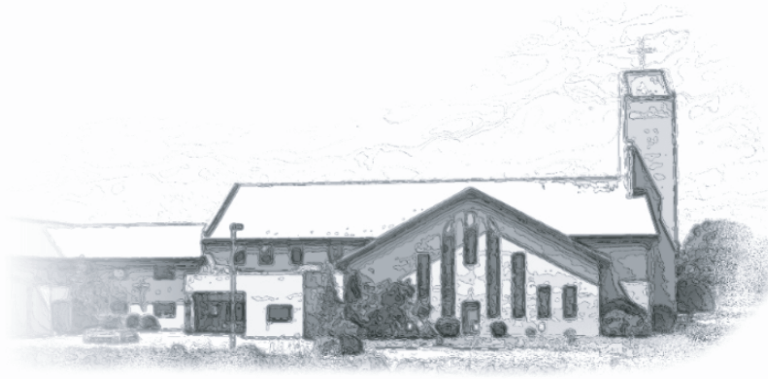


St. Paul the Apostle and Immaculate Conception Churches



"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

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.

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.

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.

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

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FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



First Sunday of Advent- November 30, 2025

First Reading + Isaiah 2:1-5
Second Reading + Romans 13:11-14
Gospel + Matthew 24:37-44

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday, December 1

(Mass at Immaculate Conception Church)

09:00am+ Sonia CLOSE, RIP- J/R Farrugia

Tuesday, December 2

5:20pm+ Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+ HOLY HOUR

****6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS****

7:00pm+ *(Multiple Intentions Mass, Per. Int.)*

Maria Berberick, Nancy O'Reilly

Wednesday, December 3

8:00am+ Rev. Christopher BENNETT, RIP – Estate of

Thursday, December 4

8:00am+ Patrick Flanagan, Per. Int- M/M Berberick

10:45am+ Holy Family School Advent Mass

Friday, December 5

(Fri. Daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)

12:10pm+ *(Multiple Intentions Mass, RIP)*

William & Anne Marie BENNETT,

Florence BERBERICK, Francis LYNCH,

Rev. Joseph WALSH

Saturday, December 6

(Sat. Daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)

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

5:00pm+ FOR THE PEOPLE OF PARISH

Sunday, December 7

9:00am+ Nicholas KRZYWONOS, RIP-D. Geronimo

10:30am+ Paul & Madeleine LAPERRIERE, RIP-G. Cole

6:00pm+ Giovanni & Angela STEA, RIP-N/T Novielli

From the desk of Father Norberto

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we begin this holy season of Advent, our hearts are once again invited to prepare for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. Advent is a time of hope, a time of reflection, and a time of joyful anticipation. It reminds us that, in the midst of our busy lives, God is always near, calling us to pause, to listen, and to open our hearts to His saving presence.

This year, our Advent journey is even more special. We prepare not only for the birth of Christ at Christmas, but also to celebrate 150 years of St. Paul Parish - 150 years of faith, devotion, and community life rooted in the Gospel. We give thanks for the generations of faithful men and women who have built and nurtured this parish, who have taught us to love God and one another, and who have passed down the gift of faith as a living treasure. Each stone of our church, each tradition, each ministry, is a witness to the Lord's faithfulness. Our celebration is a testimony that God has truly been with us, guiding, sustaining, and inspiring us in every season of our journey.

At the same time, we approach the closing of the Jubilee Year: Pilgrims of Hope. This Jubilee has been a time of renewal, a time to reflect on God's mercy, and a time to strengthen our commitment to living as people of hope. Advent and the Jubilee come together beautifully: both call us to recognize the Lord's presence in our midst and to live as people whose hearts are open to transformation, reconciliation, and mission. We are reminded that hope is not a vague wish but a confident trust in God's promises. As pilgrims of hope, we are invited to journey together, carrying His light to a world in need of peace, healing, and love.

In this Advent season, let us reflect on three important truths that guide our preparation:

First, Advent is a season of hope. The prophets of old spoke of a coming Savior who would bring justice, peace, and salvation. Today, we continue to wait in joyful hope for Christ to be born anew in our hearts. In every Eucharist, in every act of love and mercy, Christ comes to us again.

Second, Advent is a season of reflection. As we prepare for our parish's 150th anniversary, we look back with gratitude and ask: How have we lived our faith? How can we grow in love for God and neighbor? Reflection allows us to see God's hand in our history and inspires us to embrace our calling with renewed courage.

Third, Advent is a season of mission. The Lord comes to us not only to bless us but to send us forth. As pilgrims of hope, we are called to be light for others, to bring peace where there is conflict, hope where there is despair, and love where there is indifference. Our parish's history teaches us that faith flourishes when it is shared, when the community reaches out, and when every member becomes a witness to Christ's mercy and joy.

Brothers and sisters, this Advent let us journey together with hearts full of hope, gratitude, and purpose. Let us welcome Christ into our homes, our families, and our parish community. Let us celebrate our 150 years not only as a milestone of history but as a living testimony of faith. And let us close the Jubilee Year as pilgrims renewed in hope, ready to continue the mission entrusted to us by Christ.

