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Music Ministry		Vincent Green
Sunday Masses	Saturday 5 pm Sunday 7:30 am 10 am, 12 pm, 6 pm	Saturday 5:30 pm, 7 pm (Spanish) Sunday 8:45, 11:30 am
Weekday Masses	Monday—Saturday 6:30 & 8:30 am	Monday—Saturday 7:30 am
Streamed Masses	Monday—Saturday 8:30 am Sunday 12:00 pm On our YouTube Channel SPASA PARISH	Monday—Saturday 7:30 am Sunday 8:45 am On our website SPASAPARISH.ORG
Confessions	Saturdays 4:00-4:45 pm <i>Anytime by request.</i>	Saturdays 4:30-5:15 pm <i>Anytime by request.</i>

Sacrament of Baptism

To schedule a Baptism at St. Paul or St. Ann please call the rectory at 845-268-4464. Baptism instruction classes are held the last Thursday of each month at 7 pm at the St. Ann School in Nyack. Please call the rectory to register.

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.

February 7, 2021 Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

<u>ST. PAUL'S CHURCH</u>		<u>ST. ANN'S CHURCH</u>	
Saturday	Feb. 6, 2021	Saturday	Feb. 6, 2021
5:00 PM	Living & Deceased Members of the Basak & Cangro Families	5:30 PM	George Bryant
Sunday	Feb. 7, 2021	Sunday	Feb. 7, 2021
7:30 AM	Anthony Giannone	8:45 AM	Arianne Bazile (L) — In Thanksgiving
10:00 AM	Edward Bordas	11:30 AM	Nicola Loconsole
12:00 PM	Maria Scaglione		Second Collection for the Poor
6:00 PM	Brian O'Leary		
Monday	Feb. 8, 2021	Monday	Feb. 8, 2021
6:30 AM	Dom & Tess Procino	7:30 AM	Joan Knecht
8:30 AM	John Kinahan		
Tuesday	Feb. 9, 2021	Tuesday	Feb. 9, 2021
6:30 AM	Deborah Porter (L)	7:30 AM	Cecile Micho, Cinelia
8:30 AM	Thomas Higgins		
Wednesday	Feb. 10, 2021	Wednesday	Feb. 10, 2021
6:30 AM	Joe & Grace Trautwein	7:30 AM	Carol Sarube (L)
8:30 AM	Denise Zinna (L)		
Thursday	Feb. 11, 2021	Thursday	Feb. 11, 2021
6:30 AM	Clair Ross	7:30 AM	Yves Margareth Jean-Louis — First Anniversary
8:30 AM	John (Jay) Jeffrey		
Friday	Feb. 12, 2021	Friday	Feb. 12, 2021
6:30 AM	Maria Ramirez, Dr. Diana Ramirez & Daphne C. Ramirez	7:30 AM	Joan Knecht
8:30 AM	Richard Burns		
Saturday	Feb. 13, 2021	Saturday	Feb. 13, 2021
6:30 AM	Maria Cristina De Vera (L) — Birthday	7:30 AM	Carmen Gabard Michel
8:30 AM	Margaret & Peter Kennedy	5:30 PM	Imelda Katigbak (L) — 90th Birthday
5:00 PM	Anne Reynolds		
Sunday	Feb. 14, 2021	Sunday	Feb. 14, 2021
7:30 AM	May & Mike Brady — Anniversary	8:45 AM	Fritz Brutus
10:00 AM	Manuel, Victoria & Benjamin Tilan	11:30 AM	Cifuni & Sullivan Families
12:00 PM	Thomas Higgins		Second Collection for Peter's Pence
6:00 PM	Valentina Zanabria (L)		

Now you can now find out which masses are available for your special intentions and schedule them online. Go to our parish website, SPASAPARISH.ORG. On the homepage, click on the Mass Intentions box for instructions and access to the "Mass Intentions Booking" page. You may also reserve the sanctuary lamp at either church or at St. Ann's Chapel. You can make your offering by credit card. Or you can call the parish office (845-268-4464) to schedule masses the traditional way and make your offering by credit card, cash, or check.

