

NEW YORK CITY

*From 59th and 9th
The Pastoral Corner*



“Only if I serve my neighbor can my eyes be opened to what God does for me and how much he loves me.” (Pope Benedict XVI)

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Those of us here at The Church of St. Paul the Apostle know a lot about what it means to serve others. Over the past year, we have worked hard to follow Saint Paul’s example of putting our faith into action, both inside and outside our community--with the same enthusiasm that Paul had for spreading the Gospel.

Yes, the Paulist ministry is as alive and relevant today as it was in 1858 when Paulist founder, Servant of God Father Isaac Hecker began his work to fulfill his dream of a Catholic America. Today, more than 150 years later, we at The Church of St. Paul the Apostle are living up to the mission inspired by Father Hecker.

Your prayerful generosity is essential to our mission and ministries. With the Holy Spirit as our guide, Paulists reach out to people across America and the world, offering a warm welcome to those who have been away from the faith, spreading the Gospel and guiding others into the loving arms of Christ and his church, reinvigorating the faithful, fostering understanding between ourselves and people of other faiths, and ministering to the elderly, young adults and under-served in New York City and surrounding communities.

Today, however, continuing our current ministries and developing new ones is not getting any easier. Times are tough right now and we are all finding it more difficult to make ends meet. So it is with great humility that I ask you to move forward with faith to commit acts of even greater personal charity by giving the most generous offering possible to our ANNUAL PAULIST APPEAL.

Our **2011 ANNUAL APPEAL** is a wonderful opportunity to give a special gift in support of Paulist ministries here and all over North America. Our Paulist Appeal Weekend will take place in two weeks and will be preached by former Associate Pastor, Fr. Ronald Franco, CSP. I ask you to prayerfully consider a generous **ANNUAL APPEAL** offering to support both our local community and the Paulist Fathers in 2011.

Thank you and God bless you as we continue our mission to *Give the Word a Voice*.

Sincerely,

Father Gil

P.S. As we work together to bring Christ’s message of mercy and love to a complex and hurting world let us burn in our hearts these words from Paul’s Letter to the Galatians, “*I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me.*” (Gal. 2:20)

MINISTRY ACTIVITIES



January 16, 2011

Please join us for an "open mic" style evening, featuring the many talented members of Apostolist- including you! We will meet from 6:30 - 8:30 pm in the Parish Center.

January 27, 2011

We continue to tour our beautiful church, discovering its history while walking from one gorgeous chapel to the next. We will meet from 7 - 8:30 pm in the back of the Church.

February 13, 2011

Come serve hot meals and share your afternoon with our guests. We will meet in the auditorium from 11:30 am - 3:30 pm. Please enter through the Parish Center.

For information about these and future events, go to www.apostolist.com



Out @ St Paul (OSP) is the Gay & Lesbian ministry of our parish which seeks to engage our Catholic faith through service to our community, social activities and the exploration of Catholic spirituality.

We host events and activities around three guiding principles:

SPIRITUALITY: Enrich the spiritual and intellectual needs of G&L Catholics.

DIALOGUE: Build a positive community spirit and provide a safe and nurturing environment for G&L parishioners at St. Paul's.

SERVICE: Leverage the talents of G&L parishioners to focus on needs within the G&L community in NYC.

We are currently planning our upcoming season of events. We hope you'll join us at our next reception at the end of January when we'll introduce our upcoming schedule. We will be sending out the reception details and an invitation in the New Year! Please check our website at www.outatstpaul.org for any updates!



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THE FUTURE OF OUR FAITH

The Paulist Fathers have always made educating and preparing men for the priesthood a top priority, and this year we have been blessed because three men have made their First Profession as Paulists.

But you need to be involved too. Many of our seminarians have said that what prompted them to first consider a vocation was someone they knew – a friend, a family member, a fellow parishioner – asking them the question: "Have you ever considered the priesthood?" We encourage you to ask the question of someone you think might make a dedicated and dynamic priest, and if you find that special person, ask him one more thing – ask him to speak with one of our Paulists to learn more. Or, you can direct him to our website, www.paulist.org/vocations, where he can learn about our training program, and read individual stories from Paulists about how they discovered their calling.

