

# St. Paul's Basilica Parish

*Established in 1822*

*First Parish of the Archdiocese of Toronto*

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Pastor: Fr. Edward J. Smith

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

Colossians 3:16

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## **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 parishioners may receive communion regularly.

## **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

## **ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

Patrick Cleary, Principal

Phone: 416-393-5204

## **PARISH MINISTRIES**

Sacramental Preparation

Breakfast Club

Children's Liturgy

**Taize Prayer**

Eucharistic Adoration

Choir

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

Saturday	February 23 <sup>rd</sup>	4:30 p.m.	+Ron Adair
Sunday	February 24 <sup>th</sup>	8:30 a.m.	+Margaret Clark
Sunday	February 24 <sup>th</sup>	11:00 a.m.	+Michael Vitelli +Jose Faller



**THE SANCTUARY LIGHT BURNS FOR:  
+JULIE CLUNE**



**7<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Today's Gospel, taken from Luke's version of the Sermon on the Mount, calls us to forgive our enemies. As a person passionate about social justice, I hear this scripture calling me to also consider empathy and dialogue. Can we identify the humanity and the inherent dignity in those who do wrong to us or to others? Can we love them in a way that also works towards addressing these injustices?

To live and love this way can be difficult. It may be easier to see those who hurt ourselves or others as selfish or as intentionally harmful. Yet, that outlook fosters alienation and isolation instead of community and connection. The Gospel recognizes the challenge here, but encourages us to persist: "If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them."

In this Gospel, Jesus offers guidance that seems counterintuitive. In the same way, finding common ground with those who oppress others may also be counterintuitive, especially when we are tempted to be angry instead of loving. However, empathy enables us to engage in dialogue, change and social justice. We can see examples of this in peace processes and efforts towards reconciliation in Canada and throughout the world. When we come to a place of understanding, it may also be a place of peace.

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***Please note: Registrants 17 years old will require parental consent.***

February 24, 2019



# Faith Journeys

## *A Pilgrimage in the Holy Land*

November 10 - 20, 2019



**Coordinator:** Kitty McGilly MRE., L.H.S.  
**Spiritual Leader:** Father Edward J Smith, pastor St Paul Basilica,  
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