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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 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
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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. Open Meeting
Thursday 7:00 PM Al-Anon
Friday 9:30-10:30 Adoration
Friday 7:30 PM Boy Scouts
Saturday 9:30 AM Religious Educ. PreK-8
Sunday 7:00 PM A.A. Beginners Meeting

Pregnancy Hot Line

Tel: 800-640-0767



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT
MARCH 15, 2026

MASS Intentions

Saturday Mar. 14, 2026
 5:00 Rick Malvey Evelyn

Sunday Mar. 15, 2026
 7:45 For the People of the Parish

9:15 Ida, Angelo & Antonietta DeLuccia

10:45 Katie (Catherine) DeFilippis Legion of Mary

12:15 Pamela McLaughlin (Bday mem) Oliveira

1:30 Fr. Brendan, Bridie & Mary Gormley (living)

Monday Mar. 16, 2026
 9:00 Frank Beirne Mary Beirne

12:00 Pamela McLaughlin (Bday Mem) Curtin fmlly

Tuesday Mar. 17, 2026
 9:00 Peter Daly Family

Wednesday Mar. 18, 2026

9:00 John Cronin (33 yr anniv.) Thea & family

12:00 Patricia Crowley & family (living)

Thursday Mar. 19, 2026
 9:00 Mary & Alonzo Berry & Dorothy O'Neill

12:00 Eoin Hassett (living)

Friday Mar. 20, 2026
 9:00 For Intentions of Virginia Markman (living)

Saturday Mar. 21, 2026
 9:00 Paraic Charles Frank Brady

12:00 For Holy Souls Jacob family

5:00 Albert Barone (Bday Memorial) Family

Sunday Mar. 22, 2026
 7:45 Margaret Finneran Cregin family

9:15 For the People of the Parish

10:45 Frank O'Shea (1st Anniv) Family

12:15 Giuseppe & Isotta Imbrogno Family

2:30 Antoni Pardo Laura Winterroth

Pray FOR THE SICK ©JPPC

Richard Lyons, Grace Lyons, Joseph Molack, Antone Flores, Victor Fierro, Timothy O'Connor, Valentina Rakaj, Pete Coppa, Rosemary Libre, Leny Sunaz, Bridig Robinson, Kathleen Kerrigan, Carol Saxe, Maria Toppi, Eleanor Coloso, Sonny Tionson, Camielle Moynihan, Eileen Coughlin, Carol O'Neill, Jane Curtin, Rose Rampa, Willi Dunz, Noemi Asuncion Bernardez, Ann Zillitto, Paul Monroid, Patrizia DeGiovanni & Carol Santini.



Please remember in prayer all those who died this week especially, Fr. James Borstelman, Joann Rosiello, Msgr. Francis Gorman, Margaret Henighan, Dorothy DeVito, Caleb, Edwin Quinones, Saturnino Olivas, and those who mourn them.

LECTORS:

Mar. 14th 5:00 D. Estrosas
 Mar. 15th 7:45 S. Abraham 9:15 A. Canale
 10:45 A. Urgola 12:15 V. Rahiman

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STEWARDSHIP: Week of March 8, 2026

1 st Collection	\$3,844
2 nd Collection	\$985
Shrines	\$180
Online Giving	\$2,100
Total	\$7,109

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Wisdom and Insight from Gerhard Cardinal Muller during Lent

Card. Gerhard Ludwig Muller, Prefect Emeritus of the *Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith*, gave a recent interview on March 3. Some edited highlights and observations: (see sabinopacciolla.com) The **NOTES** are NOT from the Cardinal's interview.

About Pope Leo: With Pope Leo XIV, he states, the Church recovered a dimension that risked fading: the primacy of God. The new pontiff moves in the tradition of Saint Augustine, with Christ as central that emerges in every homily, in every text, in every public gesture. «There is more the dimension of God, because we are convinced that man without God cannot live and think, he has no hope». But today the papacy feels the need to reiterate that **the Church is not a humanitarian organization, but «in Christ the sacrament of universal salvation».**

«Christ – continues Card. Muller – is always at the heart of the Second Vatican Council, the light of the world is Christ, Christ is the only mediator between God and men. God became man in the divinity of Jesus Christ as the foundation of his true humanity and human nature. This is the basis of the whole Christian message, and it is not a subjective thing, a private idea, but it is the great mission». A clarification that almost sounds like a course correction.

The Root of Evil: Humanism Without God: The cardinal is not afraid to read modernity both historically and spiritually. The great process of secularization initiated by the Enlightenment has produced, yes, extraordinary advances in science, technology, and psychology. But it also generated its monsters: from the French Revolution with its thousands of innocent deaths, to the great totalitarian systems of the twentieth century —National Socialism, fascism, communism — with millions of victims.

