St. Paul's Basilica Parish

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His many Blessings
On Thanksgiving



`	Mass Intentions for the Week Oct. 13 –Oct. 18			
Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday	Oct. 13 Oct. 14 Oct. 15 Oct 16 Oct. 17 Oct. 18	12 noon 12 noon 12 noon 12 noon 4:30 p.m. 8:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Open Open Open Open Open Open + Paul Sands + Jean Bickley, + Shirley-Anne Ohannessian	



THE SANCTUARY LIGHT BURNS FOR: ANTOINETTE ALENEME



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The cool days of fall are upon us. It's Thanksgiving weekend, a time when we count our blessings in gratitude for all we have received. The harvest reminds us that the season of abundance will quickly turn into the season of hibernation. Today's Gospel, however, does not allow us to hibernate quite yet as we ponder the question of the rich man: "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus's answer implies that keeping the Commandments is not enough. Jesus instructs him that he must give away all his possessions in order to follow him. Is this lesson about divesting oneself of possessions and choosing the frugal itinerant life? Jesus was saying something even more important: give away your attachment not only your possessions but also to the stature and prestige we associate with possessions. What are we willing to give up so we can be true disciples of Christ?

Family of Faith Campaign

The Family of Faith Campaign is resuming in September here at St. Paul's. All will be contacted at some point along the way. We have a goal of \$295,000. We can be proud to note that to date we have pledges totalling \$282,808.00 or 95% of our goal. We would encourage those who have already been approached to indicate what their intentions are. Of these funds 25% will stay at the parish, once we reach our goal then 75% will stay in the parish. If you have questions, feel free to call Fr. Smith at the parish or Ed Scheck, the chair of the parish committee at 416-499-3100, Ext 224.

Welcomed into our Catholic Faith

Alexander, son of Alexander & Kenny
Aysa, daughter of Benjamin & Heaven
Cordelia, daughter of Mark & Vanessa
Gabriella, daughter of Rob & Nadine
Gregory, son of Scott & Judy
Elan, son of Christopher & Sinead
Ethan, son of Ervan & Julie
Jasmine, daughter of Jimmy & Dawn
Juliana, daughter of Selwan & Andrea
Maya, daughter of Alejandro & Tina
Monserrat, daughter of Augusto & Kathy
Sophia, daughter of Michael & Lisa
Spencer, son of Kaley & Jane
Yuuna, daughter of Philip & Patricia

Help to the Refugee Crisis

In response to the global refugee crisis, Cardinal Thomas Collins has launched "Project Hope" a special emergency appeal. This 100-day campaign aims to raise 3 million in order to settle 100 refugee families in the Archdiocese of Toronto as soon as possible. The effort will also require 100 volunteer committees to assist with settlement services. To make a donation to support the appeal visit: Error! Hyperlink reference not valid.> or call 416-934-3411. You can also donate through our parish with a cheque made payable to St. Paul's Basilica-Project Hope-Refugee Sponsorship. We continue to pray for all those suffering, mindful of our call to welcome the stranger in our midst. Those interested in assisting by being a volunteer should contact the Office for Refugees at 647-780-0827.

VOLUNTEERS

We are in need of volunteers to assist the St. Paul's Community Life Committee who provide coffee and timbits in the hall after the 4:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday and the 8:30 and 11:00 a.m. Masses on Sundays once a month. If you can help, please e-mail the Committee Coordinator: Jo-Anne Liburd at jliburd@hotmail.com

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 you 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 by October 20th.

Come and See Weekend

November 6 to 8

For men, 18 years or older, at St. Augustine's Seminary. To discern a possible call to Priesthood. For more information call 416-968-0997.

25th Annual Mass of Memory at St. Paul's Basilica Sunday October 25 at 3:00 P.M.

Irish Choral Society at 3:00 P.M.

Mass of Memory commences at 3:30 p.m.

Harpist: Eithne Heffernan

St. Paul's Toronto School of Irish Music on Tin

Whistle

Celebrant: Fr. John Reddy CSB

Homilist: Fr. Patrick Fitzpatrick CSSp

Guard of Honour: GAA

In memory of the many victims of the Irish Famine of 1847 who died of typhus on arrival in Toronto. 861 people buried in the then St. Paul's Catholic Cemetery and 281 were buried in St. James Anglican

Cemetery.

Reception to follow: downstairs in the Basilica Hall. Proceeds from this celebration go to the Children's Breakfast Club program of St. Paul's Basilica.

Eucharistic Adoration St. Paul's Basilica October 27 7-9 p.m.

Join the Sisters of Life for an evening of prayer and fellowship. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 7-8 p.m. Confessions will be available. Refreshments to follow in the basement from 8-9 p.m.

Thanksgiving Food Drive

The parish has a food drive each year at Thanksgiving for the parish food bank. You will receive a grocery bag on the way out which we encourage you to fill while you are shopping for your feast. The food bank can always use baby formula and diapers, canned vegetables, fruits, fish, meat and soup; pasta and other dry foods. Please do not bring perishable or baked food. Thanks to everyone for their generous spirit.



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