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### Masses

Saturday 9:00 AM      Sunday Vigil 5:00 PM  
Sunday 7:45 AM, 9:15 AM, 10:45 AM, 12:15 PM  
Latin Mass 1:30 PM, first three Sundays  
2:30 PM fourth Sunday of the Month.  
Weekdays 9:00 AM  
Holy Days 6:45 AM, 9:00 AM, 7:30 PM

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### Religious Education Office

Jackie Barton - Coordinator of Religious  
Education  
77 Lee Ave., Yonkers, NY 10705  
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### Sacrament of Baptism

Sundays at 2:45pm except the 4th Sunday of  
each month by appointment

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:00-4:45 PM. Anytime requested.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Six months advance notice is mandatory.  
Marriage preparation course required.  
Call rectory for appointment.

### Sacrament of the Sick

Call the rectory for attention to home-bound

### Parish Registration

Contact the rectory

### Parish

Website: [www.stpaulyonkers.org](http://www.stpaulyonkers.org)  
E-mail: [stpaulyonkers@gmail.com](mailto:stpaulyonkers@gmail.com)

### Parish Meetings

Monday 6:45 PM St. Paul's Folk Dance  
Tuesday 8:00 PM Prayer Group  
2nd Tuesday 8:00 PM Men's Group  
Thursday 7:00 PM A.A. Beginners  
Thursday 7:00 PM Al-Anon Beginners  
Thursday 8:00 PM A.A. Closed Meeting  
Thursday 8:00 PM Al-A Teen  
Thursday 8:00 PM Al-Anon  
1st Friday 9:30-11:00 Adoration  
1st Friday 7:00 PM Holy Hour  
Friday 7:30 PM Boy Scouts  
Saturday 9:30 AM Religious Educ. PreK-8  
Sunday 8:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting  
Sunday 7:00 PM Al-Anon Parents Meeting

### Pregnancy Hot Line

Tel: 800-640-0767



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of her love. . . .*

*Happy  
Mother's Day*

**ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE CHURCH**

**FR. LEONARD F. VILLA, PASTOR**



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## MAY 8, 2022



### MASS Intentions

<b><u>Intention:</u></b>	<b><u>Requested by:</u></b>
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	<b><u>May 7, 2022</u></b>
5:00 Theresa Hoar Mikulka	Mary Hoar
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b><u>May 8, 2022</u></b>
7:45 Leahy Family	Kieran/Brid O'Sullivan
9:15 Edward Stanton	Mark
10:45 Francis Fox	Fox Family
12:15 Concetta Carletto	Family
1:30 People of the Parish - Traditional Latin Mass	
<b><u>Monday</u></b>	<b><u>May 9, 2022</u></b>
9:00 Mary Fay	Jane Fay
12:00 Stella Mazzella	
<b><u>Tuesday</u></b>	<b><u>May 10, 2022</u></b>
9:00 Catherine O'Brien (Bday memorial)	Family
<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>	<b><u>May 11, 2022</u></b>
9:00 Mary Kearns	Kearns family
12:00 James P. Moran	William / Agnes Broderick
<b><u>Thursday</u></b>	<b><u>May 12, 2022</u></b>
9:00 Vincent McDonnell (living)	
12:00 Mary Brosnan	William/Agnes Broderick
<b><u>Friday</u></b>	<b><u>May 13, 2022</u></b>
9:00 Sebastiano Marino	Tara Martin
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	<b><u>May 14, 2022</u></b>
9:00 Antony Pllumaj (living)	Drita
12:00 Anselmo Areza	Family
5:00 Pasquale Petitti	Marie & family
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b><u>May 15, 2022</u></b>
7:45 John & Jimmy Lynch	Kieran/Brid O'Sullivan
9:15 Nora Kilgarriff	Mary
10:45 Edward Hayes	Joan Hayes
12:15 Thomas Chacko	Jacob family
1:30 People of the Parish - Traditional Latin Mass	

### PRAY REMEMBER

## *the sick of our parish*

Michael Curtin, Charles Coglitori, Mary Byrne, Noel Marku, Yolanda Matias, Rick Ciucio, Matthew Benestad, Nunzio Siciliano, Richard Lyons, Frank Pallett, Louis Campos, Joan Napoli, Joseph Mulgrew, Vicente Romero, Teresa Mazzucca, Cathair Cashin, John Mauser, Jim Donnell, Chris Slattery, Robert Bruckner, Grace Lyons, Ayanah Audrey Naron, Peggy O'Sullivan, Danyse Quet, Gene Marchesi and Judith Teng.



Please remember in prayer all those who died this week especially, Lecia Smyth, Rina Coyle, Eileen Curtin, Brian Kivlan, Constance Tracey, Anita Cicalo, and those who mourn them.

