

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 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 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 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

St. Paul the Apostle

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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 26 January 2025

“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free... *Luke 4:18*

First Reading + Nehemiah 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10
Second Reading + 1 Corinthians 12:12-30
Gospel + Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Monday, January 27

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, January 28

5:20pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

****6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS**

7:00pm+John Mastelarz, Per. Int.-M/M Berberick

Wednesday, January 29

8:00am+Rev. Norberto Eyule, Per. Int.- Anonymous

Thursday, January 30

8:00am+Michael Berberick, Per. Int.-M. Berberick

Friday, January 31

12 :10pm+William & Anne Marie BENNETT, RIP-Estate of

Saturday, February 1

9:00am+Ruby Bailey, Per. Int. – M/M Berberick

4:00 -4:45 pm+ CONFESSIONS

5:00pm+Donald KING, RIP – B/D Lynch

Sunday, February 2

9:00am+Souls in Purgatory – T. O'Reilly

10:30am+Jaime DANIEL, RIP- N. Daniel

6:00pm+ FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Without confidence and love, there can be no true education. If you want to be loved...you must love yourselves, and make your children feel that you love them.

- *St. John Bosco (1815-1888) Priest, Patron of editors & publishers, Feast Day January 31*

Vocation Seeds

You are the body of Christ; every one of you is a member of it. As a member of the body, we serve different roles. Are you willing to do your part? If God is calling you to be a priest, religious or deacon contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at

416-968-0997.

Email:vocations@archtoronto.org

www.vocationstoronto.ca

Enthused by the Gospel

Jesus returned to Galilee in the power of the Spirit, and news of him spread throughout the whole region. He taught in their synagogues and was praised by all. [Luke 4:14-15](#)

This Gospel passage reveals to us the very beginnings of Jesus' public ministry. He began His public ministry immediately after spending forty days in the desert being tempted by the devil. As He began, He went to Galilee "in the power of the Spirit." Many people heard about Him and welcomed Him with much enthusiasm.

Though Jesus was initially welcomed with praise, we know that things quickly changed. Some eventually became so hostile that they put Jesus to death, but it's useful to ponder the initial response He received. This initial response is one that must become continuously new in our lives. The initial response was that He "was praised by all."

Jesus would later teach about this initial experience many would have toward the Gospel when He taught the Parable of the Sower. Recall that the seed that was sown on rocky ground, that fell among thorns, and that was sown in good soil all began to grow. Only that which was sown on the path failed to grow, because the birds came and ate it up. This latter case describes those who are completely indifferent to the Gospel. But in today's Gospel, the "all" are those who at least paid attention and initially responded with enthusiasm. The seed began to grow in these three scenarios—but, of course, in only one of those cases did the seed ultimately bear good fruit.

Another way to look at this initial encounter with the Gospel is to consider a child. In almost every case, when a child is presented with the Gospel, they will begin to respond and even find excitement in the faith. But, as many parents have seen, this initial welcome is sometimes followed by a rejection of the Gospel later in life.

When did you initially encounter the Gospel? For some it was during childhood. For others, there was a powerful experience of conversion later in life. Think of that initial encounter you had and the ways that you were excited by your newfound faith. Has that experience continued and grown in your life? Or has your initial praise of God and enthusiasm dwindled or even died?

Reflect, today, upon the fact that God wants us to continuously experience the Gospel as something new and transforming. The newness of the life of grace must never wear off. Ponder this experience in your life and try to see yourself as one of the people in today's Gospel who heard Jesus for the first time. Ponder their enthusiasm and join in their praise of our Lord so that you will be motivated to let God and the preaching of His holy Word continuously transform you.

Glorious Word of God, You have come to set us free by revealing to us Your love and mercy and by bestowing that grace upon us. Please open my mind and heart to Your holy Word so that I will be driven by a holy love to serve and follow You all the days of my life. Jesus, I trust in You.

Source:MyCatholicLife

With **2025 being the Jubilee Year of Hope**, the **Archdiocese of Toronto** has designated some parishes as pilgrimage sites, and all are invited to plan a visit as a parish or as an individual in the coming months.

There is a special Jubilee Mass to be celebrated by - **Bishop John A. Boissonneau on Thursday January 30th at 7 pm at St Mary's Parish in Barrie.** All are invited to attend. Confessions will be available before Mass.

There is a special Jubilee Mass to be celebrated by **Cardinal Leo on Tuesday February 4 at 7 pm at St Padre Pio's Parish in Woodbridge.** All are invited to attend. Confessions will be available before Mass.

