



Mass  
Intentions  
Of The Week

**Monday, September 29<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 A.M. Anna Collins

**Tuesday, September 30<sup>th</sup>**

7:00 A.M. Prayer for Vocations

**Wednesday, October 1<sup>st</sup>**

7:00 A.M. Intentions of Leo Wassmer

8:15 A.M. Intentions of Franciscan Sisters of Allegany

**Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>**

7:00 A.M. Intentions of the Blessed Mother

**Friday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>**

7:00 A.M. Margie Van Eepoel

**Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup>**

8:30 A.M. Bob Sulte

5:30 P.M. Gloria Standridge

**Sunday, October 5<sup>th</sup>**

7:30 A.M. Donald Multer and Elizabeth Marshall

9:30 A.M. Intentions of St. Paul Parishioners

11:30 A.M. Elinor Duval

6:00 P.M. John Webb and Betty Genco



*Have in you the same attitude  
that is also in Christ Jesus.  
(Philippians 2:5)*

Last week, after a parish baptism, a guest asked me about the use of oil during the baptism. I explained that, in several of our sacraments, we use oil, specifically in baptism, confirmation, anointing of the sick, and holy orders.

The oil for baptism, confirmation, and holy orders is called *chrism*, which is perfumed oil traditionally made by combining olive oil and balsam (an aromatic tree resin). The oil is mixed and blessed by the bishop at the Chrism Mass during Holy Week.

The anointing of the head of the newly baptized with chrism signifies the gift of the Holy Spirit, making them like unto Christ, who was anointed by the Holy Spirit at his baptism in the Jordan.

Once anointed with the chrism, *we are the aroma of Christ to God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing.* (2 Corinthians 2:15). In other words, we are commissioned to bring Christ to the world. We share in the work of Christ, the anointed one. But it's really more profound than that.

St Paul, in his writings, encourages us to *put on Christ, to clothe ourselves in Christ, to have the same attitude as Christ.* In fact, we are anointed to be Christ to one another.

Msgr. Robert C. Gibbons, Pastor

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**Sr. Joan Carberry, OSF**, our school's Assistant Principal, is observing her 50<sup>th</sup> Jubilee as a Franciscan Sister of Allegany. The parish & school will celebrate her vocation and enduring commitment as a religious sister at the 9:30 Mass next Sunday, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>. A reception in her honor will follow in the Cafeteria. Sr Joan came to St. Paul's 20 years ago. She has ministered in our school for 16 years.

**That Man Is You!** continues every Wed. morning in the Cafeteria. Over 85 men are participating. It's not too late to join in this men's prayer breakfast, scripture study, and faith builder----all wrapped up in one. Continental breakfast begins at 5:30 a.m. Program begins at 6 a.m. and ends promptly at 7 a.m. Walk-ins are welcome, but pre-register if you can by e-mailing Rob Hudson at [rhudson@photoscience.com](mailto:rhudson@photoscience.com) or call Bill Teska at 917.804.5265.

**Congratulations** to the following children, who recently joined our faith through the Sacrament of Baptism:

**Grace Alexandra Duffy  
Sebastian Michael Chavez  
Maylen Hudson Winters  
James Houlihan Tredo  
Sarina Davis  
Jason Race Jagdeo**

**CONGRATULATIONS to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul** on the 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the founding of this wonderful organization that helps the poor around the world. Financial donations and new members are always welcome. If you are interested in learning how you can help or be an active member of St. Paul's Conference of SVdP, contact Geni at 698-4970 or Penny at 430-8964.



Is what I do after I say "I believe"...

**Offertory for Sunday, September 21, 2008:**

<b>297 Envelopes.....</b>	<b>\$ 8,907.25</b>
<b>Loose.....</b>	<b>\$ 2,179.50</b>
<b>AOP (debit).....</b>	<b>\$ 2,011.00</b>
<b>AOP (credit).....</b>	<b>\$ 0.00</b>
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$ 13,097.75</b>

*'Do nothing out of selfishness. . . .  
Look out not only for your own interests,  
but also for those of others.'*  
(Philippians 2:3-4)

A good steward uses his time, talent, & treasure not selfishly, but with the interest of others in mind.

Please remember St. Paul's School Sustaining Fund in your estate plan.

- Website .....stpaulstpete.com
- Parish Offices.....727-822-3481
- Pastoral Associate.....Annamaria Dickhaus
- Admin. Assistants.....Charie Wassmer & Mary Carney
- Outreach Ministry.....Sr. Kathleen Stagnaro, OSF
- Youth Ministry.....Gail Marinari
- Organist & Choir Director.....Paul Dixon
- St. Vincent de Paul Society .....ext. 50
- Children's Center.....Valerie Gervais, ext. 18
- Prayer Team.....727-894-8846 or [jhdmary@aol.com](mailto:jhdmary@aol.com)
- School.....Mrs. Elizabeth Fulham, Principal  
727-823-6144
- Counseling Ministry.....Mary Ann Holtz, LMHC  
727-327-5045



## St. Paul Says:

**“Do nothing out of selfishness  
or vainglory.”**  
*Philippians 2: 3*

**Knights of Columbus** new member recruitment drive is after all Masses this weekend. First Degree is Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Parish Center. Call Terry Cuniff at 824-8577.

**Animal Blessing.** In honor of St. Francis, please join in a celebration “Praising God for His Creation” on Thursday, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6:30 p.m. on the parish grounds. All are invited to bring their family pet for a special blessing.

