

# 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's

### **Sunday:**

9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception

10:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m. at St. Paul's

## **Weekday Liturgies**

**Tuesday:** 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul's

**Wednesday & Thursday:** 8:00 a.m. at St. Paul's

**Friday:** 12:10 noon at Immaculate Conception

**Saturday:** 9:00a.m. at Immaculate Conception

**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 at St. Paul's

## **YOUTH MINISTRY:**

Edge Night (Gr. 6-8) See parish website

Life Teen (Gr. 9-12) See parish website

## **Reconciliation(Confessions): at St. Paul's**

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](http://stpaultheapostleal.archtoronto.org)**

## **St. Paul the Apostle**

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“Then the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son,’ But the father said to his slaves, let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!’ *Luke 15:21-22a, 23b-24a*

First Reading + Joshua 5:9, 10-12  
Second Reading + 2 Corinthians 5: 17-21  
Gospel + Luke 15: 1-3; 11 - 32

## Mass for the Intentions Week

**Monday, March 28**

NO MASS SCHEDULED

**Tuesday, March 29**

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

**\*\*6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS**

7:00pm+Father H. GIBNEY, RIP – Rev. Alan Glass

**Wednesday, March 30**

8:00am+Stephanie & Jan BOZEK, RIP – Bozek Family

**Thursday, March 31**

8:00am+L & E Cescon and Family, Per. Int – Bozek Family

**Friday, April 1**

12:10pm+Phyllis TIGHE – G/D Tardif

**Followed by Adoration until Saturday morning Mass**

7:00pm+STATIONS of the CROSS

**Saturday, April 2**

*(Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)*

9:00am+J & K Tardif & family, Per.Int – G/D Tardif

5:00pm+Antonio MINICOZZI, RIP – Minicozzi Family

**Sunday, April 3**

*(9:00 am Mass at Immaculate Conception)*

9:00am+ Patrick HORAN, RIP- J. Blacklaws

10:30am+Giovanni ANASTASIO, RIP – C. Elia

1200 Noon+ THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

## Coming to Your Senses

Coming to his senses he thought, “How many of my father’s hired workers have more than enough food to eat, but here am I, dying from hunger. I shall get up and go to my father and I shall say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as you would treat one of your hired workers.’” [Luke 15:17–19](#)

Why do we cling to our sins? This passage comes from the story of the Prodigal Son. We should know that story well. The son decided to leave his father and take his future inheritance, spending it on a life of sin. When the money he had ran out, he was in desperate need. So what did he do? He came to his senses!

This line alone is worth our meditation. First, it reveals what happens to a person who falls into a life of sin. In this case, the son eventually reaped the fruit of his sin. He found that his sin left him destitute and alone. He didn’t know where to turn. And though our sins may not be to the extent of this son, we will all experience the empty effects of the sins we commit, just as this son did.

The profound insight we can gain from this son is that he did come around. Specifically, by “coming to his senses” he recognized two important things. First, he realized that he is worth more than a life of destitution. No one should have to live an impoverished and empty life. Therefore, by seeing his own dignity he came to realize that he was made for more.

Secondly, he knew he could turn to his father. What a blessing it was for him to know this. The reason he knew he could turn to his father was that his father clearly loved him with unconditional love. The mercy in the heart of the father was so strong that the son was aware of it and this awareness gave him confidence to turn to him.

Reflect, today, upon this twofold action. The son sees his misery and also sees his father as the person to whom he can confidently turn. We must strive to do the same in our own lives. The Father in Heaven will never reject us. No matter what we have done or how far we have turned away, the Father’s love is perfect, relentless, unconditional and always inviting. He is ready and willing to dismiss every wrong we have done if we only turn to Him in confidence. Come to your senses in regard to your sins! Let go of them, repent and trust in the mercy of God.

*Lord of perfect love, my sins do leave me dry and empty inside. I see the misery and pain that result from the sinful choices I have made. Help me, dear Lord, to come to my senses and to turn from every sin I commit. Help me to see that Your mercy is far greater than anything I have done. I thank You for Your perfect love and turn to You in my need. Jesus, I trust in You.*

Source:MyCatholicLife

**Saint of the week:** A servant of the Lord bodily before men, but mentally he is knocking at the gates of heaven with prayer.

-St John Climacus (579-649), author of Ladder of Divine Ascent, Feast Day March 30



**ShareLife Sunday** – March 26/27<sup>th</sup> is the first **ShareLife Collection** weekend. Our goal for this year is **\$64,000.00**. We encourage all parishioners to strive for and achieve the parish campaign goal. **ShareLife** agencies are bringing Gospel values to life every day in our communities and around the world. We are grateful for your support and **thank you** in advance for your generosity.

**Ukrainian Humanitarian Relief**- Pope Francis has called on all the faithful to continue to pray for peace in Ukraine. A donation to help Ukrainians who are suffering due to war would be most appreciated. More details and envelopes are posted in the foyer.



High School Teens - Alternating Mondays 6:45pm - 9pm		Grades 6 to 8 - Alternating Mondays 6:45pm - 8:00pm	
Mar 28	In Their Shoes	Mar 21	Doctor Strange
Apr 11	Look Mom- no Hands	Apr 4	Captain Marvel
Apr 14/15	Holy Thursday/Good Friday	Apr 14/15	Holy Thursday/Good Friday

**Alliston Meals on Wheels** – Alliston Meals on Wheels program operates out of Stevenson Memorial Hospital. They are seeking volunteers who could occasionally give 2.5 hours (10:30 am to 1:00 pm) to this program at their office in the hospital. Training is provided and work is geared to your schedule. No driving is required. For more information, please contact **Ann Bogaart on 705-435-7665**.

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**Deborah Donnelly** – Deborah our Office Manager of almost 28 years will be retiring as of March 31<sup>st</sup>. We will have a send off for Deborah on April 2<sup>nd</sup> after the 5:00 pm mass in Father Bennett Hall. Please stop by for some coffee and snacks and to say your hello/goodbye.

We also have a basket at the back of the church if you wish to drop a card or personal wishes. We thank Deborah for her dedication and hard work and wish her the very best in all her future endeavors.

**Debra Tardif** – Thank you also to Debra Tardif, our casual employee in the office as she retires on March 31<sup>st</sup>. Debra you have been of great assistance since you started work in 2016.

**Beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>**, we are able to offer **multiple intention masses on Tuesdays and Fridays**. If you wish to book a mass, please contact the office.

### **Blood Donation Clinic**

*(By Appointment only)*

**Where: St. Paul's Church**

**When: March 31, 2022**

**From: 1:30 pm to 7:30 pm**

**Book your appointment on - [blood.ca](http://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.**

### **Save the date**

**EDGE CAMP CENTRAL IS BACK – (August 24 -28,2022)**

Registration is now open. **Early bird price \$450.00** Please reach out to our Youth Minister, **Dave McKendrick** on [allistonlifeteen@gmail.com](mailto:allistonlifeteen@gmail.com) or call/text 647-237-1348 or 705-435-6325 extn 24 (leave a message).

### **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 15<sup>th</sup>





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