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	·· ST. PAUL ··	•• ST. ANN ••		
Deacons	Dominic Buonocore Mark Czerwinski, Director RCIA	Luke Conroy, Director RCIA Charles DeGroat Gerald Fenton, Liturgy Coordinator		
Parish Office Hours	9:00 am-3:00 pm Monday-Friday	11:00 am-12:00 pm Mon, Tues, Wed & Thurs.		
Cemetery/Assistant to Pastor	Lissette Diaz Lissette.sor3@gmail.com			
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Music Ministry	James Russell	Vincent Green		
Sunday Masses	Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 7:30 & 10 am, 12:00 & 6:00 pm 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays of month: Spanish mass at 7:30 pm	<b>Saturday</b> 5:30 pm <b>Sunday</b> 8:45, 11:30 am		
Weekday Masses	Monday—Friday 6:30 & 9:00 am Saturday 7:30 am & 9:00 am	Monday—Friday 7:30 am & 12:10 pm Saturday 9:00 am		
Morning Prayer	Monday—Saturday 8:45 am			
Rosary	Following Weekday 9 am Mass	Before 12:10 Mass		
Confessions	Saturdays 4:00-4:45 pm Anytime by request.	Saturdays 4:30-5:15 pm Anytime by request.		

#### Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are normally celebrated at St. Ann's Church on the first and third Sundays of the month and at St. Paul's Church on the second & fourth Sundays. For a Baptism at St. Paul's contact Deacon Dominic at the Rectory (845-268-4464); at St. Ann's, call Deacon Luke (845-323-5669). First-time parents of child to be baptized must register for a Baptismal instruction class, held in the Rectory, normally on the last Thursday of the month at 7 pm. Please direct all inquiries to Deacon Dominic.

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Engaged couples should contact the Rectory at least six months in advance in order to arrange for their participation in the marriage preparation program. Please email assistantpastor@spasaparish.org.

#### **Anointing of the Sick**

If someone is homebound or in the hospital, please notify the Rectory. Arrangements can be made for the sick person to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. Holy Communion is brought to the homebound by our Ministers of Holy Communion.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH		ST. ANN'S CHURCH		
Saturday	Jan. 5, 2019	Saturday	Jan. 5, 2019	
5:00 PM	Calvin Darrin & the Darrin Family	5:30 PM	For the People of the Parish	
Sunday	Jan. 6, 2019	Sunday	Jan. 6, 2019	
7:30 AM	Robert Sbordone	8:45 AM	Linda Adard	
10:00 AM	Santo & Rosina Pulice	11:30 AM	Sr. Miriam Eugene Fenton — 6th Ann.	
12:00 PM	Joseph Devers — 2nd Anniversary			
6:00 PM	Gus Gotsulias, Gerard Droner & the McGuire Family		Second Collection for Communications Catholic University of America	
Monday	Jan. 7, 2019	Monday	Jan. 7, 2019	
6:30 AM	Hrudaya Mary Narisetty	7:30 AM	Lucille Kaney	
9:00 AM	Anna Mae LaBuda	12:10 PM	Bridget McKeon	
Tuesday	Jan. 8, 2019	Tuesday	Jan. 8, 2019	
6:30 AM	Catherine Genna	7:30 AM	Barbara & Thomas Deely	
9:00 AM	Lucy & Noel Cunniffe	12:10 AM	Debbie Stephen & Family — In Thanksgiving	
Wednesday	Jan. 9, 2019	Wednesday	Jan. 9, 2019	
6:30 AM	Marie Hayes	7:30 AM	Anne Tombelillo	
9:00 AM	Julia Haggerty	12:10 PM	Raphaelo Leo	
Thursday	Jan. 10, 2019	Thursday	Jan. 10, 2019	
6:30 AM	Paz Olegario	7:30 AM	Eugene Ericksen	
9:00 AM	Marie Iannucelli	12:10 PM	George Bryant	
Friday	Jan. 11, 2019	Friday	Jan. 11, 2019	
6:30 AM	Debra J. Kelder	7:30 AM	Rose Goff	
9:00 AM	Anna Mae LaBuda	12:10 PM	Andrew Coviello	
Saturday	Jan. 12, 2019	Saturday	Jan. 12, 2019	
7:30 AM	Violeta Saulon (L)			
9:00 AM	Giovanni D'Agnelli	9:00 AM	Robert Winard	
5:00 PM	For the People of the Parish	5:30 PM	Gregory O'Gorman	
Sunday	Jan. 13, 2019	Sunday	Jan. 13, 2019	
7:30 AM	Ismael Alicea	8:45 AM	Donald Grandstaff	
10:00 AM	Phyllis & James Gilroy	11:30 AM	Carol Reasor	
12:00 PM	Gerald C. Thormann — 8th Ann.			
6:00 PM	Domenic Procino & Baby Jessica		Second Collection for Capital Projects	

