Saint Paul of the Cross
A Catholic Community Where People Choose To Belong

Turn to the Lord for mercy; to our God, who is generous in forgiving.
— Isaiah 55:7b

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Deacon Gregory C. Quinn
Deacon Bill Rich, Retired

Masses

Daily:
Mon. - Fri. 8:00 am & 5:30 pm
Sat. 8:00 am;
Sat Vigil: 5:00 pm,
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am,
10:45 am, & 5:00 pm
Confessions: Sat 8:30 - 9:00 am
or by appt.

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SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23
5:00 PM  For the intentions of our parishioners

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24
7:30 AM  For Betty Rondon by David & Sylvia Rondon
9:00 AM  For the intentions of
Larry & Josephine Burgess
by Dr. & Mrs. Gary Lammert
10:45 AM  For Michael McCaffrey
by Patricia & Charles Sears
5:00 PM  For Walter Kirk by Jim & Jeanne Clark

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25
8:00 AM  For the intentions of Diane Neun
by Edith Smith
5:30 PM  For Anna Morrison by Teresa Saracino

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26
8:00 AM  For the intentions of Ryan
by Donald & Jean Cole
5:30 PM  For Angela & Emanuel Cervelli
by their children and grandchildren

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
8:00 AM  For Edna Rainville Bailly by her family
5:30 PM  For John McGuckin by Jeanne & Jim Clark

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28
8:00 AM  For Rick Marshak, 4th anniversary deceased,
by Bonnie Marshak
5:30 PM  For Jose F. Valdivia, Sr.
by Jose F. & Tery Valdivia

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29
8:00 AM  For Josefina Cabrera De Martin
by David & Sylvia Rondon
5:30 PM  For Henry Solys by Alicia Solys

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30
8:00 AM  For Wilbur & Patricia Mincey
by James & Mariann
5:00 PM  For Jason Mise by Patti Grant

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1
7:30 AM  For the intentions of our parishioners
9:00 AM  For the intentions of
Deacon Bill & Frannie Rich by Betty Palace
10:45 AM  For Kristan Hurshak
by Lee & Ana Margarita Vaughan
5:00 PM  For Helen & George Kindel by The Hul Family

Ministry of Religious Education & Confirmation
Kate Devine
RCIA/Faith Inquiry
Deacon Gregory C. Quinn
Director of Music & Liturgy
Jeanne Clark
First Friday
Exposition & Holy Hour after 5:30pm Mass
Devotion to Mary
First Saturday of the month, rosary and procession
to the grotto following 8:00am Mass.
Rosary is prayed every Saturday after the 8:00am
Mass, and with the Legion of Mary, Tuesdays after the
8am and 5:30pm Masses.
Adoration Chapel
Open for quiet meditation before the Blessed Sacrament
during office hours. Exposition every Friday. Located across from the Parish Office.
Charismatic Prayer Group
Thursdays at 7:30pm in the Parish Center. Mass & Healing Service 3rd Thursday of each month in the Chapel.
Hospital/Homebound Visits
If someone is in the hospital or homebound and would like a visit, please advise the Parish Office.
Parish Office Hours
Monday-Friday  9:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday       9:00am - 1:00pm
Sunday in the vestibule of the church 9am - 12noon
Religious Shop - 624-1752
Monday - Friday  8:30am - 1:00pm
Saturday        8:30am - 5:00pm
Sunday          8:30am - 12:00pm & 4:30pm - 6:30pm

New Parishioners - Registration forms are available on our website, in the office during the week,
and in the vestibule of the church in the wall rack.
Registered Parishioners - Please help keep our census current by advising us of any changes
of address, phone numbers, and family additions or deletions.
**Baptisms**

Celebrated on the second Sunday of each month at 12:00pm. Parents are encouraged to attend instruction class prior to the birth of their first baby. Call the Office to register.

Next Baptism Class is Saturday, October 7th

FOR SEPTEMBER 30/OCTOBER 1
- Sat., 5:00 PM - Cindy Ozog
- Sun., 7:30 AM - Cecile Vilardo
- 9:00 AM - Margaret Collins
- 10:45 AM - Lee Vaughan
- 5:00 PM - Kristina Ronan
- Carter Stewart

FOR SEPTEMBER 30/OCTOBER 1
- Sat., 5:00 PM - Adult Server
- Sun., 7:30 AM - Anthony & Grace
- 9:00 AM - Matthew & Aubrey
- 10:45 AM - Parker
- 5:00 PM - Volunteer Needed

**Marriages**

Arrangements should be made at least six months prior to the wedding date. Please call the Parish Office.

Our beautiful Ave Maria Banquet Room (capacity 325) and our renovated Parish Hall (capacity 175) are now available for rental for approved adult receptions and gatherings for occasions connected with church events.

