# 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 Friday: 12:10 noon at Immaculate Conce Saturday: 9:00a.m. at Immaculate Conce Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Friday of each month at Immaculate Conce 1:00pm Friday until 8:00am Saturday. Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour before 7:00	ption eption Exposition on the First ception Church from
YOUTH MINISTRY: Edge Night (Gr. 6-8) See parish website Life Teen (Gr. 9-12) See parish website	<b>Baptism:</b> Parents/Guardians should be registered parishioners and attend Baptism preparation class along with godparents. (Registration package available from church office).	
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:	<u>Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion</u> : 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.	
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.	<u>Schools:</u> Holy Family Elementary School St. Paul's Elementary School St. Cecilia Catholic School St. Thomas Aquinas High School	705-435-3989 705-435-7211 705-530-9597 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

## St. Paul the Apostle

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## 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023

"Which of the two did the will of his father?" They said, "The First'. Jesus said to them, "Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you." Matt 21:31

> First Reading + Ezekiel 18:25-28 Second Reading + Philippians 2:1-11 Gospel + Matthew 21:28-32

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, October 2 NO MASS SCHEDULED **Tuesday, October 3** 5:20pm+Marian Cenacle 6:00pm+HOLY HOUR \*6:15pm-Confessions 7:00pm+Frank HALEY, RIP - Haley Family Wednesday, October 4 8:00am+Jim VANDERVOORT, RIP - P/C Morrison 10:30am+ Mass at Riverwood Retirement Home Thursday, October 5 8:00am+Michael Berberick, Per. Int.- M. Berberick 10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Community Friday, October 6 (Mass at Immaculate Conception) 12:10pm+Jim VANDERVOORT, RIP - J/C Orr Saturday, October 7 (Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception) 9:00am+Patrick HENRY, RIP-P/F Healy 5:00pm+Pat DEVEREAUX, RIP – Devereaux Family Sunday, October 8 9:00am+ Marjorie LEGAULT, RIP- Estate of 10:30am+ FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

## Saint of the Week:

You cannot all abandon your possessions, but at least you can change your attitude about them. All getting separates you from others; all giving unites to others. - *Francis of Assisi* (1181-1226), *Patron Saint of Ecology, Feast Day October 4* 

## From the desk of Father Norberto Eyule

Dear Beloved Parish Family,

This Sunday, we witness one of the significant moments in the life of our faith community – the oathtaking ceremony of the newly elected members of our Parish Pastoral Council. This momentous occasion is a beautiful alignment of purpose, as these dedicated individuals step forward to help us fulfill our new parish mission: *"To grow as disciples, living and sharing the love of Christ."* 

As we stand at this juncture of renewed commitment, let us also reflect on the profound meaning of our mission statement. **"To grow as disciples"** speaks to our collective journey of faith. It is a call to continuous learning, deepening our understanding of God's word, and strengthening our connection with Jesus Christ. Our faith is not stagnant; it's a living, evolving relationship with our Lord.

*"Living the love of Christ"* is the natural progression of our growth as disciples. It is in our everyday actions and interactions that we truly manifest our faith. It means being Christ-like in our attitudes, our kindness, and our compassion towards others. It's a commitment to walk in the footsteps of our Savior, to emulate His love, mercy, and grace.

Today's ceremony is an embodiment of this commitment. Our Parish Pastoral Council members, through their willingness to serve, exemplify what it means to live the love of Christ within our parish community. They have accepted the responsibility to guide and support our faith journey, ensuring that our parish remains a place of warmth, belonging, and spiritual growth.

But our mission doesn't stop at living; it extends to *"sharing the love of Christ."* This implies an outward focus – a commitment to share God's love beyond our parish boundaries. It means actively reaching out to those who may be hurting, lonely, or in need. It involves fostering a spirit of hospitality, welcome, and inclusivity, making everyone feel valued and loved.

So, as we celebrate the dedication of our Parish Pastoral Council members, let us also recommit ourselves to our mission. Let us remember that it's not a task reserved for a select few but a responsibility that we all share. Each one of us is called to be a disciple, to live and share the love of Christ in our own unique way.

In the coming days, weeks, months and years, I encourage you to engage with our Parish Pastoral Council, share your ideas, and actively participate in the life of our faith community. Together, we can strengthen our bonds, deepen our faith, and be a beacon of Christ's love in our parish and beyond.