The logic, explains the cardinal, is always the same: **when God is denied, other gods emerge in his place, gods who are human beings and present themselves as dictators, as tyrants. They want to tell us what we need to think, how to talk, what to eat. Digital control, social platforms, the European Digital Services Act are, in this reading, the contemporary heirs of that same temptation: the State that appropriates the whole social life, spiritual and intellectual of the citizen.**

(NOTE: Catholic social doctrine opposes the super-state and conglomerates. It teaches something called subsidiarity “Just as it is gravely wrong to take from individuals what they can accomplish by their own initiative and industry and give it to the community, so also it is an injustice and at the same time a grave evil and disturbance of right order to assign to a greater and higher association what lesser and subordinate organizations can do. For every social activity ought of its very nature to furnish help to the members of the body social and never destroy and absorb them.” *Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church* (p. 106). USCCB. Kindle Edition.)

Traces of totalitarianism in the present: It is not just a theological reading: «Yes, it is evident, and not only me, many observers, philosophers, journalists, sociology professors see this tendency towards a new dictatorship here too in our more or less democratic countries». Democracy, the cardinal warns, is not maintained by inertia: it needs an authentic democratic spirit, respect for fundamental rights **that no parliamentary majority can erase.**

In this framework, his reference to the Epstein network is not incidental. Political and academic groups isolating themselves from the social body, super-rich deciding the future of the world in Davos sheltered from democratic control, ruling classes who «separate themselves from the people and live in luxury» convinced that they are above morality: these are, for the cardinal, **the symptoms of a degeneration that has definite roots in the abandonment of the commandments of God and moral conscience.**

The body and identity: against the ideology of gender: The so-called sex change is, according to the cardinal, «an attack against the body». God created every human being with his own body and his own meaning: the difference between man and woman is not a defect to be corrected but «the positivity of creation, and everybody must learn to identify with his/her existence.

When you are born as a boy you are a boy, when you are born as a girl you are a girl. Boys and girls who identify with the opposite sex are, in his view, victims of an industry economically interested in exploiting adolescent frailty. The pastoral response is not condemnation but accompaniment: «We must tell them to identify with themselves, to love themselves, in relation to God». The cardinal cites the cases of those who, after changing sex, then reconsidered the choice, sometimes with irreversible consequences on the ability to become parents. **Fatherhood and motherhood—even in a spiritual form, as in the case of priests and nuns — are for him an expression of the fulfillment of human nature, not an optional accessory.**

Abortion, the birth rate and the suicide of Europe Particularly harsh is the criticism of the large supranational organizations — the UN and the European Union in the lead — which according to the cardinal promote the normalization of abortion based on the idea «absolutely erroneous that there are too many people». Deciding which life is worth surviving is, in his view, philosophically, medically and biologically untenable, and morally indistinguishable from the logic of totalitarian systems that cataloged the enemies of the regime as «superfluous».

The consequences can already be seen: the birth rate afflicting Europe is the poisoned fruit of this culture. «It's a collective suicide what we're doing, we kill our children and the elderly are left in the end». And the question the cardinal asks is rhetorical but trenchant: After abortion, euthanasia for those who are no longer «useful»? Seeing the human being through the lens of usefulness is, he concludes, absolutely inhuman». The trajectory leads straight to post-humanism, trans-humanism, anti-humanism.

(NOTE: Another monster is the “culture of death demanding” assisted suicide: In Canada a ghoulish statistic from Ontario's “Medical Assistance in Dying” program: In 2023, more than 200 people who applied to the program were dead within 36 hours. For 65 people, the state program provided same-day service. Think about it: If you're sick and suffering—or if you're just suffering from a severe bout of depression—you can end it all, more or less immediately. You won't have time (on this earth, anyway) to regret it. In Canada human beings are no different from animals that you “put to sleep.” Also in Ontario Canada:

Between June 1980 and March 1981, a spree of murders struck SickKids hospital. Over the course of several nights, thirty-six babies and infants died, many of them due to an overdose of digoxin, a drug used to control heartbeats and often used for assisted suicide in the United States. A judge confirmed that at least five of those deaths were murders (though the defense believed the number was closer to seventeen), and yet the judge at the preliminary hearings absolved the only suspect, a pediatric nurse. No one else was ever charged, despite statistical evidence from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control that tied another nurse to the deaths

The *Catholic Herald* story reports the case of a woman who requested help to end her life, thought better of it, withdrew the request, and asked for palliative care. That care was denied. But when relatives made another request for euthanasia—despite the evidence that she had not clearly chosen that option, the request was granted and her life was ended that very day. The temptations should be obvious. Palliative care requires medication, nursing, and hospital beds. Assisted suicide is quick, inexpensive, and decisive. The medical system can consider the case closed, the problem solved. It is—the very phrase should frighten us—a final solution.