**You DID! IN A BIG WAY!!**

St. Mary Catholic Church in Pahokee, FL needed our help, and you responded! The salary for the catechetical leader will be covered!

**FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH**
- $ 10,600.00 ONLINE $ 2,468.00
  - St. Mary’s Church in Pahokee
  - Religious Education Fund
- $ 3,797.00 ONLINE $ 50.00
  - God bless you and thank you for your generosity in supporting your church!

For HURRICANE RELIEF our second collection this weekend will go directly to Catholic Charities, USA and their efforts to assist those in need.

The Diocesan collection scheduled for September 9/10 for the Respect Life Ministry and the Migrant Ministry, will take place in October. Online and envelope users may make their contributions at any time.

SECOND COLLECTION next weekend is for our monthly Maintenance and Improvements Fund.

**This week, September 25th, at a glance…**

**Monday:**
- 8:30 AM Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Help
- 2 PM Yarn & Rose Knitters
- 5 PM Sandwich Makers

**Tuesday:**
- St. Paul’s Pilgrims depart!
- 8:30 AM Legion of Mary
- 6 PM Kairos Team Meeting
- 6:10 PM Legion of Mary

**Wednesday:**
- 10 AM Walking With Purpose
- 6:30 PM Choir Rehearsal

**Thursday:**
- 7 PM Open House – Walking With Purpose
- 7:30 PM Charismatic Prayer Group

**Friday:**
- 9 AM - 5 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**Saturday:**
- 8 AM – 6 PM Diocesan Event – Encuentro
- 9 AM Story Keepers

**Looking forward to, in the near future:**
- Mondays 5:30 PM – Al-Anon Meeting; 10/4 K of C Officers Meeting; 10/6 First Friday Adoration; 10/7 First Saturday Mass & Marian Devotion, Baptism Instruction; 10/8 RCIA Registration/Orientation, CIA, Confirmation I & II, Middle-school, Communal Baptism; 10/10 Hospitality Ministry, Christ Child; 10/11 Choir Rehearsal, K of C Meeting; 10/14 Contemplative Prayer Group; 10/15 Fr. Tom’s Installation as Pastor – 10:45 Mass, Bishop Barbarito presiding, A reception will follow.

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Mon. - Fri. 10am-4pm & Sat. 9am-3pm
TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CALL UPON THE LORD

The very first line of today’s first reading summons us to seek the Lord and to call upon God. This sentiment is echoed in the refrain for today’s responsorial psalm: “The Lord is near to all who call upon him” (Psalm 145:18a). Saint Paul is the embodiment of someone who constantly sought the Lord. In the excerpt we read today from his letter to the Philippians, we find Saint Paul toward the end of his life, a life he describes as completely consonant with Christ. He writes, “For to me life is Christ” (Philippians 1:21). To find out what it means to live life completely in accord with Christ we need look no further than today’s Gospel. There we find that God’s love and mercy are immeasurable for all those who seek and call upon the Lord.

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Readings for the Week

Monday: Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday: Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday: Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefgn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday: Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a;
Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Saturday: Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13;
Lk 9:43b-45

To prepare for the Readings of Sept. 30/Oct. 1

First Reading — When the wicked turn away from their wickedness they have committed and do what is right, they shall surely live (Ezekiel 18:25-28).
Psalm — Remember your mercies, O Lord (Psalm 138).
Second Reading — Consider others as better than yourself; look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others (Philippians 2:3-11 [1-5]).
Gospel — Tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God ahead of you (Matthew 21:28-32).
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

ALL CLASSES HAVE BEGUN

CIA - Religious Education for 1st - 5th grade,
Sundays 10:15 - 11:45 AM
Sept 24th; Oct 8th, Mass & Service
Event: Oct. 22nd & Oct. 29th, Fall Festival
Middle School, 6th & 7th graders and
Confirmation I 8th graders Sundays 5 PM
Mass & 6 PM - 8 PM, dinner and class
Sept. 24th, Tony Melendez Concert;
Oct. 8th & 29th
Confirmation II 9th graders Sundays 5 PM
Mass & 6 PM - 8 PM, dinner and class
Sept. 24th, Tony Melendez Concert;
Oct. 15th & 29th
There is still time to register; please find
registration forms and calendars online
at paulCross.org under the tab: Faith Formation

THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS
“COME AND SEE”
FOR THOSE WHO MAY BE SEEKING MORE IN THEIR FAITH JOURNEY,
THE R.C.I.A. PROGRAM WILL MEET ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8 AT 9:15 AM IN THE COFFEE HOUSE.
IF YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO BECOME CATHOLIC, PLEASE INFORM THEM OF THIS OPPORTUNITY. FOR MORE INFORMATION AND/OR TO REGISTER, PLEASE CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT 561-626-1873.

