

St. Paul's Basilica Parish

Established in 1822

First Parish of the Archdiocese of Toronto

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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.

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PARISH MINISTRIES

Sacramental Preparation

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Taize Prayer

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mass Intentions at St. Paul's Basilica`

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| Saturday | April 30 | 4:30 P.M. +T. James Brennan – req. by Michele Brennan |
| Sunday | May 1 st | 8:30 A.M. +Robert Kril - Req. by Ditas Kril |
| | May 1st | 11:00 A.M +Karl Albert Moesch- Req.Mrs. Moesch |

Weekday Masses are held at the Good Shepherd Centre Tuesday to Friday at 12 noon
May 3rd Alredo Gabat- req by Gabat family May 5th +Marlies Eidens Garcia req by Fernando Garcia



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THE YEAR OF MERCY

People are talking about mercy again! And it's all because Pope Francis is awakening our world to the need for mercy. He proclaimed that "this is the season of mercy." Francis calls it "a new era," and he urges each of us to "travel this path of mercy." He tells us that "mercy is the Lord's most powerful message," and he hopes that we will "find a form of mercy for all."

We need mercy because we live in an imperfect world. We all know people who have suffered a death in the family, a serious illness, divorce, a job loss, or some other personal tragedy. We have heard shocking stories of violence, oppression, poverty, prejudice, and abuse. And while we can't stop every bad thing from happening, Pope Francis believes that we can become more merciful in our response to people in need.

WHAT IS MERCY?

We tend to think of 'mercy' as compassion or sympathy, but the word has a much deeper meaning. It is more than feeling sorry for someone. Having mercy means that we enter into the other person's suffering. We feel the other person's pain, see through the other person's eyes, and place ourselves inside the other person's heart and mind. When that happens, we are moved to respond in a merciful way.

We can be merciful because God is merciful.

"The Lord is gracious and merciful; slow to anger and abounding in mercy. The LORD is good to all, compassionate toward all your works" (Ps 145:8-9). Mercy grows in us as we reflect on how God has been merciful with us.

Jesus is Our Model of Merciful Living

Throughout his life, Jesus responded with mercy to people in all walks of life. He befriended the rich and the poor, tax collectors, prostitutes, lepers, a Roman centurion, and a Samaritan woman. He healed the sick, gave sight to the blind, and fed the hungry. He grieved when his friend Lazarus died, accepted the human weakness of his disciples, and forgave the people who crucified him.

Mercy was not generally practiced in the time of Jesus. The Romans considered mercy a weakness. The Pharisees were so self-righteous that they showed little mercy. But the people who experienced the mercy of Jesus were transformed, and they became merciful to others. In fact, in the Acts of the Apostles, we see how the early Christians followed in the merciful footsteps of Jesus.



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 visit

CanadianConscience.ca and join the Coalition for Health Care and Conscience.

A video of Cardinal Collins' statement on federal euthanasia/assisted suicide legislation is now available online at <https://youtu.be/kGvc eZPd0I>.

Hear Dr. Nisha Fernandes Speak on this Topic

Sunday May 1, 2016

After the 11am Mass

**Newman Centre, 89 St. George St,
Toronto**

Please RSVP to: Sonal Castelino

Sonal.castelino@newmantoronto.com

416 979-2468 ext. 244

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Every Sunday at the 11:00 AM Mass

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

PENTECOST SUNDAY

May 15th



DID YOU KNOW

Established in 1822, St. Paul's is the historic mother church of the Archdiocese of Toronto. The first St. Paul's, of red brick and Gothic style, was completed in 1824 on the same site as today's Basilica. After the

Diocese was created in 1841, Bishop Michael Power used St. Paul's as his unofficial Cathedral until the completion of the construction of St. Michael's Cathedral in 1848. In 1847 a typhus epidemic raged through the city, killing 850 people and Bishop Power died ministering to them. Many of them are buried in a mass grave on the church grounds of St. Paul's the first Cemetery of the Archdiocese.

The community of St. Paul's continued to grow serving the spiritual and social needs of immigrants and the poor. A number of Religious Orders have served the parish. Among the first are the Loretto Sisters, the Sisters of St. Joseph and the Christian Brothers, followed by the Little Brothers of the Good Shepherd and the Congregation of Notre Dame.

MOTHERS DAY WEEKEND MAY 7/8 AT THE BASILICA.

***ON THIS WEEKEND EACH
MOTHER WILL RECEIVE A
SPECIAL BLESSING, A GIFT
AND THERE WILL BE AN
OPPORTUNITY FOR THREE
MOTHERS TO WIN A
COMPIMENTARY DINNER AT
THE KEG.***

*Blessed is the Mother
Who lets the Lord
Be her guiding hand,
Whose Faith brings
Her family courage,
Whose Wisdom
Comes from God,
And whose children
Stand and honor Her.*

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