

*I desire
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to those
souls who
trust in
My mercy.*

- Jesus to St. Faustina



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OUR MISSION

We, the Catholic Community of Saint Paul in Princeton, honor our tradition of welcoming God's sons and daughters from different cultures and backgrounds to hear and live the Good News of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Baptized and formed into the people of God, we continue to grow in the Apostolic tradition of worship, word, and service: Worship through our participation in the Eucharist and celebration of sacraments; Word, in our commitment to Catholic identity through Scripture and catechesis; and Service through living as disciples who share God's love with all by working together for peace and justice to advance the coming of the Kingdom of God.



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RECEPTION HOURS

MON, WED-FRI: 9:00am-4:00pm*
TUE: 10:30am-4:00pm*

**Closed for lunch 12:00pm-12:45pm*

REGISTER AT
OUR PARISH



MASS TIMES

DAILY (MON-SAT) 8:15am*
(MON-FRI) 12:10pm

SATURDAY 5:30pm

SUNDAY 8:30am, 10:00am
11:30am, 5:00pm
1:00pm en español

**INDICATES A LIVE STREAMED MASS*

DAILY ROSARY

MON-SAT 9:00am

FOLLOWING 8:15AM MASS IN CHURCH
OR VIA ZOOM (SCAN TO JOIN)



RECONCILIATION

SATURDAY 4:00pm

AND BY PRIVATE APPOINTMENT

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick is available by scheduling an appointment.

Please contact Monica Heucke:
mheucke@stpaulsofprinceton.org

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

SATURDAYS 7:00am-8:00am

FIRST FRIDAYS 9:00am-12:00pm

Your safety during worship is of the utmost importance to us. While many of our safety measures are handled proactively behind the scenes and in coordination with the Princeton Police Department, if something or someone causes concern, please notify an usher or parish representative.

if you
SEE | SAY
something | something

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Interested in getting involved in a parish ministry? Please be sure to check the website or browse the bulletin for the right ministry head or staff member to reach out to. Become a part of our parish's flourishing!

SUPPORT ST. PAUL PARISH

The fastest and most secure way to give online is through Parish Giving. Autopay options ensure you never need to remember your envelopes again! Not enrolled yet? Scan the QR code here to set up your account:



Are you visiting St. Paul Parish this weekend? We are so thrilled to worship with you! Interested in making a one-time gift? Scan the QR code here:



STEWARDSHIP REPORT

GIVING 3/28-3/29

\$24,000

Budget

\$9,351

Identifiable Gifts

\$6,399

Loose Cash

\$8,067

Online Giving

\$23,817

2025-2026 YTD

\$936,000

Budget

\$495,576

Envelopes/Loose Cash

\$451,532

Online Giving

\$947,108

101.2%

2024-2025 YTD

\$936,000

Budget

\$478,467

Envelopes/Loose Cash

\$422,117

Online Giving

\$900,584

96.2%

LOVE that
Strengthens

Diocese of Trenton • 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal

Our Parish 2026 Goal: \$119,000
Current Progress: \$123,197 (104%)
Donors: 137 (145 more needed)

JOY that
Sustains

Incentives:
Reach Goal: Receive 50% of surplus
Obtain 282 donors: 5% (\$5,950) rebate

We have officially launched the 2026 Annual Catholic Appeal—an opportunity to strengthen our parish community and sustain ministries across our Diocese. Thanks to your early generosity, we have already reached our diocesan goal. If we reach 282 donors, our parish will receive nearly \$6,000 in additional funds. We invite those who have not yet made a gift to prayerfully consider participating. Make your gift at giveaca.org.

More details about the Appeal's impact can be found at stpaulsofprinceton.org/annual-catholic-appeal



A COMMUNITY OF PRAYER

MASS INTENTIONS

5:00pm Peppino Iannelli | Luciana & Richard Bellantoni

Sunday | *Divine Mercy Sunday*

8:30am Shea Crothers | Laura & Denise De Cillis
Donald Mathews | Walter & Carol Sawyer

10:00am The People of the Parish

11:30am Robert & Adele Driscoll | Maria & Bob
Driscoll

1:00pm *Spanish Intentions*

5:00pm Albrina Mangone | Patty & Darren Alizio
Antonio Sferra | Patty & Darren Alizio

