

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

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Food Bank

SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday November 19 th	4:30 p.m.	+Cheryl Stacey-Barlow
Sunday November 20 th	8:30 a.m.	+Martin & Genera Escobido
	11:00 a.m.	+Jose Faller +Lucien Charest



THE SANCTUARY LIGHT BURNS FOR:
+ALL SOULS REMEMBERED IN OUR BOOK OF LIFE



CHRIST THE KING

People have mixed feelings about kings and queens these days. Modern monarchs usually enjoy privileged lives and are far wealthier than their subjects. Because they are often figureheads, they may seem irrelevant to us, as if they are from another world.

But in Jesus' day, the king was all-important. He had great authority over the people's lives and commanded deep respect. He held the power and he was anointed, the chosen one. Those who followed Jesus saw him as their king, yet others protested this use of the term. Even as he hung on the cross, the debate continued. The religious leaders and soldiers scoffed at him and mocked him. One of the criminals crucified with him derided Jesus. But the other criminal got the last word. He spoke from the heart, in faith and humility: "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

This refrain is often sung during the Triduum, when we recall Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. And today, as we celebrate Christ the King, these words of faith and hope and trust echo in our hearts once again.

This king is not about power or wealth. This king is "the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation." For Christians, what could be more relevant?

Anne Louise Mahoney, Ottawa, Ontario



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy for all children JK through to Grade 6 is every Sunday at the 11:00am mass from now until December 19th. Please try to be on time as the children gather and go into their group at the beginning of mass. They will return to you at the offertory. Thank you to all of the volunteers who help in the program.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

If you have a child in grade 2 who wishes to celebrate the sacrament of First Reconciliation and First Communion this year or a child in grades 7 or 8 who wishes to celebrate Confirmation this year, they must be registered in the parish for the sacraments. Registration forms were sent to parents whose child attends St. Paul's School. If your child attends another school please obtain a registration form from the table at the back of the church and return it to the parish office.

A public meeting has been scheduled for **December 7, 2016 at 7:00 pm at St. Paul Catholic School** regarding a Pupil Accommodation Review of schools which include St. Michael, St. Paul and Our Lady of Lourdes.

Details about the review are posted on the Board website at <https://www.tcdsb.org/Board/PlanningandFacilities/PlanningServices/SARC/Pages/default.aspx>.

All parishioners are welcome.

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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 Colin's statement on federal euthanasia/assisted suicide legislation is now available online at <http://www.archtoronto.org/euthanasia>
Euthanasia & Assisted Suicide Are Not The Answer.

Taizé Prayer

St. Paul's Basilica Parish invites you to meditative Scripture-based prayer and music in the Taizé tradition. Join us in celebrating the Advent season through contemplative song, scripture and silence. All are welcome. Social and light refreshments to follow. RSVPs appreciated. Contact: St. Paul Taizé Prayer Group: stpaultaize@gmail.com
Website: www.stpaulsbasilicaparish.com
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1478849965476185/?ti=icl>

**St. Paul's Basilica Taizé Prayer Service:
A Light in the Darkness
Saturday, December 3, 2016 –7:30 to 8:30 p.m.**

Vocation Discernment Retreat:

The Office of Vocations invites single Catholic men, 17 years and older to attend a Vocations Discernment Retreat from December 9 to 11, 2016 at Manresa Spiritual Renewal Centre, Pickering. (Starts on Friday at 7 pm). This is a good retreat for men who are at crossroads in discerning God's desired Vocation for them. The retreat offers Guided reflections, Holy Mass, Adoration, confession and the assistance of a vocations team. Suggested donation of \$150 to help cover costs. For more information, please contact (the parish priest) or call 416-968-0997 or email vocations@archtoronto.org

*Christmas Cake sales will take place
after all Masses November 26/27 and
December 3/4th*

HOLY DOORS & YEAR OF MERCY

The Year of Mercy will conclude at the Basilica on **Sunday November 20th, 2016 at the 11am** Mass with an Anointing of the Sick.

What is the Sacrament of the Anointing of the sick?

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is especially intended to strengthen those who are suffering serious illness. For a long time, this sacrament was celebrated only with people who were dying and for this reason came to be known as "last rites." It was meant to give them strength to face death. But today, it is offered to support, encourage and comfort all those who are seriously ill. Participation in the celebration of this sacrament offers those who are sick an opportunity to open themselves to the healing power of God's grace and to continue to grow in wholeness. In this sacrament, we meet Jesus who heals and consoles us by giving us the Holy Spirit. The Risen Lord comes to strengthen us in body, mind and spirit during our time of illness.

Who should celebrate the Anointing of the Sick?

Those who are elderly and whose frailty is becoming more pronounced. Those adults and children who are suffering from a major illness, are facing surgery, serious medical tests or have suffered a serious accident. Those who suffer from chronic illness such as arthritis or diabetes, or who suffer from a serious mental illness. There are sign-up sheets on a table at the entrance of the Basilica.

Theology on Tap: Grief: what's love got to do with it? Monday, November 21, 2016 — 7 pm to 9pm

Duke of York Pub, 39 Prince Arthur Ave, Toronto

Faith Connections invites young adults (19-39) to join us for an evening of thought-provoking theological discussion in a comfortable and relaxed setting, with special guest: Florence Loh, Manager of Programs and Services, Catholic Family Services of Toronto. What would God and Freud agree on if they had a conversation about grief? Munchies provided, cash bar, come and bring a friend! For more info call Vanessa Nicholas-Schmidt at 416-467-2645 or visit www.faithconnections.ca — a ministry of Fontbonne Ministries, Sisters of St. Joseph, Toronto.

SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER (LAITY) is open to receive those discerning a call to follow Jesus in the Franciscan spirit. Formation & Candidacy is part of the process leading to Profession. Location of daytime monthly meetings is St Francis of Assisi Parish, 72 Mansfield Ave., (College & Grace St). Contact Margaret Maines, Minister 647 228 5931 for more information. God bless!

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