FAMILY FUN NIGHT! THIS FRIDAY, Sept. 29th, Cardinal Newman High School invites all 6th, 7th and 8th grade students and families.
5:30 PM pass/kick/punt/prelims, volleyball clinic and pep band clinic
6 PM Complimentary BBQ
Please RSVP by tomorrow to Christina.amodie@cardinalnewman.com

PERMANENT DEacon
If you would like to learn more about becoming a Permanent Deacon for the Diocese of Palm Beach, please plan to attend a special evening of information at St. Vincent de Paul Regional Seminary. The evening will open with Vespers, followed by a presentation. If you are between 35 and 55 years of age, married, a widower, or a single male and feel the Lord is calling you to this special ministry of service, then join us on Wed., Oct. 18, at 7 PM. If you plan to attend, please contact Lynn Powell in the Office of Permanent Deacons at 561-775-9540.

Knights of Columbus general meetings are on the 2nd Wednesday of the month; the next meeting is Oct. 11th (officers meet on the 1st Wed.; the next meeting is Oct. 4th) at 7 PM in the Coffee House.

Please consider joining the Knights of Columbus at St Paul of the Cross Parish. Contact Jonathan Knaus @ 561-603-8303 or email kofc12322@gmail.com

If you are interested and would like to become a Columbiette, please contact Carol at 561-818-0342 or Wanda at 718-877-9100.

Columbiette meetings are on the 3rd Wednesday of the month, the next meeting is, Oct. 18th at 7 PM in the Coffee House. Refreshments begin at 6:30 PM.

Donate a Meal for
Your $5 donation will provide a meal for a lady attending a Healing Weekend Retreat for women affected by the incarceration of a loved one. Several parishioners representing our parish are volunteering at this retreat along with 30 other Christian women. Clip the Meal Ticket below. Write your first name on it and bring it to the Parish office or the Welcome station. Checks can be made out to St. Paul of the Cross. Buy as many tickets as you’d like!

This meal is provided by:

Name: ___________________________
City: ___________________________

This new commandment I give you: that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, so you must love one another. John 13:34

ANNUAL WHITE MASS FOR PHYSICIANS, NURSES AND ALLIED HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS
SATURDAY, October 14th
Mass at 5:45pm and Reception to follow
St. Mark’s Church 643 St. Mark Pl, Boynton Beach
For more info please email: PalmBeachPhysiciansGuild@gmail.com
Whether or not we are present at Church, we remain one in the Lord. Please keep the following members of our parish family in your prayers: Cele Vilardo, Pat Nolan, Jerry Glckker, Vinny Bertolino, Judy Sawyer, Terry Peters, Arden Miller and

Margaret Actin
Charlie Augustine
Charles Aviado
Clare Bellucci
Peggy Black
James Boyer
Philip Brennan
Norann Brugger
Sandy Budd
Bill Cahill
Mary Carroll
Francisco Javier Castillo
Skipp Chabek
Bill Cherrie
Cecilia I. Cheves
Kimberly Chorniewy
Jeanne Chosson
Wayne Clark
Matthew Cleary
Debbie Cociia
Rose Columbo
Louis Couru
Don Crawford
Eileen Crowell
Susan Cuff
Lenny D'Agostino
Rick DeBlasio
Ena Elias Degalvez
Richard Daleolio
Rita Dickson
Gina DiDonato
Kristina DiDonato
Tom Dingee
Rand Doane
Robin Dockery
Robert Duncan
Will English
Robert Fanelli, Jr.
Joseph Fink
Virginia Folley
Mike Forte
Terri Reekers Francisco
Jack Frazier
Gustavo Galvez
Jose Galvez
Gail Ganzin
Brittany Garcia
Elana Gargano
Eleanor Garrett
Michael Gintoli
Nancy Greene
Barbara Grimple
Sue Gunther
Patricia Halloran
Bob Harford
Katie Hauser
Kyle Hauser
Ginny Heffernan
Adam Hewko
Ed Hildrenbrand
Francis Holden
Thomas Hollandsorth
Karen Hopkins
Marilyn Horan
Marcia Horton
Nancy Hutchinson
Linda Hutton
Joan Hyers
Barbara Kaminski
John & Joan Keeler
Marta Keever
Audrey Kelly
Jerry Kelly
Louis Kerti, Jr.
Pat Key
Peter Kilfeather
Gene Konrad
Rebecca Laughton
Pat Laurence
Mary Lehman
Michael Leth, Sr.
Emma & Tommy Lewis
Frank Licari
Randy Lowe
Jim Lumba
Susen Lurz
Bill Lynch
Neal Mackey
Ernie Markittel
Maria Elena Marlow
Melisa Marshall
Shelly Martin
Stephen Mazzarella Jr.
Renee McCullough
Kathleen McDonlad
Kelly McDowell
Bob McOgynn
Jim McNeil
Margaret Morris
Jacque Morrow
Bill Moyers
Pat McJury
Deborah Mulligan
Robert Mulligan
Gregory Mundie
Denise Murphy
Karen Murphy
Tim Mylott
Nancy Nagler
Amal NawaI
Mona Nunez
Leo Ogozaly
Patricia O'Hagan
Glenda Lavin O'Leary
Fior Oriz
Mary Otts
Kevin Parise
Philip Pentu
Jim Perrella
June Petrello-Henig
Mike Piotrowski
Mikaela Powell
Marta Purucker
Chris Rachuba
Pam Rice
Margaret Rittenhouse
Fred & Monette Robinson
Algis Saurusaitis
Al Sperro
Charles Sears
John Sedor
Ray & John Seymour
Chuck Shaw
Peter Sheft
Ray Shindorf
Richard Shorter
Linda Siepermann
Cameron Simpson
Patricia Smith
Mila Solts
Charles Speer
Ki and Beth Spicer
Patty Stichnoth
Kelly Suddell
Rene Tabony
Rebecca Timmons
Leslie Tripplet
Jean Tumbarello
Jose Uribe
Rosemary Ware
Felix Wilson