Monday

8:15am Deceased Members of Ercole Carnevale &
Adantino Family | Rosina Carnavale
Henry Tamasi | Angelina DeVincenzi

12:10pm Albrina Mangone | Luciana & Richard
Bellantoni
Natalie Chanier | Diane Vavricka

Tuesday

8:15am Albrina Mangone | Maria Pirone & Family

12:10pm Dorothy Jackson | Mark & Nancy Jackson &
Family
Sarah & Younan Jouki | Beth Meagher

Wednesday

8:15am Albrina Mangone | Ida Pirone Duncan &
Family
Sharon Matarese | Walter & Carol Sawyer

12:10pm Derek DiGregorio | The Manley Family
Joseph & Madeline Tedesco | Beth Meagher

Thursday

8:15am John H. Reed | Susan Vescera

12:10pm Alba Cuomo | Teresa Cuomo Pietrefesa

Friday

8:15am John L. Cavallo | Tim & Deanna Sass

12:10pm Elizabeth Healey | The Clark Family

Saturday

8:15am Andre Intartaglia | Patty & Darren Alizio

OUR SICK

Bob | Chrissy DeLuca | Eileen Dormouth | Dick
Graham | Rob Ingram | Fidelis Machado | Colette
McGregor | Ann Menendez | Hanna Paczynska |
Doris Paetow | Mary Agnes Procaccini | Anna Marie
Revilla | Dan Roach | Annmarie Sabb | Thomas
Stokes | Christopher Joseph Stull | Francine Tama

**If you would like your loved one
added to the sick list, please email bulletin@stpaulsofprinceton.org*

INTENTIONS OF POPE LEO

For priests in crisis

Let us pray for priests going through moments of
crisis in their vocation, that they may find the
accompaniment they need and that communities
may support them with understanding and prayer.



DIOCESE of
TRENTON

Catholic Schools
JOB FAIRS

HIRING
Teachers and Staff

**30 SCHOOLS
REPRESENTED!**

MAY 7
4:00-7:00PM

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE

61 Georgia Rd.
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available positions including:

Pre-K Teachers, Elementary Teachers, Middle School Teachers,
High School Teachers, Coaches & More

dioceseoftrenton.org/school-job-fairs

At St. Paul Parish, we are deeply committed to creating a safe, welcoming environment for all children and youth. In partnership with the Diocese of Trenton, we follow the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People by requiring background checks and VIRTUS training for all clergy, staff, and volunteers. If you are new to a parish ministry or feel called to serve, we would love to have you join us! Together, we can keep our parish a place where every child feels safe and supported. To get started with the VIRTUS process, please email Jaime at SafeSpace@stpaulsofprinceton.org.



WEEKLY WORSHIP

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

Sunday April 12, 2026

Today's readings can be found on page 624 of the hymnal. Please visit the livestream section of our website for more resources about this week's Mass.



FOCUS ON THE READINGS

2nd Sunday of Easter | Divine Mercy Sunday

The Book of Acts describes the communal life of the first believers. In his Letter, Peter praises God for the gift of new life through Christ's resurrection and commends his fellow believers for recognizing its value. Following his death and resurrection, Jesus appears to his disciples in a locked room and commissions them to go forth in his name. Thomas is absent for this appearance and does not believe until Jesus appears again and urges him to touch him and believe.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

A message from Fr. Chris Dayton

As we continue to celebrate the joy of Easter, the Church gives us this beautiful Second Sunday of Easter, also known as Divine Mercy Sunday. It is a day that invites us to reflect more deeply on the meaning of the Resurrection, not only that Christ is risen, but that His risen life is a gift of mercy for each one of us.

In today's Gospel, we find the disciples gathered in fear behind locked doors. Into that fear, Jesus comes and speaks words that still echo in our hearts: "Peace be with you." He shows them His wounds, not as signs of defeat, but as signs of His mercy and love.

This is the heart of Divine Mercy: even in our weakness, our doubts, and our sins, Christ comes to meet us, not with condemnation, but with peace.

We also hear the story of Thomas, who struggles to believe. His doubt is something we can all relate to at times. Yet Jesus does not reject him. Instead, He invites Thomas to come closer, to see, to touch, and to believe. In doing so, Jesus shows us that mercy is patient. It meets us where we are and gently leads us forward in faith.

