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 at St Paul's Church Only Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 9:00a.m 10:30am - 12:00 noon	<u>Weekday Liturgies at St Paul's Church Only</u> Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. Wednesday & Thursday: 8:00 a.m. Friday: 12:10 p.m. Saturday: 9:00 a.m.
	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Exposition on the First Friday of each month at Immaculate Conception Church from 1:00pm Friday until 8:00am Saturday. Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour before 7:00 p.m. Mass
YOUTH MINISTRY:	

Edge Night (Gr. 6-8) TBA Life Teen (Gr. 9-12) TBA

Reconciliation(Confessions):

Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. 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.

PARISH WEBSITE: stpaultheapostleal.archtoronto.org

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Youth Minister: Dave McKendrick, EXT. 24 or email Dave: allistonlifeteen@gmail.com Text Dave @ 647 -237-1348



7th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 20 February 2022

"Give, and it will be given to you. A Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back." *Luke 6:38*

First Reading + 1 Samuel 26:2,7-9, 12-13, 22-25 Second Reading + 1 Corinthians 15:45-49 Gospel + Luke 6:27 -38



Monday, February 21 NO MASS SCHEDULED **Tuesday, February 22** 5:30pm+Marian Cenacle 6:00pm+HOLY HOUR **6:15pm - 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS** 7:00pm+Charles CHARNAK, RIP - R. Ceccato Wednesday, February 23 8:00am+Lucia & Bolek Bozek, PIO-M. Boguchi **Thursday, February 24** 8:00am+Bill SMALL, RIP -10:30am+Mass at Riverwood Complex Friday, February 25 12 :10pm+Fisher Family, PIO – S. Hands Saturday, February 26 9:00am+John Masterlarz, PIO – M. Bogucki **4:00-4:45 pm – CONFESSIONS** 5:00pm+Wayne WRIGHT, RIP – H. Wright Sunday, February 27 9:00am+Vito MONASTERO, RIP-I. Monastero 10:30am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 12:00 Noon-Rev. Christopher Bennett, PIO – J/C Orr

Saint of the Week:

The Church is the Ship outside which it is impossible to understand the Divine Word, for Jesus spoke from the boat to the people gathered on the shore.

- Pope St. Hilary (315-368), Patron of lawyers, Feast Day February 28

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK:

The word of God is a tree of life.

St. Ephrem served as a Deacon in the town of Edessa (in modern Turkey) in the fourth century. He is noted for his sermons, his teaching on Scripture, and especially for his hymns. An excerpt from his commentary on the Gospels is included in the Office of Readings for last Sunday. He was speaking to his Christian congregation seventeen centuries ago, but his words have lost nothing of their relevance.

St. Ephrem the Deacon, Commentary on Scripture

Office of Readings, Liturgy of the Hours, Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

Lord, who can comprehend even one of your words? We lose more of it than we grasp, like those who drink from a living spring. For God's word offers different facets according to the capacity of the listener, and the Lord has portrayed his message in many colors, so that whoever gazes upon it can see in it what suits him. Within it he has buried manifold treasures, so that each of us might grow rich in seeking them out.

The word of God is a tree of life that offers us blessed fruit from each of its branches. It is like that rock which was struck open in the wilderness, from which all were offered spiritual drink. As the Apostle says: They ate spiritual food and they drank spiritual drink.

And so whenever anyone discovers some part of the treasure, he should not think that he has exhausted God's word. Instead, he should feel that this is all that he was able to find of the wealth contained in it. Nor should he say that the word is weak and sterile or look down on it simply because this portion was all that he happened to find. But precisely because he could not capture it all he should give thanks for its riches.

Be glad then that you are overwhelmed, and do not be saddened because he has overcome you. A thirsty man is happy when he is drinking, and he is not depressed because he cannot exhaust the spring. So let this spring quench your thirst, and not your thirst the spring. For if you can satisfy your thirst without exhausting the spring, then when you thirst again you can drink from it once more; but if when your thirst is sated the spring is also dried up, then your victory would turn to your own harm.

Be thankful then for what you have received, and do not be saddened at all that such an abundance still remains. What you have received and attained is your present share, while what is left will be your heritage. For what you could not take at one time because of your weakness, you will be able to grasp at another if you only persevere. So do not foolishly try to drain in one draught what cannot be consumed all at once, and do not cease out of faintheartedness from what you will be able to absorb as time goes on. **Father Glass** - A big thank you to Father Glass for his many years of service to this parish. Father Glass will be greatly missed by all. We ask that you keep Father Glass in your prayers as he takes leave from his vocation to look after his mother.

Kindergarten Registration at SMCDSB

Is your child turning 4 in 2022? If so, it's time to register for kindergarten! There is something truly unique and special about learning that is rooted in faith and spiritual growth. It is a blessing that the youngest members of our parish have the opportunity to grow in spirit and faith within a Catholic school community. Catholic schools offer distinct faith-filled learning experiences, with a combined focus on academic, spiritual, social and emotional growth. Together, our Catholic schools and our parish community will guide children in their ongoing growth in faith. To help parents and students get ready for kindergarten, the board has developed a package, including a parent booklet. We encourage parents who want to register their child kindergarten to visit the website for at smcdsb.on.ca for welcome videos and registration information.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience Friday: March 25 to Sunday, March 27 (A virtual event hosted by Worldwide Marriage Encounter)

Where are you in your marriage journey? Every marriage could use a boost. Learn easy-to-use communication tools to help enhance your relationship. Our proven program will guide you through practical and private exercises to refresh your wedding vows and to spark up your romance. Based on Catholic values, but married couples of all faiths are welcome. Are you ready to rediscover each other?

For more details, please contact: Gerard & Marge, Tel:905-792-1925, <u>gerard.marge@rogers.com</u> WEBSITE: wwme.org BROCHURE FOR COUPLES: https://bit.ly/WWMEBrochureforCouples

2022 Offertory Envelopes

Offertory Envelopes are still available at the Entrances of the Church. **Please look for your name before taking a new box.** The boxes will be in *Alphabetical order.*

<u>Calling all Catholic Advisors</u>

Are you a financial or insurance advisor, or a lawyer? If yes, then we want to hear from you! The Archdiocese of Toronto has spent a number of years creating a network of advisors, who understand our faith and who can assist us with our estate and financial affairs. Come and be a part of our network where you have the opportunity to integrate your spiritual and professional lives.

For further information, contact the Development Office at: 416-934-3400 ext. 561/519

or <u>development@archtoronto.org</u>.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

St. Paul's Society of St. Vincent de Paul is seeking volunteers to join our Conference. We need individuals to make home visits and distribute food vouchers to people in need. We are also seeking an individual who has some knowledge of accounting to act as our treasurer. If you have an interest or wish more information, please contact Paul Healy (705) 435-4951.

Blood Donation Clinic (By Appointment only) Where: St. Paul's Church When: March 31, 2022 From: 1:30 pm to 7:30 pm Book on blood.ca or call 1-888-2DONATE

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Like other organizations across Canada, the latest COVID-19 wave is challenging Canadian Blood Services like never before. Recent illness and isolation requirements, coupled with several notable weather impacts, have affected donor attendance and the availability of staff. These developments have put added pressure on **Canada's Lifeline** to meet demand, and there has been a decline in donations nationally.

Together, we are Canada's Lifeline.

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