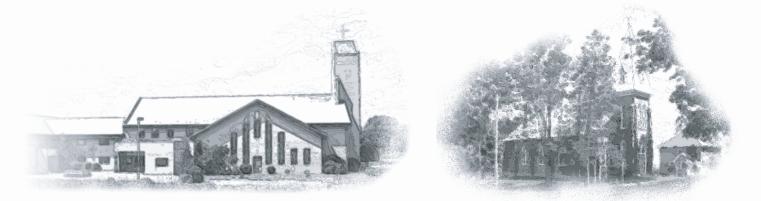
St. Paul the Apostle and Immaculate Conception Churches



"To grow as disciples, living and sharing the love of Christ"

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 6:00 p.m. at St Paul the Apostle	Weekday LiturgiesTuesday: 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul'sWednesday & Thursday: 8:00 a.m. at St. Paul'sFriday: 12:10 noon at Immaculate ConceptionSaturday: 9:00a.m. at Immaculate ConceptionExposition of the Blessed SacramentExposition of the Blessed SacramentFriday of each month at Immaculate Conception Church from1:00pm 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	Baptism: 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:	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.	
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

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Immaculate Conception

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"The cup that I drink you will drink; and with baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." *Mark 10:39b-40*

First Reading + Isaiah 53:10-11 Second Reading + Hebrews 4:14-16 Gospel + Mark 10:35-45

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, October 21 NO MASS SCHEDULED **Tuesday, October 22** 5:20pm Marian Cenacle **6 :15- 6:45 pm – Confessions 7:00pm+ (Multiple Intentions Mass- RIP) Rev. Christopher BENNETT, Esperanza PRODENCIANO & Tresa LEWIS Wednesday, October 23 8 :00am+Artemio AGONCILLO Sr, RIP - Agoncillo Family Thursday, October 24 8:00am+Shawn Barrett, RIP - T. O'Reilly Friday, October 25 (Mass at Immaculate Conception Church) 12:10pm+ (Multiple Intentions Mass, RIP) Souls in Purgatory, Joseph BOGUCKI Saturday, October 26 (Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception) 9:00am+John ORR, Per. Int.- M/M Berberick 5:00pm+Mary & Chester Galezowski, RIP – L/C Laciak Sunday, October 27 9:00am+Robert WALLACE, RIP - B. Baumfeld 10:30am+Lou BIFFIS, RIP – M/L Fanelli 6:00pm+ FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

<u>Saint of the Week:</u> There is no evil to be faced that Christ does not face with us. There is no enemy that Christ has not already conquered. There is no cross to bear that Christ has not already borne for us and does not now bear with us. - Pope John Paul II (1920 - 2005), Pope, *Feast Day October* 22

Jesus' Gentle Truth

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." He replied, "What do you wish me to do for you?" They answered him, "Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left." <u>Mark 10:35–37</u>

What a bold statement from James and John. But notice the gentleness in Jesus' response. The other apostles, however, were not as gentle. We read that when they heard about this request from James and John they "became indignant" about it. In response, Jesus explains to them all that "whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all."

Our fallen human nature is regularly tempted to desire worldly greatness, prestige, honors and admiration. We want others to think well of us and even to envy us. But this is a sin. Recall that this was one of the temptations that Jesus overcame in the desert. The devil tempted our Lord by promising Him earthly rule over all the nations. Jesus rejected this temptation and, by doing so, provides all the grace we need to do the same.

One thing this passage reveals is that our Lord is patient with us as we work through our sin. He was patient and gentle with James and John while they attempted to gain places of honor next to Him. He was patient with the indignation of the other apostles when they struggled with envy and jealousy. And Jesus will be patient with us as we work through the sins that most tempt us.

In addition to His patience, Jesus also provides us with the tools we need to overcome our own temptations. One tool Jesus provides us with is truth itself. Jesus' truth, found in His many teachings and in the example He set, is often contrary to the wisdom of our age and the tendencies we experience within our fallen human nature. In fact, we can be certain that almost every tendency and desire we will experience in life will be disordered to a certain extent. This is because our human nature itself is disordered on account of original sin. The only way to reorder our desires and tendencies is to turn to the clear and profound truths our Lord has given us.

Regarding the desire for worldly honors and greatness, Jesus provides the truth spoken above: "whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all." Do you desire to be a servant? And to go even further, do you desire to be the slave of all? Hopefully you do, but most likely you do not.

The reordering of our desires and tendencies begins by gently confronting them with the truth Jesus spoke. It is helpful to see Jesus speak these words to us with all gentleness and love, just as He did to the apostles. Facing the truth within our fallen human nature does not have to be difficult. We only make it difficult when we refuse to admit our disorders. In reality, conversion of our hearts and the reordering of our desires can be a gentle, peaceful and even joyful process if we allow our Lord to speak to us in the way He spoke to the apostles. Of course, when we become obstinate, self-righteous, or remain in denial, our Lord will become more severe and we will experience the pain of our sin. But when we face the truth with openness and with a willingness to let grace change us, we will convert more quickly and will experience the joy and freedom that the embrace of the truth bestows.

Reflect, today, upon the disordered desires of these apostles. Reflect, also, upon Jesus' gentle correction of them. As you do, look into your own soul and seek to discover the disordered desires and tendencies that Jesus wants to reorder within you. Do not be afraid to face the gentle and freeing truths that our Lord wants to speak to you. Listen to Him, be open, and wisely accept what He says to you so that you will be free and will experience the joys that await.