VISIT OUR NEW ST. PAUL'S PRAYER CORNER



Come and spend some time with friends, old and new, in our Prayer Corner, located in the Parish Center of St. Paul's Church. When completed, the Corner will have kneelers and candles and will provide a peaceful sanctuary to pray to some old friends, the Infant of Prague and Our Lady of Fatima. We also have shrines to others who perhaps will become new friends for many of us: Mother Mary of Vailankanni and St. Lorenzo Ruiz.

In the 17th century, **Mother Mary of Vailankanni** appeared to a lame young boy in Vailankanni, India, and instructed him to find a certain Catholic man in the town and tell him to build a church in her honor there. Apparently cured, the boy ran to town and told his story. The Catholic men of the village built a thatched chapel dedicated to Mary under the title of "Our Lady of Good Health." Pope John XXIII elevated the rebuilt church on the site to a minor basilica in 1962 and noted that pilgrims in large numbers had been visiting the shrine for many years and that it was hailed as the "Lourdes of the East."



The
Infant
of Prague



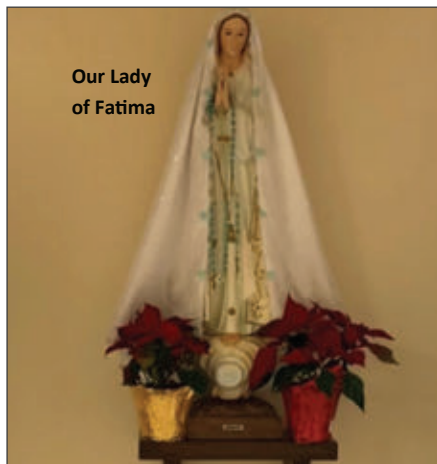
Mother Mary
of Vailankanni



St. Lorenzo
Ruiz



THE ST. PAUL'S PRAYER CORNER



Our Lady
of Fatima

St. Lorenzo Ruiz is the first canonized Filipino martyr. He was born in Manila of a Chinese father and Filipino mother. He became a professional calligrapher, married, and had two sons and a daughter. He was a full member of the Confraternity of the Holy Rosary. He was falsely accused of murder and fled with three Dominican priests to Japan. There was violent persecution of Christians in Japan, and in time he and his companions were arrested, subjected to unspeakable torture, and hanged. Saint Pope John Paul II canonized St. Lorenzo Ruiz and his companions in 1987.

The devotion to the Holy Child Jesus, under the name of **the Infant of Prague**, began in the 17th century in Prague, Bohemia (now the Czech Republic). Thousands of pilgrims each year come to Prague to pray before this statue of the Infant Jesus dressed as a king in royal garments, and this devotion has spread around the world. Graces, favors, and miraculous healings have been granted to those who bring their needs and prayers to Jesus, the Infant of Prague.

Our final shrine is to **Our Lady of Fatima**, honoring the apparitions of Our Blessed Mother to three children in Fatima, Portugal, in 1917. A weekly novena to Our Lady of Fatima and the celebration of her feast in July have been part of the worship at St. Paul's for many years.

Access to the Prayer Corner from the church is the door directly in front of the confessional. It will be open for private prayer during the hours that our church is open. Please come, spend some quiet time with our saints and the Infant of Prague. It is a beautiful refuge in this time of chaos!



NEXT WEEKEND

The St. Paul & St. Ann Youth Group will hold its traditional Valentine Chocolate Sale next Sunday, Feb. 14 — after the 11:30 am mass at St. Ann's and all morning masses at St. Paul's.

The youth group also wishes to express a big Thank You, in advance, to our parish community for their wonderful and precious support.

FROM THE RECTORY

PARISH OF ST. PAUL & ST. ANN STAY CONNECTED with LATEST NEWS & UPDATES



OUR WEBSITE

SPASAPARISH.ORG

Mass streamed from St. Ann's, Monday thru Saturday 7:30 am; Sunday 8:45 am.

Photos, bulletins, mass schedules, events, and other parish information.



OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL

SPASA PARISH

Mass streamed from St. Paul's, Monday thru Saturday 8:30 am; Sunday 12:00 pm; Archived videos.



OUR MASS SCHEDULING APP

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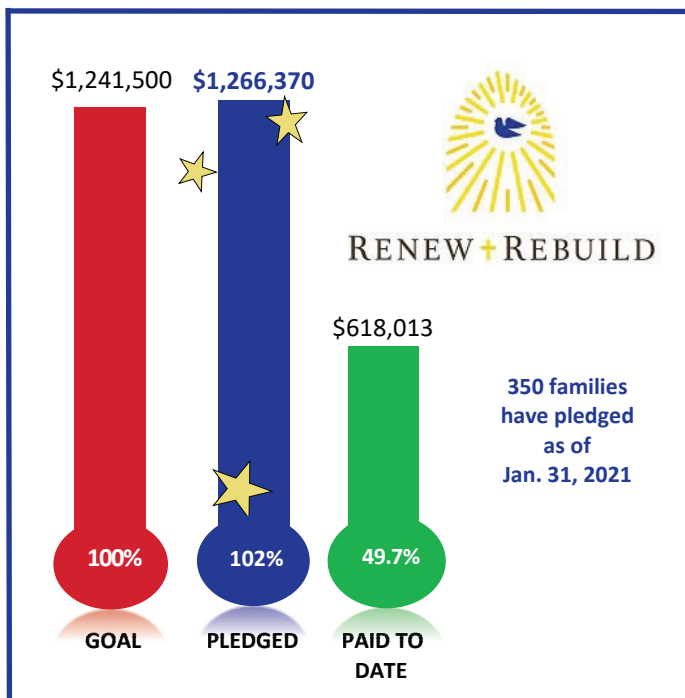
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Are You "SURE" You're a Registered Parishioner?

Many times we meet people at church who attend mass, take part in events, or perhaps even have received their sacraments here. We're so very glad you're with us and part of our community. But that alone does not make you a parishioner. To be a member of the parish you have to REGISTER. Registering is very easy. You can register online at spasaparish.org or at the parish office. It only takes a few minutes.

Everyone over the age of 18 is encouraged to register. Even if you're an adult who received all your sacraments here as a child and still attend mass here, you need to register.

Why register? First and foremost, it's very important to register so we can serve your needs when, for example, you need a sponsor certification letter for Baptism or Confirmation. Also, to receive an acknowledgment of your donations for your income tax filing, you need to be registered so we have an official record of your giving over the year.

So, please join us officially and register with the parish so we can meet all your needs now and in the future!

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SPONSOR CERTIFICATION LETTER

In order to receive a sponsor certification letter from the Parish of St. Paul & St. Ann, you must be an ACTIVE, REGISTERED PARISHIONER for 6 MONTHS. IF YOU ARE NOT OFFICIALLY REGISTERED AND DO NOT ATTEND MASS, YOU WILL NOT RECEIVE A LETTER.

The role of a sponsor is to lead a Christian life in a manner that faithfully fulfills the obligations of the Catholic faith. A sponsor must be living the Catholic faith and be able to be part of the sponsored person's life after the Baptism, who can guide him/her spiritually.

A sponsor must also:

- Be at least 16 years of age
- Have received the Sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist & Confirmation
- If married, must be married according to the laws of the Catholic Church

December 2020 Collection

	12/06/20	12/08/20	12/13/20	12/20/20	12/27/20	Christmas 12/24-25/20
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300 CLUB WINNERS

Congratulations to the Lucky Winners of our **JANUARY** DRAWING!

- #031 Mary Nedelka
- #235 Howard Olay
- #281 Susan McCabe
- #287 Bette Whelan



Prayer for the Sick

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

Evan Dalsass,
Marinela Aberion Aguas, John Barch,
Emilia Raphael-Olivier, 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.



Memorial Intentions — Week of Feb. 7

Sanctuary Lamp (St. Paul)

Sanctuary Lamp (St. Ann)

Chapel (St. Ann)



SPASAMASS.ORG

THE MASS BOOK IS OPEN

You may now schedule masses for your intentions through July 2021

You can find available masses and schedule them online at SPASAMASS.org. Just select the day & time.

