

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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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 9 February 2020

Jesus said to his disciples: “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden.” *Matthew 5:13a-14*

First Reading + Isaiah 58:6-10
Second Reading + 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
Gospel + Matthew 5:13-16

Mass  for the
 Intentions  Week

Monday, February 10

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, February 11

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

**6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Jason/Jordan TARDIF and families Pers Int

Wednesday, February 12

8:00am+Barbara BROWN, Pers Int – J/C Orr

Thursday, February 13

8:00am+Holy Souls in Purgatory – J/C Orr

Friday, February 14

(Fri. Daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)

12:10pm+Michael TIGHE, RIP – J/A Pendergast

Saturday, February 15

(Sat. Daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+Anna/Giuseppe NOVIELLI, RIP – T Novielli

5:00pm+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Sunday, February 16

9:00am+Michael TIGHE, RIP – J/R Vandervoort

10:30am+Artur SILVA, RIP – Family

Saint of the Week:

“If men knew the peace good religious enjoy, the whole world would become a monastery.”

- *St. Scholastica (480 – 542), Sister of St. Benedict, Feast Day February 10*

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Surprised by Lent.

In the traditional calendar, today is ‘Septuagesima Sunday’, the third Sunday before Ash Wednesday. In the changes to the Mass following the Second Vatican Council the season of Septuagesima was ‘suppressed.’ As one of the participants in the process commented: “Because of this suppression, the faithful find themselves, as it were, ‘parachuted’ straight into Lent on Ash Wednesday with no preparation whatsoever.”

To be sure, the revisers of the liturgy had the best intentions. According to Mgr Annibale Bugnini, the Secretary of the Commission tasked with the reform:

There was disagreement on the suppression of the Septuagesima season. Some saw these weeks as a step toward Easter. On one occasion Pope Paul VI compared the sequence of Septuagesima, Lent, Holy Week and Easter Triduum, to the bells calling people to Sunday Mass. The ringing of them an hour, a half-hour, fifteen and five minutes before the time of Mass has a psychological effect and prepares the faithful materially and spiritually for the celebration of the liturgy. Then, however, the view prevailed that there should be a simplification: it was not possible to restore Lent to its full importance without sacrificing Septuagesima, which is an extension of Lent.

This ‘simplification’, however well intended, creates a pastoral problem. Lent is an important penitential season. Every Catholic is required during this time to fast, to pray, and to give alms. All of us need to give serious thought how we are to do this, and to make firm resolutions beforehand. Depending on our age and health, we will determine how best to make this season of Lent spiritually fruitful. We need to actually *prepare* for Lent.

As Dr. Lauren Pristas, who has written extensively on the liturgy, explains:

The three Sundays of *Septuagesima* arose in the first place as an expression of the devotion of the faithful. This is key. Lent is a time of *obligatory* fasting and penance. Septuagesima, on the other hand, is a short season through which the devotion of the faithful impels them to prepare mentally, physically and spiritually for Lent. The Church has, since the sixth century, encouraged and assisted the faithful in this preparation by appointing special Masses for this season that mark off the time remaining until both Lent and Easter.

As it is, we now jump immediately from Tuesday in Ordinary Time to Ash Wednesday, without even a nod to Shrove Tuesday. As Dr. Pristas writes: “This is unfortunate. The absence of any liturgical preparation whatsoever for Lent ignores something about human nature that the liturgy had always taken into account: the need to be ready. In consequence, even those who attend Mass daily can find themselves, year after year, surprised by Lent.”

Ash Wednesday

February 26th at St. Paul's
8:00a.m. & 7:00p.m.



The Stations of the Cross

During Lent we will pray The Stations of the Cross
Friday's at 7:15p.m.
February 28th – April 10th



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8

Monday, February 10th @ 7:00pm

Edge Night



Catholic Ministry to Grades 9 - 12

Saturday, February 29th @ 6:00pm

Life Night

If you are interested in joining one of the groups contact us
by Email: allistonlifeteen@gmail.com

OR Text Dave 647.237.1348

18TH ANNUAL ST. VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER AND DANCE @ HOLY SPIRIT PARISH, 650 ESSA RD, BARRIE, ON

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engaging music and worship, the sacraments and
fellowship. Contact Youth Minister Dave McKendrick
By email: allistonlifeteen@gmail.com or text Dave at:
647-237-1348 or call 705-435-6325 EXT. 24

2020 Lift Jesus Higher Rally

Saturday, March 7, 2020 - 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Metro Toronto Convention Centre 255 Front St. W.,

The theme of this year's rally is "**JESUS, LIGHT OF
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COST: \$25 for adults, \$15 for youth **CONTACT:**
Renewal Ministries **PHONE:** (647) 243-9441
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