# St. Paul the Apostle and Immaculate Conception Churches



Graced by the constant, loving presence of God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - in our lives, energized by the intercession of Mary and the great Communion of Saints, and grounded in the Sacred Scripture, Tradition, Catholic Teaching, Sacrament and Prayer, we, parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle Parish, reach out to embrace all of God's children, encouraging them to receive the gift of eternal salvation, accept Jesus Christ as their Lord, and follow in his footsteps. We declare our solidarity with the poor of the world, and pledge to help them by sharing our love and bounty.

## **Sunday Liturgies**

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle Sunday: 9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception 10:30 a.m. at St. Paul the Apostle Marian Cenacle: Tuesday - 5:30 p.m.

Life in the Spirit Prayer Group: 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. 1st Thursday of each month

## YOUTH MINISTRY:

Edge Night (Gr. 6-8) every 2nd Friday 7-9 p.m. Life Teen (Gr. 9-12) every 2nd Saturday 6-9 p.m.

## **Reconciliation(Confessions):**

Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. or by appointment Tuesday 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

### Marriage:

Couples planning to be married must contact the parish priest one year in advance. No wedding date is to be set before consulting the parish priest. At least one of the parties should be a registered parishioner and both parties must attend a mandatory Marriage Preparation Course.

#### Weekday Liturgies

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle Wednesday & Thursday: 8:00 a.m. at St. Paul the Apostle Friday: 12:10 noon at Immaculate Conception Saturday: 9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the noon Mass at Immaculate Conception Church on the First Friday of each month until 9:00 a.m. Mass Saturday morning. Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour before 7:00 p.m. Mass

### Baptism:

Parents/Guardians are to be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation. (Registration Package on table in foyer of church)

Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion: If anybody is sick (at the Hospital, Home, Nursing Home, etc.) & needs to be anointed or would like to receive Holy Communion or Confession, please call office.

## Schools:

Holy Family Elementary School	705-435-3989
St. Paul's Elementary School	705-435-7211
St. Thomas Aquinas High School	905-936-4743

### Pastoral Ministries:

Life Teen and The Edge Youth Ministry for students in grade six through to high school; Altar Servers; Lectors; Ushers; Eucharistic Ministers; Music Ministry; Pastoral Care Ministers to the sick and shut-ins; Children's Liturgy; Pastoral Council; R.C.I.A.; and Sacramental Preparation

<u>Organizations:</u> The Catholic Women's League of Canada; Knights of Columbus; Columbian Squires (boys 10 - 18 yrs) St. Vincent de Paul Society

### Stewardship:

Welcome to new parishioners! To be a member of our parish is to have a sense of belonging to a Community of Faith. Registration forms and envelopes are available in the foyer of the church.

## NOTE: PICTURES & VIDEOS ARE NOT PERMITTED DURING OUR LITURGIES.

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4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 28 January 2018

They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching – with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once Jesus' fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee. *Mark 1:27-28* 

First Reading + Deuteronomy 18:15-20 Second Reading + 1 Corinthians 7:32-35 Gospel + Mark 1:21-28

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 29 NO MASS SCHEDULED **Tuesday, January 30** 5:30pm+Marian Cenacle 6:00pm+HOLY HOUR 6:15pm - 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS 7:00pm+Maria SZYMANEK, RIP – Family Wednesday, January 31 8:00am+George ROBINSON, RIP – J/S Duggan **Thursday, February 1** 8:00am+Clare MURRAY, RIP – Pooke Family 10:30am+Mass at the Kingsmere Community Friday, February 2 – Presentation of the Lord 12:10pm+Mary WALSH, RIP – T Walsh Saturday, February 3 (Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception) 9:00am+Joan DELANEY, RIP – S Grace 5:00pm+Maria CANALE PAROLA, RIP – T/P Lynch Sunday, February 4 9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 10:30am+Wilhelmina URACZ, RIP – Family

## Saint of the Week:

Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, a heart to seek you, wisdom to find you, conduct pleasing to you, faithful perseverance in waiting for you, and a hope of finally embracing you. Amen. - *Thomas Aquinas (1226-1274), Patron of Universities, Feast Day January 28* 

## Last Week's Collection:

Sunday Offering \$ 3782.35 Thank you for your ongoing support!

## From the desk of Fr. Glass

Building a culture of life and love.

We are indeed living in dark times, yet there is reason for hope. The recent March for Life in Washington D.C. is a clear sign that there is still a light shining in the darkness. Many people do not approve of Donald Trump and they were not happy that he was welcomed to address the March. I am not one of them. The fact that the *President of the United States* supported the March via a live video feed from the White House is "huge." That the Vice-President of the U.S. and the Speaker of the House of Representatives also supported the event is also a big deal. If a Canadian Prime Minister — whatever his political stripe — publicly supported our Ottawa March for Life that also would be "huge," but we may need to wait a few more years for that to happen.

