

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) Alternating Mondays - 7:00 p.m.

Life Teen (Gr. 9-12) Alternating Saturdays - 6-9:00 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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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



First Sunday of Advent ~ 1st of December 2019

“Keep awake, therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. *Matt 24:42*”

First Reading + Isaiah 2:1-5
Second Reading + Romans 13:11-14
Gospel + Matthew 24:37-44

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday, December 2
NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, December 3
5:30pm+Marian Cenacle
6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

****6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS**

7:00pm+Meil/Jessica MORRISON, Pers Int – P/C Morrison

Wednesday, December 4

8:00am+Michael PARSONS, RIP – STV de Paul branch

Thursday, December 5

8:00am+Lillian THIBERT, RIP – P/C Morrison

10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Community

Friday, December 6

(Fri. Daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)

12:10pm+Paul MORRISON, Pers Int – C Morrison

Followed by Adoration until Saturday morning Mass

Saturday, December 7

(Sat. Daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+Deacon Des CARROLL, RIP – T/B Groen

5:00pm+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Sunday, December 8

9:00am+Antonio MINICOZZI, RIP – Family

10:30am+Paul/Madeleine LAPERRIERE, RIP – G Cole

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

O come, O come, Emmanuel.

Today is the First Sunday of Advent and the beginning of a new liturgical year. We begin this Church year with an attitude of expectation and hope. The season of Advent recalls the many years during which the people of Israel were longing for the coming of the Messiah, the ‘anointed one’, in Greek, the *Christos*. We express this longing in our Advent hymns, such as “O come, O come, Emmanuel” and “O come, divine Messiah.”

In depictions of the Annunciation, Mary is often shown reading or praying. She is reading the books of the Prophets, with their promise of the coming Messiah. She is praying that the promise may soon be fulfilled. In the midst of this longing, the Angel Gabriel appears to announce that Mary herself will bear the Messiah in her womb. Mary’s response is, “Let it be done to me according to your word.”

One of the titles of the Messiah is given in the book of the prophet Habakkuk and quoted in the Letter to the Hebrews: “In just a little while, *he who is coming* will come and will not delay.” When the disciples of John the Baptist are inquiring whether Jesus is indeed the Messiah, they ask him, “Are you *he who is coming*, or are we to wait for another?” When Martha professes her faith, she says, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, *he who is coming* into the world.”

The Messiah has come! He came two thousand years ago, conceived in the womb of the virgin Mary in Nazareth and born in a stable in Bethlehem. And yet he is still *he who is coming*. The Messiah came to fulfill the promise of the Old Covenant and, at the same time, he institutes the beginning of a New Covenant. Jesus’ incarnation, death and resurrection are once-and-for-all events, but the effects of those events are still unfolding in the present.

In this season of Advent we do not only recall what happened long ago. We imaginatively enter into Mary’s prayer for the coming of the Messiah and the fulfillment of the Old Covenant, but we also look to the future, to the fulfillment of the New Covenant when, as St. Paul says, “God will be all in all.” Then there is also a coming that is between these past and future comings.

As St. Bernard of Clairvaux, in a sermon on Advent, said: “Because this present coming lies between the other two, it is like a road on which we travel from the first coming to the last. In the first, Christ was our redemption; in the last, he will appear as our life; in this middle coming, he is our rest and consolation.” Let us open our hearts to this present coming of Christ into our lives.

O come, O come, Emmanuel
And ransom captive Israel
That mourns in lonely exile here
Until the Son of God appear.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel
Shall come to thee, O Israel.

SCAMS

Please note, **A parish priest or church will not ask you to wire money or ask you to purchase gift cards, bitcoin etc.** Delete any unsolicited emails and hang up on demanding or threatening calls. Be ever vigilant of what you say and be safe.

Anybody can fall victim to online & telephone scams, it only takes a moment of inattention to fall into a trap. How can you stay safe with increasingly sophisticated scams? If anything looks abnormal or doesn’t sound right it is probably a scam.

ALL SOULS REMEMBRANCE

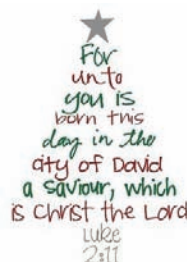
We celebrate our eternal union with loved ones who live in Christ. We remember the following families in our prayers:

All Deceased Holy men & women, Agnew, Alfarero, Allen, Archibald, Armstrong, Arthur, Atkinson, Baker, Baldassarra, Baldwin, Baron, Barrett, Bastien, Beaton, Bednarczyk, Behl, Belanger, Bello, Benko, Bernard, Berry, Bince, Binns, Bogucki, Bolaa, Bontje, Bozek, Brown, Bumstead, Buerk, Bullis, Cake, Carroll, Cameron, Campbell, Cavanaugh, Cavello, Ceresino, Chaisson, Chmielowska, Colaris, Cole, Coles, Conley, Courchesne, Cox, Coyne, Cranston, Croner, Crowley, Crump, Cupidio, Cullen, Cyr, Da Silva, Davie, Deceased Teachers of Simcoe County, Deceased members of the CWL, Deceased members of KOC, Depetrillo, Devereaux, Dill, DiLuca, Dol, Donnelly, Downes, Dubbin, Duggan, Durette, Durkan, Dzikiewkl, Emind, Englehardt, Falbo, Farley, Farrugia, Ferguson, Fisher, Fitzgerald, Flegal, Foley, Ford, Forgotten Souls, Freak, Gagnon, Gallant, Galley, Galezowski, Garbutt, Gentry, Gibbons, Gibbons, Gibson, Girardeau, Givens, Gomboc, Gomes, Granoic, Groen, Guchardi, Guy, Gweda, Hall, Hands, Harder, Heazel, Heffernan, Hill, Hindle, Hoffart, Holz, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Horan, Hudgin, Hussey, Hutchinson, Hyland, Iellina, Ignas, Ilie, Ireland, Jennings, Joly, Jones, Joyce, Kardys, Kastrak, Kearney, Kelly, Kennedy, Keogh, Kilbride, King, Kopec, Koppell, Kromer, Krzyzaniak, Kurnat, Kurnath, Kurver, Kuzmicz, Laight, Lanning, Laperriere, LeBlanc, Legault, Lee, Lek, Lemay, Lesage, Lescisin, Lesiak, Levesque, Lima, Lobalsamo, Lord, Lynch, MacDonald, MacDougall, MacIsaac, MacKay, MacKinnon, MacLean, MacNeill, MacPherson, MacArthur, Magyar, Makaroff, Mallette, Markan, Marshall, Martin, Martinho, Massicotte, Mastelarz, Mattes, McCabe, McCarthy, McConnell, McDonough, McGinn, McGoldrick, McIlwee, McKibbon, McLean, McNeill, Medvigy, Megraw, Mercurio, Michelberger, Minorini, Mitchell, Mrazek, Mohan, Moore, Moreau, Morrison, Mortimer, Mulvhill, Murphy, Murray, Natyh, Nealon, Neilson, Newman, Nickerson, Nicol, Nixon, Nolan, Novielli, O'Brian, O'Brien, O'Connor, O'Gorman, O'Leary, O'Reilly, O'Sullivan, Ortman, Orzechowski, Ozimek, Page, Papotto, Parasol, Parker, Pascyan, Peacock, Pelletier, Pickett, Piotr, Pires, Platt, Power, Presley, Prokopich, Pszyszlak, Quealey, Quinlan, Racicot, Rees, Regimbald, Ribic, Rice, Riengeuitte, Rodrigues, Ronan, Rosario, Ruetz, Saliba, Samtani, Scanlon, Sauve, Schell, Schmidt, Scott, Sellers, Shaw, Shuk, Silva, Simard, Simns, Sinka, Sitarz, Skelton, Slattery, Snyder, Soldier, Solski, Stanton, Stanway, Stea, Stewart, Stiegwardt, Stonderd, Strum, Stubson, Sunguluck, Svetina, Szymanek, Tadier, Tan, Tardif, Taylor, Thibert, Tighe, Tyo, Vanderpost, Vandervoort, Van Niekerk, Veltri, Vienneau, Viceiros, Vought, Walbourne, Waszkienicz, Walsh, Watson, Weir, Williams, Willmott, Wright, Ziaja, Zonneveld.



Christmas Smiles Campaign:

Our Youth have adopted a second child from Chalice, a Catholic Organization that helps children from all over the world. \$444.00 per year will give a healthy meal, clothing and support to one child for one year in developing countries. **Meet our adopted child, BARAKI ALI, he is 13 years old now and lives in Kenya. His picture is on the tin in front of the altar during Advent.** At Offertory time, the pastor asks the children to come forward and drop coins in the tin. Along with the joyful noise, this special moment in the mass teaches the importance of charity and stewardship to our youth by answering the call to serve the poor.



CWL CHRISTMAS POTLUCK SOCIAL

ALL LADIES of The PARISH Are WELCOME!! PLEASE JOIN US!!

In the Fr. Bennett Hall
Thurs Dec. 5, 2018 at 6:00 pm
Doors open at 5:30 p.m.

Potluck Dinner, entertainment, carols, and good fellowship. Bring a dish to reflect your culture. Please label the name of the dish, contents and explain its origins. Please bring toiletry items suitable for homeless women.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

(For children up to 12yrs old)

Sunday, December 8th after the 10:30a.m. Mass
***Light refreshments**



***Picture with Santa**
***Surprise Gift Bag**

Calendar of Events

Dec 1 – Muffin Sunday after 10:30am mass
K of C Charity Draw will take place then.

Dec 3 – CWL Installation of Executive Office after the Tuesday evening 7:00 p.m. mass

Dec 5 – CWL Christmas Dinner 6:00pm

Dec 7/8 – St. Vincent de Paul Society Special Christmas Collection at all 3 masses.

Monday Dec 9 – Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
Mass at 7:00 p.m. at
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