

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

## **St. Paul the Apostle**

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email: [DMcKendrick@archtoronto.org](mailto:DMcKendrick@archtoronto.org)



### **7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2025**

“Give, and it will be given to you. A Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back.” *Luke 6:38*

**First Reading + 1 Samuel 26:2,7-9, 12-13, 22-25**  
**Second Reading + 1 Corinthians 15:45-49**  
**Gospel + Luke 6:27 -38**

### **MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

#### **Monday, February 24**

NO MASS SCHEDULED

#### **Tuesday, February 25**

5:20pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

**\*\*6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS\*\***

7:00pm+William & Anne Marie BENNETT, RIP- Estate of

#### **Wednesday, February 26**

8:00am+Berberick Family Nieces and Nephews, Per. Int. -M/M Berberick

#### **Thursday, February 27**

8:00am+Murray Family, Per. Int. – P. Murray

#### **Friday, February 28**

12 :10pm+ Darrin Ross, Per. Int. – M/M Berberick

#### **Saturday, March 1**

9:00am+Rev. Thomas G. CHISHOLM, RIP-Arch TO

**\*\*4:00-4:45 pm – CONFESSIONS\*\***

5:00pm+Rachelle TOMPOROWSKI, RIP–L/C Laciak

#### **Sunday, March 2**

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

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

6:00pm- FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

### **Saint of the Week:**

Now may the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the eternal high priest himself, the Son of God Jesus Christ, build you up in faith and truth and in all gentleness and in all freedom from anger and forbearance and steadfastness and patient endurance and purity.

- *St. Polycarp (75-156), Bishop Martyr, Feast Day February 23*

### **Kindness Toward All**

“But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend expecting nothing back; then your reward will be great and you will be children of the Most High, for he himself is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.” [Luke 6:35–36](#)

It is certainly difficult to be “kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.” But doing so is exactly what our Lord commanded us to do. And His command is not a command in the sense of being a burden. On the contrary, it’s a command that frees us from the ingratitude and wickedness we encounter. Oftentimes, when we encounter ingratitude from another, or any other form of wickedness, we tend to react in kind. Our fallen human nature lures us into cruelty when faced with cruelty. We criticize, condemn, attack and get angry. But Jesus is very clear that this is not how the “Most High” acts toward the wicked. And it is not how He acts toward us. In the end, the wicked who fail to repent will endure the consequences of their rejection of God’s mercy. But until that final judgment, hope of conversion must always be present. And for that reason, we must never give up on another, no matter how difficult. Kindness shown to everyone, in every circumstance, goes to the heart of the mission we have received as children of God.

Think about the person in your life who seems unworthy of your kindness and generosity. Why are they undeserving? Are they truly undeserving? The truth, according to our Lord’s teaching, is that these are not questions we should even ask ourselves. Instead, we must fully commit ourselves to loving everyone who appears to be our enemy, and do good to them and to everyone whom we encounter. Though this is difficult, it won’t be if we understand the goodness that God has shown to us.

God has shone us perfect goodness, not because He expected anything back, but simply because He has willed to love us. If we want to be children of God the Most High, then we must reciprocate the love given to us. That’s the nature of God’s love. It cannot be contained. It cannot be selfishly received without also allowing it to pour forth from our lives. When we understand this, we will understand the reason Jesus instructed us to be “kind to the ungrateful and the wicked.” It is simply because this is how God has treated us.

Reflect, today, upon the unlimited love God has for you. It is beyond what you could ever comprehend. Reflect, also, upon the great benefit there is in opening yourself to God’s perfect love, kindness, generosity and mercy. The benefit is that you are able to be filled with that which you receive. And as you receive this love of God, it necessarily overflows into the lives of everyone you encounter, the good and the wicked. Everyone must always be offered this love. Do not hesitate, for God does not hesitate with you.

