

# St. Paul Parish Newsletter

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## From the Desk of Father Mark

Dearest Children of God,  
All glory to the Lamb of God Who takes away the sins of the world!

It is my hope that each of you continues acknowledging you are in the middle of the Christmas season as so many others have already taken down and packed away decorations, thusly declaring the season's end in their home. Well, we just aren't like everyone else, are we? We are in the world, but not of the world. We are of Christ, His love and His forgiveness.

Advent was a remarkably reflective season this year as a pandemic picked up speed and we lost loved ones. In particular, our beloved Deacon Angelo passed away and awaits the resurrection in the return of Him Whom he placed all his trust in. While we miss Deacon Angelo so very much, I believe Deacon Angelo has a clearer and greater understanding of the heavenly existence than we ever describe. A service will be held later this year.

Our online weekly Masses have gotten more popular as the overall trend is up in viewership. We are reaching people across states and in Canada, Ireland, Scotland, keep passing along the word to check us out at: [stpaulfl.com](http://stpaulfl.com)

Our Clean Kids Backpack Program has been uplifted by our new Executive Director, Kevin Robert who also serves as our Parish Community Organizer. Kevin is a talented worker in the vineyard and we are blessed to have him with us. Please keep bringing those personal hygiene items to the church, so we can continue serving some of the most vulnerable persons in our country - the homeless. We are reconstructing the website and social media aspects of the program, so keep checking out: [cleankidsbackpack.com](http://cleankidsbackpack.com)

I'd like to thank our Adoration Society of the Most Blessed Sacrament for beautifying the sanctuary during all these months as is evident while you are watching our online service. It is working out well for those watching and coming to Communion at the church from 9am-12Noon each Sunday.

As I communicated a couple of months ago, please remember there will be no more boxes of offering envelopes to hand out to folks. Please keep track of your donations if you use them for tax deductions and contact me if you need verification of the amount you gave. We are a 501(C)(3) tax exempt Religious Organization. We will be notifying you through email about upcoming dates of the special collections for the church. Please also remember we have a remaining mortgage bill over the next nine years for the parish rectory. Your considerations and generosity is greatly appreciated!

There are so many things to remain grateful for and to pray over especially those fighting for their health and well being. I would Like to conclude with our love and hopes for the best for each of you and in particular, our Choir Director, Charley Stoykovich, who is battling bone marrow cancer and undergoing chemotherapy treatment. I want to personally thank everyone that gave a contribution on Charley's behalf as he and his wife, Charlotte are grateful for your love, prayers, thoughtfulness and generosity. May Jesus be praised always!

Lots of Love, Father Mark

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## Spaghetti Dinners



Our Friday Night Spaghetti Dinners are now cancelled until further notice.



## YMS of R Men's Group

YMS of R meetings are cancelled until further notice.



## St. Paul Choir

Choir practice has been cancelled until further notice..



## Ladies Adoration Society

Praise to our Lord Jesus. We thank him for the many blessings He has bestowed on our Society over the years.

In response to the general question as to the function of the Adoration Society of the Most Blessed Sacrament, our society name speaks of our primary purpose which is adoration. We hold the symbolic light of Christ beginning at the Great Thanksgiving during the Holy Mass. While this is our first and foremost purpose, we continue in our faith example through the upkeep of the sanctuary. We take care of all liturgical linens, help with decorations and ensure the altar of sacrifice is in pristine condition for worship services.

We wear our Adoration medals in acknowledgment of our commitment to the Lord and our church. It serves as an honorable recognition of those in the Society and the goal is to have as many women as possible wearing these medals.

We assist Father Mark in every appropriate aspect of his ministry in serving the parish and the community through charitable offerings. We are prayerful and humble in our service. At the same time, we enjoy the social activities of the society, providing a more complete parish life and purpose for each member. We have been truly blessed over the years and our praise for one another is heard in our praise of the Lord.

On behalf of the Adoration Society, I would like to offer my sincere thanks for all the support we have received throughout the years. I wish you God's choicest blessing and a healthy and happy New Year.

In His service,

*Dori Canfield, President*

*The Adoration Society*





Father Mark's bible study class has been cancelled until further notice.

### Golf League



Our church golf league has been cancelled until further notice.



### Birthdays

- 2nd Jan Nowak  
Jim Sassano  
Ron Thompson
- 5th Gerri Gagliano
- 7th Barney Madden
- 13th Tom DeFoe
- 14th Sandy Harris
- 17th James Kurlapski  
Susan Varela
- 20th Deb Moebs  
Bill Preston
- 21st Mary Jeffery
- 22nd Bernie Schaler
- 24th Cindy Wozniak
- 26th Richard Wdowiak
- 29th Kevin Sarnowski



### Anniversaries

- 25th Terry & Olga Stuck
- 26th 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. If you are not a member and would like to donate to this fund, please use a Love Offering envelope that are in the front of the church and mark it "**Music Scholarship Fund.**" This fund is used for giving scholarships to PNCC members who pursue music education.

### Words for Thought

*The Lord's chief desire is to reveal Himself to you and, in order for Him to do that, He gives you abundant grace. The Lord gives you the experience of enjoying His presence. He touches you, and His touch is so delightful that, more than ever, you are drawn inwardly to him.*

**Madame Jean Guyon**



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