### 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

4:30 p.m. 8:30 and 1 Saturday

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 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			
Saturday Sunday	January 3 January 4	4:30 p.m. 8:30 a.m.	<ul><li>+ Melecia &amp; Pedro Adarna</li><li>+ James Somerville, Lorie</li><li>Lumis</li></ul>
Tuesday	January 6	11:00 a.m. 12:00 noon	Missa Pro Populo Open
Wednesday Thursday	January 7 January 8	12:00 noon 12:00 noon.	Peace in our World Open
Friday	January 9	12:00 noon.	+ Aldo Bourque
Saturday	January 10	4:30 p.m.	+ Brian Hill & Tony Bertucca
Sunday	January 11	8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	+ Loretta & Don Ubell Missa Pro Populo

#### The Bell of St. Paul's

Recently the bell of the church was automated. The cost of this effort was covered by a generous patron of the parish. The bells marks the hour from 9 to 9 each day and rings ten minutes before mass and at the time of mass on the Saturday and Sunday. There is also a facility in the system to toll the bell at funerals and ring the bell for joyous events as well.

The bell in our tower is not of the size that one may expect, but it is of significance having originally been in the church that preceded our present building. It is worth noting that the bell has been calling people to God for almost two hundred years in the Town of York and the City of Toronto. Having it as a presence in the community regularly is a bonus for the parish and for the larger community.

The pastor has heard the bell marking the hour on the edge of the distillery district on a cool and frosty night. If you live close by listen for it in your neighborhood too.



#### THANK YOU

Thank you to all who made our Christmas and New Year's celebrations a success. The music was memorable, the ministries were fulfilled with a great sense of duty and the church was beautiful, thanks to the decorating done by our altar servers. Thank you to all who brought in poinsettias, we trust it was a consolation for you. To each who in their own way made the liturgies the positive experience that they were, thank you.

For all who expressed their greetings to the pastoral staff, through cards and kind gestures your goodness is deeply appreciated.

Let us hope that 2015 will be rich in blessings and good memories.

#### **Preservation Fund**

The Preservation Fund will be taken up today as a second collection. We encourage everyone to support this valuable effort for our parish. If you wish to support it next week you will find envelopes by the doors on your way out.

# Virtual Pilgrimage Here, TODAY!!! ST. PAUL'S BASILICA

January 4, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Lourdes is inviting each of you with the same words she spoke to St. Bernardette at the grotto of Lourdes in 1858, "Would You Do Me The Favour To Come Here...?"

The 90 minute Virtual Pilgrimage mirrors spending a day at Lourdes, France. Participants will have the opportunity to touch the grotto rocks and receive the gift of a bottle of authentic graced Lourdes Water.



#### Children's Liturgy

All children in jk, sk, 1 & 2 are invited to participate starting January 11 at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Those adults who would like to assist with this ministry should speak to Sr. Nida.

## TORONTO CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WELCOME KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS

The TCDS board welcomes families with kindergarten-aged 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 www.tcdsb.org

#### Catholic Family Services The Self Confident Woman Jan. 15 to March 12 6:20 to 8:30 p.m.

A group designed to help women to become aware of their own giftedness and resourcefulness and to enhance their self-esteem. \$360 for 12 sessions.

#### Mindful Practices for Stress Reduction Jan 15 to March 12 From 6:20 to 8:30 p.m.

9 week course. Cultivate emotional balance and enhance over-all well being. \$300 for 9 sessions.

Central Toronto Office: 1155 Yonge St., Suite

101. Phone: 416-921-1163

#### What is New Beginnings?

It is a ministry dedicated to helping people who have suffered the loss of a loved one (through death, separation or divorce) make a NEW BEGINNING in life. They support Parish-based Bereavement Ministries, Peer Support Groups and coordinate a series of Inspirational and Twilight Talks as well as Day Retreats.

#### **Parish Peer Support Group**

St. Clare's Parish- Toronto

1118 St. Clair Ave. West 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month 7:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. Parish Office: 416-654-7087

#### Why the Preservation Fund?

You will notice when you receive your new box of envelopes that there is no longer maintenance fund envelopes, rather they have been replaced by envelopes for the preservation fund. This money will now take on a clearer mandate and will be saved to maintain and protect this wonderful building that we have as our parish church. Your continued support will be greatly appreciated.

#### Lectio Divina

Cardinal Collins will lead Lectio Divina on **January 11** at the Cathedral, beginning with Vespers at **7:00 p.m.** The reading for reflection will be Mark 9:14-29. All are welcome.



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