Divine Mercy Sunday reminds us that no sin is greater than God's mercy. The Lord never tires of forgiving us; the only question is whether we are willing to trust in that mercy and receive it.

This day is also a call to action. Having received mercy, we are sent to be instruments of mercy in the world. In our families, our parish, and our daily lives, we are called to forgive as we have been forgiven, to show compassion, and to bring Christ's peace to others.

I encourage you in a special way to take advantage of the Sacrament of Reconciliation and to continue deepening your prayer life. Trust in the Lord's mercy and allow that mercy to transform your heart.

As we move forward in this Easter season, may we live as people of the Resurrection, confident not in ourselves, but in the boundless mercy of God.

May the peace and joy of the Risen Christ fill your hearts today and always.

In His peace,

Fr. Chris Dayton
Pastor

SPRINKLING RITE

Springs of Water

Refrain

Springs of wa-ter, bless the Lord! Give him glo-ry and praise for ev-er!

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PARISH LIFE

BABY ITEM DRIVE

By the Knights of Columbus | April 11-12

The Knights of Columbus Council #636 will collect essential baby items before and after all Masses the weekend of April 11-12, outside the main church entrance. Donations will Legacy of Life and Life Choices,

Needed items include diapers (all sizes), wipes, bottles, blankets, and new baby clothing (newborn-12 months), along with other new essentials.

Questions? Contact Bill Hart at 609-955-1625 (call or text) or bill@hartpe.com. Thank you for your generosity in supporting mothers and their children.

COFFEE & DONUTS

Sunday, April 12

Join us on April 12 following all morning Masses (8:30am, 10:00am, 11:30am) in the Spiritual Center for coffee, donuts, and fellowship.

Monthly Ministry Highlight:
Beginning this month, Coffee & Donuts will feature one of our parish ministries. We're kicking off by highlighting Loaves & Fishes. Stop by their table, meet coordinator Anisa Mele, and learn more about their important work.

We hope you'll join us!

LOAVES & FISHES 2026

Save the date and start planning!

Loaves and Fishes is a local outreach program that serves hot meals to the local Trenton community on the last two Saturdays of every month. This June, our parish will distribute more than 500 meals and donations to residents in need living in the Trenton area.

Save these dates of Friday, June 19 for Donation Collection (SPS Cafeteria) and Saturday, June 20 for Meal Service (St. Mary Cathedral in Trenton).

First planning meeting will be Sunday, April 12 after 10:00am Mass during Coffee and Donuts.

TEEN MUSIC MINISTRY

Calling all teen musicians!

The Teen Music Ministry will lead music at the 5:00pm Mass on Sunday, April 12. The group will rehearse at 4:00pm prior to Mass.

New members are always welcome! No preparation is needed—music will be provided upon arrival.

STAINED GLASS TOUR

Following the 8:15am Mass on Saturdays

Join us for a one-hour guided tour of the beautiful stained-glass windows of St. Paul Church. Each window tells part of the story of our faith through the artistry, symbolism, and spiritual meaning found throughout our church. Tours gather at the baptismal font immediately following the 8:15am Mass:

Tour dates and themes:

April 18 – Large Church Windows

May 16 – Altar Clerestory Windows

ST. PAUL ATHLETICS

Spring 2026 Registration Now Open

All registrations are completed through TeamSnap. For questions, please contact Mr. Harris at athletics@spsprinceton.org.

SPAC is currently seeking head coaches for Track, Tennis, and Boys Soccer, as well as assistants for all sports. Your involvement helps make these programs possible for our students.



CONGRATULATIONS

to Tyler Spiegel

Congratulations to St. Paul Parish parishioner Tyler Spiegel for winning the New Jersey Knights of Columbus State Championship in the 11-year-old boys division!

Tyler first won our local Princeton Council competition at St. Paul Parish on January 17, then advanced through the District and Diocesan levels.

On March 21, representing Princeton Council and the Diocese of Trenton, Tyler sank 23 of 25 free throws to defeat competitors from the Dioceses of Camden, Newark, Paterson, and Metuchen to claim the state title.

