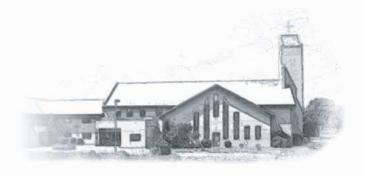
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St. Paul the Apostle and Immaculate Conception Churches





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. at St Paul the Apostle

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.

<u>Marriage:</u>

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 should be registered parishioners and attend Baptism preparation class along with godparents. (Registration package available from church office).

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. Cecilia Catholic School 705-530-9597
St. Thomas Aguinas 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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Office Manager: Anu Antao Ext.21

Pastor: Fr. Norberto Eyule Ext. 22 email: norberto_eyule@yahoo.com.ph

Youth Minister: Dave McKendrick Text/call – 647-237-1348 (BEST) Email:Allistonlifeteen@gmail.com or leave a message at Ext.24



5th Sunday of Easter ~7 May 2023

In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am, you also may be." — 10 14:2-3

First Reading + Acts 6:1-7 Second Reading + 1 Peter 2:4-9 Gospel + John 14:1-12

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, May 8 NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, May 9

5:20pm+Marian Cenacle 6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

6:15pm+ CONFESSIONS

7.00pm+ (Multiple Intention Mass – RIP) Clair MULLIGAN, Sheila HANDS, Maria DOL, June & Stan TOMPOROWSKI, Holy Souls in Purgatory.

Wednesday, May 10

8:00am+Father Conrad, Per.Int – J/C Orr

Thursday, May 11

8am+Paul LAPPERRIERE, RIP-G. Cole **Friday, May 12**

(Mass at Immaculate Conception Church)
12:10pm+Father Alan Glass, Per. Int.-J/C Orr

Saturday, May 13

(Daily mass at Immaculate Conception Church) 9:00am+Marjorie LEGAULT, RIP – Estate of

Sunday, May 14

5:00pm+Peter HARTE, RIP – KoC Council 9352 9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 10:30am+Marie HOGAN-MORROW, RIP – J.Hogan

Saint of the Week:

Remember to care for the soul more than the body, since the former remains, the latter perishes. – Blessed Alcuin of York (735-804), Monk, Scholar, Feast Day May 19

A Troubled Heart

Jesus said to his disciples: "Do not let your hearts be troubled. You have faith in God; have faith also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?" John 14:1–2

These consoling and encouraging words, spoken by Jesus to the Apostles at the Last Supper, come immediately after Judas left to betray Jesus and after Jesus told Peter, in the presence of the others, that Peter would deny Jesus three times before the cock crowed. As a result, the Twelve (now Eleven) would have been discouraged, especially Peter. Jesus senses this and says, "Do not let your hearts be troubled..."

Peter was told that he would soon commit a grave sin against Jesus. As we are later told, as soon as Peter committed these sins, he went out and wept bitterly. Perhaps, as he did, he would have recalled Jesus' words: "Do not let your hearts be troubled..."

Being tempted toward sin can be discouraging. But that can turn into a good thing. If we are not affected by our temptations, then we lack love for God. And if we give into those temptations and fail to experience sorrow, this is even worse. However, discouragement over our sins cannot remain; it must turn into its opposite, the virtue of hope. Hope will result from sin only when we hear and understand Jesus' promise, seen above.

Jesus not only tells the disciples not to be troubled, He also tells them why. Jesus promises them He will prepare a place for them in Heaven and will come to take them to that place in His Father's House, despite their failings. By believing, Peter and the other apostles will be able to dispel the initial discouragement they feel over their failings and turn back to God with the anticipation of Heaven.

Do you get discouraged by your sin? Begin by calling to mind any sin that you regularly struggle with. Habitual sin, especially, will lead to either sorrow, repentance and hope, or to a discouragement that ends in despair and the abandonment of virtue. Like Saint Peter, we must strive to weep bitterly over our sins. We must let our sins, and the temptation toward despair, become a motivation to regain hope, courage, and determination. This will only be possible if we always hear Jesus say to us, "Do not let your hearts be troubled..." We must sense His compassion and tenderness and allow that love to fill us with confidence that we will one day overcome all sin and be welcomed into the Father's House.

Reflect, today, upon any sin with which you regularly struggle. As you do, consider whether your discouragement leads to despair or hope. Hope does not come from your ability to overcome sin on your own. It comes from the compassion of our Lord and His promise to redeem you. If you do have a troubled heart, that is good. It is the starting point for hope. Allow Jesus to lift your troubled heart and to point your eyes to Heaven.

