## 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.

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

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, January 20th 4:30 p.m. Gerard Creedon

Sunday, January 14th 8:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Paul's

11:00 a.m. +Jose Faller



### THE SANCTUARY LIGHT BURNS FOR: JOHN AUBREY BICKLEY



### **Reviewing and Energizing our 22 Ministries**

Our parish Finance Council is in the process of reviewing all the Ministries at St. Paul's Basilica to determine how we can better serve our parishioners and community.

### **Greeters & Ushers**

Recently, the Basilica was in need of additional ministers as greeters and ushers at the 4:30 pm and 8:30 am masses. We were encouraged by the number of parishioners who volunteered with the result our needs have been met.

### Food Bank

The Food Bank, one of seventeen in the area, operates with very restrictive hours during workdays only and reduced clientele. (Food Bank is open 4 times a month only) Representatives of the Finance Council and Food Bank met to learn, explore and exchange ideas on how we can be supportive and accessible to St. Paul's community.

Currently the Food Bank operates under the name of St. Vincent de Paul, in the basement of the Basilica, with a very small group of volunteers. At a meeting in October with a representative of the Food Bank, the Council indicated the wish to have a St. Paul's Basilica Food Bank fully staffed and supported by the parishioners of St. Paul's Basilica.

The Food Bank will be temporary closed to allow for its restructuring with the help of parishioners who have volunteered to assist. The re-opening tentative date is March 2018.

The Finance Council of St. Paul's Basilica

# CONFIRMATION RITE OF ENROLLMENT IN OUR CATHOLIC FAITH

As we know there are Seven Sacraments. Three of the Sacraments are called Sacraments of Belonging. These are Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. **On Sunday January 28**<sup>th</sup> **at the 11 a.m. mass** our Confirmation Candidates will be formally enrolled in this preparation to receive the Holy Spirit on Sunday April 15<sup>th</sup> as conferred by Bishop Kasun.

### World Day for Consecrated Life

January 28th, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. At St. Paul's Basilica

World Day for Consecrated Life will be celebrated in the Universal church on Friday, February 2, 2018 and in parishes on the weekend of January 27/28, 2018. Please pray for all those who have made commitments in the consecrated life, and be sure to thank them on their special day. May they continue to be inspired by Jesus Christ and respond generously to God's gift of their vocation.

All are welcome to come to a special Mass presided by Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick on Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. at St. Paul's Basilica to celebrate with and pray for these men and women religious who are such a vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese.

### "Vocations Seeds"

Provided by <u>Serra Clubs of Toronto</u> and Approved by <u>the Office of Vocations</u>

The call of the disciples is so familiar to us that we tend to miss the wonder of the disciples' response, which was immediate and complete; they leave everything and follow Jesus. Can we do less if we feel that God is calling us to the priesthood, religious life or deaconate? If you think God is calling you to a Church vocation, call **Fr. Chris Lemieux, Vocation** 

**Director, Archdiocese of Toronto** Phone (416) 968-0997

Email <u>vocations@archtoronto.org</u> www.vocationstoronto.ca

#### PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOPS

#### At St. Paul's Basilica

A Prayer and Life Workshop is a service that helps us to learn how to deepen our prayer life. The sessions are very practical in character. By praying we learn to pray. Some of the topics cover God's tenderness, forgiveness, loving like Jesus loved, Mary – a woman of faith and free to love. The sessions will be held on Wednesday evenings **beginning on January 24**th, **2018 at 7 p.m.** and concluding with a retreat. The sign up sheet is on the table to the right of the middle door.



PRAYER AND LIFE WORKSHOPS

A New Evangelization

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Band of Christian Brothers Men's Conference

Saturday, February 24, 2018
With **Hector Molina** and

Bishop of St. Catharines
Gerard Bergie

The theme of the event is

#### "Manly Virtue"

A One day intensive men's retreat consisting of spiritual talks, Mass, Adoration, Confession, fraternity and prayer. Great opportunity for men to grow in faith and virtue and to encourage each other in this pursuit. The day will strengthen men in their faith while challenging them to become the men God created them to be. There will be an opportunity to meet the speakers, visit booths showcasing local Catholic organizations/ministries, purchase Catholic items, Mass, Adoration and Confessions. For more information

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