YOU'RE NOT ALONE

Bereavement Support Group

We warmly invite anyone grieving the loss of a loved one to join You're Not Alone, a four-week bereavement peer support series. Together, we gently explore how grief touches our lives and how healing can begin when we share our stories. The series offers a space for reflection, support, and shared understanding.

Please note that the April and May sessions have been canceled due to low registration, as these gatherings rely on a small, supportive group to be most effective. We are grateful to still offer an upcoming session on Mondays, June 1, 8, 15, and 22, from 6:30pm–8:00pm.

More information is available at stdavidtheking.com/bereavement.

FINANCIAL AID SCHOLARSHIP to Notre Dame High School

For several years, our parish has offered a limited number of partial scholarships to parish students attending Notre Dame High School. These scholarships will be awarded again this year and may be renewed for up to 4 years, provided students maintain strong academic standing and participate in school and service activities. Requests for an application must be received by Friday, May 1, 2026. For more information or to request an application, please contact Gina Merendino at gmerendino@stpaulsofprinceton.org or scan the code.



RIDE TO MASS

A parishioner living in Montgomery, near the Princeton border, is in need of transportation to the Saturday 5:30pm Mass. If you are able to assist, please contact executivedirector@seniorcareservicesgp.org (Adriana Morabito). Thank you for your kindness and support.



Why pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet?

Jesus asked St. Faustina Kowalska that the Feast of Divine Mercy be preceded by a Novena to Divine Mercy, beginning on Good Friday. For each day of the novena, He gave a specific intention to be prayed for:

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graces to those souls who trust in
My mercy.* - Jesus to St. Faustina

JOIN US FOR THE CONCLUSION OF THE
NOVENA AT 3:00PM ON APRIL 12

When can I pray the Chaplet at St. Paul Parish?

Daily at 3:00pm in the Church
Friday, April 3* - Sunday, April 11**

Join us in the Church as we gather before the image of Divine Mercy to pray the Chaplet each day. The Chaplet takes less time than a rosary, yet its spiritual fruits are abundant.

Instructions for the Chaplet will be available in the church beginning on Good Friday; you are welcome to take one home with you or return each day to pray with us at 3:00pm.

*On Good Friday, the Chaplet will begin immediately following The Commemoration of the Lord's Passion, which is at 3:00pm.

**On Divine Mercy Sunday, the recitation of the Chaplet will take place within the context of a fuller prayer service.



ST. PAUL SCHOOL

APPLICATIONS OPEN

for the 2026-2027 school year

Applications are now being accepted for the 2025-2026 school year for grades Pre-K3 through 8. Visit our website at www.spsprinceton.org and click on the "Join Our School Family" button to begin the process. Parishioners from St. Paul Parish are given priority consideration and discounted tuition rates. Please contact Michele Cano at mcano@spsprinceton.org for more information.

MONTHLY TOURS

For prospective families

Our next monthly school tour will take place on April 16. If you are considering St. Paul School, please contact Michele Cano to be added to the tour list.

MCCAFFREY'S RECEIPTS

Save your receipts!

Our school participates in an ongoing fundraising program with the Princeton McCaffrey's store where the retailer donates 1% of your purchases to our school. Save your receipts, place them in an envelope labeled "McCaffrey's receipts," and send them into the school office or deposit the envelope(s) during Sunday's Masses in the basket located on the table in the church vestibule.

RAISERIGHT

Fundraising while you shop

Enrollment Code: 57DF5L3658845 For more info, please contact us at: ptashopsps@spsprinceton.org. Scan or click the QR code to learn a little more about RaiseRight!



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OUR YOUNG CHURCH

FROM THE DRE'S DESK

A message from Mrs. Jaime Gostkowski

In this week's Gospel, the risen Jesus appears to His disciples, offering them peace and sending them forth with the gift of the Holy Spirit. Though they struggle at first to recognize Him, Jesus reveals Himself and strengthens their faith. Like Thomas, we too are called to believe even when we cannot see: *"Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."*

For our families, this Gospel reminds us that faith is lived in the ordinary moments of daily life. We may not see Jesus physically, but we encounter Him when we choose patience instead of frustration, forgiveness instead of holding onto hurt, and kindness in our words and actions. In a world that can often feel busy or overwhelming, creating moments for prayer, showing understanding, and offering peace to one another are powerful ways to live out our faith at home.

