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St. Paul The Apostle Roman Catholic Church

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Weekend Masses are broadcast live on St. Paul's Facebook page



Mass for The Sabbath

Saturday 6:30 PM

Sunday 8:00 AM

Daily Service:

As scheduled in Bulletin

**Fifth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
February 9, 2025**

Our Mission:

We are a Roman Catholic Christian Community whose mission is :

- ✦ to worship God through the Eucharist, the Holy Scriptures and prayer
- ✦ to proclaim the reconciling love of God in Christ by word, deed and evangelization
- ✦ to mature spiritually through the challenge and guidance of the Holy Spirit
- ✦ to welcome and serve others-even the littlest and the weakest-in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday after 6:30 PM Mass

Other times by appointment.

Low gluten

Those suffering from an intolerance to gluten are advised that St. Paul's keeps Low Gluten Hosts on hand for those who need them. Simply check in with an usher to arrange for one.

Sacrament of Baptism

Because of the importance of the celebration of the sacrament of baptism, please consider carefully the man or woman of faith you chose to inspire and educate your child in the ways of our faith for the entirety of their lives. We suggest calling the church office during your pregnancy so that a more thorough preparation may take place. Godparents must be practicing Catholics and submit a certificate of eligibility from their parish prior to the Baptism. Baptisms will normally take place at a parish weekend Mass. Date and time will be scheduled by the pastor.

Sacrament of Matrimony

For adequate preparation, arrangements should be made at least 6 months in advance.

Sacrament of Anointing

Please let the parish office know if someone is seriously ill. If you know of anyone who is unable to get to Mass, we would be glad to help arrange transportation.

Membership in our Catholic Community

New members are warmly welcomed and may register by calling the parish office or online. If you move out of the area or change your address, please notify the parish office.

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Call 607-637-2571

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8 St. Josephine Bakhita
6:30 P.M. Michael Hunter
by Ginny Gotthardt & Jane Connell
Carl R. Finkle
by Rita & Joseph Bailey

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9
8:00 A.M. Deceased Members
of St. Paul's Parish

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10 St. Scholastica
9:00 A.M. Rosary

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 11 Our Lady of Lourdes
9:00 A.M. Rosary/Miraculous Medal Novena

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12
9:00 A.M. Rosary/Morning Prayer

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 13
9:00 A.M. Rosary/Communion Service

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14 St. Methodius
9:00 A.M. Rosary

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15
6:30 P.M. Michael Hunter
by Mim Peters
Florence Vitale
by Neil & Maureen Hunt
William Patrick Whalen
by Alex Conte

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16
8:00 A.M. Deceased Members
of St. Paul's Parish



LECTORS for February 15/16

6:30 P.M. M. Hunt
8:00 A.M. K. White

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS for Feb. 15/16

6:30 P.M. M. Shaul
8:00 A.M. S. Drake

ALTAR SERVERS for February 15/16

6:30 P.M. K. Cutler
8:00 A.M. J. Stevenson

TAKE NOTE

What is a Jubilee Year?

It is also known as a Holy Year. It's a year focused on renewing our call to holiness, strengthening our connection with God, focusing on forgiveness of sins, reconciliation, solidarity, hope, and service to others. Currently, they occur in the Catholic Church every 25 years.

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When does the Jubilee Begin and End?

The Jubilee began on December 24, 2024, when Pope Francis opened the Holy Door of the Basilica of Saint Peter in the Vatican. The Ordinary Jubilee will conclude with the closing of the Holy Door in the Papal Basilica of Saint Peter in the Vatican on January 6, 2026, the Solemnity of the Feast of the Epiphany.

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What is a Pilgrimage?

