God, even in the challenges that have been presented to us. In our choice to love God, He has dwelled among us and has continued to be at work at St. Paul's Parish, work that we have participated in.

After learning that my ordination to the diaconate was postponed from June to October, I knew my summer here in the parish would be different than expected. While at first, I was disappointed, I knew that God would still use my time here for good. Very quickly I began to see Jesus very much at work in His Church. I've seen Him at work in His sacraments, as I've witnessed baptisms, confirmations and first Holy Communions. I've seen Him at work in guiding the parish through the challenges of living in a world during a pandemic. And I've seen Him at work in each one of you, as you've cared and looked after one another. When we choose to love God, we participate in His love, mercy and His work in the world.

I'm extremely grateful for my summer here at St. Paul's as my assignment comes to a close this weekend. I have greatly enjoyed getting to know all of you more. Please know of my continued prayers for the parish as I enter my final year at St. John's Seminary. My hope would be to invite all of you to my Diaconate Ordination on October 24th, but unfortunately, I am unsure of what will be possible at that time. However, I very much look forward to being with you again on weekends beginning early September, and I look forward to serving you as a deacon at St. Paul's. Please pray for me! Thank you very much for a wonderful summer.

In Christ, Seminarian Bobby LeBlanc

ST. PAUL'S PARISH

"90 DAYS NOW FOR YOUR PARISH" PHASE II

You may have heard about 90-Days Now – For Your Parish, an online supplemental offertory giving program started by a member of the laity to support local parishes during the pandemic. In Phase 1, the program raised more than \$450,000 for 236 parishes. 90-Days Now encourages parishioners to rally around their own parish or another parish of their choice by making a special daily supplemental offertory commitment for the next 90 days. What's more is as the Church launches phase 2 of the program, a generous anonymous benefactor has stepped forward to pledge a match gift when the overall campaign reaches \$700,000. Should you choose to join in this effort, the Archdiocese has created an easy-to-use link to donate. **ALL FUNDS GO DIRECTLY TO OUR PARISH.** The link is available by going to www.BostonCatholic.org/donate. We are incredibly moved by this effort and forward this information for your consideration. We understand many individuals and families may not be able to contribute to this special offertory collection given the economic impact this pandemic has had on your personal finances. We remain extremely grateful for your prayers of support for our parish family.

NEED HELP DURING COVID-19?

The following resources are set up to help you and your families during this time:

Parish Food Pantry Saturday's at 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Pre-packaged groceries passed out in the courtyard outside the church. Bags are FREE and you do not need to be a Cambridge resident or show ID

St. Vincent de Paul Society

Call the parish office (617) 491 - 8400 x 303

Are you cooped up and missing the fellowship of our church community?

If you would like to hear from us by phone or e-mail, call the parish office at (617) 491-8400 x 342 or e-mail StPaulCaring@gmail.com

FREE COVID-19 SWAB TESTING

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health is offering free drive through COVID-19 swab testing in Cambridge, 163 Gore Street. Appointments are available by calling (617) 665-2928. Testing sites also open in Somerville and Malden. Test results are provided in two to four days.

**CHECK OUT WHAT'S HAPPENING
AT ST. PAUL'S**

FOOD PANTRY

Thank you to all who have generously donated funds or non-perishable food to the pantry over the past few months. As Cambridge reopens, we are welcoming back some of the customers who assumed that we were closed and watching our numbers gradually increase. Each week we fill prepacked bags with at least two non-perishables such as pasta/sauce, rice/beans, cereal/milk, tuna/mayo, or peanut butter/jelly. Therefore, these staple items are most useful at the present time. Until it is safe to resume our standard operation in the lower church, we will continue to distribute bags in the courtyard under the bridge between 10 and 12. We are looking for a few additional volunteers who can pick up bread from Whole Foods on Friday evenings and deliver it to the church the following morning once a month. In order to maintain proper social distancing, we are unable to accept new volunteers in the pantry at this time. We encourage parishioners to visit the Cambridge Volunteer Clearinghouse website for an updated list of opportunities to make a difference. Anyone who is interested in assisting with bread pickups should contact Tara Lauriat (tll7997@yahoo.com).

ARE YOU RECEIVING THE PARISH E-MAILS?

The parish sends out an e-newsletter every Friday afternoon, and also occasional e-mail announcements in between. These days it's more important than ever for us to communicate this way. If you're not getting these emails, Please e-mail Nancy in the parish office (nnicol@stpaulparish.org) and get on our list!

MONDAY PRAYER GROUP

The group meets on **Mondays, starting at 1:00pm, by telephone.** For dial-in instructions contact Bill Wendell (realestatecafe@gmail.com).

CENTERING PRAYER

The Centering Prayer Group is meeting on Zoom on Thursdays at 6:30pm. If you would be interested in joining, contact stpaulcentering@gmail.com.

