Mass Intentions ~ July 1-7, 2019

*Monday @ 10:30 am —Funeral Mass for Anita Bittner

Tuesday @ 7:30 am - People of the Parish

Wednesday @ 6:00 pm — Barry Carpenter (RIP)

**Thursday @ 9:00 am - Fr. Patrick Noonan (RIP)

****Friday* @ 10:00 am — *Healing Mass*

Saturday @ 5:30 pm — Edward Prybylski Sr. (RIP)

Sunday @ 8:00 am - People of the Parish

Sunday @ 10:30 am — Dianne Brechtel (RIP)

New Prayer Requests
Special Intentions:
Eileen Lawson

Repose of the Soul:

grandfather of Jennifer Duffy Evarette Zachary, mother of Carmen Mitchell Gerri Gardner, mother of Stephen Gardner

Altar Flowers this week are in honor of the People of the Parish Blessed Mother Flowers this week are donated by: the Pipitone Family, in Memory of Lois Pipitone.

Sacrament of Reconciliation — Saturday @ 4:30-5:00 pm (or by appointment — call the Church office) **Adoration this week:** Monday — Friday, 8 am - 12noon

~ upcoming events ~ save the dates ~

- * Funeral Mass for Anita Bittner, Monday July 1st @ 10:30 am (No 7:30 am Mass this day.)
- ** Fourth of July Daily Mass, Thursday July 4th @ 9:00 am
- *** Healing Mass, Friday July 5th @ 10:00 am (No Brunch in July & August)

The Knights of Columbus Smoked Boston Butts — Pick yours up in the back parking lot after Sunday Morning Mass. BBQ sandwiches will also be sold to benefit a family who incurred high medical bills this year. Stop by after Mass!

Baptism Preparation Class — June 30th @ **9:15 am** in Room 110 of the Family Life Center. This is required for all parents wishing to have a child baptized. Godparents are welcome to attend, also. Our next class will be in September.

Life in the Spirit Seminar and Healing Prayer — August 17th at St. Jude Catholic Church in Pearl. No charge for the event; a love offering will be taken up. Lunch will be provided; \$10 suggested donation. Presented by the Marian Servants of Jesus, the Lamb of God. Register by August 10th. Contact by phone 601-906-1338 or 601-278-0423. Email tepreuss@yahoo.com or mmiroberts@gmail.com

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Offertory Collection for June 22/23:

General Fund = \$18,003.14 Second Collection = \$105 Capital Campaign = \$1,726,500 of \$3,000,000 goal

*Note: We will have a Second Collection this weekend for Peter's Pence which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. You can learn more at usccb.org

Office phone: 601-992-9547 Summer Hours: Tues - Thurs, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm; Fri, 8:00 am- noon www.saintpaulcatholicchurch.com



Our mission is to invite everyone into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ.

June 30, 2019 ~ Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MEET JIM SUBER!

You very likely recognize Jim Suber as a guitarist & vocalist in our Praise & Worship Music Team. Join us in welcoming Jim to the Staff at St. Paul! Jim will be serving as our St. Paul Team Leader, filling the position previously referred to as Parish Administrator and held by Dcn John McGregor.

Jim accepted the position of Team Leader to further facilitate our Parish Family moving from Maintenance to Mission by working as part of the team around Fr. Hurley. Jim is here to support and mobilize the work God wants to do in us, and through us, to bless others.

In this new position, Jim expects to receive "the type of spiritual growth that God offers the willing." Jim describes his dream for St. Paul Church as, "The Spirit of God in me cries out for St. Paul to be a mission to all. A mission that provides access to the freedom and joy that comes with an intimate and personal relationship with our Savior Jesus Christ.



Jim is a Musician, Marine, National Guardsman, Soldier, Police officer, computer programmer, bar tender (both sides) and recently retired as the First Vice-President, Director of Information Technology Operations at Trustmark Bank. He also spent a lot of years playing music and singing for a living. (He says that was his favorite time.)