Another very important way you can help our future priests is through your financial support. To train one man, for one year, costs over \$50,000. Your financial support is essential in helping us provide the education required to meet the challenges our future Paulist priests will face.



SHARING OUR HERITAGE

If you are a parent raising children in the city and would like to meet other parents in order to share your faith with one another and your children, please join us. Our next meeting will be **Sunday, January 23rd** following the 10 am Mass in **Room 101** of the Parish Center. Babysitting and snacks will be provided for children and coffee and donuts for parents. Please contact Fr. Jack Collins at fatherjack@stpaultheapostle.org for more information or to sign up. All are welcome!



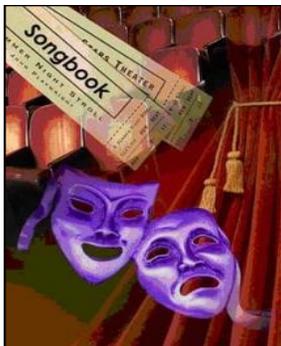
THE NATIONAL CHILDREN'S CHORUS

The National Children's Chorus are currently in residence at the Church of St. Paul the Apostle. The chorus offers an unparalleled level of quality and an unprecedented portfolio of musical experiences for young musicians as they begin their own journeys in the pursuit of artistic excellence and professional success. The program offers an increased focus on education in music theory, history, appreciation, movement, conducting, composition, ear training and the Kodály method.

The chorus is currently auditioning children ages 8-14. Please email nationalchildrenschorus@gmail.com or call (310) 475-2070 to schedule an audition.



January Songbook Concert

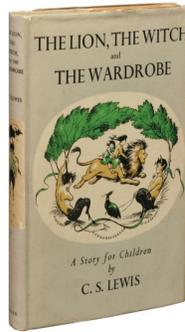


Arts and Artists at St. Paul will continue its *Songbook Concert Series* on **Monday, January 31st at 6PM** at The New York Public Library for the Performing Arts at Lincoln Center. The concert will be held in the Bruno Walter Auditorium - 111 Amsterdam Avenue - just south of 65th Street.

This month's concert will feature the songs of Peter Lerman - winner of the 2010 Jonathan Larson Award from the American Theater Wing. His songs will be performed by some of the brightest performing talents from the worlds of Broadway and cabaret. The *Songbook Concert Series* is produced, directed and hosted by John Znidarsic. Admission is **FREE** and seating is on a first come-first serve basis. We hope to see you there!

Please go to www.artsandartistsatstpaul.org for our artist bios and information about other events.

GREAT CATHOLIC FICTION SERIES



The **Great Catholic Fiction** Book Club will be continuing its series on **January 25th from 7 - 9 pm** in the Parish Center. The featured book will be *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe*, from the *Chronicles of Narnia* series. Please **RSVP** at the Welcome Center Bookstore at welcomecenter@stpaultheapostle.org or (212) 265-3495, ext. 335.

FREE 2011 SAINTS CALENDAR

Thank you to the John J. Barrett & Son funeral home for providing our parishioners with free 2011 Saints Calendars. These bi-lingual calendars are located at the entrance to the church and feature reproductions of beautiful artistic depictions from all over the world of a different saint for every month. The calendars are produced by Catholic Extension which provides millions of dollars to Catholic Missions in the United States every year. Please pick up your free calendar today!

WELCOME CENTER BOOKSTORE

Last Chance for Christmas Bargains!

50% off on all Christmas Nativities, Ornaments, & Frescos

\$10 for any Christmas CDs (regularly \$16-20) Including Susan Boyle & The Priests, and more!

**It's great weather to curl up with a good book
How about one of these?**

Adam's Return

by **Richard Rohr, OFM**

Adam's Return is written to inspire a new generation of men to reassess what it means to be a man and to become leaders in our modern culture

The 2011 Catholic Almanac

An annual, comprehensive guide to the Catholic Church

When You Love a Functional Alcoholic

by **William Kraft**

Where the Hell is God?

by **Fr. Richard Leonard**

Jesus our Brother, The Humanity of the Lord

by **Father Wilfrid Harrington, OP**

The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe

This month's book club selection from the "Chronicles of Narnia" series

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

CENTERING PRAYER

Practice Christian meditation and chant as inspired by the monks and desert fathers - be drawn to a life of increased creativity, vitality and substance, in these times of turmoil and confusion. The next meeting is this **Wednesday, January 19th, 6 - 8:30 pm** at the Parish Center. These meditation sessions are held every Wednesday evening. There is no fee - join us for whole or part session. Please RSVP at meditativeprayer@aol.com.

