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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

**Seventeenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
July 28, 2024**

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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Hospitality Team

Call 607-637-2571

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JULY 27

6:30 P.M. JoAnn Offnick
Mim Peters

SUNDAY, JULY 28

8:00 A.M. Deceased Members
of St. Paul's Parish

MONDAY, JULY 29 Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus

9:00 A.M. Rosary

TUESDAY, JULY 30 St. Peter Chrysologus

9:00 A.M. Rosary/Miraculous Medal Novena

WEDNESDAY, JULY 31 St. Ignatius of Loyola

9:00 A.M. Rosary/Morning Prayer
6:00 P.M. Adoration

THURSDAY, AUGUST 1 St. Alphonsus Liguori

9:00 A.M. Rosary/Communion Service

FRIDAY, AUGUST 2 St. Peter Julian Eymard

9:00 A.M. Rosary/First Friday Adoration
4:45 P.M. Evening Prayer

SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

6:30 P.M. Joseph Zawatsky
Mim Peters

SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

8:00 A.M. Deceased Members
of St. Paul's Parish



LECTORS for August 3/4

6:30 P.M. K. DaBrescia
8:00 A.M. K. Caramore

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS for August 3/4

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

ALTAR SERVERS for August 3/4

6:30 P.M. K. Caramore
8:00 A.M. P. Esolen, O. Esolen, X. Esolen

TAKE NOTE

Today is the **Peter's Pence Collection**, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.obolodis.anpietro.va/en.html.

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St. Paul's Summer Movie Nights! Please join us Tuesday, July 30 @ 7:00 PM at the Hancock Cinemas. The movie will be "War Room" (PG). With great jobs, a beautiful daughter (Alena Pitts) and a dream house, the Jordans seem to have it all.

Appearances can be deceiving, however, as husband Tony (T.C. Stallings) flirts with temptation and wife Elizabeth (Priscilla Shirer) becomes increasingly bitter, crumbling under the strain of a failing marriage. Their lives take an unexpected turn for the better when Elizabeth meets her newest client, Miss Clara (Karen Abercrombie), who encourages the couple to find happiness through prayer. The movies are free. You can purchase snacks and drinks at the concession area.

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The **Red Cross Blood Drive** will be held Monday, August 5, 2024 at the Father Rausch Hall from 1:00 PM to 6 PM. All are welcome.

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The next **Men's Group** will be Thursday, August 8, at 7 PM in the DeSerio Ctr.

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St. Paul's Parish Picnic will be Sunday, August 18 at 3 PM in the parking lot. *Please call the office with the dish you will be bringing to pass so we don't have duplicates.* Come enjoy the afternoon with your parish family. There will be food, music and games!

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The 2023/24 **Diocesan Appeal** closed out on June 30, 2024. Thanks to everyone that donated, St. Paul's was able to meet our assessment of \$10,448 and went over goal by \$5,134. The diocese has a policy that one half of the money that is over the assessment amount is returned to the parish. The 2024/25 Diocesan Appeal year started on July 1, and runs through June 30, 2025. The assessment for St. Paul's will be \$14,504. The diocese will be mailing out the appeal kick-off materials to past participants in the Fall. Their are appeal envelopes in the church for those who wish to make donation now.

When Jesus walked the earth, He made it clear that reception of His Body and Blood was not a symbolic ritual, but that in the Eucharist we indeed receive the real and True Presence of God. He reasserted this truth to Sister Faustina. He is alive, not dead. The bread is not bread, but the very life of God, sent to you out of love and mercy. He wanted to stay with us. Think about that. He wanted to stay with us. He wanted to be here with you. By consecrating yourself to the Eucharist you are becoming an agent of mercy. Beautiful, courageous, loving, transformative, never-ending – mercy.

Matthew Kelly – 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory

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

Part One: 17 perspectives on generosity:

GENEROSITY LOOKS GOOD ON YOU. When I was young, my mother would say things like, “That color looks great on you,” or “I really like that shirt on you.” I was raised on encouragement, and this is just one example. At every turn, my mother and father encouraged me, and their encouragement was the fuel that launched me into life. Different things look good on different people, but *some things* look good on everyone - and generosity is at the top of the list. Generosity looks good on you. So, this week... Call someone just to say hello, tip like you’ve never tipped before, ask the people you love about their hopes and dreams, give someone an unexpected gift, compliment someone who least expects it, save a life by donating blood, smile generously, give someone a life-changing book, be a generous lover, make someone’s day, thank someone for influencing your life, be happy for others when good things happen for them, tell someone you love having them in your life! You’re at your best when you’re generous. So, don’t just dabble in generosity, live a life of staggering generosity. Astonish people with the boldness of your generosity. The future of the world depends on generosity. It brings out the best in human beings, it ennobles us in a world where so many things debase us, and generosity is wonderfully contagious. So, get out there and unleash the genius of generosity in your circle of influence.

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

The Hancock Herald 570-382-3558
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Remember to support those that support St. Paul’s

MONTHLY FOOD PANTRY NEEDS:

Week of 7/28 Bath tissue

Week of 7/21 Cereal

Coffee, Tea and Sugar are welcomed anytime.

Please drop off items at the church doors. Thank you for your generosity.

Prayer Intention of Pope Francis for August:

For political leaders. We pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

Walking with Moms in Need could use cleaning supplies and laundry soap. Please leave in the vestibule of the church if you would like to donate. Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP

SACRIFICIAL GIVING July 20/21

Number of regular collection envelopes.....	22
Loose cash and checks.....	\$784.00
Regular envelope collection.....	\$918.00
Total.....	\$1,702.00
Marist Mission collection.....	\$849.00

Additional Offerings

Candles.....	\$28.00
Bulletin ads.....	\$150.00
Books.....	\$3.00

Attendance July 20/21

Saturday: 6:30 PM Church.....	43
Sunday: 8:00 AM Church.....	65
Saturday: Facebook Live.....	3
Sunday: Facebook Live.....	2
Total.....	108

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, July 29

(Office Closed)

Wednesday, July 31

6:00 PM Prayer Group - Rectory

6:00 - 7:00 PM Adoration - Church

Friday, August 2

7:00 PM Alcoholics Anonymous - Hall

Cleaning Group # 4: M. Hunt, B. Sander, J. David

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