**Columbiettes** invite all Catholic women of the parish to an open meeting on Tues. Oct. 7. We will gather at the grotto at 7:00 p.m. for the rosary, then proceed to the parish center for a business and social time. Join the Columbiettes and enjoy the challenges and satisfaction of making a difference. Contact Cheryl Carver 866-8888 [chcarver@yahoo.com](mailto:chcarver@yahoo.com), or Jean Davison 898-8884 [civexgovjd@aol.com](mailto:civexgovjd@aol.com).

### YOUTH NEWS

**Core Team:** Mon., Sept. 29, at 7 p.m. in St. Paul's youth room.

**It's time to begin** – Holy Family and St. Paul's body building team!! - Middle and High school kids mark your calendars Sunday Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>! We will begin our year together with a cook out at St. Paul's at 7p.m. Food, games, music and come dunk the new youth minister! Bring a friend!! \$2.00 donation is appreciated to help cover the cost of the food.

**Meeting schedule** will be as follows:

High school teens – Sunday nights at 7 p.m. at St. Paul's  
Middle school – Wednesday nights at 7 p.m. at Holy Family

I will hold a parent meeting at each parish the week of Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>. Details will follow. This is a whole new program and I am asking for support, patience and prayers! Thank you! Parents, please feel free to email me at [yngailcow@yahoo.com](mailto:yngailcow@yahoo.com) or [gail@retreats4us.com](mailto:gail@retreats4us.com).  
God Bless ~Gail~

**The Rite of Christian Initiation of Children** begins weekly sessions on Sun., Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, after the 11:30 a.m. Mass, in the Parish Center. These sessions are for children in 3rd grade, or older, who have not received the sacraments of Baptism or First Eucharist. One parent must attend with their child/children. Please call the parish office for information.

**You are invited to a free dinner and movie** on Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. in the Cafeteria to celebrate our Year of St. Paul. There will be a pizza dinner and the movie, *Paul, Contending for the Faith*. George Martin, scripture scholar, writer, and speaker, will be our facilitator and will lead us on the journey of St. Paul. RSVP by Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> to the parish office or email Joan Dirrigl at [jkdmary@aol.com](mailto:jkdmary@aol.com). Childcare is available, but we must know by Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> how many children will come.

**Evening Bible Study** will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 30, at 7 p.m. in second floor lounge of the Parish Center. We are continuing this fall with Judges 1:1-2:23; 4-16. Please join us. Call Karen McKenna, the program facilitator, at 543-4076.

**Fr. Bob's parents 50th Wedding Anniversary.** Fr. Bob leaves for India on Oct 1 to celebrate the golden Jubilee of the

wedding of his parents. Of 5 boys and 2 girls in the family, 2 of the boys are Priests in the Pallottine Order while the oldest son passed away three years ago. After the Anniversary Mass and celebration, Fr. Bob and his priest brother will take their parents on a tour of India as they have never traveled out of their state. Fr. Bob will be back on Oct. 30. SAFE JOURNEY and Happy Anniversary to his parents.

**Christ Renews His Parish for Men** is a spiritually rewarding retreat conducted by our parish priests together with a group of St. Paul parishioners. It begins on Friday evening and concludes on Sunday mid-afternoon. The next retreat is Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>. Call the parish office for more information

**St. Vincent de Paul** needs your help. Our funds are very low. Many of our neighbors are in need of help with rent and utility payments. Please be generous with donations in the Poor Boxes every week. These funds provide food for families, prevent electric from being turned off and assist in other ways. Help us to “be Christ to others” in their time of need.

**St. Paul, A Bible Study Guide for Catholics** is offered by the parish as part of our Jubilee Year Celebration of the Apostle Paul. Thanks to parishioners Jackie Mallory, Pat Wiand and Rhona Beettam for conducting this study. For information or to register, call Annamaria in the parish office. Classes begin Sun., Oct. 12, after the 9:30 a.m. Mass and meet bi-weekly in the Parish Center Blue Room through May.

**40 Days for Life!** Thanks to everyone who signed up for one hour of prayer in front of the abortion clinic and who attended the Vigil Mass and Candle Light Vigil Ceremony. It is not too late to sign up in the parish and school offices for an hour to pray for an end to abortion. Contact Francesca McEntegart 727-452-0641 or [francescattm@gmail.com](mailto:francescattm@gmail.com).

**Partners with Haiti asks to designate Fridays through the end of hurricane season as days for prayer and sacrifice for our family of St. Isidore in Haiti.** Skip a meal or drink and donate money saved for meals, water, rebuilding. Make checks to Partners with Haiti, Inc., memo "hurricane relief".

**Green Team. Mark your calendars Oct. 25, Sat. 9-11 a.m.** "The Story of Stuff" and Alternative Christmas Bazaar. Watch the bulletin for details.

**Green thumb?** For many years parishioner Marcia Scully faithfully tended the two urns on the front steps of the church, making sure they had attractive plants and flowers growing in them. Marcia died earlier this year, and may she rest in peace. If anyone would like to take up this quiet service, please call the parish office and speak with Mary or Charlie.

**Beretha Toussaint Graduates from Nursing School.** Last week, members of Partners with Haiti traveled to Port au Prince to attend graduation ceremonies at the nursing school where Beretha has been studying for the last three years. Next, prior to working at the parish clinic we are developing, she will be an intern at the 35-bed hospital on Lagonave – the only hospital serving 120,000 people. Beretha asked Anne Richter, Jim Stitt, and Scott Bitterli to pass on her deep gratitude to all St Paul's parishioners for their prayers and financial support. She told us that she has dreamed of becoming a nurse since she was in 9<sup>th</sup> grade, but never thought it would happen. (photos in church entry)