PRAYER OF HEART & BODY

The new series of Prayer of Heart & Body classes will begin **February 1, 2011**. This class approaches movement prayer from a Christian perspective, following the liturgical seasons, drawing on the rich tradition of Christian chant, scripture, and contemplative meditation. The course moves progressively from week to week, as participants build strength, balance and flexibility. Class meets **6:30 to 8:15 pm** in the Parish Center. The fee is \$15 per class (\$7 for students with ID). Please register with the receptionist at (212) 265-3495. For more information, email the instructor, Amy Russell at amy russell2@hotmail.com or call (212) 496-7934.

THURSDAY EVENING PRAYER GROUP

Please come and join us for prayer on Thursday evenings at **7 pm** in the Parish Center Room 203. We pray for all intentions given to us during the week. If you would like us to pray for you or a loved one, please put your intentions in the "Book of Prayer" located in front of the large crucifix in the north aisle of the church. All are welcome!

AROUND THE DIOCESE

TWENTY-SOMETHINGS AND THE CHURCH- LOST?

Fordham University's Graduate School of Religion and Religious Education will be offering a forum and conference entitled, "Twenty-Somethings and the Church-Lost?" on **Friday, January 28th from 6 - 8 pm** (forum) and **Saturday, January 29th from 9:30 am - 5 pm** (conference). It will take place in the Pope Auditorium at the Lincoln Center Campus.

Twenty-somethings raised as Catholics are swelling the ranks of the religiously unaffiliated, yet many hold traditional beliefs about God and express spiritual yearnings and desire to serve. This forum and conference will examine their fraught and often tenuous relationship with the Catholic Church. Participants will explore the data, issues and dilemmas as experienced in the cultural, economic, and religious contexts of twenty-somethings -- from sexuality to spirituality. Please RSVP at (718) 817-4457 or lost@fordham.edu

RELIGIOUS MUSIC CONCERT

Nationally recognized cantor Joe Simmons and acclaimed liturgical composer Laurence Rosania will present a Concert of Religious and Sacred Music on **Saturday, January 29th at 7:30 pm** at the Church of St. Francis Xavier, 46 W. 16th St. in Manhattan. The concert will include contemporary and traditional songs, as well as new compositions.

Admission to the concert is by freewill offering with a suggested donation of \$20. More information is available by calling (212) 627-2100.

EDUCATION FOR PARENTING

Gain new information, skills and meet a supportive, understanding group of other parents who are striving to raise faith-filled children in today's world. Discover our **Leadership Training** program at St. Joseph's Seminary in Yonkers, NY. The program will be offered **Saturdays in 2011: 1/22, 2/5, and 2/12**.

Please call Eileen Murphy, the Family Life/Respect Life Office Coordinator for Parenting Education, at (212) 371-1011, ext. 3191 for a brochure or for additional information.

HOPE 2011 NYC STREET SURVEY

On **Monday, January 31st**, the NYC Department of Homeless Services will conduct the Homeless Outreach Population Estimate (HOPE). They will need thousands of volunteers to canvas parks, subways, and other public spaces to count the number of people living unsheltered in the city. One night can help collect vital information that is used by outreach teams to help homeless people leave the streets for a better life. HOPE needs more than 3,000 volunteers who are age 18 or older to help. They will provide training and an online orientation upon registering.

Please contact HOPE@dhs.nyc.gov or call 311 to request volunteer recruitment materials.

PREGNANCY & ADOPTION SERVICES

If you know anyone who is experiencing concerns associated with unintended pregnancy, and would like information regarding and adoption plan, please contact Catholic Guardian Society and Home Bureau's (CGSHB) Masternity Services Department. We are able to provide non-judgemental, non-directive counseling and clients will receive information on all their parenting options, including adoption. Maternity services social workers are available to schedule visits with the client at a convenient location, either an office setting, the client's home or at a site requested by the client. For information, please call (212) 371-1011, ext. 2153 or toll free at 1-800-592-4357. Bilingual services are also available at (212) 371-1000, ext. 2238.