If you would like to reserve the Sanctuary Lamp candle to be lit for a week for your special intention, you can do that here too:

Select Church you want; click on the Sunday of the week you'd like; select the 11:55 time.

If you'd like the candle at St. Ann's Chapel, select the 11:50 time.

Mass Intentions When we face the death of someone, even a person who is not Catholic, to have a Mass offered for the repose of his or her soul and to offer our prayers are more beneficial and comforting than any sympathy card or flower arrangement. To have a Mass offered for a birthday, anniversary, or special need is appropriate, beneficial, and appreciated. You can find out what masses are available and schedule them online at SPASAMASS.ORG or call the office, 845-268-4464.

Our Beloved Dead

Please remember in your prayers our deceased fellow parishioners, family, and friends.

Anne Nelson, Michael J. Volpe,
Frank Ruggiero,
Nancy Gallupo, Rosmarie Armston,



EMAIL FOR THE PASTOR

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BULLETIN DEADLINES

Friday — the week before the bulletin is distributed at church
Please send submissions to bulletinspasa@yahoo.com

GENERATIONS — IT'S HERE!

The three generations of the Holy Family — Jesus, his parents, Mary & Joseph, and his grandparents, Ann & Joachim — are the subject of this sculpture now displayed at the new outdoor shrine at St. Ann's Church in Nyack. We're

more than half way toward our goal of \$50,000.

So far, generous donors have given **\$34,580** toward this project. Please support this effort to commemorate the **150th Anniversary of St. Ann's Church**. Please send your donation, marked "statue," to St. Paul & St. Ann's Parish, 82 Lake Rd. West, Congers, NY 10920.



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As you know, COVID 19 cases are once again on the rise throughout the country and in our area. **Let us pray, and do our best so that no one gets sick.**

While we do our best to keep our religious gatherings as safe as possible, **we need your cooperation.** If you are sick, even with only a mild cold, or have been exposed to COVID, i.e., near the patient within less than 6 feet distance for a period of 15 minutes and are experiencing symptom/s, in a good spirit of Christian charity, **please do not come to Mass or any public gatherings.** Kindly stay home even at the slightest suspicion of infection. Our masses are available online and our obligation for Sunday masses is still suspended. I once again urge everyone to please be extra and overly cautious for each other.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION — NEXT SUNDAY

Peter's Pence, which supports the good works of the Holy Father, is an opportunity for the Church around the world to stand in solidarity with victims of war, natural disaster, and oppression in their time of need.

Please prayerfully consider as an act of mercy and charity a generous donation to this distinctive offering, which will be taken up as the **Second Collection on Sunday, Feb. 14.**

For more information on this collection, please visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence

POSITION AVAILABLE — UPK TEACHER AIDE

This position serves as a Teacher Aide (TA) in a UPK classroom at the St. Anthony & St. Paul Early Childhood Campus (the former St. Paul School). The TA will work collaboratively with the Lead Teacher to ensure the successful operation of a classroom with a total of 15-20 children. Will also work with a team of other classroom teachers and family members to implement the curriculum to achieve outcomes for children of all abilities. Hours: 11 am to 2:30 pm. Salary: \$12.22/hr (non-negotiable) and gain experience. Qualifications: at least 18 years old; high school diploma or equivalent (GED), experience working with children, birth to age 5, preferred.

APPLY TODAY: Send your resume to spsoffice@saintpaulschoolvc.org or call 845-268-6506

ROCKLAND RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE REORGANIZATION

The Rockland Right to Life Committee, Inc. has experienced several retirements and is now reorganizing. We are currently accepting nominations for two officers, Vice Chair & Secretary, as well as board members.

We honor your time. Most business is conducted via email plus six in-person meetings annually.

If you respect life and wish to support this cause, please contact us at RocklandRightToLife@gmail.com or call Tracey at 845-735-4746 x112.