These masses are still available. If you would like to schedule a mass to be said for your special intention, please call the Rectory. St. Paul — Feb. 2 (7:30), Feb. 3 (7:30), Feb. 6 (6:30), Feb. 7 (6:30), Feb. 9 (7:30), Feb. 12 (6:30), Feb. 14 (6:30), Feb. 16 (7:30) St. Ann — Jan. 14 (12:10), Jan 15 (7:30 & 12:10), Jan. 16 (7:30), Jan. 17 (12:10), Jan. 18 (7:30 & 12:10), Jan. 19 (9:00)

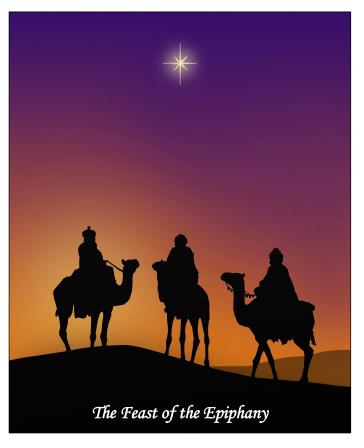
# PARISH NEWS & UPCOMING EVENTS



Santa Claus dropped by to read a Christmas story to the children of St. Paul School at Barnes & Noble in Nanuet on Dec. 10. See page 8 to find out about the students' pre-holiday visit to the bookstore and to see more photos.

On the Feast of the Epiphany we celebrate the three kings or magi who came from the east, following the star to the infant Jesus. The gospel says they brought gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Remember, no matter who we are or where we're from, each one of us has a treasure to offer, a gift to give, to God and to one another.

The magi were just the first. They weren't the last.



# National Migration Week 2019 January 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019



Building Communities of Welcome

For nearly a half century, the Catholic Church in the United States has celebrated National Migration Week, which is an opportunity for the Church to reflect on the circumstances confronting migrants, including immigrants, refugees, children, and victims and survivors of human trafficking.

The theme for National Migration Week 2019, "Building Communities of Welcome," draws attention to the fact that each of our families has a migration story, some recent and others in the distant past. Regardless of where we are and where we came from, we remain part of the human family and are called to live in solidarity with one another.

Unfortunately, in our contemporary culture many often fail to encounter migrants as persons, and instead look at them fearfully as unknown others, if they even notice them at all.

During this National Migration Week, let us all take the opportunity to engage migrants as community members, neighbors, and friends. Visit the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' website *justiceforimmigrants.org* to learn more about the Migration & Refugees Services, the Parishes Organized to Welcome Refugees program, and to examine local initiatives that are making important contributions in this regard.

## FROM the RECTORY

#### MASS BOOK & MEMORIALS

The **Mass Book** is open at both churches. Please call the Parish Office to reserve a mass at St. Ann's or St. Paul's **through March 2019**.

If you'd like to bring up the Gifts at a mass for which you've scheduled an announced intention, please tell the usher.

You may also request that the 'Sanctuary Lamp' in either church or the St. Ann's Chapel be lit for your special intention or in memory of a loved one. The candle burns for 1 week. Donation is \$25.

#### **EMAIL FOR THE PASTOR**

Pastor@spasaparish.org

#### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Deadline is Friday, the week before publication Send to: Bulletin@spasaparish.org

Jan. 13 bulletin — deadline Friday, Jan. 4 Jan. 20 bulletin — deadline Friday, Jan. 11

#### **PARISH WEBSITE**

For more detailed information about our parish:

Spasaparish.org

#### **DONATING TO OUR PARISH ONLINE**

Currently, we have two programs for donating online. One program is called **PARISH GIVING**. It is a simple, secure, and convenient way to donate. You can register online at our parish website, *spasaparish.org*.



WE'D LIKE TO CONNECT
WITH YOU!