DIRECTIVA PASTORAL

Padre Gilbert S. Martinez, CSP, Parroco

Diacono Waldemar Sandoval
Gina Delgado: Coro Hispano



Misa Hispana: Domingo 12:30 pm
Cura Ultraya Cursillista: Domingo 1:30 pm

Confesiones: Llame por cita
Telefono: (212) 265-3495

Queridos Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo,

Aqui en la Iglesia de San Pablo Apostol, nosotros sabemos bien lo que es servirle a otros. En el ano pasado hemos luchado para seguir el ejemplo de San Pablo, viviendo la fe tanto en la comunidad como afuera, con el mismo entusiasmo que tenia Pablo por el evangelio.

Si, el ministerio de los Paulistas es tan vivo y importante hoy como en 1858 cuando nuestro fundador, Siervo de Dios Isaac Hecker comenzo a realizar su sueno de una America Catolica. Hoy, despues de mas de 150 anos, nosotros en la Iglesia de San Pablo Apostol todavia seguimos la mision inspirada por el Padre Hecker.

Pero no se puede hacer sin su generosidad. Con la ayuda del Espiritu Santo los Paulistas han crusade las Americas y el mundo entero, ofreciendole un caloroso bienvenido a todos que se han alejado de la fe, proclamando el evangelio y llevando otros a los brazos de nuestro Senor Jesucristo y a su iglesia, animando a los feligreses y mejorando el entendimiento entre las personas de diferentes religions, ministrandole a los mayores, los jovenes, y a todos que se encuentran marginalizados en Nueva York.

Ultimamente se nos esta haciendo muy dificil continuar estos ministerios y desarroyar otros nuevos. Las cosas estan duras y todos nos encontramos con menos recursos. Pues es con una gran humildad que yo les pido que se muevan hacia adelante con fe para cometer actos de caridad personal aun mas grande, dando la oferta mas generosa que puedan a nuestra Campana Anual Paulista.

Nuestra **Campana Anual Paulista del 2011** es una oportunidad maravillosa para dar una regalo especial a los ministerios de los Paulistas aqui y en todo NorteAmerica. Nuestra Campana se lleva a cabo en dos semanas con el Padre Ron Franco que nos va predicar ese fin de semana. Les pido que consideren en oracion una oferta generosa a nuestra **Campana Anual** para suportar nuestra comunidad aqui y a los Paulistas en 2011.

Gracia y que Dios los bendiga en esta esfuerza para continuar nuestra mision, Dandole Voz a la Palabra.

Sinceramente,

Padre Gil

P.S. A medida que trabajamos juntos para traer el mensaje de la misericordia de Cristo a un mundo herido y complicado, vamos a grabar en nuestro corazon estas palabras de la carta de Pablo a los Galatas: *“Vivo en la fe del Hijo de Dios que me amo y se entrego a si mismo por mi.”* (Galatas 2:20)

EL CIRCULO ORACIÓN

Se reune todos los Jueves a las 7:00 pm. Todos están invitados!

LA VIRGEN DE ALTAGRACIA

Celebremos La Virgen de Altagracia el **Sábado, 30 de Enero 2011** en la misa dominical de **12:30 p.m.** y con Una Fiesta inmediatamente después de la Misa. La Virgen de la Altagracia es la *Protectora del Pueblo Dominicano* con la Patrona del país; la Virgen de las Mercedes. ¡Todos Están Invitados!