Lent begins Wednesday, Feb. 17

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE — FEB. 17

St. Paul's — 6:30 am, 8:30 am, 10:30 am, noon, 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm, 8:00 pm

St. Ann's — 7:30 am, 12:10 pm, 5:30 pm

Next week's bulletin will have rules for fast and abstinence

STATIONS OF THE CROSS — EVERY FRIDAY

St. Paul's, 7:30 pm — St. Ann's 11:30 am & 7:30 pm

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www.archny.org. In keeping with the Archdiocesan policy regarding sexual abuse of minors, this information is provided to ensure that our children remain safe and secure.



LOST & FOUND

We have a coat looking for its owner, who left it in the sacristy of St. Ann's around Christmas time. It's still there.

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2020 Contribution Statements for your taxes are available for those who use the parish envelope or online giving systems. **Please complete this form and drop it in the collection basket or call the rectory office (845-268-4464).**

Name: _____

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The Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe



On Dec. 12, our parish's Spanish Community celebrated Mass in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe at St. Ann's. The celebration began with a procession (above, seen entering the front door of the church), to a shrine representing the hill where Our Lady appeared to St. Juan Diego (below left). All the participants carried roses, representing the roses Juan Diego found flowering in winter as a sign of Mary's appearance. And when he brought a cloak filled with these flowers to the bishop, the beautiful, miraculous image of Mary, shown on the banner above, appeared within it.



Photos by Nancy Conroy



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Pope Francis Proclaims THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH



Statue of St. Joseph recently placed in the sanctuary of St. Ann's at the wall near the pulpit.

Photo by Janet Fenton

On Dec. 8, 1870, Pope Pius IX declared St. Joseph, the foster father of Jesus, as Patron of the Universal Church. And this past December, 150 years to the day of that proclamation, another important announcement about St. Joseph came down from the Vatican.

With the coronavirus pandemic still raging and a general decline in attendance and involvement in church life, Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter, "Patris Corde" ("With a Father's Heart"), didn't get too much attention. But in it, Pope Francis proclaimed the start of the **Year of St. Joseph, a special Holy Year to begin on Dec. 8, 2020 and conclude on Dec. 8, 2021.**

Pope Francis has a special relationship with St Joseph and has promoted devotion to him from day one of his papacy. In 2013, he carefully planned his inauguration mass to be held on March 19, the Solemnity of St Joseph. In his homily that day, Francis pointed to the mission which God entrusted to Joseph: to be the protector. He said, "Joseph responded to his calling to be the protector of Mary, Jesus, and the Church by being constantly attentive to God, open to the signs of God's presence, and receptive to God's plan, and not simply his own."

How often have we heard the phrase "actions speak louder than words"? In the Bible, not a single word spoken by St. Joseph is recorded, and perhaps he is one of the most overlooked characters in the story of the nativity and the life of our Savior. Most Catholics know much more about other saints than they know about Saint Joseph. Why is that, especially when God entrusted him to be the earthly guardian of His Son?

Frequently artists, when portraying the Holy Family, have placed him in the background. Even here at St Ann's Church, he has seemed to take a back seat.

When I was much younger, St Ann's Church, much like other churches, had two side altars. "Mary's altar" was on the left, and "St. Joseph's altar" was on the right. Following Vatican II, extensive changes were made in the church sanctuary. At the same time, the statues of Mary and Joseph were replaced by the two we see today. One is of the Blessed Mother holding the Christ Child. The other is of St. Ann with her daughter, Mary.

The whereabouts of the original St. Joseph statue is not known to me. But a few years ago, while working in the basement of the old convent, Deacon Luke opened a closet door. He was upset to find a statue of St Joseph there on the floor. He carried it to the sacristy where it had been until last week. Now, during this Year of St. Joseph, it was decided to place the statue in a more prominent place in the sanctuary. St Joseph should not be left in the background anymore.

Pope Francis feels the same way. Six weeks into his papacy on May 1, 2013, the Memorial of St. Joseph the Worker, Pope Francis authorized the decree which added the name of St. Joseph to Eucharistic Prayers II, III, and IV of the Mass.

More on the life of Saint Joseph next week.

Deacon Jerry Fenton



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