The Church is neither right nor left: Faced with the controversies over bishops expressing themselves on referendum issues, the cardinal recalls the conciliar principle of the «relative autonomy of earthly realities». Pastors have a primary responsibility in the care of souls, in evangelization, in the sacraments. They can and must pronounce on questions of morality — abortion, life, the dignity of the person — **but they must leave room for the laity for purely political and economic choices, where the bishop has no technical competence.**

As for the eternal debate between conservatives and progressives in the Church, the cardinal's response is clear: «We must only follow the Gospel and not these more political or ideological contradictions». **The right/left distinction is the result of the French Revolution and does not belong to Christian logic. The point of reference is the word of God and the teachings of Christ.**

(NOTE: The political terms "left" and "right" originated during the French Revolution in 1789. In the National Assembly, supporters of the King sat on the president's right, while supporters of the revolution sat on the left, establishing the political spectrum.)



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.

Foundations of Faith - March 18th & 19th – A Journey Through the Catechism of the Catholic Church presented by Fr. Morrow on Wed. at 7:30PM or Thurs. at 10AM (same presentation). For questions call 914-965-9333.



During Lent Stations of the Cross will be prayed Friday evenings at 7PM

Our Knights of Columbus council is running a 50/50 raffle. Grand prize \$3000 and other lower cash prizes. Only 300 tickets will be sold. \$7500 in prizes. 20 chances in 300 to win a cash prize.

Please go to <http://www.kofc3995.org> and click on Raffle Programs at the top of the page for details.

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Bible Study and More! Go to stpaulyonkers.formed.org and register which gives you access to quality Catholic on line programs, movies, audios, and books. Today is the 4th Sunday of Lent. Tuesday is St. Patrick's Day. Watch: *In the Footsteps of St. Patrick*; *St. Patrick: Pilgrimage to Peace*; *Celebrate Saint Patrick (An Irish Concert of Sacred & Irish Music)* to honor St. Patrick from Ireland. Thursday is the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Watch: *Joseph of Nazareth*; *St. Joseph: Our Spiritual Father*; or *The Story of the Nativity*.

A **Rosary Rally** for God's marriage and traditional family will be held Saturday March 21st at 1pm in front of St. Paul The Apostle Church

Tax statements for your church contributions are available, at your request, at the rectory. Please call the rectory weekdays before noon or preferably email your request to stpaulyonkers@gmail.com.

Grown-up Faith Formation - The Legion of Mary is offering a monthly opportunity for you to learn about/refresh your memory on our Faith (and you get to have coffee/tea and a nosh). It might be what you need to find some peace and to get some answers to questions. There will be an opportunity for Confession (don't worry if it has been a while). Saint Paul School Cafeteria, Saturday, March 28th from 9:30am - 11:00am

Catholic Widows and Widowers of Yonkers will meet on Thurs, Mar 19th, 12:30pm, St. Ann's Church, Fr. Anthony Hall. Info: 914.423.5331. A speaker from the Yonkers Library System will give an overview of the adult programs the library offers.

The Serra Club of the Bronx and Westchester will be holding its monthly luncheon meeting on March 25th at 12 noon at the Eastwood Manor. The guest speaker is Rev. Christopher Cullen, S.J.L., Ph.D., Professor at St. Joseph's Seminary and College. Five course luncheon is served at \$45 per person. Please call Carl Lanzano @ 718 325-6706 no later than March 20th if you plan to attend.

Weekly Friday Adoration: Our Lord will be exposed on the altar for an hour every Friday morning from 9:30 to 10:30am. The hour will begin with a recitation of the Rosary followed by silent prayer.

The Matthew Wallace Foundation presents **Wild West Pocketbook Bingo** – Saturday, March 28th, 7-10pm at Mount St. Michael Academy. Tickets are \$55pp which includes 10 bingo cards. Please contact Sandy Casey for tickets and more information at 914-619-6862



This year's *Cardinal's Annual Stewardship Appeal* has begun. This year, our parish is asked to raise \$50,000 of the \$21M goal for the *Appeal*. We are currently at \$28,430 or 57% of goal! {Last year, thanks to 100 participants we were able to reach 110% of our goal.} Please know that if all of us here today participate we will easily reach our goal this year.





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