MASS INTENTIONS AT ST. PAUL'S

Mass Intentions for daily and weekend Masses are being accepted. Masses may be offered to remember those who have died, for those who are ill, as well as in thanksgiving for a birthday, anniversary or for a special intention. Please contact the Parish Office during the week for details and to reserve a particular Mass.

PARISH SUPPORT AND FINANCES

In light of the present situation, please consider joining electronic giving at the parish:

Online Giving

Account may be set up for a one-time donation, continuous giving, or for an anonymous one-time donation

<https://app.securegive.com/StPaulParish/dashboard>
Or SecureGive App on your mobile device

Text Giving

- ◆ Text "weekly" and donation amount ("weekly 10") to (617) 401-9400
- ◆ For first time donor, follow reply link to create account and confirm transaction
- ◆ For return donor, reply "Y" to confirm transaction

Kiosk Giving

Swipe your credit card in the vestibule

If you have envelopes, please mail them to the parish.

If you do not have either, please consider putting money aside and when Masses resume you can easily make your donation.

As always, thank you to past and present benefactors.

**THE BLESSED MOTHER IS WITH US ALWAYS,
BUT DO YOU KNOW WHERE SHE IS
AT ST. PAUL'S?**

We've had fun these last couple of months. We hope you had fun and were able to locate our Blessed Mother around the parish. Images from last are both in the rectory.

...OF THE WEEK

Whether it be a recipe, a book or a movie suggestion, check in weekly for our "of the week" suggestion:

This week: **Books**

Be Brave in the Scared: How I Learned to Trust God during the Most Difficult Days of My Life

by Mary E. Lenaburg

Available on amazon.com and at Ave Maria Press

CATHOLIC TV

The CatholicTV Network, commonly known as CatholicTV, is the oldest Catholic television network in the US. There are wonderful programs and Mass available. Below are the cable channels in Cambridge that offer CatholicTV. RCN Cable Channel 85, Roku Channel 85, Verizon FiOS Channel 296, Xfinity/Comcast Channel 1669

HARVARD CATHOLIC CENTER—STUDENT NEWS

DUE TO THE CURRENT SITUATION,
PLEASE VISIT THE HCC WEBSITE
HARVARDCATHOLIC.ORG
FOR UP TO DATE INFORMATION

**Masses for all schools are
suspended at this time.**

GRAD STUDENTS, POST DOCS & YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

GRAD PRAYER AND SCRIPTURE GROUP: VERBUM DEI

Sundays from 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Come join us at the park outside the Cambridge Public Library at 11:00am to discuss the Sunday scripture readings! All are welcome! Ben Schlanger (benjamin.p.schlanger@gmail.com)
Xander Nuttle (anuttle@mgh.harvard.edu)

GRAD STUDENTS, POST DOCS & YOUNG PROFESSIONALS DINNER

Please visit www.harvardcatholic.org for the latest information.

YOUNG COUPLES & NEW FAMILIES

Please visit www.harvardcatholic.org for the latest information. HarvardCatholicYCNF@gmail.com

EX LIBRIS: THEOLOGICAL WRITINGS DISCUSSION GROUP

Please visit www.harvardcatholic.org for the latest information. maxkuheljbugaric@g.harvard.edu

UNDERGRADUATE

CSA GroupMe: Stay in the loop for everything going on in the Catholic Student Association at Harvard! Join by going to this address: <http://bit.ly/CSAGroupMe>

Lord, I love your commands.

GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

July 26, 2020

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

A single mother who has a child with special needs works two jobs and sacrifices much of her own pleasures in order to be available for her son. Being the best mother possible is important to her and brings her joy. We are willing to make great and often heroic sacrifices for those people and things that matter most to us. Unless there is something of obvious importance to us in our immediate path, we can easily approach life in a more haphazard and chaotic way. We jump from one thing to another, responding to whatever it is that is competing for our attention at that moment. When everything is important, nothing is important.

If we do not wear the right pair of glasses, we can get all too easily caught up in the superficial stuff and neglect paying attention to the things that really matter. The kingdom of God is like the pearl of great price that is worth selling everything for so that it can be obtained. Based on where I invest my time and energy each day, I really wonder whether I am serving God's kingdom or my own. Have you ever considered tracking how you spend your time? You may be surprised! We allow our agendas to set the clock of our lives. We forget that joy and a true sense of purpose are not going to be found in following that time-piece. Joy is the expression of the happiness that is discovered when living in the kingdom of God. When our agenda matches God, not only do we leap for joy but God leaps with delight as well. Our well-being is what matters most to God.

Can you imagine God delighting in you? It is easy to deaden our senses to the whole reality of God and the joy that living the Gospel can bring. The demands of secular life and the agendas competing for our attention can quickly do that. We can get tired and spiritually apathetic. But if we can see our way through all of the conflicting voices and hear the voice of God, we can rediscover our zeal and passion and redirect our efforts. When we begin to see as God sees, we can rise each day and notice what really needs our attention and embrace it with exuberance. Be careful, though. It may not be what we originally had on our list. Responding to it, however, will be worth putting everything else aside.