### LECTORS:

May 7 <sup>th</sup>	5:00 A. Caputo	
May 8 <sup>th</sup>	7:45 R. Pflaumer	9:15 J. Barton
	10:45 J. Hayes	12:15 F. Brady

### Weekly Collection

#### STEWARDSHIP: Week of May 1, 2022:

1 <sup>st</sup> Collection	\$5,809
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	\$722
Other Monies	\$120
Online Giving	\$1,450
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,101</b>

Thank you for your continued support of our Parish and its many needs. Your financial generosity for the upkeep of our Parish buildings and programs is essential and greatly appreciated. To sign up for WeShare go to [stpaulyonkers.org](http://stpaulyonkers.org) and click "Online Giving". Thank you for your generosity!



## Jesus Yes? The Church No?

One time several young American Catholics were interviewed about their relationship with the Church. With Saint Peter's Basilica in the background, one guy, said something to the effect that "I have a relationship with God and I don't really need the Church to come in between that." In other words, "I can live however I want, still love Jesus, call myself 'Catholic', and no pope, bishop or priest is going to tell me otherwise." Most of you I am sure have heard a variation on this line before. Pope Benedict addressed this attitude in a reflection on Christ and the Church in 2006. Here are excerpts from that reflection:

*...(I)n the perspective of biblical tradition and on the horizon of Judaism, where the work of Jesus is situated in all its novelty, it is clear that the entire mission of the Son-made-flesh has a communitarian finality. He truly came to unite dispersed humanity; he truly came to unite the People of God....*

*In choosing the Twelve, introducing them into a communion of life with himself and involving them in his mission of proclaiming the Kingdom in words and works (cf. Mk 6: 7-13; Mt 10: 5-8; Lk 9: 1-6; 6: 13), Jesus wants to say that the definitive time has arrived in which to constitute the new People of God, the people of the 12 tribes, which now becomes a universal people, his Church. Appeal for Israel...*

*In this light, one understands how the Risen One confers upon them, with the effusion of the Spirit, the power to forgive sins (cf. Jn 20: 23). **Thus, the Twelve Apostles are the most evident sign of Jesus' will regarding the existence and mission of his Church, the guarantee that between Christ and the Church there is no opposition: despite the sins of the people who make up the Church, they are inseparable. Therefore, a slogan that was popular some years back: "Jesus yes, Church no", is totally inconceivable with the intention of Christ. This individualistically chosen Jesus is an imaginary Jesus.***

***We cannot have Jesus without the reality he created and in which he communicates himself. Between the Son of God-made-flesh and his Church there is a profound, unbreakable and mysterious continuity by which Christ is present today in his people. He is always contemporary with us, he is always contemporary with the Church, built on the foundation of the Apostles and alive in the succession of the Apostles. And his very presence in the community, in which he himself is always with us, is the reason for our joy. Yes, Christ is with us, the Kingdom of God is coming.*** (emphasis added) (END)

In general beware of books and claims that say: this is the real Jesus that the Church does not want you to know. It's an old fiction. **Jesus from the beginning was and is only known and proclaimed to the world through the witness of His Church from the eyewitnesses. Every new "real Jesus" says more about the people claiming that this is the "real Jesus" than about Jesus Himself.** For example, you have the "real Jesus" who resembles various communist guerillas and leaders. You have the "real Jesus" who is a socialist reformer. You have the "real Jesus" who really was an Aryan proclaimed by the Nazis in the 30's. You have the hippie "real Jesus" of the 60's and 70's who flashes the peace sign. You get the picture: **once you depart from the Church of the eyewitnesses of Christ, you get all these real Jesus- compilations, the Jesus of a thousand faces.**

### Why Do We Need Commandments?

*By St. Thomas Aquinas*

We are placed between the things of this world, and spiritual goods from which eternal happiness consists: so that the more we cleave to the one, the more we withdraw from the other, and vice versa. Wherefore whoever cleaves wholly to the things of this world, so as to make them his reason for living, and to look upon them as the reason and rule of all he does, falls away altogether from spiritual goods. Hence this disorder is removed by the commandments.

Nevertheless, for us to gain eternal happiness, we do not need to renounce the things of the world altogether: **since we can, while using the things of this world, obtain eternal happiness, provided we do not make them our reason for living**; but we will gain eternal happiness more speedily by giving up the goods of this world entirely. The Gospel counsels are given for that purpose: poverty, chastity, and obedience.