Knights of Columbus Valentines Dinner/Dance

Knights of Columbus 3rd Annual Valentines Dinner Dance on **February 8th** in Father Bennett Hall, from **6:30 pm to Midnight.**

Tickets are \$60.00pp or \$120.00 per couple and will be available after each weekend mass or at the Parish Office.

Great Food, Door Prizes, Penny Auction, Draws and Cash Bar. Same excellent DJ as last year.

For further information please contact **Ed Rooney**, (call or text): **416-579-0859** or email: rooneye34@gmail.com. Donations for the prize table are gratefully accepted.

Please contact **John Blacklaws** at **705-434-8866** or blacklaws@rogers.com.

****Singles welcome and expected at the Dinner/Dance. ****

Celebration of Marriage Mass with Bishop Ivan Camilleri – Feb. 9, 2025, at 2:30 p.m.

As part of Marriage Sunday 2025 celebrations, Bishop Ivan Camilleri will preside at a special Mass to honour married couples, with special recognition for those celebrating 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ wedding anniversaries in 2025. The Mass will take place at **2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 9, 2025, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica** (65 Bond St., Toronto). All married couples will have an opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass.

All are welcome to attend. Couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or 60+ anniversary in 2025 may register for reserved seating. Reserved seating is limited, so please register early. All other seating is on a first-come, first-served basis. Those who are unable to attend at the Cathedral are invited to join the celebration via [livestream Mass](#). Registration and other important information can be found at www.archtoronto.org/marriage.

Jubilee of Youth 2025

Calling all young adults (ages 19 – 39years), join **Fr. Paul Magyar** and the OCY team for a pilgrimage of a lifetime! We will be embarking on a pilgrimage to Venice, Padua, Florence, Assisi and Rome from **July 23rd to August 5th, 2025.** Please contact youth@archtoronto.org to receive the pilgrim information package and detailed itinerary.

For any questions or further information, please reach out directly to their Events and Program Coordinator, Amanda Pereira at avperiera@archtoronto.org.

Under the spiritual leadership of **Father Norberto**, there is a 12-day **pilgrimage to France, Spain and Portugal from Sept 7-18, 2025.** The cost is **\$4590.00** (including taxes & tips). Please see the flyer in the narthex for further information and registration and directly contact **International Heritage Tours**. Numbers mentioned in the flyer.



Consider joining our Parish ALPHA Team

Anyone interested - discover more about Catholic faith. Learning & laughter - learn the why's of our faith at fun gatherings.

People meeting together - get to know others. Make good friends.

Help one another - small groups to discuss concepts from video talks.

Ask anything - a safe place where no question is too simple or too hostile

Consider volunteering to make **Alpha** happen in our **parish.** Attend a potluck lunch on **February 23rd at 1200 noon at St Paul's Church** to explore how you can assist.

<https://alphacanada.org/catholic-context/>

Volunteers Needed:

The **Cemetery Board** is looking for an able-bodied person, available weekdays, to volunteer at our St. Paul's Cemetery. This is a labour intensive volunteer position.

Please contact the office and we will connect you with the Board Member.

The **Parish Office** is looking for volunteers to assist in the office on a part-time basis. (Leading to paid time when covering for vacation/sick days). Training will be provided. Interested candidates may drop/email their resumé to the office. Those shortlisted will be contacted.

Brain Trust: Share Your Talents with Our Parish!

Our parish is blessed with the many hidden talents among you and your families, and we invite you to help build and strengthen our community. Whether your skills lie in construction, marketing, fundraising, legal expertise, entertainment, or other areas, your God-given abilities can make a meaningful difference in our parish projects.

If you can spare some time, please reach out!

Contact our parish office (705-435-6325) or via email at StPaultheApostleAL@archtoronto.org

You can also fill out the inventory form at the narthex and drop it in the collection basket. Let's work together to create something beautiful for our community!

The **2024 tax receipts** will be processed and mailed out to your address on file soon. If your contact information has changed, please let the office know. Thank you for your assistance.

****Owner of envelope numbers 132 and 311** please call the office with your contact details. Or fill out family registration form and drop it with offertory at mass.

****Bus Driver with Class F Licence Needed** for Kingsmere**

Kingsmere Retirement Living is hiring a bus driver with a Class F licence for group outings, including trips to local shops, scenic drives, and cultural events. This is a part-time position with flexible hours. For details, call **Christine at Kingsmere at (705) 434 4600.**

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