Sign up for important updates from the parish via email or text.

www.flocknote.com/STANNNYACK or /STPAULS

Or text <u>SACC or STPC</u> to 84576 from your phone

PARISH COUNCIL Enrico Aberion, Ann Marie Blackwood, Hernan Caceres, Guy Gebbia, Vicki Gill, Marie Josee Joseph, Karin Lancellotti, Julie Lepore, Marie Lorenzini, Dennis Lynch, Bernadette Masiello, Greg Moreau, George Strayton, Keith Taylor

**FINANCIAL COUNCIL** William Dailey, Carlos Hernandez

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#### MEMORIAL INTENTIONS — WEEK OF JAN. 6

Sanctuary Lamp (St. Paul)
Joseph Devers

Sanctuary Lamp (St. Ann)

Chapel (St. Ann)



# St. Paul & St. Ann PRAYER FOR THE SICK

We pray that the sick of our parish, our relatives, and friends will experience God's healing love, especially:

Kathleen Hopkins, Liam King, Carolyn Pagliuca, Michael Doria, Noah Diaz, Manuel Tucay

Please call the rectory (268-4464) to be placed on the list of those who need prayers in time of illness, or call with the names of any sick family members or friends. The name will remain on the list for 3 weeks and then be removed unless we hear from you that the person still needs our prayers.

#### **300 CLUB WINNERS**

Congratulations to the Lucky Winners of our BIG Drawing!

#244 Lissette Diaz \$50#46 Dugan Family \$100#129 Jennifer Hennsey \$350#1 William Hopkins \$1000

#### **DECEMBER 2018 COLLECTIONS**

	12/02/18	12/09/18	12/16/18	12/23/18	12/25/18	12/30/18
St. Paul and St. Ann	13,162	13,100	13,569	ТВА	ТВА	ТВА
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# **CHURCH of ST. ANN**



## St. Ann's LITURGY MINISTERS for Jan. 13, 2019

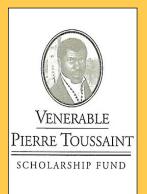


TIME	LECTORS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS
5:30 PM	B. or C. Knoebel	G. Gebbia, J. Gunther	T. Ryder, A. VanCura	tba
8:45 AM	M. Standish	M. Dely, G. Moreau	G. DelloRusso C. & M. Sambevski	tbs
11:30 AM	Student lectors	J. Dangler, A. Sater	Z. Chaubard J. Dangler, N. Duffy	tba

**DEVOTIONS** Rosary Monday through Friday 11:45 am (11:30 am, First Friday)

Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday through Friday after 12:10 pm Mass Rosary & Divine Mercy Saturday after 9 am Mass

**First Friday** 7:30 am Mass; 8:00 am to 11:30 Exposition of Blessed Sacrament (chapel); 8:15 Morning Prayer, 11:30 Rosary; 11:50 Benediction; 12:10 Mass; 12:40 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet; 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm Holy Hour, Exposition, Benediction.



# COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE

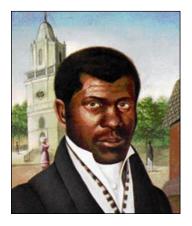
The Education Committee of the Office of Black Ministry and the Pierre Toussaint Scholarship Fund are accepting applications for the Venerable Pierre Toussaint Scholarship Program — a program of support and mentorship for college student-leaders.

Pierre Toussaint Scholarships are presented annually to a number of high school seniors graduating from a public, private, or Catholic school located within the Archdiocese of New York. The scholarship is an award of \$2,000 to be used in connection with attendance at a college, university, or post-secondary educational institution of the student's choice, and may be renewed for three additional years.

An applicant must be a practicing Catholic within an archdiocesan parish or faith community and obtain a letter from his/her pastor or parish priest verifying such. Candidates also must have demonstrated academic achievement and promise and have exhibited good character and leadership ability in both school and church/community activities.

Completed applications must be received by the scholarship committee or postmarked no later than Friday, Feb. 15. Students who are selected will be notified in the spring. Please contact the rectory for more information and application materials.

#### Who Was Pierre Toussaint?



Venerable Pierre Toussaint (1766-1853) was born a slave in Haiti and died a freeman in New York City. He is credited by many with being the father of Catholic Charities in New York. Pierre was instrumental in raising funds for the first Catholic orphanage and began the city's first school for black children. He also helped to provide funds for the Oblate Sisters of Providence, a religious community of black nuns founded in

Baltimore, and played a vital role in providing resources to erect Old Saint Patrick's Cathedral in Lower Manhattan.