Now the **goods of this world** which come into use in human life, consist of three things: (1) in **external wealth** pertaining to the "desire of the eyes"; (2) **bodily pleasures** pertaining to the "desires of the flesh"; and (3) **worldly honors**, which pertain to the "pride of life," according to 1 John. 2:16: and it is in renouncing these altogether, as far as possible, that the evangelical counsels consist. Riches are renounced by poverty; bodily pleasures by chastity; and worldly honors by obedience. Now if we observe these absolutely, this is in accordance with the counsels as given in the Gospel. But if we observe any one of them in a particular case, this is taking that counsel in a restricted sense, namely, as applying to that particular case.

For instance, **when anyone gives to a poor person**, not being bound so to do, he follows the counsel of poverty in that particular case. In like manner, **when anyone for some fixed time refrains from the pleasures of the body** that he may give himself to prayer, he follows the counsel for that particular time. And again, **when anyone follows not his will as to some deed which he might do lawfully**, he follows the counsel in that particular case: for instance, if he does good to his enemies when he is not bound to, or if he forgives an injury of which he might justly seek to be avenged. In this way, too, all particular counsels may be reduced to these three general and perfect counsels.

### **Blaise Pascal asked: "Why did God institute prayer?"**

To give his creatures the dignity of causality," Saint Thomas explains, in the long question on prayer in his *Summa Theologica*: There are things that we can do because it is in our power to do them. There are things that, although not in our power to do, can still be done by us, when we ask that they be done by someone who can do them. Petitionary-prayer, therefore, is for Thomas the primary form of prayer. It shows that we are in need, that we depend upon God. It is also the recognition that God really can achieve what we can only request. That is why petitionary-prayer always has an element of adoration, of praise and thanksgiving

*...the Holy Spirit descended on him (Jesus) in bodily form like a dove*

Luke 3:22

*God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.*

Romans 5:5

### **Prayer from a Fifth-Grader**

*Oh, dear Jesus, please help me to be kind, and keep only good thoughts in my mind. Jesus, please help me pray, for I want to do it all day. Please help me along the way. Please send me a sign, such as a dove from above. This dove, I know, will help me to love. Amen*

***“Better that only a few Catholics should be left, staunch and sincere in their religion, than that they should, remaining many, desire as it were, to be in collusion with the Church's enemies and in conformity with the open foes of our faith.” St Peter Canisius S.J. Apostle of Germany***

## FORMED

**Bible Study and More!** Go to [stpaulyonkers.formed.org](http://stpaulyonkers.formed.org) and register which gives you access to quality Catholic on line programs, movies, audios, and books. Happy Mother's Day. Listen to: *Marriage and Family: Love Unveiled, How to Save Your Marriage Before Meeting Your Spouse, Real Womanhood, or Feminine Genius*. On the 13<sup>th</sup> remember Mary, Our Lady of Fatima. Study: *Divine Mercy, Episode 6: Fatima*. Watch: *Finding Fatima, Fatima for Today, The 13<sup>th</sup> Day, or Fatima-Hope for the World*. For children Watch: *The Day the Sun Danced*.



**Walking with Moms in Need:** *“The loveliest masterpiece of the heart of God is the heart of a mother.”- St. Therese*

Motherhood is a gift for the Church and the whole human race. It is not an easy vocation, especially when a woman embarks on it without the support of a husband or in circumstances of instability or trial. Mother's Day is an invitation to each of us to discover how we can better support women in need so that they can flourish in their motherhood. We hope that this series on *Walking with Moms in Need* has inspired you to be more informed about the ministries in our area which support mothers and to get involved yourself!

To learn more about *Walking with Moms in Need*, visit [bit.ly/walkingwithmoms](http://bit.ly/walkingwithmoms) or contact [sr.virginia.joy@archny.org](mailto:sr.virginia.joy@archny.org)



Congratulations to the children of our parish who received their First Holy Communion this weekend.

**Golden Jubilee Wedding Mass at Saint Patrick's Cathedral** on Sunday, June 5, at 2:30 p.m. Marriage is an important and joyous sacrament of our faith, and God has blessed many couples in our Archdiocese with this milestone. If you are celebrating 50 years of marriage in 2022 or if you know a couple who is, please contact the rectory. We invite each couple to invite up to four family members and friends as well.

**A Memorial Mass** will be held at Mt. Hope Cemetery on Sat., May 14<sup>th</sup> at 12:30 for all our loved ones laid to rest in Mount Hope. Mass will be celebrated by Fr. Gabriel of St. Matthew and Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

**The Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers** is a social, religious and bereavement organization that helps to meet the needs of its membership. We meet on the third Thursday of the month at St. Ann's Church in Father Anthony Hall, at 1:00pm. Our next meeting will be held on May 19th. For more information, please email [CatholicWWofYonkers@gmail.com](mailto:CatholicWWofYonkers@gmail.com) or call 914.423.5331. New members are welcome.



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