

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

CATHOLIC FAMILY SERVICES

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.

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday	February 24	12:00 noon	Open
Wednesday	February 25	12:00 noon	Open
Thursday	February 26	12:00 noon	+ Ken Lewis
Friday	February 27	12:00 noon	+ Nelly & Faustino Millare
Saturday	February 28	4:30 p.m.	+ Theresa Bujold
Sunday	March 1	8:30 a.m.	Open
		11:00 a.m.	Missa Pro Populo



Together we are continuing to work wonders...

“Help one another. This is what Jesus teaches. This is what I do. And I do it with my heart... I love doing it because this is what the Lord has taught me. But you must help us and help each other always. And thus in helping each other we will do good for each other.” *Pope Francis.*

This reminder from our Holy Father demonstrates the importance of caring for one another and our commitment to Catholic charity in a meaningful way. Through ShareLife agencies, we reach out to some of the most vulnerable and needy people in our community, helping our neighbours, friends and fellow parishioners as they work through difficult times. Please consider supporting ShareLife, our annual Archdiocesan appeal, during this Lenten season. *Thomas Cardinal Collins.* Archbishop of Toronto

Please give generously. You can work wonders!



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. We have received to date just over \$1,350.00 or 3.29% of our goal. There will be a second collection next weekend for ShareLife or you may go to www.ShareLife.org and give your support by going to “Donate Now.”



Are you longing to deepen your relationship with God? Have you experienced a significant moment in your life such as a major decision? A challenging move? An end to a relationship? An on-going challenge at work or a personal health issue? Spiritual Direction offers an opportunity to “come as you are” to speak confidentially with a spiritual director who accompanies you on your journey, affirming and encouraging you in your relationship with God and all of creation. For further information, contact the parish office at 416-364-7588

Lectio Divina -Next Weekend

Cardinal Collins will lead Lectio Divina on **March 1** at the Cathedral, beginning with Vespers at 7.p.m. The reading for reflection will be Mark 10:1-16. All are welcome.



Holy Hour with Music this week

Hosted by the Sisters of Life here at St. Paul's this coming **Thursday, February 26**. Adoration from 7-8 p. m. and social from 8-9 p. m. All welcome.

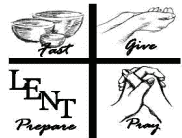
For more information call 416-463-2722.

Day of Reconciliation

The Day of Reconciliation at St. Paul's will be on **March 11**. This is one week later than the day across the diocese. Confessions will be available on that day **from 3:30 p. m. to 7:00 p. m.** We remind you that there is confession each Saturday at 3:45 p.m. and by appointment any time. There will be some extended times during Holy Week as well.



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.

Lenten Retreat

On Saturday, **March 7, 2015 at St. Augustine's Seminary from 9:30 a. m. to 2:30 p.m.** The topic is "The Ascent to the Pure Love of God". The cost is \$40.00 including lunch and can be paid by credit card or cash. Fr Charles Anang, of the seminary faculty will be the animator of the day. To register e-mail: ioftsas@rogers.com. Or call 416-261-7207 ext. 235.

Financial Statement for 2014

The parish financial statement for the year 2014 is available at the back of the church. We invite parishioners to take a copy home for your information. We thank everyone who has pulled together so that we are making progress, that is, the donors and those who are always attentive to the bottom line.

The St. Paul's Chili Cook Off

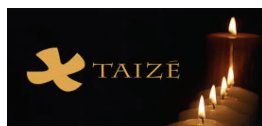
will take place on **Saturday, March 7 after the 4:30 mass.**



There will be the judging of chili with the victors in the spicy and exceptional chili categories. The victors will have 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 how to make chili bring yourself. All are invited to come out and be part of the evening. There is no admission cost for those coming out that evening. Those who are bringing chili to be judged, it would help planning if you would call James and Joanne Turbach at 416-461-9176 and just leave a message. If you forget do not let this hold you back from coming and participating.

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.



On March 1 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 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.

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