Lecturas para la semana del 16 de enero de 2011

- Domingo: Is 49, 3. 5-6/1 Cor 1, 1-3/Jn 1, 29-34
- Lunes: Heb 5, 1-10/Mc 2, 18-22
- Martes: Heb 6, 10-20/Mc 2, 23-28
- Miércoles: Heb 7, 1-3. 15-17/Mc 3, 1-6
- Jueves: Heb 7, 23---8, 6/Mc 3, 7-12
- Viernes: Heb 8, 6-13/Mc 3, 13-19
- Sábado: Heb 9, 2-3. 6-7. 11-14/Mc 3, 20-21
- Domingo siguiente: Is 8, 23---9, 3/1 Cor 1, 10-13. 17/Mt 4, 12-23 o 4, 12-17



Saturday, January 15

8:30 ☩ Harry Macon Jr.
5:15 Sainthood Cause of Henriette Delille, SSF

Sunday, January 16

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 ☩ Philip & Rose Dondiego
10:00 ☩ Barbara S. Janos
12:30 ☩ Rene Alexis Montero
5:15 For the People

Monday, January 17

Anthony, abbot
10:00 ☩ Rosalia Diez de Urdanivia

Tuesday, January 18

7:30 ☩ Joseph Mancari
12:10 ☩ Barbara S. Janos

Wednesday, January 19

7:30 ☩ Rebecca & Raymond Benoit
12:10 ☩ Albert Echevarria

Thursday, January 20

Fabian, pope & martyr
7:30 Petra Martinez
12:10 ☩ Giuseppe Di Acipio

Friday, January 21

Agnes, virgin & martyr
7:30 ☩ Mary Stratman
12:10 Flavio Cruz Lazaro

Saturday, January 22

Vincent, deacon & martyr
8:30 ☩ Barbara S. Janos
5:15 ☩ John Gallagher

Let us Pray for Our Sick

Michele Blanco, Jack Cacomanolis, Jose & Clemencia Garcia, Teresa Guevara, Isabel Iondoño, Lina Melendez, Liza Ann Montero, Melba Ortiz, Juan C. & Ruth Ospina, Kathleen Ryan, Esther & Lucy Salgado, Rafael Salinas, Antonio Silva, Natan Sheyer, Leslie Smith, Abe Steingart, Ann Nolan, Mary Kovack, Francisco Gerdy, Carrie Bullock, Marie Starr, Tracy Manning, Jenny Young, Raymond Lopez, Peter O'Rourke, Joan Gonzalez, Marie Rose Marguerite Moze, Jasmin Mania, Luis Guzman, Jose Lorenzo Aegura, Enriquillo Menoz, Ramuntco Iban Bosoh, Serangely, Ana Torres, Angeline Roselli, Vickie Ward, Ray Lopez, Luisa Jaquez, Nicole Giral, Tom Matovic, Myriam Garcia, Sally Ann, Maria Luisa Alfaro, Veronica Mendoza, & Giuseppe DiScipio.

Please remember in prayer the following Paulist fathers, the anniversary (day/year) of whose death is this week (*denotes served at St. Paul's): Stephen B. Latchford* (1/16/1970), Thomas W. Jones (1/16/2007), David W. Kennedy (1/18/34), & Martin B. Lombardi (1/22/1963).

**A Word from Servant of God, Father Isaac Hecker, CSP
Founder of the Paulists and First Pastor of our Parish
(1819-1888)**

You will remember, and, I hope, before this reaches you, have answered my proposition in my last note, whether you would be willing to form an independent band of missionaries, to be devoted to the great wants of the country? I have considered and reconsidered, and prayed and prayed, and in spite of my fears, this seems to be the direction [to] which Divine Providence calls us. (From a letter to the American Fathers, Rome, September 1857)

PARISH SUPPORT

Stewardship Information

Thank you for your generosity!

<u>Receipts:</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2010</u>
Sunday, January 2nd	\$10,044	\$12,345
Sunday, January 9th	\$7,989	\$11,600
Catholic University & Communications	\$2,151	\$2,840

Readings for the Week of January 16, 2011

Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34
Monday: Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22
Tuesday: Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23-28
Wednesday: Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Mk 3:1-6
Thursday: Heb 7:25---8:6/Mk 3:7-12
Friday: Heb 8:6-13/Mk 3:13-19
Saturday: Heb 9:2-3, 11-14/Mk 3:20-21
Next Sunday: Is 8:23---9:3/1 Cor 1:10-13, 17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Become a Registered Parishioner

If you worship with us regularly and would like to be registered as a parishioner, please fill out the form below and return to our church offices or place in one of the collection baskets or boxes.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE NUMBER(S):(home) _____

(cell) _____ (work) _____

EMAIL: _____