

St. Paul Parish Newsletter

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Parish News



It's that time again for our annual membership drive for 2013. Now is a great time to join the church if you have been a visitor and feel like this is your church home. Please see Debbie Niznik after each Mass and she will handle your membership. If you are a new member or already a member of St. Paul Parish, Diocesan and General membership dues for the year 2013 are \$80.00 per person or \$160.00 for a couple or family. (\$25.00 for Diocesan dues and \$55.00 for General dues) Please remember that these dues do not stay with the parish and are submitted to the diocese. Our current parish dues were established in 2008 and we ask individual members to please offer at least a **minimum** of **\$15.00** per week (\$780.00 per year) and couples and families **\$20.00** per week (\$1040.00 per year). There is a special offering envelope for your 2013 membership. Please make your check payable to: **St. Paul Parish**. On the memo line of your check write: **2013 Membership Dues**. By being a member of St. Paul Parish, you will have a voice and vote. Let's strive to make this our most successful year ever! Members, if you have not yet picked up your 2013 offering envelopes you can find them outside of church after the weekend Masses.



Szczęśliwego Nowego Roku

Happy New Year
in Polish

Annual Parish Meeting



Our Annual Parish meeting will be held on Sunday, February 10th inside the social hall following the 10:00am Mass. We will be voting for the following offices of the Parish Committee:

Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Recording Secretary, 3 Board of Directors, 3 Auditors and 1 Tribunal person.

Requirements are that you have been a member of the church for 1 year and have met your financial obligations. Anyone that is interested in one of these positions, please see Cleric Angelo Pierro, Nominating Committee Chairperson, so your name may be added to the voting ballot.

Please mark your calendars for this meeting. All members are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Christmas Concert



On December 18th, Fernando Varela & Sunshine Matthews graced our church with a Christmas Concert. The night began with our St. Paul Choir singing the opening song. Then Father Mark opened the concert with an inspirational prayer. During the concert, Fernando told everyone of his experiences on the Asian Tour with David Foster and Friends. It was a wonderful and uplifting night for all those that attended.

Communion Class



Our Communion Class made their First Holy Communion at the Christmas Eve Mass.

YMS of R Men's Group

The next YMS of R meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 9th at 9:00am at Cal's Restaurant. All men from the parish are encouraged to attend. If you are new to the parish, this is a good opportunity for you to meet some of the men of our parish.



St. Paul Choir

We have a fantastic, spirited choir here at St. Paul's, under the direction of Charley Stoykovich. We are still looking for singers for our Saturday Mass. Anyone interested in joining the choir can meet here at the church on Tuesdays at 6:00pm for practice.



Ladies Adoration Society

Praise to our Lord Jesus. We thank him for the many blessings He has bestowed on our Society. 2012 was a prosperous and successful year as He showered us with abundant blessings, successful fundraisers and new members.



Our Christmas Cookie Tray Raffle with 22 winners was a great success. After spending many hours baking dozens of delicious cookies we all gathered in the social in wonderful fellowship as we filled the beautiful trays. The trays were then blessed by Father Mark and the winners drawn.



Our Victorian Tea is Saturday, February 16th from 12:00 High Noon to 3:00 pm. This year will be the best one yet as the social hall is transformed into a Victorian Tea House complete with china tea cups and lace table cloths. Our speaker will show how to tie and the ways to wear all the beautiful scarves so stylish right now. We also will have Purse Power sales tables of very gently used purses. Prada, Gucci, Coach to name a few and just plain beautiful others in like new condition.

Tickets are \$10.00 per person and will go on sale starting Saturday, January 19th after Mass. I would suggest getting your tickets early as this will be a sell out! All ladies of the parish and friends are welcome.

I wish you God's choicest blessing and a healthy and happy New Year.

In His Service,

Dori Canfield, ANS President



We welcome our new members of our church family who have joined in the month of December.

Barbara Schenkel
John & Gerri Gagliano
Carol Gacesa



Father Mark is conducting bible class on Thursdays, 10:00am at Church On The Square in The Villages. This ongoing class is for everyone interested in finding out more about their faith. Father Mark brings us many pearls of Scripture each week and whether you are a first time bible reader or an astute learned scriptural connoisseur, there's something special in the Word of God for everyone. You are encouraged to bring a friend.

Backpack Program



This is another of our school support programs that we are helping out with. Teachers distribute care packages to families in need. **Sample size** personal care products are most appropriate. There are plastic bins in the back of the church to drop off these supplies.



Birthdays

- 1st** Michael Rodak
2nd Jan Nowak
Ron Thompson
3rd Constance Cordingley
5th Frank J. Cafaro
Gerri Gagliano
7th Barney Madden
10th Violet Cardin
Bob Krey
12th Joanne Psyk
13th David Yackowski
16th Bob Maciok
17th Susan Varela
18th Walter Kucharski
21st Gary Hollinsworth
23rd George Andel
29th Bill Glenn
31st Peggy Puglisi



Anniversaries

- 1st** Barry & Constance Cordingley
16th Dick & Joanne Psyk
25th Terry & Olga Stuck
27th Bob & Vera Pitel

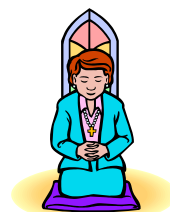
* Members, if your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please inform Debbie Niznik.

Special Offering Envelopes



The month of January is designated for the **Music Scholarship Fund**. Parish members are encouraged to donate to this fund by using your Music Scholarship envelope. Also, if you are not a member and would like to donate to this fund, please use a Love Offering envelope that are in the church pews and mark it "**Music Scholarship Fund**." This fund is used for giving scholarships to PNCC members who pursue music education.

Womens Prayer Group



The Ladies Prayer Group will meet on Wednesday, January 9th and 23rd.

Rosary at 3:00pm

Prayer Group at 3:30pm.

All the ladies of the parish are welcome.

Church Emails

Here at St. Paul Parish we try to keep you up to date on church activities. In addition to our newsletter we also have emails. Our email address is:

deb niz1959@gmail.com

If you would like to receive these emails, please pick up a form in the back of the church or at the information table in the social hall and give it to Debbie Niznik.

Also, if you have changed your email address please let Debbie know as soon as possible, so the necessary changes can be made.



To all members:

If you have moved or you have a new phone number, please inform Debbie Niznik of these changes so she can update your record information.

Thank you.

Name Badges



We have name badges for all the members here at St. Paul Parish. They are magnetic badges, not pins, so they will be easier to wear. We encourage you to wear your name badge each week to church, so everyone will know each other! We also encourage you to wear them at any of our church functions. If you have joined the church in the last month, your name badges are on order.

Words for Thought

Lord, I feel like a mouse in a treadmill.

Rushing around, faster and faster.

Getting nowhere ...

Lord, it's at times like this that

I need you most.

Yet you seem so far away.

Why, Lord? Where have you gone?

Then I hear it, the quiet voice

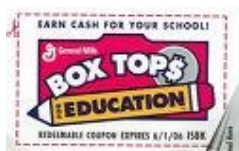
be still and know that I am.

You are near.

You have been all the time.

Eddie Askew

Boxtops & Labels for Education



We are continuing to collect boxtops & labels for education. In the back of the church there is a plastic bin for you to drop off your boxtops & labels. There are extra copies of the products list on the information table in the social hall if you need a copy. For more information about these programs, check out their websites at:

www.boxtops4education.com and www.labelsforeducation.com