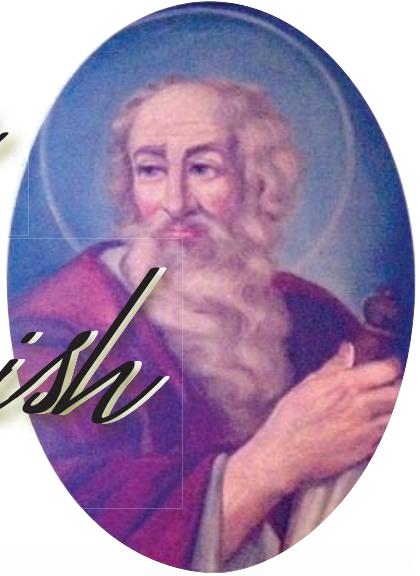


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Lincoln Park

Fr. Leonard F. Villa, Pastor

Fr. George Valliamthadathil, M.S.F.S.

Deacon Rudolph Teng

Deacon Thomas Barbagallo

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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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

E-mail: stpaulyonkers@gmail.com

Parish Meetings

Monday	6:45 PM St. Paul's Folk Dance
Tuesday	7:30 Legion of Mary
Tuesday	8:00 PM Prayer Group
2nd Tuesday	8:00 PM Men's Group
Wednesday	7:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting
Thursday	7:00 PM A.A. Beginners
Thursday	8:00 PM A.A. Closed Meeting
Thursday	7:00 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	7:00 PM A.A. Open Meeting

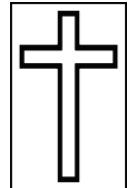
Pregnancy Hot Line

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MARCH 3, 2024

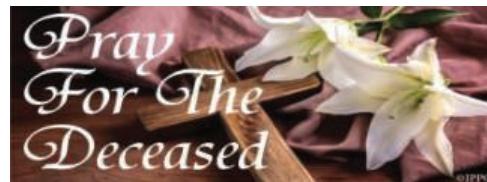


MASS Intentions

<u>Intention:</u>	<u>Requested by:</u>
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Mar. 2, 2024</u>
5:00 Alice "Lecia" Smyth	Smyth family
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Mar. 3, 2024</u>
7:45 Madge & Terrence Murphy	Cregin family
9:15 Russell Kohl	Family
10:45 Nunzio Franchi	Franchi family
12:15 For the People of the Parish	
1:30 Joseph & Mary Boland	Alicia Boland
<u>Monday</u>	<u>Mar. 4, 2024</u>
9:00 Msgr. John Casey	Kieran & Brid O'Sullivan
12:00 James Tierney	Slattery family
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Mar. 5, 2024</u>
9:00 Aaron Abraham (living-Bday)	Sharon A.
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Mar. 6, 2024</u>
9:00 Anne McPartland	Mary & Bill Turner
12:00 Robert Henry	Laura Winterroth
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Mar. 7, 2024</u>
9:00 Abdelrahim Sulaiman	Negma Sulaiman
12:00 Julia Winterroth	Laura Winterroth
<u>Friday</u>	<u>Mar. 8, 2024</u>
9:00 Robert Dowd	Joanne O'Leary
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Mar. 9, 2024</u>
9:00 Daniel Shine	Family
12:00 Laura Mazzei	Matilda Reymondez
5:00 Jose & Elizabeth Jacob	(living-In thanksgiving)
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Mar. 10, 2024</u>
7:45 Leahy Family	Kieran & Brid O'Sullivan
9:15 St. Paul the Apostle Purgatorial Society	
10:45 Patrick Donnelly	Family
12:15 Gerry Flynn	Eileen Healy
1:30 For the People of the Parish	



Michael Curtin, Mary Byrne, Richard Lyons, John Mauser, Jim Donnell, Robert Bruckner, Grace Lyons, Ayanah Audrey Naron, Denyse Guariglia, Lolita Lim, Irene DiGenno, Rene Laino, Barbara Dallow, Martin Beirne, Deirdra Fallon, Cresvic Flores, Kathleen Sage, Sallyann Ricci, Pattiann DelPescio, Waldina Pineda and John Ritter.



Please remember in prayer all those who died this week especially, Colleen Fitzgerald, Vincent M. Saladino, Brian Barcyk, Jeanne Cappello, Matt Ritter, Paul Berardino, Charles John, and those who mourn them.

