

St. Paul's Basilica Parish

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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

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Intentions at St. Paul's Basilica

Saturday March 11, 2017 4:30 p.m.
+ Francesco Constantino

Monday March 13 – Ferial

Sunday March 12, 2017 8:30 a.m.
+ Amelia Maria Haluze

Tuesday March 14 – Ferial

Wednesday March 15 - Ferial

11:00am
+ Jose Faller

Thursday March 16 – Ferial

Friday March 17 – Ferial

Weekday Masses are held at the Good Sheppard Centre Tuesday to Friday at 12:00 noon



THE SANCTUARY LIGHT BURNS FOR:
FATHER ED KEAYS



2nd Sunday of Lent

Lulled by the repetition of my days, I often miss what matters most. Moments pass me like newsfeeds as I blindly scroll...scroll... scroll from one duty to the next. No wonder I grow jaded. Or rather: No *wonder*, I grow jaded.

Without even realizing – or perhaps because of it - I have grown bored, weary and indifferent. A sure sign it's time to take a hike.

Come on, Jesus says, tapping our shoulders, drawing us away to be alone with him on a mountaintop. Answer that invitation to rise above it all; to be still and breathe deep; to see Jesus with new eyes. Because not matter how well we think we know him, and no doubt his three closest disciples thought they did, Jesus always has more to reveal about himself, about his father, and about the world and our place in it. When those men returned from the mountain that day, fish needed catching, buckets needed filling and fires needed stocking. Their worlds, duties and lives had not changed and yet, surely everything had. Now they knew; they'd seen; and they were filled with wonder. Time with Jesus does that.

Today as we celebrate Jesus' presence in the Eucharist, spend time with Jesus on that mountain, Feel the wonder. Listen to him. For even just a glimpse of his glory changes everything.

Caroline Pignat, Kanata, ON



Stations of the Cross at the Basilica Friday evening at 7P.M. Let us pray together on Fridays.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Every Sunday at the 11:00am mass.

ANNUAL MASS OF ST. PATRICK

Mass will be celebrated on Friday March 17, 2017, 10:00am at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, 65 Bond Street, Toronto. Presider and Homilist will be Bishop John A. Boissonneau.

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.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Children's choir is well underway and new members are welcome. Children 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. Please contact: st.pauls.childrens.choir@gmail.com

Please come join us for this wonderful opportunity!

Catholic Register Easter Drawing Contest

The Catholic register is conducting its sixth annual Easter drawing contest for children Grades 1-8. The top entry in each of the three categories will receive a \$50 gift certificate for a day at the movies. The winning drawings will appear in The Register's Easter edition on April 16, 2017. Submission deadline is noon on Friday, April 7th. Full details online at bit.ly/easterdrawing.

World Tuberculosis Day

March 24th is World Tuberculosis Day. Over 10 million people around the world suffer every year from this treatable, curable illness. Over 1 million die from TB through lack of access to diagnosis and medication. In Toronto, about 300 people become sick with TB each year. Let us remember in our prayers those with TB and their families. By completing treatment, they are cured of TB and protect others.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

There is a women's spring retreat at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre in Mississauga the weekend of March 31st to April 2nd. The theme is "The Call to Peace". For further information or registration please call 905-278-5229.

THE COME and SEE WEEKEND

March 17-19, 2017 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 contact the Office of Vocations at: 416-968-0977; or email vocations@archtoronto.org

PRO-LIFE APOLOGETICS WORKSHOPS

Learn how to defend the pro-life position with courage and compassion, using science and human rights, in order to change hearts and minds – and save lives.

Reasons to attend an apologetics workshop if you are new to pro-life dialogue, get equipped to have fruitful conversation in your community; and if you are experienced, improve your dialogue skills and help newcomers learn.

Session on abortion dialogue is Monday March 13th 10:00am -1:00pm at Senior Common Room, Brennan Hall, 81 St Mary St. Toronto. For further details contact Toronto Right to Live at 416-483-7869 or email office@trtl.ca

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend special weekend together at the Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend getaway to help married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and a couple. One is taking place the weekend March 17-19, 2017, Queen of

Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga. For information and application go to www.wwme.org or call Gerard & Marge McCauley at Gerard.marge@rogers.com 905-792-1925.

NEW BEGGININGS

New Beginnings program is a ministry for people who have suffered loss through death, separation or divorce by providing support and hope. By offering a safe and informative group environment to accompany individuals on their journey, we hope to be instruments in bringing God's presence, healing and love. There are two groups being offered at St. Peter's Parish Centre at 830 Bathurst Street. For those suffering the death of loved one – Tuesdays 10am-12pm or 1pm-3pm. Those suffering loss through divorce or separation Saturdays from 1-3pm. For details call 416-534-4219 or contactus@stpeterstoronto.ca

DYNAMIC WOMEN OF FAITH CONFERENCE & CALLING ALL GIRLS EVENT

Cardinal Collins will celebrate the opening of the 8th annual Dynamic Women of Faith conference for Catholic women on Saturday March 25, 2017. The evening prior a mother-daughter event calling All Girls will take place. For further information including registration fees and location visit www.dynamicwomenfaith.com or call 905-279-7702



EUTHANASIA AND ASSISTED SUICIDE

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

Development and Peace – 50th Anniversary

Did you know that Development and Peace was founded in 1967 by the Canadian Catholic Bishops after their participation in Vatican II where they listened to the concerns of the Bishops from the Global South about poverty, hunger, etc? To find out more about the work of Development and Peace or to become a member or donor, visit the website at www.devp.org/en/get-involved

Did you know that in the 70's, governments in many parts of the Global South violently suppressed dissent? Development & Peace stood with the poor during their struggles for liberation in countries such as apartheid South Africa and Marcos' Philippines.

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