During a Yellow Fever epidemic when many of the city's political leaders fled the city in search of healthier rural climates, Pierre Toussaint cared for the sick and the dying. He was a successful entrepreneur who did not hesitate to share the fruits of his labor with others.

In recognition of Pierre Toussaint's virtuous life, the late Cardinal Cooke introduced Pierre's cause for canonization at the Vatican in 1968. In December 1989, the late Cardinal O'Connor had the remains of Pierre Toussaint transferred from Lower Manhattan to St. Patrick's Cathedral in midtown Manhattan where he is buried as the only lay person alongside the former Cardinal-Archbishops of New York City. On Dec. 17, 1997, Pope John Paul II declared Pierre Toussaint "Venerable," thus placing him firmly on the road to becoming North America's first black saint.

Venerable Pierre Toussaint was a man who was proud of his faith, proud of his culture, and committed to serving others.

# **CHURCH of ST. PAUL**



## St. Paul's LITURGY MINISTERS for Jan. 13, 2019



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TIME	LECTORS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS	
5:00 PM	F. Gemeinhardt	H. Baumann, R. Helmer	tba	V. Panzo, W. Rodriguez, G. Holland	
7:30 AM	R. Festa	S. Fergus-Mellon T. Garingo	tba	A. Smith, V. Czajkowski, T. Totora	
10:00 AM	A. Cacciola	L. Maresca, K. Butler	tba	G. Spinney, H. Caceres, M. Katigbak W. Kelder, K. McAleer, S. Reynolds S. Leto, V. Alfieri, A. Diaz	
12:00 PM	L. Perez	C. McShane, E. Pellegrino	tba	W. Hartl, W. Kelder P. Dudgeon, A. Dibianco, M. Reilly, E. Lockhart, F. Cifuni	
6:00 PM	E. Minoza	D. Zinna, Sr. S. Gerard	tba	C. Linen, J. Cerreta, R. Aberion	

#### **EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

Homebound — E. Indyk, L. Diaz, C. James Nyack Manor — E. & A. Hage Tolstoy — P. Thomas

**DEVOTIONS** Morning Prayer

Holy Rosary
Eucharistic Adoration
Our Lady of Fatima Novena

Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Daily Wednesday Wednesday Friday

Daily

8:45 am after 9:00 am Mass noon to 6:00 pm, Bei

noon to 6:00 pm, Benediction at 6:00 pm

6:00 pm

after 9:00 am Mass



#### SPS WINS SUPERINTENDENT'S CUP

On Oct. 19, at the semi-annual Principal Meeting, St. Paul School was awarded with the Superintendent's Cup. The Superintendent's Cup is awarded each year to the schools in each region with the most improved New York State test scores. One is awarded for Math and one for English Language Arts. St. Paul School was awarded both for the Catholic School Region of Rockland.

In her announcement of the award SPS Principal Michelle Pitot said, "Thank you to the teachers for their hard work, dedication and love of their job. Thank you to the students, who worked so hard, and to the parents, who had a vital role in these efforts.

"At SPS we will maintain this academic excellence and will continue to work hard to prove that St. Paul School is the best choice for both academic and spiritual development."

(left) St. Paul School Principal Michelle Pitot displays the award for most improved NYS test scores among Rockland County Catholic schools.



The basinet set up in the entrance to St. Paul's Church holds baby bottles filled with coins during the annual fundraiser for Birthright of Rockland in November. Birthright thanks all donors for their generosity to mothers and their babies.

## WEEKLY at ST. PAUL'S

Monday Prayer Group, 7:45 pm (school)

K of C, 7:30 pm, 2nd & 4th

Tuesday Bible Study, 7 to 8:30 pm (school)

Wednesday (see 'Devotions' on pg. 6)

Thursday Shawl making, 10 am (Parish

Center)

Saturday Spanish Prayer Group (Parish

Center)

## **MORE PARISH & COUNTY EVENTS**

#### **MONTHLY PROLIFE MASS — JAN. 7**

Did you know that each month — on the first Monday — a small, devout group of Catholics has been coming together for years to offer mass for the protection of the unborn and for all those working to uphold the sacredness of human life? It is a quiet service, with music, celebrated each month by a different priest from one of our Rockland parishes at the beautiful St. Francis of Assisi Church in West Nyack. Make a New Year's resolution to join them this year. Your prayers are needed so much. This month's mass is 7:30 pm on Monday, Jan. 7, at St. Francis of Assisi Church, 128 Parrott Rd., West Nyack, 10994.