LECTORS:

Mar. 2 nd	5:00 D. Douglas	
Mar. 3 rd	7:45 K. Magee	9:15 A. Canale
	10:45 A. Urgola	12:15 F. Brady

Weekly Collection

STEWARSHIP: Week of February 25, 2024

1 st Collection	\$4,722
2 nd Collection	\$1,063
Shrines	\$186
Online Giving	\$1,920
Total	\$7,891

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 and click "Online Giving". Thank you for your generosity!

The Battle Station, Station Days, Station Churches



Station days were days of fasting in the early Christian Church, associated with a procession to certain prescribed churches in Rome, where the Mass and Vespers would be celebrated to mark important days of the liturgical year. Station days grew out of the early Christian practice of visiting the tombs of the martyrs and celebrating the Eucharist at those sites. By the fourth century, the practice of carrying out an itinerary to various churches of the city began to develop during the days of Lent. In those days it became a tradition for the pope to visit a church in each part of the city and celebrate Mass with the congregation.

Station also has a meaning for every Christian, because the Church on earth is called the Church-militant, the fighting-Church in battle with Satan, the world, and our fallen humanity. Lent especially calls to mind this battle, and the need for Christians to get into fighting-shape, because each Christian is a soldier and occupies a station or post to ward off the enemy. The enemy is three-fold: the world as opposed to God, the flesh meaning the seven deadly tendencies to sin: pride, sloth, envy, lust, gluttony, greed and anger; and the devil.

In a book called *The Way* by St. Jose Maria Escriva, it says the following:

#960 *Custos, quid de nocte? — Watchman, how goes the night?*

May you acquire the habit of having a day on guard once a week, during which to increase your self-giving and loving vigilance over details, and to pray and mortify yourself a little more.

Realize that the Holy Church is like a great army in battle array. And you, within that army, are defending one “front” on which there are attacks, engagements with the enemy and counter-attacks. Do you see what I mean? This readiness to grow closer to God will lead you to turn your days, one after the other, into days on guard.

What does it mean to mortify oneself? St. Paul tells us in his *Letter to the Colossians* 3: «Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. » Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. » You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. » But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. » Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices » and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. »

In the early centuries, the Lenten fast lasted all day, and so towards the evening the Christians of Rome would begin to gather at a church known as the *collecta* ("gathering place"), where they would be joined by the assembled clergy of the city and the pope.

The procession would then move through the streets to the station church, not far away. Having gathered at the daily *statio* ("standing place"), the pope would then celebrate a solemn Mass, and fragments of the Host were sent to the other *stationes* of the city in order to symbolize the unity of the city around its bishop. After the conclusion of Vespers, the day's fast was broken with a communal meal. In the earliest form of the Lenten itinerary, only about twenty-five churches were assigned as *stationes*. More precisely, the **statio was defined not as the church building, but the relics of the martyr whose relics were housed within**. (For example, rather than "Station at the Basilica of St. Anastasia", the station was considered to be "at St. Anastasia" herself.)

In the sixth century, Pope Gregory the Great fixed the classic order of these stations, and confirmed the tradition that the more solemn festivals of the liturgical year should be marked with the standard practices: assembling at Sext, continuing in procession to the *statio*, celebrating the Eucharistic liturgy, and finishing with Vespers. The practice of keeping stations continued beyond Lent into Eastertide. The stations for the Easter season proceeded in order of sanctity: from St. John Lateran, which is dedicated to Christ, the Savior, for the Easter Vigil, to St. Mary Major on Easter day, to the shrines of principal patrons of the city over the next three days: St. Peter, St. Paul, and St. Lawrence.

Popes since John XXIII have revived the practice of visiting the station for Ash Wednesday, Santa Sabina all'Aventino. The practice of keeping stations gradually waned in Rome, starting after the Gregorian reforms of the eleventh century began to place more emphasis on the pope as administrator, and papal liturgies began to be celebrated in private, rather than among the people of the city. The keeping of stations ceased entirely during the Avignon papacy, and left their trace only as notations in the Roman Missal. Pope Pius XI and Pius XII encouraged a return to the ancient tradition by attaching indulgences for visiting the station churches of Lent and Easter. Concrete gestures on the part of Pope John XXIII and Paul VI also began a revival, as John XXIII was the first pope in modern times to celebrate Ash Wednesday at Santa Sabina, and Paul VI visited Sant'Eusebio on its station day in 1967.

