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:

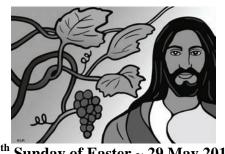
Welcome to new parishioners! To be a member of our parish is to have a sense of belonging to a Community of Faith. Registration forms and envelopes are available in the foyer of the church.

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

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Pastoral Team: Pastor: Fr. Alan Glass father.glass@gmail.com Deacon: Desmond Carroll Youth Minister: Dave McKendrick, EXT. 24 or email Dave: allistonlifeteen@gmail.com Text Dave @ 647-237-1347



5th Sunday of Easter ~ 29 May 2018

"Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in them bears much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. John 15:4-5

> First Reading + Acts 9:26-31 Second Reading + 1 John 3:18-24 Gospel + John 15:1-8

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 30 NO MASS SCHEDULED Tuesday, May 1 5:30pm+Marian Cenacle 6:00pm+HOLY HOUR 6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS 7:00pm+George NARAY, RIP - M Whelton Wednesday, May 2 Murray NICHOLSON, RIP - S Hayes Thursday, May 3 8:00am+Evelyn DYLL, RIP – D/E Bertrand 10:30am+Mass at the Kingsmere Community Friday, May 4 12:10pm+Rev. Michael McDONNELL, RIP – M/S Tighe Followed by Adoration until Saturday morning Mass Saturday, May 5 (Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception) 9:00am+Helen THIBERT, RIP – P/C Morrison 5:00pm+Joe/Ted HEYDON, RIP - M Heydon Sunday, May 6 9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 10:30am+Bina HAMILL, RIP – J/M Neilson

Saint of the Week:

Let us work... while we are on earth because this is all God asks of us. There is no better prayer that we could offer Him than our dedication to work.

- Blessed Marie Leonie Paradis (1840-1912), Feast Day May 3

Last Week's Collection:

General Offering	\$ 5,092.27
ShareLife	\$16,795.80

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Many vocations, but one Spirit.

There are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone.... And God has appointed in the Church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. - 1 Corinthians 12: 4-6, 28.

The various gifts of the Spirit, which are described by St. Paul, can be seen in the many different religious orders in the Church. Some religious orders are devoted to a life of prayer, some are dedicated to preaching or teaching, others care for the sick, others have a special calling to help the poor. Each order takes on a particular mission or "apostolate." Although no two orders are the same, each in its own way carries out the two great commandments to love God and to love our neighbor.

Each religious order has a unique "spirituality" that corresponds to its apostolate. St. Benedict is the great founder of monasticism in Europe; the Benedictine spirituality is centered on life in common and the chanting of the Divine Office. St. Francis of Assisi embraced poverty and the life of a vagabond preacher; Franciscan spirituality is centered on detachment from material goods and proclaiming the Gospel. The Jesuits, like St. Francis Xavier and St. Jean Brebeuf, were fired with missionary zeal. The Carmelites, like St. Teresa of Avila, seek God in the silence of contemplative prayer. Christian spirituality encompasses all of these apostolates: each of these is a life of prayer and service, but expressed in different ways, with different emphases — there are many activities, but one Spirit.

One of the questions we were asked to consider in the Seminary is "What is the spirituality of the parish priest?" At the heart of every Christian vocation is prayer, so clearly the priest before all else must be a man of prayer. He is named "pastor" which means "shepherd," so he must look after the flock entrusted to him, feeding them with sound doctrine and giving them the support of the Sacraments. His life, his spirituality, will be centered on the parish. This is something that I need to reflect on in my own ministry. Like St. Paul I can only say, "Not that I have already obtained this, or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own."

But what about those called to the vocation of marriage and family? Are they exempt from living the fullness of the Christian life? No. There are no second-class citizens in the city of God. Everyone without exception is called to a life of holiness. Every vocation is a religious vocation. The vocation of marriage and family is just as much a religious vocation as the vocation of a Benedictine monk or a Carmelite nun, but of course the manner of living out that vocation must be very different — but it is the same Spirit.



Fr. Glass 10th Anniversary of Ordination

Please join us next Sunday, May 6^{th} after the 10:30am mass and help us celebrate Fr. Glass 10^{th} year of ordination. There will be cake and refreshments. We hope you drop by and give him your best wishes.

St. Paul's Cemetery & Immaculate Conception Cemetery Clean-up >>>MAY 14, 2018<<<<

If too much rain during the week or day of the Rain-Date will be May 21 at 9:00 a.m.



Bring rakes & gloves Refreshments provided Qualifies for community hours

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Saturday, May 5, 2018 9:30 - 8:30 P.M. For all Grade 7 students currently enrolled in the parish confirmation program. For information call or text youth minister Dave at 647.237.1348

SATURDAY, MAY 26, 2018 GARAGE SALE

Hold on to those treasures. Please have them in Good, Clean, Working Order.

NO CLOTHES ~ **NO LARGE FURNITURE**

We ask you to Please <u>do not</u> drop off these two items outside the door as the ladies are unable to move or dispose of them without incurring costs. Thank you.

SL ShareLife

Living the Gospel by helping newcomers to Canada

Angie moved to Canada to marry a man she met online. He was not who he seemed; she endured emotional and physical abuse. While he was at work, she started attending language classes at Catholic Cross-cultural Services. Staff at CCS connected her with a settlement worker in the women's program. Angie received the support she needed to exit her violent relationship and live independently, free from abuse. Angie is one of over 3,000 clients helped annually by CCS programs funded by ShareLife.

Parish Goal: \$50,000-Bal To-date: \$34,329.75

Thank you for your generosity! The next ShareLife Sunday is May 27



Catholic Education Week – May 6-11, 2018 "Renewing the Promise"

This is a week specially set aside across the province to celebrate our Catholic schools and why the critical connection of home, school and parish is such an important and integral part of Catholic education.

The challenges to the existence of publicly funded Catholic education remains today. We must not be complacent. To help sustain and nurture our Catholic schools, we invite you do consider tangible ways to get involved.

- 1.) **Share your gifts and talents** with our publicly funded Catholic schools as a volunteer, there are many varied opportunities to get involved.
- 2.) Even if you do not have children in the system, we ask you to **ensure that your property taxes indicate you are a separate school support**.

You can check to see that you are listed as a separate school supporter on your municipal tax assessment roll by visiting <u>www.voterloopup.ca</u> Not only can you check for accuracy but you can correct your record online. (Did you know that when you buy or sell your home it automatically reverts to non-Catholic school support?)