Not everyone who upholds the dignity and value of every human life is motivated by religious faith — there are indeed "atheists for life." The main impetus, however, has come from faithful Catholics with the growing support of Evangelical Protestants. There should never be any doubt that as disciples of Christ we are called to proclaim the "Gospel of Life." Pope John Paul II issued an encyclical with that title twenty-three years ago:

The Gospel of Life is at the heart of Jesus' message. Lovingly received day by day by the Church, it is to be preached with dauntless fidelity as 'good news' to the people of every age and culture.

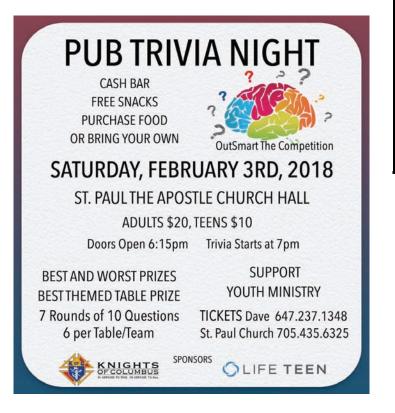
The Church knows that this Gospel of life, which she has received from her Lord, has a profound and persuasive echo in the heart of every person — believer and nonbeliever alike — because it marvelously fulfils all the heart's expectations while infinitely surpassing them. Even in the midst of difficulties and uncertainties, every person sincerely open to truth and goodness can, by the light of reason and the hidden action of grace, come to recognize in the natural law written in the heart the sacred value of human life from its very beginning until its end, and can affirm the right of every human being to have this primary good respected to the highest degree. Upon the recognition of this right, every human community and the political community itself are founded.

Pope John Paul recognized the challenges that we face today but insisted that we never lose hope:

In a special way, believers in Christ must defend and promote this right, aware as they are of the wonderful truth recalled by the Second Vatican Council: "By his incarnation the Son of God has united himself in some fashion with every human being." This saving event reveals to humanity not only the boundless love of God who "so loved the world that he gave his only Son," but also the incomparable value of every human person.

## LAST WEEK TO PURCHASE Your TICKETS!

Come and enjoy a fun evening of TRIVIA and PRIZES. We are looking for at least 2 adults to supervise 2 rooms for children under 13 years of age so that their parents can enjoy a night of trivia. If you are able to help out, please contact our Youth Minister, Dave McKendrick. Please refer to posters for details Tickets are on sale after all weekend masses. Reserve a spot or a table for your team today. Thanks for all you do to support our youth.



SPECIAL MASS Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 12:00 noon Mass at Immaculate Conception

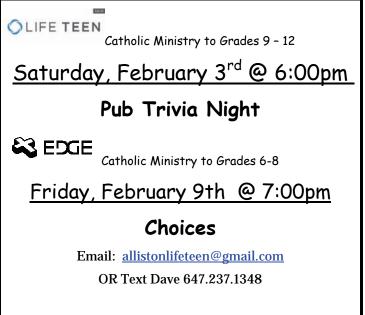
The Presentation of the Lord And the Blessing of Candles

## 2018 ORDINANDI SPIRITUAL BOUQUET and DINNER

The Catholic Women's League invites you to participate in our Annual Spiritual Bouquet collection of Masses, Eucharists, Prayers, Adorations, Rosaries, Stations of the Cross, etc., for the intentions of the Ordinandi of 2018 (soon-to-be-ordained priests).

This Spiritual Bouquet of Prayers will be presented at the annual Ordinandi Dinner on Wednesday, March 7, 2018. Our collective support is most appreciated.

Also, the deadline to purchase tickets for the Ordinandi dinner is January 28<sup>th</sup>. Cost is \$75. To order your ticket, contact Carla Beckett.



## **2018 Lift Jesus Higher Rally**

Be inspired, encouraged and healed at the largest single day Catholic event in Canada, the 26th annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally! The theme of this year's rally is "Fire on the Earth" (*Luke 12:49*) Inspired talks by Ralph Martin, Sr. Ann Shields and keynote guest speaker Patti Mansfield. The adult high mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins. There will be a separate youth event (13-18 years) with great music, dynamic talks and inspirational skits. The youth mass (with Sunday readings) will be celebrated by Bishop Scott McCaig. For Tickets: CALL/TEXT DAVE 647.237.1348 Allistonlifeteen@gmail.com



For more info or tickets: www.lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca ⊠info@lift-jesus-higher-rally.ca | ∿ 416.251.4255 or 905.270.2510

