

St. Paul's Basilica Parish

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Pastor: Fr. Edward J. Smith

*"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

Patrick Cleary, Principal

Phone: 416-393-5204

PARISH MINISTRIES

Sacramental Preparation

Breakfast Club

Children's Liturgy

Taize Prayer

Eucharistic Adoration

Choir

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday	March 9 th	4:30 p.m.	+Retraita Taguicana
Sunday	March 10 th	8:30 a.m.	Parishioners of St. Paul's
Sunday	March 10 th	11:00 a.m.	+Jose Faller



**THE SANCTUARY LIGHT BURNS FOR:
+ED BATTEN**



1st Sunday of Lent

When we were re-landscaping our yard a few years ago, we decided to get rid of a juniper tree, thinking it would be a simple process. Wrong! We dug, we chopped, we pulled. Nothing! It was so firmly rooted we ended up pulling it out with a truck. I think of that juniper today when reflecting on Jesus' temptations in the desert. No matter what the devil said or offered, Jesus remained firmly rooted in God's word. The lure of comfort and wealth and power was no match for what Jesus knew to be ultimately true as revealed in Scripture. Many people view Lent negatively – as a time of deprivation and denial. Today's Gospel reminds us instead that Lent is a time to become more solidly grounded in our faith. Making more time for prayer and Scripture, fasting from things in our lives that keep us from giving ourselves wholeheartedly to God, giving of ourselves in service to others: far from depriving us, these are the tools we can use to ensure that we are firmly rooted in the things of God. As we continue our Lenten journey, may we be strengthened to follow in the footsteps of the One who unflinchingly stood up to evil and ultimately triumphed over it.

Theresa Whalen Lux, Regina SK

**A HOLY LAND NIGHT AT ST. PAUL'S
BASILICA
Wednesday, March 27th at 7:30 p.m.**

As was previously announced, we are having a pilgrimage to the Holy Land this November from the 10 – 20. This evening is for people who have registered, want to register or require additional information. Kitty McGilly who has been leading pilgrimages of faith to the Holy Land since 1991 will be present for this evening to answer any questions you may have. Kitty will be our coordinator in the Holy Land and Father Smith will be the Spiritual Leader.

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March 10, 2019

***The Come and See Weekend
March 15 – 17, 2019
at St. Augustine's Seminary***

Inviting single Catholic men 17 years and older, to cultivate a deeper prayer life and relationship with Jesus Christ; leading to a better discernment of God's call for their lives. Time for prayer, reflection and information on the process of becoming one of Christ's disciples as a Catholic priest.

Please register online at www.vocationstoronto.ca. For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at: 416-968-0997; or email:

vocations@archtoronto.org.

Please note: Registrants 17 years old will require parental consent.

**10th Annual Dynamic Women of Faith
Catholic Women's Conference**

Opening Mass celebrated
by Cardinal Thomas Collins
at St. Maximillian Kolbe Parish in Mississauga

Saturday, March 23 – 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Location: John Paul II Polish Cultural Centre
4300 Cawthra Road
Mississauga, Ontario
416-907-1042

Speakers & Topics:

Dr. Ray Guarendi – from EWTN *Laughter: The Sanity of the Family Life*

Mary Wagner – *Jesus Won My Heart*

Fr. Eric Mah – *Lawyer to Priest – The Journey*

Dorothy Pilarski: *Motherhood Matters*

Limited Seating!

Register at <http://dynamicwomenfaith.com/>

Questions? CONTACT: 416-907-1042

**Holy Cross Family Ministries –
Canada: Lenten Retreat
Saturday, March 30, 2019 – 10 a.m.
to 6 p.m.**

Holy Cross Family Ministries – Canada
120 First Avenue, Toronto

Join us at St. Ann Parish (120 First Avenue) in prayer for all Families this Lenten season. We will have presentations, Marian Procession with Rosary and the celebration of the Holy Eucharist. Lunch and Dinner tickets will be available at a cost of \$20. All are welcomed. For more information, check our website or email us at familyministry.canada@gmail.com.
PHONE: 416-466-2127
WEB: <http://www.hcfm-canada.com/>

**Saint Kateri Tekakwitha Feast Day
Celebration**

**Saturday, April 27, 2019
5:00 to 8:30 p.m.**

Native Peoples' Mission
St. Ann's Parish Church
Corner Gerrard Street East and Degrossi Street,
Toronto

Join us in celebrating the feast of our beloved indigenous saint, St. Kateri Tekakwitha. The theme of our celebration is "St. Kateri Tekakwitha: Building Bridges to Reconciliation." We wish to honor her relevance for us as Catholics in Canada in healing and fostering relationships with indigenous peoples and the Earth. After the Eucharistic celebration, there will be an hour session discussing the theme with Tom Dearhouse and a festive dinner. Dinner tickets are available for \$20.

Please contact: Sr. Petite Lao, RNDM

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