As Jesus sent His disciples, He also sends us. May our homes be places where His peace is shared, His mercy is practiced, and His presence is made known through the way we love one another each day.

Please know that you and your families are in my prayers as you continue to grow in faith together.

Many blessings,
Jaime

ACTS OF FAITH

Passport Opportunities

Please remember that all students are expected to participate in our Acts of Faith Passport program. This applies to PREP students, Summer Academy students, and all students preparing for sacraments. For families' convenience, here are the upcoming opportunities for the coming weeks:

Sat, Apr. 11 - Sun, Apr. 12 - KofC Baby Shower Collection (*Service*)
Sunday, Apr. 12 - Coffee & Donuts after morning Masses (*Parish*)
Sunday, Apr. 19 - Confirmation Kick-Off/Practice

VACATION BIBLE CAMP

For children in PreK-2nd Grade

Each summer, we offer a morning program for children in PreK-Grade 2 designed to help our youngest parishioners grow in faith and friendship. This program provides children with a joyful opportunity to grow in their relationship with Jesus while building community with their peers.

Registration is open now through June 15, 2026. By popular request, we will be offering **two separate weeks of VBC** this year, and families may register for **one week or both.**

Program Dates and Times:

June 22-June 26, 9:00am-12:00pm

July 6-July 10, 9:00am-12:00pm



SUMMER ACADEMY PREP

For students in 3rd-8th Grade

This week-long intensive program fulfills a full year of catechesis and is ideal for families who wish to prioritize faith formation during the summer while remaining active in the parish throughout the year.

Because of the intensive nature of the curriculum, attendance is required each day.

Registration is open now through June 15, 2026.

Program Dates and Times: July 6-10, 9:00am-3:00pm

Students who participate in Summer Academy are expected to take part in parish events throughout the year. This is especially important for students preparing for **Confirmation (7th and 8th grade)**. Families are asked to consider this commitment when deciding if Summer Academy is the best choice for their student.

SPY (ST. PAUL YOUTH)

SPY 4:12 (8th grade Confirmation ONLY)

Our next 8th-grade SPY 4:12 session will take place Sunday, Apr. 12, following the 5:00pm Teen Mass in the Spiritual Center and concluding at 7:30pm. All 8th-grade students are expected to attend this final session prior to Confirmation on April 25. We are excited to welcome Mrs. Laura Sarubbi as our guest speaker.

PASTORAL HISPANA

MENSAJE DEL P. CHRIS *Pastor de San Pablo*

Mientras continuamos celebrando la alegría de la Pascua, la Iglesia nos presenta este Segundo Domingo de Pascua, también llamado Domingo de la Divina Misericordia. Nos invita a profundizar en la Resurrección: no solo que Cristo ha resucitado, sino que su vida nueva es un don de misericordia para cada uno.

En el Evangelio, los discípulos están reunidos con miedo, a puertas cerradas. Jesús entra y les dice: “La paz esté con ustedes.” Les muestra sus heridas, no como derrota, sino como signos de su misericordia y amor.

Este es el corazón de la Divina Misericordia: en nuestra debilidad, dudas y pecados, Cristo viene a nuestro encuentro con paz, no con condena.

También vemos a Tomás, que lucha por creer. Jesús no lo rechaza, sino que lo invita a acercarse y creer. Así nos muestra que la misericordia es paciente y nos guía hacia la fe.

Este domingo nos recuerda que ningún pecado es mayor que la misericordia de Dios. El Señor nunca se cansa de perdonar; la pregunta es si confiamos en Él.

Habiendo recibido misericordia, somos enviados a compartirla. En nuestras familias y en la vida diaria, estamos llamados a perdonar, mostrar compasión y llevar la paz de Cristo a los demás.

Los animo a acercarse al Sacramento de la Reconciliación y a profundizar su oración. Confíen en la misericordia del Señor y dejen que transforme sus corazones.

Que la paz y la alegría de Cristo Resucitado llenen sus corazones hoy y siempre.

