



## SAINT PAUL CATHOLIC CENTER

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**September 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023**  
**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**



## NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

### **FOOD FOR THOUGHT:**

Pope ... Benedict XVI called for a "new season" of the reading of the Word of God by all the baptized, "so that their prayerful and faith-filled reading of the Bible will, with time, deepen their personal relationship with Jesus" (*Verbum Domini*).

**He also reminded us that the personal relationship we have with Jesus is deepened and shared most profoundly in the Eucharist:**

*The personal relationship which the individual believer establishes with Jesus present in the Eucharist constantly points beyond itself to the whole communion of the Church and nourishes a fuller sense of membership in the Body of Christ. (Sacramentum Caritatis)*

*It's obvious from these texts that the phrase "personal relationship with Jesus" is an important part of the way the Magisterium of the Church refers to our faith in Christ. ...It expresses an essential element of a deeply Catholic understanding of conversion and discipleship.*



**Ministry of Communion for the Sick & Homebound** are compassionate parishioners who provide spiritual support to the sick and homebound members of Saint Paul's Catholic Center. They minister to them in their homes, nursing facilities, and/or hospitals. The visits allow our parish community to reach out in the name of Christ and bring His healing and merciful love to those unable to participate in Holy Communion at the Center.

Special training and prerequisites are required for those who take weekly Holy Communion and prayers to the sick and homebound.

**If you are interested in receiving or distributing Holy Communion to the sick and homebound, please contact Lynn Pope at 414-559-0895.**

### **LECTOR and EO MINISTER SHECHEDLE**

The monthly Lector and Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion schedule is posted in the hallway, across from the office and is also found on our website. Ministers, please check the schedule occasionally for any updates or changes. Please contact Steve Muñoz (248) 520-4913 for related questions, conflicts, or information.

### **Prayer Requests**

Bob Carter	Kyle Hanson
Don Taylor	Mark Borowiak
Gordon Bryson	Richard McAfee
Jim Scarth	Jim Keys
John Hanson	Karen Poelakker
Tracy Goodin	Gladys Scharrer
Cheryl Kartes	Shirley Gehring
Lynn Spencer	Jeanne Canon
Adrian Rodriguez	Carl Ferben
Norm Engle	Jean & Miriam Bourque

**Let us also pray for our Religious Ed Teachers**

### **CONTACT A PRIEST**

#### **Saint George Catholic Church**

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- **Reverend David Bittmenn, Pastor**
- **Reverend Tristan Dillon**
- **Deacon Dan Weber**

**MASS:** Sundays at 12:30 pm

**VIGIL MASS:** Saturdays at 6:00 pm

**BIBLE STUDY:** Mondays at 12:30 pm

**ROSARY:** Mondays at 2:00 pm

**KNIGHT'S ROUNDTABLE:** **Monday Sept 18<sup>th</sup> @ 3 pm**

**RELIGIOUS ED (CCD):** Classes Tuesday at 5pm

**COMMUNION SERVICE:** Wednesdays at 9:00 am

**ADORATION:** Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> 9:30a – 10 am

**BINGO:** No Bingo in September (watch for October info)

**WOMEN'S GATHERING:** **Thursday Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> 6:30p**

**ADMINISTRATOR:** Suzie Bledsoe (816) 806-8317

**BULLETIN:** Church email - [stpauls84737@gmail.com](mailto:stpauls84737@gmail.com)

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**We continue collecting  
 nonperishable food donations for  
 the Hurricane Food Bank**

## Do you have a Personal Relationship with God?

Catholics should not feel as though they are treading on dangerous ground when using this terminology or that they are somehow promoting a Protestant understanding of faith. It's normal, or it ought to be, a normal part of Catholic life.

To say, "I have a personal relationship with Jesus," is simply to say that I know, with deep personal conviction, that God knows me and He loves me. I know it because while I was yet a sinner, Christ died for me (Rom 5:8); He poured His love into my heart through the Holy Spirit (Rom 5:5). Through the Holy Spirit, I have seen what God has prepared for me in Christ Jesus (1 Cor 2:9-10); I have come to understand the gifts bestowed on me by God (1 Cor 2:12). By His mercy I have "tasted the heavenly gift...the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the age to come" (Heb 6:4-5).

I know Him in whom I have believed (2 Tim 1:12). I haven't come to know him apart from the Catholic Church or despite the Catholic Church, but within the Catholic Church. The Jesus I know personally is the Jesus of the Bible, of the Catechism, the Jesus I meet in the sacraments, and in my neighbor. It is the Jesus who has made Himself known to me not simply with "plausible words of wisdom, but by a demonstration of the Spirit and of power," (1 Cor 2:4). He did that for me so that my "faith would not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God," (1 Cor 2:5). And it is that faith, which by His grace, is near to me, on my lips and in my heart, enabling me to confess that Jesus Christ is Lord! Not only Lord of all, but my Lord and my Savior! (Rom 10:8-13).

He has done all of this for me, a sinner: wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked, (Rev 3:17), a foolish and weak man (1 Cor 1:26-27), who, apart from Christ lived without hope in the world (Eph 2:12).

This great mercy has come to me by grace, "not by my own doing, it is the gift of God," (Eph 2:8). And now, I gladly boast in my weakness (2 Cor 12:9); I believe and so I speak (2 Cor 4:13). What I say is simple: I know Jesus Christ, in a personal way. I have a relationship with Him. He is my Lord, my Savior and my best friend. Do you know Him in this way? Would you like to? You can. He is here right now, with you, right where you are. He is standing at the door of your heart, knocking (Rev 3:20). Will you let him in? - Dan Burke [Spiritualdirection.com](http://Spiritualdirection.com) Avila Institute

## We need help with Sunday snacks!

CHAT WITH ALAN IN THE KITCHEN TO SIGN UP TO  
BRING A COUPLE DOZEN ITEMS!

## Happy Birthday!

**Sophia Garcia**

**Sept 21<sup>st</sup>**

*Let us know if we missed your birthday!*



**THIS THURSDAY at 6:30pm! Crafters & NONCrafters WELCOME! We are making Holiday items for the local senior living centers.**

## Saint Paul THIFT STORE Blow Out Sale!

**We're having a fantastic Blow Out Sale!  
September 27th through the 29th. Daily 10a-4p  
We will have a great selection of clothing,  
household, and Holiday items to choose from!**

## SUMFALL Picnic!

**Saturday September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**From 1pm -4pm**

**RSVP & Sign-Up Sheets  
on the back table**

## Some Sunday Funnies

- Which nursery song would Jesus have heard the most? "Mary Had a Little Lamb."
- Why didn't anyone want to fight Goliath? It seemed like a *giant* ordeal.