

# St. Paul's Basilica Parish

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*First Parish of the Archdiocese of Toronto*

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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

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## **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

Mass Intentions at St. Paul's Basilica

Saturday May 6, 2017 4:30 p.m.  
+Kathleen Smith

Monday May 8 – Ferial

Tuesday May 9 – Ferial

Sunday May 7 30, 2017 8:30 a.m.  
Staff of Covenant House

Wednesday May 10 – Ferial

Thursday May 11 – Ferial

11:00am

Delores Leslie

+Jose Faller

+ Rev. Monsignor E. Allen Arbour, C.H.H.

Friday May 12 – Canada Health Day



THE SANCTUARY LIGHT BURNS FOR:  
RESIDENTS OF COVENANT HOUSE



## SHARE LIFE SUNDAY

### COVENANT HOUSE

*Bruce Rivers, Executive Director of Covenant House, will speak today regarding Covenant House and the wonderful work they do with youth.*

#### **Opening Doors for Homeless Youth**

Covenant House was founded in 1972 with the simple, profound mission to help homeless kids escape the streets. Today we are the largest privately funded charity providing loving care and vital services to homeless, abandoned, abused, trafficked, and exploited youth.

Our work would be much easier if the issues our kids faced were able to be solved with a hot meal, warm shower, and clean bed. In reality, there is a wide range of deep-seated psychological, physical, and economic reasons for youth homelessness. To break the cycle of chronic adult homelessness and bridge the gap of support in the lives of our youth, Covenant House has developed three core services known as our Continuum of Care: Street Outreach, Crisis Care, and Rights of Passage. These core services are comprised of a wide array of in-house training programs, including healthcare, educational support, GED preparation, job readiness and skills training, drug abuse treatment and prevention, legal services, mental health services, the Mother/Child program, life skills training, and aftercare. These programs are designed to provide our youth with a holistic approach to leaving the streets and achieving independence.

#### **More Than Just a Homeless Shelter**

Covenant House is not your ordinary charity organization. It is a leading advocate on behalf of homeless youth – those who can't speak up for themselves at local, state, national, and international levels of government. We are a member of the Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) Board of Directors of UNICEF and have a prominent role in The Campaign for U.S. Ratification of the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC).

## 4th Sunday of Easter

He calls us by name.

After a long winter, spring finally arrives in the Yukon, sometimes as late as May. When it comes, it is like a sudden revelation. First, a faint tinge of green sweeps across barren hillsides. In just days, trees burst out in full leaf. Long silent, held fast in a snow-covered land, life breaks free, filling the valleys and mountains to the brim.

Renewed by the increasing warmth of the sun, northerners, deeply savour this abundance of creation. How many times have I climbed high to try to take in this majesty even more deeply from the vantage of some mountain pasture? In the words of the Bard of the Yukon, Robert Service, "It's the beauty that thrills me with peace."

No matter what we have suffered or how much we have been asked to endure, the hope filled offer of new life presents itself over and over again to us physically and spiritually. In the Acts of the Apostles, Peter called out to the "corrupt generation" of this day. "Repent, and be baptized." He urged. Do we hear the voice of Jesus, our Good shepherd, calling today?

What does Jesus tell us of his vocation? "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." Green pastures await us if only we enter through his gate.

*Michael Dougherty,  
Whitehorse, YT*



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY Every Sunday at the 11:00a.m. Mass.



**We ask that all children be accompanied by an adult to the restrooms and all public areas of the Church, at all times.**

### WEEK OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

The National Catholic Broadcasting Council (CBC) is hosting a Week of Prayer for Vocations from May 6th-May 13th. Each Mass during that week will focus on the call to religious life. You can join the Vocations Prayer Circle by visiting the NCBC website at [www.dailytvmass.com](http://www.dailytvmass.com), by e-mail at [info@ncbc.ca](mailto:info@ncbc.ca), or call 1-888-383-6277 to have your names added to the Circle.

### TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE

On June 11, 2017, 3:30-4:40pm St. Paul's Basilica Parish invites you to meditative Scripture-based prayer and music in Taize tradition. Join us in celebrating the Pentecost season through contemplative song, scripture and silence. All are welcome. RSVP's appreciated. Contact St. Paul Taize Prayer Group at: [stpaultaize@gmail.com](mailto:stpaultaize@gmail.com).



### Coffee Weekend

All are welcome to enjoy some refreshments and fellowship following Masses on Saturday 4:30pm and Sunday 8:30am and 11:00am. Please join us in the parish hall.

### DATES TO REMEMBER

*Confirmation Preparation class  
Sunday May 7th  
beginning with Mass at 11:00am*



*Following masses on Saturday May 6th and Sunday May 7th there will be Pauline Book Fair.*

### ON MARRIAGE AND ANNULMENTS

There is a New Beginnings Talk on Monday, May 15th, 7:00pm at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 4th Floor, 1155 Yonge St., Toronto. Speaker, Fr. Alexander Leaschuk from the Catholic Marriage Tribunal in the Archdiocese of Toronto will discuss the church's teaching on the Sacrament of Marriage and why in some cases a declaration of nullity (annulment) is granted.

### RETREAT WEEKEND FOR SINGLE WOMEN AGES 20-55

This women's retreat is based on Scripture and will be given by Sister of St. Joseph of Toronto from Friday May 26 through Sunday May 28, 2017 at Sister's home in Orillia. Cost is \$150 with subsidies available. To register contact Frances Harriorn-Stell at [fharrison-stell@sjj-to.ca](mailto:fharrison-stell@sjj-to.ca) or 416-467-2642.



### 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 [www.CanadianConscience.ca](http://www.CanadianConscience.ca) and join the Coalition of Health Care and Conscience.

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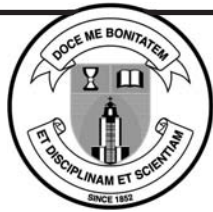
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