

ST. PAUL'S BASILICA PARISH

Established in 1822 - First Parish of the Diocese

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MASS SCHEDULE

Masses at St. Paul's Basilica

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 and 11 a.m.

Weekday Masses

at the Good Shepherd Centre (opposite the Church, north side of Queen St.)
Tuesday - Friday 12:00 noon

OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Fri 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

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

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, FIRST COMMUNION, MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish to begin the process of preparation.

MINISTRIES TO THE SHUT-INS

If people are in the hospital or are unable to come to mass because of age or other limitations, please call Fr. Frank or Sr. Nida so that they may receive communion regularly.

HOSPITAL VISITS

We will strive to visit parishioners in the hospital on University Avenue and St. Michael's Hospital.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Francis V. McDevitt, Pastor
Sr. Nida Fe Chavez, CSJ, Pastoral Associate
Sr. Carmen Rojas, CSJ, Secretary
Joe Angelo, Music Director
Cathy, Leblanc, Sacristan
Brian Marchand, Custodian

ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Phone (416) 393-5204 FAX (416) 397-6586
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PARISH BREAKFAST CLUB

Sr. Margaret Paterson, CND, Co-ordinator

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TORONTO CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD (TCDSB) (416)-222-8282 ext. 5314

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Tel: (416) 921-1163 Tel: (416) 222-0048

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES: 416-483-4944

PARISH REGISTRATION: Count yourself in by registering in the parish. Forms are at the back of the church and in the office all week. Please register in the parish before seeking other services.

COMPANIONS IN MINISTRY: We are always in need of help with pastoral care and more hands for assistance. If you have the time, we have the need. Please call the office and leave your name and number. Fr. Frank or Sr. Nida will call you.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday	February 17	12:00 noon	Open
Wednesday	February 18	12:00 noon	+ Aileen Moore
Thursday	February 19	12:00 noon	Open
Friday	February 20	12:00 noon	Open
Saturday	February 21	4:30 p.m.	Mary & Michael McGurk
Sunday	February 22	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Susan Rejano Missa Pro Populo



Our ShareLife Goal

This year's goal for ShareLife is \$41,000. This is about a two and a half percent increase over last year's goal and should be realistic for our community. We encourage everyone to recognize their role in helping to reach this year's ShareLife goal.

There is more than the ShareLife collection!

Yes, there is the ShareLife collection on February 28 and March 1. As we become a more on line world, there are those who are more inclined to make their donations on line as well. This is easy for ShareLife. Just google ShareLife and go to Donate Now. The directions are simple and the process very efficient. This may be an option for your participation in the campaign.



Working wonders in our community



We are all called to care for those who are vulnerable in our community. The ShareLife parish campaign gives us an opportunity to reach in justice and love. Last year, ShareLife's 42 agencies and grant recipients provided over 381,000 services to over 114,000 people here in our archdiocese, and assisted countless others in developing countries around the world. In 42 municipalities, and in more than 20 languages, those in need received support and care as a result of our generosity. My prayer is that you will join me as together we work wonders to lovingly care for those who are in need around us. Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto

Physician Conscience Rights

Catholics urged to Support Physicians' Charter Right of Freedom of Conscience and Religion

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario (CPSO) in a proposed new draft document states: *"Where physicians are unwilling to provide certain elements of care due to their moral or religious beliefs, an effective referral to another health care provider must be provided to the patient."* Catholic physicians believe that a mandate for an "effective referral" is a violation of a physician's rights, as it compels the physician to violate his or her own conscience by being a participant in the very act, the very procedure to which he or she objects in the first place. The CPSO is accepting submissions from all Ontario citizens until February 20. We are all called to inform the CPSO in writing that we reject the proposed "effective referral" mandate for doctors whose Charter right of freedom of conscience and religion must be respected. The Catholic Civil Rights League (CCRL) is one Catholic lay group coordinating these efforts. Go to www.ccrl.ca to find out more and to get involved.

Cardinal Collins Statement on Assisted Suicide

Recently the Supreme Court of Canada opened the way for legislation regulating physician assisted suicide. Cardinal Collins has prepared a statement of response. Copies of the response are on the tables at the back and the side. Please take one as an opportunity to balance the general demeanor of the public media on this important discussion.



Ash Wednesday-This Wednesday

Ash Wednesday is right around the corner! We begin the season of Lent with Ash Wednesday on **February 18th**. There will be two masses at the church that day: **12 noon and 7 p. m.** Both will include the distribution of ashes. (There is no mass at Good Shepherd that day.)

Lent

Throughout Lent we will have a mass on **Friday evenings at 7 p. m.** followed by the Stations of the Cross. Come out and be part of this parish effort for the Lenten season.



Taize Prayer

On March 1st at 3:00 pm we will, as a parish, celebrate Taize Prayer. This time of shared prayer, shared song and reflection is open to everyone. Come out and enrich your Lenten journey. After the service there will be refreshments downstairs. If you have questions or are coming with a group let Sr. Nida know by calling 416-467-2622 or email her at nchavez@csj-to.ca If you want to get a sense of what Taize Prayer is like go to the parish Web site. There is a video attached to the notice for the upcoming event.



THANK YOU SR. HILDA LUNNEY

Sr. Hilda Lunney has been one of the quiet servants of St. Paul's Parish over the last number of years, bringing communion to the shut-ins of the parish. She has passed the torch to another and we must thank her for her dedicated and generous service to those folks who are unable to get out to mass on a regular basis. We remind the whole parish if there are people within the bounds of the parish who are shut in we would appreciate knowing about them so they could receive the sacraments regularly.

The St. Paul's Chili Cook Off will take place on **Saturday, March 7 after the 4:30 mass.** There will be the judging of chili with the victors in the spicy and not so spicy categories having bragging rights for the coming year. So get busy perfecting your chili and bring it out to the cook off. Even if you do not want to enter the competition, bring a pot of chili and if you do not have a clue on how to make chili bring yourself. All are invited to come out and be part of the evening. There is no admission.

Ministry With Maturing Adults Lunch and Learn

Lunch and Learn will take place on the first Wednesday of each month. The first will be on **Wednesday, March 4 at 12:30.** Bring your lunch and coffee and tea will be provided. Mr. Ed Scheck, C. A., of our parish, will talk on the **Things to Remember When Filing Income Tax as a Retired Person.** All who are in the second half of life are invited.

TODAY!! Coffee Sunday



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