ST. PAUL'S BASILICA PARISH Established in 1822 - First Parish of the Diocese

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MASS SCHEDULE

Masses at St. Paul's BasilicaSaturday4:30 p.m.Sunday8:30 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 Micheline Dutil, Principal

PARISH BREAKFAST CLUB Sr. Margaret Paterson, CND, Co-ordinator

PARISH ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FOOD ROOM Cathy Bates, Co-ordinator

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.

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday

January 27 January 28 January 29 January 30 January 31 February 1

12:00 noon 12:00 noon 12:00 noon 12:00 noon 4:30 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. Open Mary Phillips Open Sam Cancilla + Aida Abondanza Garcia Open Missa Pro Populo

Ministry with Maturing Adults

We are hoping to have a series of lunch and learn for maturing adults in our parish. There will be an initial meeting for planning purposes on **Wednesday, January 28 at 12:30 i**n the Breakfast Club. Bring your lunch there will be coffee and tea available. All who are interested are invited to attend.

Income Tax Receipts

Income Tax Receipts will be available next weekend after the masses at the back of the church. We encourage you to pick them up so that we avoid the cost of postage. They will be in alphabetical order by surname. They will also be available in the office during office hours from Monday to Friday.

First Communion

A second letter has been sent home to families in our school reminding them to register for first communion. If we have families with children in grade 2 or above who do not attend St. Paul's School and want info on First Communion, please speak to Fr. Frank at your earliest convenience.

Confirmation

We will soon start Preparation for Confirmation. We encourage any young people in grade eight and above to speak to Fr. Frank at your earliest convenience so that we can arrange for you to be part of this group. This note is particularly for those who may not attend St. Paul's School but are part of St. Paul's Parish.



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.

Chocolate Today!!

Tha grade eights from our school will be selling chocolate almonds and chocolate bars next weekend to fundraise for their winter trip. Each will be \$2.00. Let's support our kids.



Preservation Fund

The Preservation Fund will be taken up next week as a second collection. Envelopes for this valuable effort for our parish can be found by the doors.

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Week of Prayer For Christian Unity

To conclude the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, Cardinal Collins and leaders of a number of churches will gather at **4 p. m. this Sunday** (**today**) at Yorkminster Baptist Church, 1585 Yonge St. for prayer and a time of fellowship. All are invited to attend.

Toronto Catholic Schools welcome Kindergarten Students

The TCDS board welcomes families with kindergarten-age children to register for the September 2015 school year beginning on January 8, 2015. For registration information call 416-222-8282 ext. 5314 or visit <u>www.tcdsb.org</u>



An Afternoon of Opera

A benefit concert for the renewal of the emergency ward of St. Mike's Hospital will take place at **St. Paul's Basilica on Feb 8 at 2:30 p. m.** Tickets are \$30.00 each and all proceeds will go to the hospital foundation for this work. (This is a cause in which everyone in the east end of Toronto has a vested interest). The concert will feature a number of rising talents on the musical scene in Toronto. To order tickets direct go to http//AnAfternoonAtTheOpera.eventbrite.ca. Tickets are also available in the parish office from now until the day of the concert. For more information call 416-223-8060 or email sandratang@tanginc.com.



CHURCH SUPPORT, are you in?

World Day of Prayer

Planning Meeting

The planning meeting for the World Day of Prayer is this **Wednesday January 28 at 2 p.m.** at St. Peter's Anglican Church, just east of Sherbourne on Carlton. Walk up the driveway on the east side of the church and ring the doorbell. You will be most welcome.

Volunteers Needed The Bingo Team

Our parish generates a certain amount of income through a bingo in the city. We are required to have two people present at each of the bingos which are for the benefit of social ministries here at St. Paul's. The folks who do this are given a stipend of \$50.00 for each session. If you are interested in doing this for the good of the parish or to augment your income call Carmen in the parish office to find out more information.

Bible Basics

What is the Bible? What is in it? What do I do with it? How do Catholics pray with Scripture? Offered by the office of Discipleship



Priesthoo

of the diocese this program on February 5, 12, 19 and 26 will run from 7 to 9 p.m.at St. Patrick's Parish at 131 McCaul St. To register call Brenda Voisin at 416-934-3400, Ext. 523

Come and See Weekend January 30 to February 1

This weekend is organized for men who may be contemplating a

vocation in the church. It takes place at St. Augustine's Seminary. For men 18 and older the live-in weekend allows you to pray, reflect and discuss the possibility of becoming a priest. For those interested call the Office of Vocations at 416-968-0997 or speak to Fr. Frank.