May the Holy Spirit guide and inspire our newly elected council members as they undertake their roles, and may we all continue to grow as disciples, living and sharing the love of Christ in everything we do.

Fr. Norberto Eyule

<i>Weekly Collections for <u>Sept 24,2023</u> (This does not include PAG collection)</i>		
Sunday offering (Both parishes) Other collection (Both parishes)	\$ 3563.00 \$ 10344.00	
Total -	\$13907.00	

#### **Choir Members wanted**

We are in need of choir members for our 10:30 am Mass. Choir practice is at 10:00am before Mass. If you enjoy singing join us. Every time you sing you are praising God.

If you are interested, show up at 10:00am in the Choir room or contact Christine Parulski at 705-435-8103.

#### **Organist Wanted**

We are looking for an organist for 10:30 am Mass. Please contact Father Norberto at the Parish office. Thank you for the gift of your time.



9pm Mondays. St. aul the Apostle Bi-weekly. Check schedule

Oct 9- No Life Teen – Thanksgiving Oct 14/15- Overnight Retreat Holy Spirit Barrie



St. Paul the Apostle Grades 6 - 8. 645 - 830pm Mondays. Bi-weekly. Check schedule. Bi-weekly. Check schedule. Oct 9- No Edge- Thanksgiving

Oct 16- Tsunami

## Oktoberfest **Cabbage Roll Dinner**

Oktoberfest Sausage, Home-made Cabbage Rolls And Dessert

## Saturday, <u>October 21</u> – 6:30pm

In support of our parish Youth Ministry

Tickets available after weekend masses or the office

Adults: \$30.00, Child (under 13)-\$20.00,

Preschool Free

Maximum 150 tickets will be sold Only 20 tickets will be sold at door that night.

Come let us serve

#### **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (R.C.I.A)**

If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about Catholic faith and possibly becoming a Catholic, please call Father Norberto at the parish office. This program is open to unbaptized adults, those baptized in other Christian churches and Catholics who desire to complete their initiation.

A note of thanks....

The Knights of Columbus wish to thank the parishioners for attending our Sunday Muffin and Coffee gathering after mass last Sunday; we plan to have a couple more similar events before Christmas!

More details on events to follow in next few weeks .....

# Thanksgiving Mass



\*We will be celebrating an additional Mass on Oct 9th at 8:00 am at St Paul's Church.

The office will close at **2pm on Friday October 6** and will re-open on Tuesday October 10 at 9am.

#### **Parish Picture Directory**

Parish Picture Directory photography begins on Oct 2<sup>nd</sup>.

This new directory will be a great way to get to know each other and strengthen our community! There's always someone you don't know or forget their name! Or someone new! It is a great way to welcome new parishioners into our parish!

This album is like a high school year book and will include our activities and groups history and more!

Its a significant record of our parish at this time! So be a part of our parish HISTORY!

Photographer will be here in the parish from October 2-7<sup>th</sup> and October 16th.

#### New dates added- November 10th and November 11th.

To reserve your spot, please see the ushers in the narthex at weekend Masses.

\*\*The spots on Oct 2,3, 4, 6 and 16 are fully booked. \*\*

EVERYONE gets a free directory from IPC photo, the company making this project available to our parish free of charge. The sitting is also free!

Should you wish, portraits will be made available to you to purchase as well - a great Christmas gift indeed!

#### Sing with Glory and Praise

Everyone is welcome to join as we sing hymns from the new hymnal. Beginning Monday October 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm, at St. Paul the Apostle Church.

This is not a choir practice, but rather an opportunity to sing together and become familiar with new hymns from our new hymnal.

Sing along or listen along - everyone is welcome as we discover new favourite hymns together.

Every Monday at 7:00pm in October & November at St. Paul the Apostle Church.

#### **Catholic Women's League Christmas Bazaar/Lottery Tickets**

St. Paul's CWL will be selling lottery tickets before and after every weekend mass during the month of October. Tickets will be drawn during their annual Christmas bazaar on **November 4<sup>th</sup>**. Make a point of stopping at their table and picking some up. Take them home for friends and family! Money raised goes to support local community causes.

