

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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The Ascension of the Lord ~ 17 May 2026

“All Authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.....” Matthew 28:18b-19

First Reading + Acts 1:1-11
Second Reading + Ephesians 1:17-23
Gospel + Matthew 28:16-20

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday, May 18

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, May 19

5:15pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

6:15pm+ CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+ (Multiple Intentions Mass - RIP)

Lou BIFFIS, Deacon John HAGAN, Rolf WEICK

Wednesday, May 20

8:00am+Nancy BERBERICK, RIP – M/M Berberick

Thursday, May 21

8:00am+William BERBERICK, RIP – M/M Berberick

Friday, May 22

(Mass at Immaculate Conception Church)

12:10pm+ (Multiple Intentions Mass, Per. Int.)

Michael Berberick, John & Rosemary Farrugia,

Elieza Mantilla,

Saturday, May 23

(Daily mass at Immaculate Conception Church)

9:00am+Nath GUNASEKARA, RIP-Gunasekara Family

5:00pm+ Danica SVETINA, RIP- N. Grbic

Sunday, May 24

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30am+Angelina & Frank Pedro, Per. Int.-Pedro family

Milagros ABANALES, RIP- Tubiera Family

From the desk of Father Norberto

Dear brothers and sisters,

As we continue our Easter journey and prepare our hearts for the celebration of the Ascension of the Lord, we are reminded of the final command of Jesus before He returned to the Father: “Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit” (Matthew 28:19). These words were not addressed only to the apostles long ago. They are entrusted to every baptized Christian today. They are entrusted to us.

The Ascension is not the end of Jesus’ mission; rather, it is the beginning of the Church’s mission. Before ascending into heaven, our Lord did not ask His disciples to remain hidden in fear or to keep the Gospel only for themselves. Instead, He sent them out courageously to proclaim His love, mercy, and salvation to the world. He entrusted ordinary men with an extraordinary mission to bring people closer to God through faith and Baptism.

Sometimes we may think that evangelization is only the responsibility of priests, missionaries, or religious sisters. But the truth is that every Christian is called to be a witness of Christ. Parents evangelize when they teach their children how to pray. Grandparents evangelize when they share stories of faith and perseverance. Young people evangelize when they choose kindness, honesty, and purity in a world that often promotes selfishness. Parishioners evangelize when they serve the poor, welcome strangers, forgive others, and faithfully participate in the life of the Church.

To baptize all nations does not simply mean performing a ritual. It means helping people encounter Jesus Christ personally and inviting them into the life of grace, hope, and salvation. Many people around us are longing for meaning, peace, and love. Some carry heavy burdens, loneliness, or confusion. Others have drifted away from faith. The Lord calls us to become instruments of His compassion and truth. A simple invitation to Mass, a word of encouragement, a patient act of charity, or a sincere testimony of faith can touch hearts more deeply than we realize.

At times we may feel inadequate for such a mission. The apostles themselves were weak and afraid after the death of Jesus. Yet they were transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit. The same Spirit strengthens us today. Jesus never sends us alone. Before ascending, He promised: “I am with you always, until the end of the age.” This promise gives us courage. The mission of the Church does not depend solely on human strength but on the grace and presence of God.

As a parish family, let us renew our commitment to the mission entrusted to us. Let us become a welcoming and joyful community where faith is lived authentically and shared generously. May our parish not simply be a place we attend, but a living witness of Christ’s love in the world. Let us pray for the courage to speak about our faith, the humility to serve others, and the zeal to bring souls closer to Jesus.

May the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, guide us in our mission. Like her, may we say “yes” to God wholeheartedly and bring Christ to others through our words and actions. May the Lord bless you and your families always.

Fr. Norberto A. Eyule

Saint of the Week

Remember to care for the soul more than the body, since the former remains, the latter perishes. – *Blessed Alcuin of York (735-804), Monk, Scholar, Feast Day May 19*

Serra's 'Vocation Seeds'

Ascension of the Lord - May 17, 2026

Jesus said, "Remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." If you are discerning God's call for the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life, contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997. Email: vocations@archtoronto.org
www.vocationstoronto.ca



Pasta Dinner -Thank you to everyone who attended the Pasta Dinner on May 9 and helped make it such a success. A special thank-you to all the **volunteers**, and especially to **Lynda Blacklaws** for the time, effort, and delicious food. Your dedication and support are truly appreciated.

