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	March 24	12:00 noon	Open
Wednesday	March 25	12:00 noon	Lillian Fournier
Thursday	March 26	12:00 noon	Florence Leblanc
Friday	March 27	12:00 noon	Open
Saturday	March 28	4:30 p.m.	+ Linda Busby
Sunday	March 29	8:30 a.m.	Palm Sunday
		11:00 a.m.	Palm Sunday







Working wonders for children with special needs...

We have always tried to expose our deaf children to both communities. As their parents, we have talked to them and tried to answer their questions when they saw someone using sign language and they had basic sign language books. Then one day our oldest son, Ethan, said he would like to learn sign language. We discovered Silent Voice's Sign Language Summer camp and enrolled him in the program. The following year Gavin joined his older brother and they both want to go again. We also put our name in for the Family Communication program because we wanted to support our children. These opportunities increased the boys' awareness of the deaf community and also helped them gain respect for different ways of communication. They enjoyed both experiences as did we. We all hope to take part in the Family program again. Last year more than 600 deaf children received support through Silent Voice's Sign Language Summer Camps.

Next ShareLife Sunday – April 12, 2015 Please give generously. You can work wonders!



Sharelife Goal

This year's goal for ShareLife is \$41,000. This is about a two and a half percent increase over last year's goal and should be realistic for our community. With the last collection we have received to date just over \$13,529.00 or 33% of our goal. There will be additional collections on April and May. You can also google Sharelife and give your support by going to "Donate Now" function on the website



Schedule

Holy Thursday: Mass at 7 p. m with foot washing for those who are willing to participate. Prayer in the church will continue to11 p.m.

Good Friday: Service at 3:00 p. m, including the Passion Reading, Veneration of the Cross and Communion.

Easter Vigil: Mass at 8:00 p. m. (There is no mass at 4:30 p. m.)

Easter Sunday: Regular masses.

Easter Food Drive

Next week you will be given grocery bags to fill for our Easter Food Drive. Canned goods, pasta and other non-perishable foods are more than welcome. They will be used in the Food Bank of the parish for the poor in our area. Please be generous.

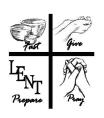
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Reconciliation (Confession)

On Holy Thursday as long as necessary after mass. On Good Friday from 11:00 a. m. to 12 noon and as long as necessary after the service.

Lent

Throughout Lent we will have a mass on **Friday evenings at 7p. m**. followed by the Stations of the Cross. Come out and be part of this parish effort for the Lenten season.





The Annual National Mission

VISIONTV The Annual National Mission will be on Vision T.V. on **Monday**

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Maturing Adults - Lunch and Learn

can be a great addition to your Lenten observances.

The next lunch and learn will be on **Wednesday**, **April 1.** Since it falls in Holy Week, the topic will be, **"How to get the Most out of Holy Week.**" Our discussion will be led by Sr. Eileen Power. Bring a small lunch and coffee and cookies will be provided. All who are in the second half of life are invited to attend.

On Wednesday, May 6, the topic will be Alzheimer's and other dementia awareness with Kari Quinn-Humphrey, Manager, Public Education, Alzheimer's Society of Toronto.



Holy Hour With Music

Hosted by the Sisters of Life here at St. Paul's this coming **Thursday**, **March 26**. Adoration from 7-8 p. m. and social from 8-9 p. m. All welcome. For more information call 416-463-2722.

Calling All Maturing Adults

If you are in the second half of life we are trying to connect with you. We are trying to create a database of email addresses of the maturing adults in the parish so that direct communication can be sent to you about what the group is doing. Please email Margaret Dougherty at <u>medougherty@gmail.com</u> and she will include your

email on her list. You will be informed in a timely way of the upcoming events for the group.

Ministers of Communion and Lectors

Schedules for Ministers of Communion and Lectors are in the sacristy today. Please be sure to get a copy.

ALSO: Sign up sheets for the Holy Week Schedule are in the sacristy as well. Please sign up.

Counselling Service in Downtown Toronto

Individual, couple and family counselling for children, adolescents and adults is available at the Paulist Centre across from the Bathurst St. Subway Station. Fees are



geared to income and the service is subsidized by the downtown churches. For more information or to arrange a meeting call 416-534-2326, Ext. 240. Wait times are significantly shorter than other services.



Spiritual Direction

Are you longing to deepen your relationship with God? 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 creation. For further information, contact the parish office at 416-364-7588.

