



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

MAY 5, 2019 ~ THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Meet the St. Paul Senior Leadership Team!

Today, we hear from Sarah O'Donnell...

My journey with Father James Mallon and Divine Renovation actually started after I read *Rebuilt* by Father Michael White over five years ago. At that time, Father Hurley had gotten a copy of *Rebuilt* for each of the staff members to read. The concept of bringing our parish from a maintenance mode into mission was something that interested me a great deal. At that time, my family had been members of St. Paul for almost 15 years. With the arrival of Father Hurley, I witnessed a lot of growth; however, I felt there was still so much we could do. This potential excited me and reading *Rebuilt* just scratched the surface of what I knew needed to be done. This led me to the discovery of *Divine Renovation*...

Divine Renovation just spoke to me...and I devoured it! I could see St. Paul in the pages, and I wanted our parish to experience the same transformation that St. Benedict Parish had achieved. At the same time, we were exploring the possibility of bringing Christ Life to our parish. All of the pieces just seemed to begin to fit together as we listened to the promptings of the Holy Spirit.

Today, we are part of the Divine Renovation Network and we are working toward our goal of becoming a parish on a mission – bringing everyone we encounter into a relationship with Christ. As part of The Network, Father Gerry was tasked with gathering together a group of people that would complement his gifts. This group, known as his Senior Leadership Team, would then help him navigate through the deep waters toward this goal.

It has been my privilege to be a part of this team since its inception. It is a huge commitment, time consuming, and a lot of times very challenging, but I think the potential fruit we will bear (and have already seen) is well worth it.

Many weeks ago, Father Gerry encouraged you to contact the church office if you would like to be placed on a list to order a copy of *Divine Renovation*. We still encourage you to do that so that each of you can gain a deeper understanding of where we are wanting to go as a parish. I also ask that each of you continue to pray for the movement of the Holy Spirit in our parish, for Father Gerry, and for our Senior Leadership Team.

~Sarah O'Donnell

A note from St. Paul's Capital Campaign Committee:

Thank you for allowing us the time, and your attention to speak about the St. Paul's maintenance and renovation campaign. I hope our personal comments, and the visuals of the upcoming renovations, create a sense of personal ownership of our home- St. Paul's Catholic Church - for all parishioners. We truly believe the plan that is now in place is the best possible combination of being good stewards of our existing assets and creating additions that will best serve the needs of our existing parish family, and those of generations to come.

To make this project successful, we need both your prayers and your personal financial support. Please join us in prayer for guidance in what we can commit to this campaign.

In the very near future, you will receive a package containing more information about the campaign and an opportunity to make your personal financial commitment. In the meantime, you can send any questions or comments to: ourhome@saintpaulcatholicchurch.com or if you prefer to speak to someone personally, you can contact Thomas Harris at 601-720-3595.

Thank you again and please remember....This is Our Home.

Chris Cox

Cory Head

Joe Donovan

Kelly McBride

Thomas Harris

Rita Wray

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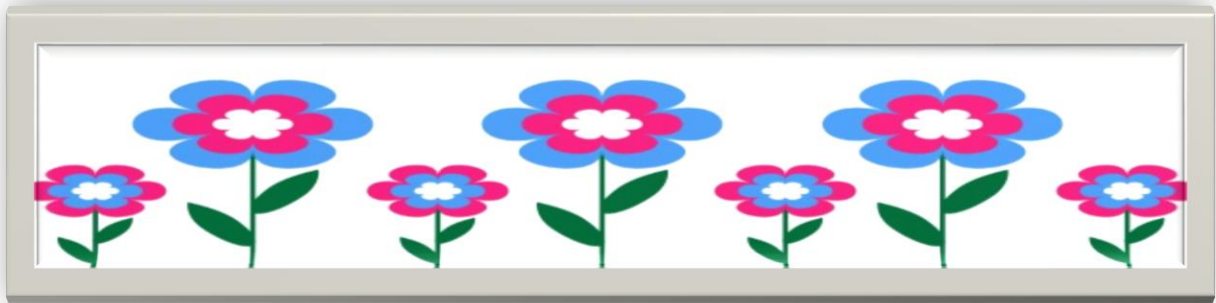




St. Paul Backpack Ministry is looking for volunteers to fill the calendar for the 2019-2020 school year! This is a great service opportunity for families or small groups. For information on volunteering please email:

backpackstpaul2018@gmail.com

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Mother's Day Breakfast next Sunday, May 12th, after both Masses. All mothers are welcome to enjoy breakfast next week in the Family Life Center!



THANK YOU to Al and Debbie Goodman for their hard work on our Marian Gardens. The Goodmans faithfully work to keep both the front garden and the one behind the church looking beautiful for our parish to enjoy!

Thank you!!!!

Mass Intentions ~ May 6 – May 12

Monday @ 7:30am – Merlin Crawford (RIP)

Tuesday @ 7:30am – Fr. Daniel Babis (RIP)

Wednesday @ 6:00pm – Dianne Brechtel (RIP)

Thursday @ 7:30am – Armed Forces (Sp Int)

Friday @ 7:30am – David Ballering (RIP)

Saturday @ 5:30pm – Tommy Autrey (RIP)

Sunday @ 8:00am – Mary Lalande Harkins (Sp Int)

Sunday @ 10:30am – Mothers of Parish (Sp Int)

New Prayer Requests

Kevin Smith

Cathy Mansell

*full prayer list available on
our church website and
prayer board*

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, @4:30-5:00pm
Adoration this week: Monday-Thursday, 8am-12noon; Friday, 8am-10am

NOTES ~ DATES ~ EVENTS

- If you have not turned in your rice bowl, please have it turned in by next Sunday.
- This weekend is the final Sunday morning CGS & Children's Religious Ed for the school year! Adult Religious Ed will continue to meet through the summer.
- Confirmation is May 8th @6:00 Mass – all are welcome to join us for this special celebration with Bishop Kopacz.
- Knights of Columbus are hosting a Mother's Day breakfast after both Masses NEXT Sunday, May 12.
- Senior Recognition Mass Sunday May 19th at 10:30 – join us in congratulating and celebrating our graduating Class of '19 Seniors!

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Hours: Tuesday – Friday, 8:00am – 4:00pm

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