Thank you **Knights of Columbus** for handing out roses on Mother's Day at all masses.

Thank you goes out to the **Catholic Women's League** for Crowning of Mary on Mother's Day weekend Masses.

Thank you Tony Groen.... Tony, after 30 years of ushering and helping with the collection, your parish family offers you a heartfelt **thank you**. Your dependability, trustworthiness, and welcoming spirit have shaped the experience of countless parishioners. As you and **Bertha** step back from this ministry, we wish you both continued joy, good health, and the deep peace that comes from a life lived generously. Thank you, Tony, for everything you've given to this parish community.



**Catholic Women's League
Annual Garage Sale**

on
Saturday May 30th
from
8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
in
Father Bennett Hall.

We will gladly accept your donated "treasures", but **NOT** clothing or large furniture items.

For free pick-up of goods, please contact Loretta or Dawn **before Saturday May 23rd.**

**Loretta – 705-458-9504
Dawn- 705-435-9914**

Items may be dropped off in the hall on:
Wednesday, May 27, Thursday, May 28, Friday, May 29
Drop-off hours: 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Please see the board in the narthex for dates and times that you can help!

Hope you will drop by and support this event!

Pastoral Council – 2026-2028.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the voting for the next **Parish Pastoral Council** term **beginning this Fall**. This year's results were exceptionally close among all the candidates, reflecting the strong commitment and dedication within our parish community.

We are pleased to share the names of the **top three candidates** who received the highest number of votes. We also extend our sincere gratitude to all who allowed their names to stand - your willingness to serve is deeply appreciated.

Hello, my name is **Robert Ceccato**, and I have been a member of this parish since 2007. I am blessed with three adult children, and for over 15 years I have been involved in Youth Ministry. In addition to my work as a Catholic high school teacher in Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Religion, and eLearning with the York Catholic District School Board, I serve our parish as website administrator, Lector, and Eucharistic Minister.

Through these experiences, I have developed a deep love for our parish community and a strong desire to serve. After encouragement from fellow parishioners, I feel called to offer my time and gifts in service on the Pastoral Council. I am committed to listening, collaborating, and working together to support the spiritual growth and future of our parish. I would be grateful for the opportunity to serve and contribute to our shared mission as we move forward in faith. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Kelly McGinty

I am grateful to accept the nomination to serve on the Pastoral Council at St. Paul the Apostle Parish. Our parish has been an important part of my life since 2006, and I am deeply committed to its continued growth and vitality.

In both my professional and volunteer roles, I strive to serve with faith, compassion, and dedication. As Chairperson of Religion and Humanities at St. Thomas Aquinas C.S.S., I am passionate about fostering faith development and meaningful dialogue. Within our parish community, I am blessed to serve as Service Chair for the Catholic Women's League, as an usher, and as a Minister of the Word.

These experiences have strengthened my desire to give back to our parish in a more intentional way. I would be honoured to contribute to the Pastoral Council's work in supporting and guiding our community. I hope to help us continue to grow as a welcoming, loving, and faith-filled parish where all feel a sense of belonging. Thank you for this opportunity to serve.

My name is **Michele McGuire**, and I've been blessed to be a member of the St. Paul's community for many years. I've shared many moments here — from welcoming new babies and celebrating baptisms to watching children grow, witnessing marriages, and grieving loved ones who have passed. I appreciate the way our parish walks with families through every stage of life. I care deeply about nurturing the sense of welcome, connection, and spiritual growth that makes our parish feel like home. Grateful for all this community has given me, I hope to give back with a listening heart and a genuine love for God and our parish family.

A bequest in your Will to our Church is an acknowledgment of your returning to God a portion of the gifts He has bestowed on you during your lifetime. Charitable bequests can have a favourable impact on your overall estate plan.

Bequests are NOT just for the wealthy! Consider including your parish or any of the archdiocesan charities or departments in your Will. Let your Will reflect your Catholic values.

Please see our **estate planning guide** to help you make your plan and remember about the importance of using the **correct legal names** when arranging bequests or other legacy gifts.

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