A pilgrimage is a fundamental element of every Jubilee event. In his Bull of Indiction SPES NON CONFUNDIT, the Pope's official document regarding this Jubilee Year, Pope Francis says, "Setting out on a journey is traditionally associated with our human quest for meaning in life." Some may journey to Rome to see the Holy Sites there. If you cannot make that trip, there are Holy sites that can be pilgrimage destinations for you here in our diocese. The Pope says these Holy sites can serve as an oasis of spirituality, places of rest on the pilgrimage of faith, where we can drink from the wellspring of hope."

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Where can I learn more about the Jubilee Year?

Visit the official Jubilee pages of the Vatican (www.iubilaeum2025.va/en.html) and United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (www.usccb.org/jubilee2025).

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The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen

Rosary in a Year - On January 1, 2025, Fr. Mark-Mary Ames, CFR and Ascension Press launched the Rosary in a Year podcast, which debuted as the #1 podcast in the U.S.! In six different phases throughout the year, the podcast builds up from praying just an "Our Father," three "Hail Mary's," and a "Glory Be" at the beginning, to joyfully praying the entire Rosary together by the end. Along the way listeners can learn the basics of prayer, discover the Biblical roots of the Rosary, and learn to meditate on each mystery like never before with help from Sacred Scripture, the writings of the saints, and Sacred Art. Whether you're already listening every day or this is your first time hearing about the podcast, it's never too late to start and there is no better place to listen to Rosary in a Year than in the Ascension app (**ascensionpress.com**). In the Ascension app, you'll get exclusive content and special features you won't find anywhere else:

- Full transcripts of each episode.
- Full text of the prayers and litanies Fr. Mark-Mary shares in the podcast.
- Linked references to Sacred Scripture and the Catechism.
- Images of the sacred art Fr. Mark-Mary describes in the podcast.
- And even more features and content to help you dive deeper into each reflection.

You can also pray the full Rosary with recordings from Fr. Mark-Mary, Fr. Mike Schmitz, and Jeff Cavins, all for free in the Ascension app. How to Find the Rosary in a Year Podcast in the Ascension App:

- 1) Click the podcast tab at the bottom of the home screen
- 2) Scroll down to the Rosary in a Year podcast icon
- 3) Select the episode you wish to listen to
- 4) Start listening to Fr. Mark-Mary and the Rosary in a Year Podcast!

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The next Men's Group will be Thursday, February 20, at 7 PM in the DeSerio Ctr.

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***The Generosity Habit* - How daily giving can change your life and transform the world by Matthew Kelly.**

Part Two: 101 creative ways to be generous:

generosity is surprising. Give someone an unexpected gift at an unexpected time.

"Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see." ~ Mark Twain ~

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This week's spotlight for the businesses that support St. Paul's by advertising in the bulletin

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Remember to support those that support St. Paul's.

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for February:

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

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Walking with Moms in Need could use the following items: premie diapers, size 1 diapers, desitin cream, baby onesies, baby brush/comb. If you are able to donate, please leave in the basket in the front church vestibule. Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP

SACRIFICIAL GIVING February 1/2

Number of regular collection envelopes.....	18
Loose cash and checks.....	\$384.00
Regular envelope collection.....	\$738.00
Total.....	\$1,122.00

Additional Offerings

Votive candles.....	\$21.00
Utilities.....	\$125.00
Restoration & Repairs.....	\$165.00
Books.....	\$5.00
Evangelist.....	\$25.00

Attendance February 1/2

Saturday: 6:30 PM Church.....	26
Sunday: 8:00 AM Church.....	43
Saturday: Facebook Live.....	8
Sunday: Facebook Live.....	4
Total.....	69

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, February 10

(Office Closed)

Wednesday, February 12

6:00 PM Prayer Group - Rectory
6:00 - 7:00 PM Adoration - Church

Friday, February 14

7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous - Hall

Saturday, February 15

5:00 PM H.S. Faith Formation - DeSerio Ctr.

Sunday, February 16

Pre-K thru 8 Faith Formation after 8 AM Mass - Hall
Cleaning Group # 4: M. Hunt, B. Sander, J. David

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