Jim's Spiritual Journey is just as diverse and interesting as his professional experience. "After studying under a diverse group of biblical teachers across several traditions, I felt the Holy Spirit calling me to the Catholic faith about 6 years ago." Jim said. "My wife and I went through RCIA and were confirmed here at St. Paul in 2015. It's been a joyful experience."

Jim is married to Andy. They have a son Drew, daughter Katie, 3 grandchildren, Kaitlyn (9) Frankie (4) and Malcolm (2).

Jim and Andy have been involved in the music ministries of several traditions. "I have been involved in Evangelism at various times since high school, beginning with the non-denominational Youth For Christ International ministry." Jim added.

While studying music at USM, Jim was asked to participate in summer stock in New York City during the summer of 1974. Jim enjoys music of all kinds, from opera to bluegrass. He enjoys playing guitars, making guitars, making amplifiers, and recording music. Andy is a mom, artist, electric bass player, and former United States Woman's 600 Rifle Accuracy record holder (5 years running).

Next time you see Jim & Andy, welcome them and introduce yourself!



To those of you who have made a commitment to our Capital Campaign

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!

We are very pleased with the initial response from Pledge Weekend.

Here are the numbers:

- Pledges to Date —— \$1,726,500
- Number of Pledges ———— 212
- Percentage of regular contributors who have pledged ———— 35%
- Highest Pledge ——— \$125,000
- Lowest Pledge ———-\$200
- Pledges over \$20,000 ——— 20

Dear St. Paul Parishioners,

Our Capital Campaign is off to a GREAT start. Pledges reached thus far put us well on our way to our parish goal of \$3,000,000.

We knew that starting this Campaign at the beginning of summer would add a layer of difficulty, as many of us travel during this time of year. Pledges are continuing to come in daily, and we will continue to tally those numbers until the 4th of July.

If you plan to drop a Capital Campaign Contribution in the Collection Basket at Mass, please be certain it is clearly marked for the Capital Campaign. Otherwise, that money will go into the general fund. You may denote "Capital Campaign" in the memo on a check, or place your donation in a separate envelope marked the same.

After the July 4th holiday, we will begin the second phase of the Pledge Appeal which will include another mail-out and personal phone calls from the Campaign Committee.

We ask every person to please pray about your ability to support this important endeavor. You can give a one-time donation, or make a commitment for any interval of time you choose, up to five years. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at 601-720-3595. I will be glad to discuss the plans and help you any way I can.

Best Regards, Thomas Harris Capital Campaign Committee Chairman

A NOTE FROM FR. GERRY

Greetings! Many thanks to all who have prayed and continue to pray for our Parish family and the plans to renovate our church. To date, we have received pledges from about 212 parishioners, and that gets us nicely along. But that is only a 35% response from our general supporters. I am hopeful that we will reach our goal of \$3 million. Every person is capable of responding in some way —— each person can give through prayer, even if you cannot give financially.

God is inviting us to rebuild His Church — just like he called St. Francis and our Holy Father Francis. The message from the Lord was, "Francis, rebuild my church." We also answer this call from the Lord — to rebuild (repair & renovate) and build up (evangelize). Some had proposed a whole new building. However, \$1-1.5 million would still be required to repair and repurpose the current building. Five years ago, we paused the building plans in order to renew our people. We have done a lot of work, and now it is time to renew our buildings.

This is the Lord's work. Our prayer is He will bless in reaching our goal. We have already received the first blessings, and we trust we will receive the rest. His invitation is for us to be alive and growing as community. When we think as He thinks, and accept His invitation, it becomes not only about us and what we need, but especially what is good and beneficial for our future. The Lord always guides us in giving and responding to Him. Fear not! Our God cannot be outdone in generosity!

Please continue to pray for His guidance in responding to this portion of our journey as we grow our mission of building the Kingdom. The Lord will lead you in giving. His generosity cannot be outdone!

Staff Contact Information

The Church office now has a new email system. We will no longer be using the email addresses ending with @saintpaulcatholicchurch.com
The updated email information for all Staff members is as follows:

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