

St. Paul's Basilica Parish

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*"May the message of Christ, in all its fullness, continue to find
a home in you."*

Colossians 3:16

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Mass available

At the Good Shepherd Centre

412 Queen St. East

Tuesday to Friday 12:00 noon

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:45 to 4:15 p.m.

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, FIRST COMMUNION, MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish to begin the
process of preparation

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Please call the parish office so that our
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PARISH MINISTRIES

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Children's Liturgy

Taize Prayer

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Mass Intentions at St. Paul's Basilica

Saturday	April 23rd	4:30 P.M.	+Roberto Breno + Lourdes DeGuzman- Reg by Gabat Family + Mark Rousselle Reg.by Agnes Canlas
Sunday	April 24th	8:30 A.M.	+Roberto Breno + Jesus Zonio Ingat- Req. by Family
	April 24 th	11:00 A.M	+Roberto Breno

Weekday Masses are held at the Good Shepherd Centre Tuesday to Friday at 12 noon



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THE YEAR OF MERCY

People are talking about mercy again! And it's all because Pope Francis is awakening our world to the need for mercy. He proclaimed that "this is the season of mercy." Francis calls it "a new era," and he urges each of us to "travel this path of mercy." He tells us that "mercy is the Lord's most powerful message," and he hopes that we will "find a form of mercy for all."

We need mercy because we live in an imperfect world. We all know people who have suffered a death in the family, a serious illness, divorce, a job loss, or some other personal tragedy. We have heard shocking stories of violence, oppression, poverty, prejudice, and abuse. And while we can't stop every bad thing from happening, Pope Francis believes that we can become more merciful in our response to people in need.

WHAT IS MERCY?

We tend to think of 'mercy' as compassion or sympathy, but the word has a much deeper meaning. It is more than feeling sorry for someone. Having mercy means that we enter into the other person's suffering. We feel the other person's pain, see through the other person's eyes, and place ourselves inside the other person's heart and mind. When that happens, we are moved to respond in a merciful way.

We can be merciful because God is merciful.

"The Lord is gracious and merciful; slow to anger and abounding in mercy. The LORD is good to all, compassionate toward all your works" (Ps 145:8-9). Mercy grows in us as we reflect on how God has been merciful with us.

Jesus is Our Model of Merciful Living

Throughout his life, Jesus responded with mercy to people in all walks of life. He befriended the rich and the poor, tax collectors, prostitutes, lepers, a Roman centurion, and a Samaritan woman. He healed the sick, gave sight to the blind, and fed the hungry. He grieved when his friend Lazarus died, accepted the human weakness of his disciples, and forgave the people who crucified him.

Mercy was not generally practiced in the time of Jesus. The Romans considered mercy a weakness. The Pharisees were so self-righteous that they showed little mercy. But the people who experienced the mercy of Jesus were transformed, and they became merciful to others. In fact, in the Acts of the Apostles, we see how the early Christians followed in the merciful footsteps of Jesus.



EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE

There has been a great deal of interest in the Cardinal's Statement. You are asked to tell Legislators how you feel. You are encouraged to visit CanadianConscience.ca and join the Coalition for Health Care and Conscience. A video of Cardinal Collins' statement on federal euthanasia/assisted suicide legislation is now available online at <https://youtu.be/kGvc eZPd0I>.



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Please give generously. You can work wonders!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Every Sunday at the 11:00 am Mass.

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY PENTECOST SUNDAY May 15th

In our Catholic Faith there are Seven Sacraments which take us from the cradle to the grave. Baptism at the beginning of life and prayers for the dying at the end of our Earthly Life.

There are Three Sacraments that are understood to be Sacraments of Belonging or joining our Catholic Faith. They are Baptism, Eucharist (First Communion) and Confirmation.

A Mother is a Woman who gives birth to a child and then loves this child unconditionally

Mother's Day at St. Paul's Basilica Sunday May 8th

On this week-end May 7/8 there will be a special blessing for all Mothers and three Mothers will win a complimentary Dinner at “The Keg” Restaurant. More details next week-end

Office of Vocations is hosting ORDINATION PRAYER VIGIL. Let's pray together for an increase in vocations especially to priesthood, consecrated life and healthy marriages. Event will be held at St. Michael's Cathedral, 65 Bond St. Toronto on Friday, April 29th from 6:00PM. Until Midnight.

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