*Most merciful Lord, You bestow Your abundant goodness upon all people, the good and bad alike. You never cease offering Your love and mercy. May I always be counted among those who fully open themselves to Your grace, and may I always offer this same depth of love to all. Jesus, I trust in You.*

*Source:MyCatholicLife*

**Serra's 'Vocation Seeds'**

**Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

The Lord Calls us to do God's Will. Pray that you may know God's Will in your life; especially, if you have the inclination that you are being called to the ordained or consecrated life. 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](mailto:vocations@archtoronto.org)

[www.vocationstoronto.ca](http://www.vocationstoronto.ca)

**Shrove Tuesday - Pancake Supper**

**March 4th, from 4-7pm.**

**Father Bennett Hall**

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**Ash Wednesday Masses**

March 5<sup>th</sup> at St. Paul's

**8:00a.m. & 7:00p.m.**



**The Stations of the Cross**

During Lent we will pray The Stations of the Cross every Friday at 7:00p.m from March 7<sup>th</sup> – April 18<sup>th</sup>

† Please note that on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, Catholics are obliged to observe fasting and abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older; the law of fasting binds those from 18-59 years of age. One way to fast would be to have one larger meal and two light meals.

On Fridays especially during Lent, Catholics are also obliged to do something penitential. They can fast from meat or Pray the **Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7:00 p.m.** at **St Paul's** or do charitable works or alms giving.

**Provincial Election Guide 2025**

A provincial election is set for Thursday, February 27, 2025. Catholic Charities urges all eligible voters to make their voices heard and cast their ballots on Election Day.

To help you navigate the key issues and make informed decisions, they teamed up with their Social Justice Committee to create a concise election guide. This guide highlights the most pressing concerns in our communities and poses the right questions to consider.

For your convenience, **Provincial Election Guide 2025** is posted on the bulletin board in the narthex.

Let's make a difference together!

CONTACT: [info@ccat.ca](mailto:info@ccat.ca) or 416-934-3401

**New to the Parish??**

Welcome to the community!

You may sign up to register as a parishioner. The registration forms are in the narthex. If you wish to have offertory envelopes to receive year-end tax receipts for your donations, you may pick one that is marked, '**NEW 2025**'.

Offertory envelopes are on **request only** basis and are not **assigned automatically** upon registering with the parish.

Please call the office for more information.

**2024 Tax Receipts**

The 2024 tax receipts will be mailed out to your address on file with the Church directly by the Archdiocese of Toronto.

If you do not receive your receipts by **February 28<sup>th</sup>**, please call the office.

**Annual Manresa Weekend Retreat for Men**

Manresa Jesuit Renewal Centre 2325 Liverpool Rd., Pickering, Ontario L1X 1V4 (at top of Liverpool Rd., N. of Finch)

Theme: The Wisdom of Henri Nouwen: Guidance for the Lenten Journey One of Henri Nouwen's greatest gifts was his ability to help people connect with their vulnerabilities in order to grow in trust and intimacy. This Lenten retreat will consider this and other common themes in Nouwen's writing, such as being the beloved of God, giving and receiving forgiveness, growing in hope, and accepting one's limitations. The focus will be on providing concrete ways to incorporate these ideas into our prayer lives.

Friday, March 14 - Sunday, March 16, 2025

Facilitator: Fr. Kevin Kelly, S.J.

For more information contact Manresa directly on: 905-839-2864

To register: <https://manresa-canada.ca/events/>.

**Save the Date:**

**On Saturday, May 31**, the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a new archdiocesan event called

"**A Day With Mary**" will be taking place at **Villanova College** in King City. We will gather together from all corners of the archdiocese to participate in Mass, pray the Rosary, grow deeper in our devotion to Our Lady through a keynote address for the adults and children's catechesis for the kids. There will be music and fellowship and we hope you will consider joining the Cardinal Archbishop and so many others who love the Blessed Mother. More information will follow in the coming weeks.

Mary Mother of the Church, pray for us!

**Parish photo Directory**

Reminder- if you took your picture for the parish photo directory and still have not collected your booklet, you may pick it up from the parish office. The office is open Tuesday to Friday 9-4 pm

Thank you

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**Daylight saving time - March 9, 2025**



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