

# 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.*

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## **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

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## **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

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## **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.

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

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### **St. Paul the Apostle**

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Secretary: Deborah Donnelly, Ext. 21

### **Pastoral Team: Pastor:** Fr. Alan Glass

*father.glass@gmail.com*

Youth Minister: Dave McKendrick, EXT. 24

or email Dave: *allistonlifeteen@gmail.com*

Text Dave @ 647-237-1347



### Passion (Palm) Sunday ~ 14 April 2019

As he rode along, people kept spreading their cloaks on the road. As he was now approaching the path down from the Mount of Olives, the multitude of the disciples began to praise God joyfully, and with a loud voice, for all the deeds of power that they had seen. *Luke 19:36-27b*

**Gospel + Luke 19:28-40**  
**First Reading + Isaiah 50:4-7**  
**Second Reading + Philippians 2:6-11**  
**Gospel + Luke 22:14-23:56**

### Mass for the Intentions Week

**Monday, April 15**

NO MASS SCHEDULED

**Tuesday, April 16**

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

\*\*6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Madelyn MORRISON, Pers. Int – P/C Morrison

**Wednesday, April 17**

8:00am+Maria/Gil MOTA, RIP – M/J Mota

**Thursday, April 18**

(No morning mass)

7:30pm+Barbara MAKAROFF, RIP – M/W Szymanek

**Friday, April 19**

3:00pm+Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

7:00pm+STATIONS of the CROSS

**Saturday, April 20**

(No morning mass)

12:00noon+Blessing of Easter Foods at Immaculate Conception Church

8:30pm+Easter Vigil – For the People of the Parish

**Sunday, April 21**

(Mass at Immaculate Conception Church)

8:00am+Jean GALLANT, RIP – J/A Pendergast

(Masses at St. Paul's Church)

9:00am+Gord/Debbie TARDIF & Family, Pers. Int.

10:30am+Ilidio MORAIS, RIP – Morais Family

### FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

*Cracked cisterns that can hold no water.*

But understand this, that in the last days distressing times will come. For men will be lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, holding form of religion, but denying the power of it. — 2 Tim 3:1-5

St. Paul speaks of ‘the last days’ not as some time in the far distant future, but as an era that has already begun; it is *his own* time and it is equally *our own* time. The Church, in her two thousand year history, has been living in these ‘last days.’ Cardinal Newman, reflecting on this history, wrote:

The whole course of Christianity is but one series of troubles and disorders. Every century is like every other and seems worse than all times before. Religion seems ever expiring, schisms dominant, the light of Truth dim, its adherents scattered. The cause of Christ is ever in its last agony, as though it were but a question of time whether it fails this day or another. But let us not be anxious at the troubles which encompass us. They have ever been; they shall ever be; they are our portion.

There is no ‘golden age’ of the Church to look back on. The high middle ages gave us Chartres Cathedral, the University of Paris, great Saints like Bernard of Clairvaux and Thomas Aquinas, and Dante’s *Divine Comedy*. But this was also an era of intense political storms that so battered the Church that many feared for her survival. The storms passed and were forgotten; the achievements lived on.

Today we are living in what Cardinal Newman foresaw as a “time of widespread infidelity.” In the developed countries of the West, the most common religion is ‘none.’ We can delve into the reasons for this ‘great apostasy’ in terms of philosophy or sociology, but we will find the root cause to be what it always has been, the desire to be free from the moral restraints of religion. As St. Augustine long ago pointed out: “And this is all that evil is: the soul that will not enter into the covenant with its God.”

Long ago, the prophet Jeremiah denounced the people because they had turned away from God, “the spring of living water, and have dug their own cisterns, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.” Authentic reform of the Church and of the culture can only come about by a return to “the spring of living water.”

Pope John Paul II said: “We do not need a *new* program. The program *already exists!* It is the plan found in the Gospel and in the living Tradition. It is the same as ever. Ultimately, it has its center in Christ himself, who is to be known, loved and imitated.”

Authentic reform can only be based on unwavering *faith in* and *devotion to* Jesus Christ. Decades ago, Ralph Martin accurately named the current crisis in the Church: it is a “Crisis of Truth.” If we are to renew the Church and evangelize the culture, we must boldly follow him who is “the Way, the Truth and the Life.”

**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA** - begins Good Friday, April 19th and is completed Saturday, April 27th. Our Lord told St. Faustina... *"On each day of the novena you will bring to My heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My mercy ... On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My passion, for the graces for these souls."* Novena Leaflets are available under the Divine Mercy Image in St. Paul's Church.



**Commissariat of the Holy Land in Canada  
Pontifical Collection of Good Friday on April 19, 2019 for the benefit of the Holy Land**

The Pontifical Collection for the benefit of the Holy Places is scheduled this year on Good Friday April 19, 2019. Each year on Good Friday, our parish is called to support Christians in the Holy Land. Many Christians in the Holy Land depend on the collection for their lives. As a Pontifical collection requested by Pope Francis, the annual Good Friday Collection helps to maintain not only the Holy Places above all, but also the pastoral, welfare, educational and social works that the Church carries out to the benefit of the Christian brothers and sisters and the local population.



**Living the Gospel by supporting vocations**

Martin Dicuango had a life-changing encounter when he visited Serra House, a residence run by St. Augustine's Seminary for those discerning a priestly vocation. He is now a third-year theology student at St. Augustine's. "I thank ShareLife for supporting St. Augustine's Seminary," says Martin, "where young men like myself, after experiencing the love of Christ, are joyfully preparing for ordination to the priesthood."

**May 5 is ShareLife Sunday.  
Please give generously.**

**Parish Goal \$55,500. Balance to-date \$18,041.70**

**2019 National Catholic TV Mission  
SIN, FORGIVENESS & RECONCILIATION**

Cardinal Thomas Collins is this year's Mission leader, and he will explore the healing power available to all of us in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. The Mission will air on Salt + Light and Vision TV during Holy Week. Please check your local listings, call the NCBC toll-free 1-888-383-6277 or visit [www.dailyvmass.com](http://www.dailyvmass.com) for more information.

**HOLY THURSDAY RETREAT**

Overnight Retreat

**APRIL 18-19, 2019**

***2pm April 18 until 4pm April 19***



Catholic Ministry - Grades 6-8

An overnight retreat in the church experiencing the Last Supper to the Resurrection in our role as Easter people.

Email: [allistonlifeteen@gmail.com](mailto:allistonlifeteen@gmail.com)

Or Text Dave: 647-237-1348

**EASTER TRIDUUM**

**Holy Thursday – April 18**

No Morning Mass

7:30p.m.+Mass of the Lord's Supper

Followed by Eucharistic Adoration until 10:00p.m

**Good Friday – April 19**

No Noon Mass

3:00p.m.+Commemoration of The Lord's Passion

7:00pm+Stations of the Cross

**Holy Saturday – April 20**

No Morning Mass

12:00noon+ Blessing of the Easter Foods at

Immaculate Conception Church

**Easter Vigil + 8:30pm – April 20**

{*The greatest celebration in the Church Year*}

**Easter Sunday – April 21<sup>st</sup>**

**8:00a.m.** at Immaculate Conception

9:00a.m. (new) at St. Paul's Church

and 10:30a.m. at St. Paul's Church

**SAVE THE DATE**

**SATURDAY, May 25th**

**GARAGE SALE**

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