**MARCH FOR LIFE** 

Friday, Jan. 18 — Washington, DC Come and walk for the sake of the innocent UNBORN.

Buses will leave from St. Francis of Assisi Church in West Nyack at 6 am; leaving Washington at 6 pm to arrive home at 11 pm.

Adults \$30; Students \$15 Reservations to be made by Jan. 10. Call 735-5238, 735-4379; para espanol 845-420-1226.

Can't go but want to help? Donations to defray the cost of the bus would be much appreciated. Rockland Right to Life, P.O. Box 9348, Bardonia, NY, 10954.



Next Week —The Children's Mass at St. Ann's will be on Sunday, Jan. 13, at 11:30 am with a special children's homily, Children's Choir, and student lectors.



#### **GRAYMOOR BOOK & GIFT CENTER**

A hidden treasure in the Hudson Valley, you may not even be aware this little store exists. It offers a wide selection of inspirational and religious books, music, videos, greeting cards, and unique gift items. It's a pleasant place to shop with background music and a staff ready to assist. You can also walk the grounds of Graymoor, visit the chapels, walk the labyrinth and more. Christmas is a good time to visit. Over 100 Nativities from around the world will be on display from Dec. 1 though Jan. 12. All purchases support the Franciscan Friars of the Atonement.

### Franciscan Friars of the Atonement Graymoor Book & Gift Center

40 Franciscan Way, Garrison, NY 10524 Open Tuesday thru Sunday, 9 am to 5 pm 845-424-2100

#### SIGN OF PEACE DURING THE FLU SEASON

During the cold and flu season, in an effort to minimize the spread of infection to all of us and especially to vulnerable individuals, all are encouraged not to shake hands during the sign of peace. A smile and nod will suffice! Thank you so much for your understanding and for keeping us all healthy!



## ST. PAUL & ST. ANN 300 CLUB

LOOKING FOR A GIFT?
WHY NOT CONSIDER GIVING A 300 CLUB NUMBER?

4 MONTHLY DRAWINGS OF \$50 MAKES A GREAT GIFT!



TWICE-A-YEAR
BIG DRAWINGS:
4 PRIZES
\$1000, \$350,
\$100, \$50

\$26 semi-annually or \$52 annually



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Address:	_
Phone:	
Email:	

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It was already beginning to look a lot like Christmas on Dec. 10, as St. Paul School students spread holiday cheer at Barnes & Noble in Nanuet. The Show Biz Kids performed numbers from their Christmas show, and students from pre-K through eighth grade delighted holiday shopping crowds with their songs. Principal Michelle Pitot read stories, and Santa Claus even made an appearance to hand out candy canes.









# FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK



Now that we are into a brand new year, and we contemplate the mystery of the Magi and this Feast of the Epiphany, it might be good for us to imagine what it would be like if we, too, met the Infant Savior of Bethlehem with them on that day. Here is a version of:

# The Top 10 Things the Lord Will Not Be Asking When You Meet Him Face to Face

**10.** God won't ask what kind of car you drove, He'll ask how many people you drove who didn't have transportation.

- 9. God won't ask the square footage of your house, He'll ask how many people you welcomed into your home.
- 8. God won't ask about the clothes you had in your closet, He'll ask how many you helped to clothe.
- 7. God won't ask what your highest salary was, He'll ask if you compromised your character to obtain it.
- 6. God won't ask what your job title was, He'll ask if you performed your job to the best of your ability.
- 5. God won't ask how many friends you had, He'll ask how many people you were a friend to.
- 4. God won't ask what neighborhood you lived in, He'll ask how you treated your neighbors.
- **3.** God won't ask about the color of your skin, He'll ask about the content of your character.
- 2. God won't ask why it took you so long to seek Salvation, He'll lovingly take you to His mansion in heaven, and not to the gates of Hell.
- 1. God won't ask how many people you passed this on to, He'll ask if you were ashamed to show it to your friends.

### Happy 2019 to all of you. May the Lord bless you and keep you.