The greatest impetus towards the recovery of the ancient tradition, however, has been the student-organized station church program put on by the Pontifical North American College, where U.S priests are trained for the priesthood and U.S. priests study for advanced degrees in theology. The North American College has coordinated a public station Mass in English at all the station churches of Lent, from Monday to Saturday, every year since 1975. In recent years, the Diocese of Rome too hosts Italian-language Lenten station Masses at the traditional evening hour. In addition to the station churches, a long-standing Roman custom is to visit the four major basilicas and the three of the more important minor basilicas, in what is commonly called the **Seven Church Walk**. This is traditionally done on Wednesday of Holy Week.

The Station Churches of Lent are the following: Ash Wednesday – Santa Sabina Thursday – San Giorgio al Velabro Friday – Santi Giovanni e Paolo (titular Church of the Cardinal-Archbishops of N.Y.)

Saturday – Sant'Agostino

Lent Week 1: Sunday – Saint John Lateran Monday – San Pietro in Vincoli Tuesday – Sant'Anastasia
Wednesday – Saint Mary Major Thursday – San Lorenzo in Panisperna Friday – Santi Apostoli
Saturday – Saint Peter's Basilica (Part 1)

Lent Week 2: Sunday – Santa Maria in Domnica Monday – San Clemente Tuesday – Santa Balbina
Wednesday – Santa Cecilia Thursday – Santa Maria in Trastevere Friday – San Vitale Saturday – Santi Marcellino e Pietro

Lent Week 3: Sunday – San Lorenzo fuori le Mura Monday – San Marco Tuesday – Santa Pudenziana
Wednesday – San Sisto Thursday – Santi Cosma e Damiano Friday – San Lorenzo in Lucina
Saturday – Santa Susanna

Lent Week 4: Sunday – Santa Croce in Gerusalemme (Part 1) Monday – Santi Quattro Coronati
Tuesday – San Lorenzo in Damaso Wednesday – Saint Paul Outside the Walls Thursday – Santi Silvestro e Martino ai Monti Friday –
Sant'Eusebio Saturday – San Nicola in Carcere

Lent Week 5/Passiontide: Sunday – Saint Peter's Basilica (Part 2) Monday – San Crisogono
Tuesday – Santa Maria in via Lata Wednesday – San Marcello Thursday – Sant'Apollinare
Friday – Santo Stefano Saturday – San Giovanni a Porta Latina

Holy Week: Palm Sunday – Saint John Lateran (Part 2) Monday – Santa Prassede Tuesday – Santa Prisca
Wednesday – Saint Mary Major (Part 2) Thursday – Saint John Lateran (Part 3) Good Friday – Santa Croce in Gerusalemme (Part 2)
Holy Saturday – Saint John Lateran (Part 4) Easter Sunday – Saint Mary Major (Part 3) **The St. John Lateran is the Pope's Cathedral Church.



During Lent Stations of the Cross will be prayed
Friday evenings at 7PM
There will also be an evening Mass on
Wednesdays during Lent at 7:30PM

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The Holy Father's Intention for March:
For the Terminally Ill – We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment.



*Our Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week
in loving memory of Margaret Connaghan
as requested by The Ellis Family*

Easter Flower Offering - Please consider memorializing a loved one during this Easter season by donating \$20 for a pot of lilies, envelopes are available in the rear of the church.



Want to be part of saving lives? All it takes is your prayers and presence. 40 Days for Life is a life-saving prayer campaign that is taking place now through Mar. 24th. 40 Days for Life is a peaceful initiative consisting of 40 days of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil at abortion facilities, and educational outreach with the goal of protecting mothers and their children from abortion. Nearly 23,000 children have been saved from abortion during 40 Days for Life campaigns. To learn more, visit: www.40daysforlife.com

St. Paul's Prayer Group meets in person in the Cafeteria on Tuesdays, at 8:00 PM. All are welcome.

The Legion of Mary St. Paul's is blessed to have a chapter of the Legion of Mary which meets on Tuesday evenings at 7:30pm in the classroom next to the cafeteria. Members can be Active (must attend meetings) or Auxiliary (no meeting attendance required) – all Catholics are welcome to join. For more information, please contact Kathy Scott (347-835-9259), Margaret Keane (516-375-9764) or visit www.legionofmary.org.



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