

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

St. Vincent de Paul

Food Bank

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday	Oct. 06	12 noon	Open
Wednesday	Oct. 07	12 noon	Open
Thursday	Oct. 08	12 noon	Open
Friday	Oct. 09	12 noon	Open
Saturday	Oct. 10	4:30 p.m.	Jo-Anne Sheehy
Sunday	Oct. 11	8:30 a.m.	Open
		11:00 a.m.	Misa Pro Populo.



THE SANCTUARY LIGHT BURNS FOR:
VALERIO FAMILY



27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Broken, battered and abused, women and children bear the greatest burden from domestic violence and poverty here and around the world today. This is not the vision offered in Genesis when God calls forth humanity from dust. The first reading relates how God's life-giving breath sparked our common journey. Woman and man, one from the other, together can become one flesh, we are told. Created in the image of God, both enjoy fully equal personhood.

We hear in the second reading, from the Letter to the Hebrews, that imitating Jesus in love and obedience we all have one Father. Indeed, Jesus, through his suffering and death on the cross, draws us to his Father. Salvation is offered to all, with no distinction. So, sanctified, Jesus is not ashamed to call us brothers and sisters.

In Mark's Gospel we hear that marital law commands obedience. However, we must not harden our hearts like those of the Pharisees who tested Jesus. We also see a call for compassion and empathy. "Let the little children come to me." We are all God's children.

Despite our frailties and failings we know that when we fall short, a loving God awaits. Prejudices, basis and barriers melt away when we see each other truly as children of God.

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.

Children's Liturgy is beginning again



The children's Liturgy starts today for all children in JK, SK, Grade 1 & 2, every Sunday at the 11:00 a.m. mass from now until

December 19. 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 the volunteers who help with this program.

Maturing Adults Group

The parish Maturing Adults group will have a Lunch and Learn meeting on **October 7 at 12:30 noon in the Breakfast Club (basement of church)**. The topic will be *Personal Safety/Street Smarts*. The speaker will be Constable Lynne Robertson of 51 Division. Bring your lunch, the parish will provide coffee and tea.

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 your child attends another school please contact the parish office this week at 416-364-7588.

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.

Urgent Need

A loving father of three and grandfather of seven is urgently seeking a living donor for a liver transplant. Anyone between the ages of 16 and 60, having Type B or Type 0 blood can potentially become a donor. General information about the liver transplant process can be obtained by contacting *The Living Donor Liver Transplant Office*, Toronto General Hospital at 416-340-4800 Ext. 6581 or online at www.uhn.on.ca/Focus_of_care/MOT/

Please contact Ann Ray via e-mail at liverformike@yahoo.ca to help this family in need.

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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