En su paz,



P. Chris Dayton
Pastor

PEREGRINACIÓN A ITALIA

Con el Padre Chris y el Padre Kerly

La parroquia invita a todos a participar en una peregrinación a Italia del 4 al 14 de enero de 2027. Durante este viaje de fe visitaremos Milán, Florencia, Siena, Asís y Roma, recorriendo basílicas, catedrales, plazas, museos y otros lugares históricos de gran significado para nuestra fe. La peregrinación incluye vuelo redondo desde EE. UU., alojamiento en hoteles de primera clase, Misa diaria, desayuno todos los días, dos almuerzos y seis cenas, transporte en autobús privado y entradas a los lugares incluidos.

Costo: \$4,800 por persona (ocupación doble) o \$3,900 sin vuelos. Habitación privada disponible por \$1,000 adicional. Se requiere un depósito no reembolsable de \$300, con pago final antes del 25 de septiembre de 2026.

Más información y reservas: journeyoffaithtours.com/italy27.

ESFUERZOS DE PROTECCIÓN INFANTIL *Capacitación VIRTUS y de Ambientes Seguros*

En la Parroquia de San Pablo estamos profundamente comprometidos en crear un ambiente seguro y acogedor para todos los niños y jóvenes. En colaboración con la Diócesis de Trenton, seguimos la Carta para la Protección de Niños y Jóvenes, que requiere verificaciones de antecedentes y la capacitación VIRTUS para todo el clero, personal y voluntarios.

Si eres nuevo en un ministerio parroquial o sientes el llamado a servir, ¡nos encantaría que te unas a nosotros! Juntos podemos mantener nuestra parroquia como un lugar donde cada niño se sienta seguro y apoyado.

Para comenzar el proceso de VIRTUS, por favor envía un correo electrónico a Jaime a SafeSpace@stpaulsofprinceton.org.

PASTORAL HISPANA

Informaciones de contacto

Padre Kerly François
kfrancois@stpaulsofprinceton.org

FAMILY LIFE

A HOME FOR FAMILIES

A Message from Laura Sarubbi

Easter dinner is over. Family and friends have gone home. As we move through the Easter Octave, life begins to feel normal again. Children are back at school, adults return to work, and the usual routine settles in.

Part of us may be relieved to return to that rhythm. But another part might be wondering... what's next? Maybe the better question is: what now?

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ isn't something we celebrate once a year. It's something we are meant to live every day. Jesus didn't rise from the dead so the story would end at the empty tomb. He sent His disciples out to share the Good News, to love others, and to make a difference in the world. And that mission isn't just for the Twelve. It's for all of us.

This time of year, everything is coming back to life. Trees are budding, flowers are blooming. So the question is: how is God calling you to new life? I'll be asking our Confirmation candidates that same question this evening. Because Confirmation isn't a graduation, it's a beginning. In a few weeks, they will receive the Holy Spirit in a new and powerful way. But the truth is, we have all been given that same Spirit. We are all called to live the Gospel.

The disciples didn't stay at the tomb or hide in the upper room. They went out. Even when they were afraid or unsure, Jesus walked alongside them, giving them strength, direction, and peace. He is doing the same for us.

Easter invites us to live differently: to choose hope, to offer forgiveness, and to trust that God is at work in our lives. Each of us has been given gifts, and when those gifts meet the needs of the world, we begin to discover our purpose.

That is why the Church gives us fifty days of Easter. This kind of transformation takes time. Easter is not just a day; it is a way of living.

So, what's next? We go. We witness. And we trust that the risen Christ is with us, guiding us and gently sending us out into the world.

Are you trying to answer that question, "what's next," in your own life? Unsure if the Holy Spirit is really speaking to you? I invite you to spend some time with

me this spring to be still, to recognize your gifts, and to discover how the Holy Spirit is alive and at work in your life.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR 26-27

Grades 3 through 8

We invite all children interested in singing to join our parish children's choir for the upcoming school year. To sign up, please visit the parish website and complete a brief two-question survey to help us determine weekday rehearsal times:
stpaulsofprinceton.org/childrens-choir

EARLY CHILDHOOD

Little Hearts Playgroup and More!

Families with young children are invited to join us for connection and support in the joys and challenges of raising little ones. We meet from 9:30am-10:30am in the Spiritual Center during Coffee & Donut Sundays, and we also plan family outings throughout the week and on weekends. For more information, please contact Sara Fremin at saracweill@gmail.com or Emily Rossino at emilyc8@gmail.com.