Most compassionate Lord, though I am a sinner, You speak to me with tenderness and call me to repent so that I will always have hope in Heaven. Please give me a true and holy sorrow for my sins and help me to always turn back to You so that You will one day lead me to the fullness of the Father's House. Jesus, I trust in You.

Source: MyCatholicLife



<u>Weekly Collections for</u> <u>April 30, 2023</u> (This does not include PAG collection)

Sunday offering (St Paul's)\$ 2309.80Other-St.Paul's (Share Life, P/Upgrade etc)\$ 7704.70Sun. offering (Imm. Concep)\$ 755.50Other- Imm Con (ShareLife, P/Upgrade etc)\$ 6310.00

Total- \$17035.00



9pm Mondays.

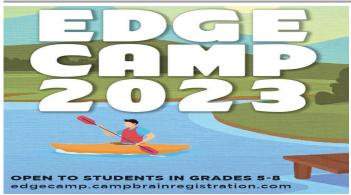
Bi-weekly. Check schedule.

May 11-March for Life Ottawa May 13-LT Retreat/XLT WtN May 29-Zealous/St.Paul's journeys



sGrades 6 - 8. 645 - 830pm Mondays. Bi-weekly. Check schedule.

May 15-Why the Eucharist is important June 5-Xray/Why Reconciliation matters



Edge Camp update

20 Youth going to camp- Aug 27-31st.

High School Camp Update

10 Teens going to camp – Aug 27-31st.

Still time to sign up for both. **Deadline - May 31st.**See the bulletin board for more information and pricing or talk to Dave McKendrick, our Youth Minister.

Email: allistonlifeteen@gmail.com or tel;647-237-1348.

Thank you to all those who have donated towards helping kids go to camp.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

"The one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these..." Are you willing to do the work of the Lord as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at Tel:416-968-0997.

Email <u>vocations@archtoronto.org</u> <u>www.vocationstoronto.ca</u>

Message from Father Norberto

New Glory and Praise Hymnals

We have purchased new Hymnals for both our Churches. The cost of these Hymnals is almost \$12000/- and we are looking for donations to defray this cost. You can make a donation towards this purchase and mark it as 'Hymnal Purchase'. You may also purchase a 'sticker' in memory of your loved one. This sticker will be placed inside the hymnal. The cost of each sticker is \$40.00. All the donations are tax deductible. Please call or email the office if you would like to purchase the stickers.

I thank you in advance and appreciate your effort in assisting with recovering this major expense.

God Bless you always.

Fr. Norberto

NOMINATIONS FOR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL FOR 2023-2025 TERM

6 Elected Positions open for nominations

Please return your nomination forms with names and phone numbers (print clearly) by Sunday May 14th. You can nominate more than one person (16 yrs. and over) and you can also let your own name stand. All nominees will be contacted to be sure they will allow their name to stand.

Thank you for your time and participation.
The Nomination Committee Council.
(Extra Forms available on table in Narthex)

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Thank you for living the Gospel!

Requesting all parishioners

Please use only **current year's envelope** for your offertory and <u>not</u> one from previous years. If you are missing your offertory box for current year, please contact the office.

Thank you for your generosity!

ST PAUL THE APOSTLE AND IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS 2023 – 2025 TERM

The nominations committee that has been formed by the current Pastoral Council, is seeking members of our parish family to be elected to the next term of our Parish Pastoral Council, **2023 to 2025**.

The Pastoral Council is comprised of **six or more** members from representative groups (for example, Liturgy, Catholic Women's League, Knights of Columbus, Youth, Finance, Schools and Immaculate Conception Church), plus **six** members to be elected from St. Paul's and Immaculate Conception Churches. Clergy and the parish secretary are not eligible to be nominated.

The Pastoral Council generally meets once a month to prayerfully discern the needs of the parish community and to respond to those needs both within the parish boundaries and beyond to the larger community where appropriate and necessary.

- The Council functions as a consultative body that advises the Pastor and provides leadership the parish in temporal and spiritual affairs.
- The Council establishes priorities, which will provide direction to the parish in areas of liturgy, religious education, property, social outreach and the financial affairs of the parish.
- The Council will encourage various organizations in the parish to communicate and work together in a manner that brings people of the parish together as a whole.

Parishioners, 16 years of age and older, may be nominated to the Pastoral Council. To nominate someone, please complete the form at the bottom of the bulletin insert, or contact one of the members of the nominating committee:

Additional forms can be found at the back of the church. The completed form may be placed in the collection basket or delivered to the parish office by May 15, 2023. All nominees will be contacted personally.

I wish to nominate (print name)	
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as a member at large on our Pastoral Council	OR
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Date	Signature



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