My freeing Lord, You speak all Truth clearly and gently. You desire to enter my life, reveal my sin, and help me to overcome it. Please give me the grace I need to always listen to You and to allow Your words to change my life. Please free me from every disordered desire and tendency in my life, dear Lord, so that I can experience the joy of true freedom. Jesus, I trust in You. *Source:MyCatholicLife*

2024 Altar Server Awards

Congratulations to the following Altar Servers from our parish for receiving **Bishop's Altar Server Awards**. The ceremony took place on Saturday October 12th at St Clare of Assisi Church in Woodbridge. The award was presented by Auxiliary Bishop Most Rev. John Boissonneau.

The servers who received the awards are

Ethyn ARTHUR, Stephanie BRUCE, Ciera JOBITY and Bernadette TAN.

Congratulations to all of them all and may our Lord bless them and strengthen them as they continue their faithful service as altar servers.

Oktoberfest Dinner - October 26th, 2024

Tickets on sale at all weekend masses and through the office. Come join us for a fun evening and delicious food. Thank-you for your support to our Youth Ministry. Please see the poster in the narthex for more information.

WANTED - EDGE Youth Ministry Volunteers

1-3 adults who love working with youth. Love to play games, talk about life and faith. Don't mind a little organized chaos. Varying commitment needed over the school year. Usually Monday evenings. You will love the other volunteers. Best way to know, is to come and see .



Novena for the Faithful Departed

We will begin the novena for Faithful departed on October 24th. There will be a Mass celebrated on October 28th at 8:00am at St Paul's Church.

Parish Headcount October 19/20 and October 26/27

On the weekends of October 19/20 and October 26/27, we will be doing the annual parish headcounts. The reason for doing the count is to help provide an accurate profile of Mass attendance in the archdiocese.

The ushers will be doing the headcount during the Mass. Your assistance in this is greatly appreciated.

Knights of Columbus 50/50 Draw Tickets are available for purchase after all weekend Masses. Get your tickets now to be included in the **October 14th "Early Bird Draw**" for a chance to win 1 **\$500** or 2 **\$250** prizes.

All tickets will be included in the December 31st Grand Prize draw.

Securities as a Charitable Gift Option

From: Michael Penafiel, Development Coordinator

One of the most financially sound ways to support the Archdiocese of Toronto is a gift of securities (stocks, bonds, mutual funds). When you donate stocks, mutual funds and other publicly traded securities to a registered charity, you pay no capital gains tax and receive a tax receipt for the full amount of the gift. It means a great tax break for you and more significant support of your parish and various archdiocesan charities such as ShareLife, St. Augustine's Seminary, The Shepherds' Trust and many others. To donate securities, follow this link: Archdiocese of Toronto - Gift of Securities (archtoronto.org) and download the "How to Gift Securities Info Sheet" and "Letter of Direction." For more information, contact our office at <u>development@archtoronto.org</u>.



CWL CHRISTMAS CHARITY BAZAAR Saturday, November 2, 2024 10:00 AM to 1:30 PM Fr. Bennett Hall, St. Paul the Apostle Church

We need your help to make this a successful bazaar!

Donations are required for themed Gift Baskets, prizes for the 2nd Draw, items for the Penny Table, Silent Auction, Bake Table, Knitting/Sewing Table, and gently used Jewelry, Scarves & Purses. Also flour, sugar, eggs, Crisco, pie fillings, and apples.

Volunteers are needed to help prepare food in the Church kitchen on:

Monday, Oct. 21; Monday, Oct. 28; Wednesday, Oct. 30; and Friday, Nov. 1.

Sign-up sheets are posted in the Narthex for donations and volunteers. Donations may be brought to Fr. Bennett Hall from October 30th to November 1st.

Books of lottery tickets are available in the Narthex after Masses, to sell to family, friends, or co-workers. *Lottery License* #M831258.

Tea Room Organizer: Loretta Gismondi 705-458-9504 Lottery Organizer: Dawn Westcott 705-435-9914 Bazaar Co-ordinator: Helen Beamish 705-391-9762

Help needed at St Paul's Cemetery

Our Cemetery Board is looking for an able-bodied person, available during the week to volunteer at St. Paul's Cemetery. This is a labor-intensive volunteer position. Please contact the office for more information.

<u>Unpacking the Synod on Synodality–November 10, 2024,</u> <u>4 to 6 p.m. St. Michael's College School Centre for the</u> <u>Arts – 1515 Bathurst St.</u>

Join us for a panel discussion to help unpack the Synod on Synodality. The three-year process of listening and dialogue, undertaken between 2021 and 2024, has garnered participation from Catholics worldwide. Moderated by Dr. Josephine Lombardi, panelists include - Sr. Nathalie Becquart, XMCJ, undersecretary of the Synod of Bishops, Archbishop J. Michael Miller CSB of Vancouver, theologians Dr. Moira McQueen and Sr. Gill Goulding, CJ. Limited tickets available – **they are free** but must be reserved by visiting: **www.archtoronto.org/synod**.

Offertory envelopes for 2025

We will be placing an order for the offertory envelopes for 2025. If you do not wish to use the envelopes, please call the office. If your contact information has changed, please let the office know.

Envelope holders **149**, **249**, **311** - please update your contact information with the office. You may also fill out the parish registration form and drop it with the offertory or to the office. Thank you for your consideration

Church Bulletin Advertising

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in November 2024 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call **Liturgical Publications on 1-800-268-2637.**