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Children ages 3-6 are invited to meet in the Atrium of the Spiritual Center on Sundays from 9:45am-11:00am. Upcoming dates include March 29, April 19, May 3, and May 31.

HALLOW AT ST. PAUL

Hallow + St. Paul Parish Partnership

We are blessed to be celebrating the joy of Easter together on the Hallow app, with more than 300 St. Paul parishioners participating. You are welcome to join us at any time.

Hallow is Free for Parishioners!

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Questions? Please contact Laura Sarubbi at lsarubbi@stpaulsofprinceton.org



FRIENDS OF ST. PAUL

THE AQUINAS INSTITUTE *Princeton University Catholic Campus Ministry*

We provide Princeton University students with Mass & confession on campus, small group bible studies, formation in Catholic life and thought, and vibrant student community! Check out princetoncatholic.org for more details and for upcoming events.

FRANCIS HOUSE OF PRAYER

Diocesan Spiritual Center & Retreat House

A Glimpse of St. Teresa of Ávila

Monday, April 13 • 9:30am–1:00pm

St. Teresa has a way of drawing us back to what matters most, gently and persistently placing God first. Through her wisdom, especially in *The Interior Castle*, she offers a clear and reliable path into deeper prayer. Come enjoy her insights together and allow her to bring new energy to your Easter season. Donation: \$25, includes lunch. Zoom: \$20

What's Your Decision? Making Choices With Confidence and Clarity

Tuesday, April 14 • 9:30am–1:00pm

We all face decisions that shape the course of our lives. Without a clear process, we can be left questioning whether we have chosen well. This session introduces the Ignatian discernment process, offering practical tools to help you move forward with clarity, confidence, and peace in seeking God's will. Donation: \$30, includes materials and lunch. Zoom: \$20

Personal Retreat Day

Wednesday, April 15 • 9:30am–2:30pm

Step away for a day of silence, personal prayer, and optional spiritual direction. The day begins and ends with brief communal prayer. Please bring a bag lunch. Donation: \$10; \$40 with spiritual direction. In-person only

Thoughts Matter

Mon, Apr 20 • 7:00pm–8:00pm

"My thoughts make all the difference in my world." Believe it or not, we can choose our thoughts. This freedom is essential to our spiritual well-being and emotional health. This evening retreat will help us notice our thoughts as they arise and choose to accept them or replace them. With prayer and practice, we can receive a quiet, peaceful mind available for conscious thinking. Donation: \$15, includes materials. Zoom: \$15

Celebration of Earth Day

Tue, Apr 22 • 9:30am–1:00pm

Pray with the words of Pope Francis, St. Hildegard of Bingen, and St. Francis to set the tone for the morning. We will enjoy the natural beauty of Francis House and the

surrounding woods as places of encounter with God. Donation: \$25, includes materials & lunch. In-person only

Women Doctors of the Church

Fri, Apr 24 • 9:30am–1:00pm

Are you looking for inspiration and hope in 2026? Catherine of Siena, Teresa of Avila, Thérèse of Lisieux, and Hildegard have much to offer in our challenging times. These heroic women show us that we can live in confident hope, no matter the circumstances. We will use *Women of Hope* by Terry Polakovic as our guide. Led by Terry Ginther. Donation: \$25, includes materials & lunch. Zoom: \$20

Please check www.FHOP.org for dates, registration, directions, and for our other offerings! All programs will be offered online and in person unless otherwise indicated.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY *Serving the Princeton Community*

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul serves members of the St. Paul community and our Princeton neighbors who are experiencing need. Volunteers meet personally with those seeking assistance, offering support with confidentiality, dignity, and respect. Assistance may include help with rent, utilities, food, clothing, medical care, or counseling. Donations may be placed in the church poor boxes or mailed to: Society of St. Vincent de Paul, 216 Nassau Street, Princeton, NJ 08542. If you or someone you know needs assistance, please call (609) 924-1743 ext. 250.



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*Enjoy a day of golf, food,
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MONDAY MAY 11

1:00pm SHOTGUN START
6:00pm SIT-DOWN DINNER

INCLUDES:

- 18 Holes + Cart
- Beverage Cart
- Box Lunch & Dinner
- Contests & Prizes
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COST: \$200; \$60 DINNER ONLY



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