PLEASE NOTE: Please call the Parish Office if you are being admitted to the hospital or know of someone in our parish who requests a visit from a priest or Eucharistic Minister. Names will remain on the prayer list for two months, unless notified.

PLEASE PRAY
for the men and women in our armed forces stationed overseas, for the military commanders who lead them, for President Trump and his advisors and for,

CS 2 Christopher Avola
Spec. Thomas Bates
Tyler Blank
Maj. Travis Blachke, Army Aviation
PFC Adam Blazak, Army
Chris Bodley
Corporal Thomas C. Boehnlein, USMC
Angela Browning
Capt. Eric Arthur Bruns
Maj. Nicolas Chighizola, Air Force
Col. John Cross, Army
Michael Crump
1st Lt. Michael J. Culler, 101st Airborne
Josh Curtis
LCpl Giulio D’Alatri, Marines
PFC Gabriel D’Alatri, Marines
Command Sgt. Maj James Dickens, Army
Staff Sgt. Stephen Dickens, Army
1st Lt. John F. Dowd, Army
2nd Lt. Sam Dowd, Army
Capt. Michael Aydreyth, Army
Hanah Eastwood
Staff Sgt. Jonathan Farmer
Major Matthew Farmer, Army
Matthew Fillion
Lt. Col. Douglas Y. Finn, USMC
Lt. Col. Jennifer Formell
PFC Chase Forrest, Army
Scott Freudenthal, Army

Bryan Neumann
Fr. Tom O’Flanagan, Chaplain, USN
Chad Owens
PFC Brian H. Pearce, Army
Staff Sgt. Derek D. Ragion, Marines
Capt. Brice Roberts, Army
Maj. Andrew Rupp, Air Force
Lt. Col. Laura Sepeda
Robert Shaner
Capt. Christine Stevens
Steve Stropp, Marines Special Ops
Sergeant Emily A. Konkle, USMC
Capt. Patrick K. Thompson, Army
Tech Sgt. Marcy Vaught, Air Force
Amanda Wilson

Merciful Father, You desire the welfare of all your children. Stretch out Your protecting arm over our men and women in the service. Shield them from every danger to body, mind and soul. Comfort them in loneliness, sustain them in hardship, give them the courage they need to fulfill their duty and so do Your will in all things. Bestow on our leaders and the leaders of the world the wisdom and prudence which will bring peace and justice to all.

This we ask through Jesus Christ, Your Son, Our Lord. Amen. Mary, help of Christians, pray for us.

Darrin Gabriel
Private Matthew Gainey
Lance Cpl Tyler Geary, USMC
LT Ruth Gaunt, Navy
Michael Gorneczy
Michael Gordon-Tenant, Army
PFC Thomas Greenin, Army
PFC Thomas Grodeska, Army
Capt. Matthew Guidone, Army
Capt. Thomas Harris, Army
Major Cornelius Hickey, USMC
Capt. Kristine Hochschwender
Lt. Tyler Hochschwender
Captain Steve Irving, 101 First Airborne
Sgt. Christian Marino Jakobsen, USMC
Capt. Mitchell Joslin, Army Ranger
Capt. Jeff Keating, Marines
Captain Karl Kuechenmeister, Army
Spencer Calvin McGuire
Mila Solts
2nd Lt. Andrew King, Army
Maj. Jennifer Lammert-Rupp
Capt. Kelly Lammert, Air Force
Private Joseph LaSasso, Army
Master Sgt. Kyle Mack
Daniel Malloy, USMC
Matthew March C.P.O. Navy
Ens. Danielle Mongiove, Navy