May the Lord bless you abundantly this Advent season, and may our hearts be ever ready to receive Him who comes to save us.

With prayers and blessings
Fr. Norberto A Eyule

Saint of the Week

It is not the actual physical exertion that counts towards one's progress, nor the nature of the task, but by the spirit of faith with which it is undertaken.

- St. Francis Xavier (1506-1552), Priest, Missionary, Feast Day December 3

*Wishing you and your families a Blessed
Advent Season!*

**'Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary'**

Novena begins on Nov. 29th

Additional Masses will be celebrated on
**Dec 1st and Dec 8th at 9:00am at
Immaculate Conception Church**

Street Patrol

Life Teen will once again be collecting clothing for the Homeless this year. Donations will be accepted from **Nov 29 until Dec. 28**. (Donation boxes are in the narthex at St Paul's).

Mostly men's wear needed.

Please see posters in the narthex for suggested items required.

Thank you for your generosity.

CWL CHRISTMAS POTLUCK & SOCIAL

ALL LADIES, WELCOME!! PLEASE JOIN US!!

Bring a friend, family member or support person

Wed. Dec.3, 2025 Fr. Bennett Hall

Doors open at 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be served at 6:00

Dinner, Christmas Carols and Fellowship

Bring your favorite dish to share or you might bring a dish to reflect your culture. Please label the name of the dish and the background.

Please bring 1 non-perishable food item to support the local food bank.

St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Drive.

During the month of December, **St. Vincent de Paul** will be having a **Christmas Drive** to raise funds for those less fortunate members in our community. Please donate to our cause by using your green envelope found in your church envelope box or use the grey St. Vincent de Paul envelope found in the narthex or at the back of the church. **Please ensure your cheque is made payable to St. Vincent de Paul and add your name and address as your donation will be recognized with an income tax receipt from St. Vincent de Paul and NOT from the Church.**

We require assistance all year. If you can volunteer a few hours each month to help us out, please contact **Paul Healy** for more information at **(705) 435-4951** or **pfhealy@yahoo.com**.

Thank you for your continued support.

Thank you!!

A heartfelt thank you to **John Farrugia** and the dedicated team of volunteers. Throughout the summer months, they hosted the **Tea and Sweets** mornings after Sunday mass at **Immaculate Conception Church**, raising an impressive **\$1,126.45**. The check was presented to Father Norberto at the Pastoral Council Meeting earlier this month.

We are especially grateful that all food and materials that were generously donated, making this achievement possible.

The Giving Tree – Nov 30–Dec 14

Help bring Christmas joy to local school families through the **SMCDSB Christmas Wish Program**. Take an ornament from the tree in the narthex, buy the listed gift, and return it unwrapped by **December 14**.

150th Anniversary Pilgrimage

The 150th Anniversary Committee has organized a pilgrimage to visit shrines in Montreal and Quebec City. This 5-day trip is scheduled for **May 11–15, 2026**.

Registration is now open, but only until **31st January**. For more information, please see the 150th Anniversary bulletin board in the Narthex. Please contact **Paul Healy** at **(705) 435-4951** or email: **pfhealy@yahoo.com**.

Attention Offertory Envelope Users

2026 offertory envelopes are now available in the narthex.

- If you cannot find your assigned box, please contact the parish office.
- If you would like a box, you may take one marked "**New 2026.**"
- Each **new box** includes a **registration form**. Please complete the form and return it to the office or place it with your offertory so the office can assign the box to your household.
- Please note - boxes are not assigned automatically.

Thank you for your continued support to our parish.

Special Anniversary Mass – February 14th at 10:30 AM

As part of our parish's 150th anniversary celebrations, we invite all couples marking milestone anniversaries in 2026 – 25 or 50 years (in multiples of 5) to join us for a Special Anniversary Mass on **Saturday, February 14th at 10:30 AM**.

Following the Mass, refreshments/cake will be served in **Fr. Bennett Hall** as we continue the joyful celebration together.

To participate, please call or email the parish office to register your anniversary.

If you would like us to apply for a papal blessing on your behalf, please contact the office at your earliest convenience. We will provide you with full details regarding the application process, including requirements, timelines, and associated costs.

If interested, please contact the office as soon as possible. Applications must be submitted by **December 15th** to ensure the blessing arrives in time for our milestone celebration.

Let us come together in thanksgiving for the gift of marriage and celebrate this historic parish occasion with faith, joy, and community!



Christmas and New Year Mass Schedule

***Confessions: Tuesdays - 6:15-6:45 pm &
Saturdays - 4:15-4:45pm**

Wednesday- December 24th

8:00am – Daily Mass

5:00pm, 7:30 pm and 9:30 pm - at St Paul's

Thursday- December 25th

No 8:00 am Mass at St Paul's

9:00 am - at Immaculate Conception

10:30am and 1200 Noon - at St Paul's

Wednesday- December 31st

8:00am – Daily Mass

5:00pm - at St. Paul's

Thursday- January 1st

No 8:00am Mass at St Paul's

9:00am - at Immaculate Conception

10:30am - at St Paul's



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