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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.

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

YOUTH MINISTRY:

Edge Night (Gr. 6-8) every 2nd Monday 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 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.

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

Organizations:

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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2nd Sunday of Lent ~ 17 March 2019

While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" *Luke 9:34-35*

First Reading + Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18 Second Reading + Philippians 3:17-4:1 Gospel + Luke 9:28b-36

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday, March 18 NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, March 19

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle 6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

**6:15pm - 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS 7:00pm+Debra TARDIF, Pers Int - G/D Tardif

Wednesday, March 20

8:00am+Jeannette CRESSWELL, RIP – M Whelton **Thursday, March 21**

8:00am+Chum HAMMOND, RIP P/P Kennedy 10:30am+Mass at Good Samaritan Home

Friday, March 22

12:10pm+Ultan TIGHE, RIP – S/M Tighe 7:00am+STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saturday, March 23

(Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception) 9:00am+Ilona SINKA, RIP – P/C Morrison 5:00pm+Brian DURKAN, RIP – E Durkan

Sunday, March 24

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 10:30am+Lawrence SKELTON, RIP – B Skelton

The STATIONS of the CROSS

During Lent we will pray The Stations of the Cross Friday's at 7:00p.m. up to Good Friday, April 19th

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

The work of our sanctification.

For you have given your children a sacred time for the renewing and purifying of their hearts, that, freed from disordered affections, they may so deal with the things of this passing world as to hold rather to the things that eternally endure. — Preface of Lent II

This prayer from the Mass is a good summary of the meaning of Lent. During this time we resolve to eliminate the many distractions that hinder us from drawing closer to Christ. Lent is a "sacred time," a special season of grace. As the Catechism states, grace is "God's own life, infused into our souls to heal us of sin and to sanctify us. Grace is in us the source of the work of sanctification."

As in Jesus' parable of the *talents*, grace is given to us to be put to work and to return a profit; it is not to be safely hidden away. St. Ignatius of Loyola wrote: "Study and explore in your hearts the grace that has been given to you in Christ. Exercise it, lean upon it, traffic with it and never permit it to lie idle or stand still. It is the Lord God who grants us both to will and to achieve. He will give you the spirit of Jesus in all things, and understanding and fortitude that by your means the Name of God may be glorified in many souls."

St. Bernard of Clairvaux taught: "Grace is necessary to salvation, and free will is equally so: grace in order to give salvation and free will in order to receive it. Therefore, we should not attribute part of the good work to grace and part to free will. It is performed in its entirety by the common and inseparable action of both; entirely by grace, entirely by free will, but springing completely from the first in the second."

Cardinal Robert Sarah, in his book *The Power of Silence: Against the Dictatorship of Noise*, talks about our need to find time in the "desert," even if it is only a small desert of silence that we create for ourselves in the midst of our demanding daily routine:

The desert is a place of hunger, thirst, and the spiritual combat. It is vitally important to withdraw to the desert in order to combat the dictatorship of a world filled with idols that gorge themselves on technology and material goods. a world dominated and manipulated by the media, a world that flees God by taking refuge in noise. It is necessary to help this modern world to have the experience of the desert. There, we get some distance from everyday events. We can flee the noise and the superficiality. The desert is the place of the Absolute, the place of freedom. It is no accident that the desert is the place where monotheism was born. The desert is monotheistic; it preserves us from the multiplicity of idols that men make for themselves. In this sense, the desert is the domain of grace. Far from his preoccupations, man encounters his Creator and his God.

SPECIAL MASSES

Tuesday, March 19th at 7:00p.m. **Saint Joseph**,

Patron Saint of Canada Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, March 25 at 7:00p.m. **The Annunciation of the Lord**

Everyone is Welcome PARISH LENTEN RETREAT

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Saturday, March 23rd 9:00 am to 12:00 pm (doors at 8:30 am) in the Fr. Bennett Hall

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As always, we Thank You for your continued support!

Tuesday Evening Video Series

Following the 7:00 pm Mass

NO GREATER LOVE A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion

March 19 – (Solemnity of St. Joseph) "Are you the Christ?"
March 26 – The Trial before Pilate
April 2 – The Death of the Messiah
April 9 – The Seven Last Words

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Saturday, April 6 @ 6:30pm

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