

St. Paul's Basilica Parish

Established in 1822

First Parish of the Archdiocese of Toronto

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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 parishioners may receive communion regularly.

OFFICE HOURS

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

ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Micheline Dutil, Principal

Phone: 416-393-5204

PARISH MINISTRIES

Sacramental Preparation

Breakfast Club

Children's Liturgy

Taize Prayer

Eucharistic Adoration

Choir

St. Vincent de Paul

Food Bank

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday February 4, 2017 4:30 p.m.
Father Ed Keays

Sunday February 5, 2017 8:30 a.m.
+ Biagid Valerio
+ George Dirahitis
11:00am
+ Monica Chappus
+ Jose Faller
+ Tim Brosnahan

Monday February 6 – St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs

Tuesday February 7 – Ferial

Wednesday February 8 - Ferial

Thursday February 9 – Ferial

Friday February 10 – St. Scholastica, Virgin



THE SANCTUARY LIGHT BURNS FOR:
TIM BROSNAHAN



5th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

As Christian, we are the salt of the earth and the light of the world. We must keep our fervour in spreading the good news of the gospel. Unfortunately, there are many forces trying to suppress our faith. Our own culture would prefer that we hush up about it. Sadly, there is even a growing attitude among Christians that we should keep our faith to ourselves.

What could be further from our vocation? A relationship with Jesus Christ, the Son of God, is our source of happiness and fulfillment. It is the only path to eternal life. In a world starved for true joy, how can we not spread the message of God's love? If you found the cure for cancer, would you keep it to yourself?

Let us not shy away from proclaiming our faith. This does not mean shouting on street corners, but rather witnessing within the context of a relationship. Pray for the opportunity, and always be an example of holiness. When the right time comes, have that crucial conversation with your friend, co-worker or family member. Remind them that Jesus loves them and wants a relations with them more than anything. Be not afraid; the Holy Spirit is with you. May we go forward as faithful Christians to enlighten the world with our faith!

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FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION CLASS

Saturday February 11, from 3pm -4:15pm there is a First Communion Preparation class. Parents are welcome to stay with their child.

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

The presenting of the bread and wine to God's Altar is a tradition that began in the early church. If you or your family would like to participate in the ancient custom please sign the book at the front entrance to the Basilica.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy for all children JK through to Grade 6 is every Sunday at the 11:00am mass. Please try to be on time as the children gather and go into their group at the beginning of mass. They will return to you at the offertory. Thank you to all of the volunteers who help in the program.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

St. Paul's is starting a children's choir!! We invite children of all ages to come to practice after the 11am mass. Practices will be 45 minutes with a snack provided. The goal is to have the children sing one song during the 11 am mass. The choir will not conflict with the children's liturgy or other ministries. If you have any questions please contact: st.pauls.childrens.choir@gmail.com

Please come join us for this wonderful opportunity!

TRAINING FOR FRIENDLY VISITORS

In Good Company, ministry of Fontbonne Ministries, Sisters of St. Joseph, Toronto, offer a training program for people who visit homebound or isolated individuals. Next session **Saturday, February 18, from 9am to 4pm**, at CSJ Administration Centre, 101 Thorncliffe Park Drive, Toronto. For information or to register call 416-465-6069 or email infoingoodcompany@csj-to.ca. (pre-register required by February 3) Cost \$30 per person covers materials, refreshments and light lunch.

MASS INTENTIONS

We continue the tradition at St. Paul's of inviting people to have Masses said for a special intention. Most often this is for someone who has died but it may be for someone who is ill or is marking a special birthday or anniversary. If someone wants that Mass on a certain day that can be arranged if the day is not already taken, or the Mass is said and you are given a card to give the family. The church offering for Announced Masses, which is a Mass on a particular day is \$20.00 and an unannounced Mass is \$10.00. Having a Mass said is a great gift for someone who has everything.

Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference

On **February 18th** join Fr. Larry Richards and Archbishop of Montreal Christian Lépine for Serviam Ministries' 2nd annual **Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference** at Canada Christian College in Toronto. The theme is "Step Up". The day will strengthen and challenge men to become the man God created them to be. Mass, Adoration and Confession will take place.

Special Father/Son rates available. All info and tickets:

<https://www.serviamministries.com/events/step-up/>, info@ServiamMinistries.com or 1-888-522-2070.

SENIOR MEN'S HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT (GRADES 11& 12)

Office of Vocations is hosting a day retreat at **Blessed Sacrament Parish, 24 Cheritan Ave. Toronto** on **Saturday, February 11 (from 9am to 5pm)**. Provides a time to pray, interact & socialize with other young Catholic men. Seminarians deliver talks on practical aspects of faith. Day includes Holy Mass, Adoration & Confession. For more information please call the Office of Vocations at 416-968-0997 or email: vocations@archtoronto.org



CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Information for Confirmation preparation will be coming out in the next several weeks.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

We ask that all children be accompanied by an adult to the restrooms and all public areas of the Church, at all times.



Coffee Weekend

All are welcome to enjoy some refreshments and fellowship following Masses on Saturday 4:30pm and Sunday 8:30am and 11:00am. Please join us in the parish hall.

Toronto Children's Chorus and Toronto Youth Choir

You are invited to a **FREE** Community Concert in Regent Park, with special guest, the **Dixon Hall Music School Choir**. The choirs will perform at St Paul's Basilica on **Sunday February 5 at 4:00pm**. The choirs are committed to enriching the lives of children and youth through high quality music education and performance opportunities. Donations are also welcome at the door.



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EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE

There has been a great deal of interest in the Cardinal's Statement. You are asked to tell Legislator's how you feel. You are encouraged to join the coalition for Health Care and Conscience. Visit CanadianConscience.ca. A video of Cardinal Colin's' statement on federal euthanasia/assisted suicide legislation is now available online at <http://www.archtoronto.org/euthanasia>

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