St. Paul's Basilica Parish

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First Parish of the Archdiocese of Toronto

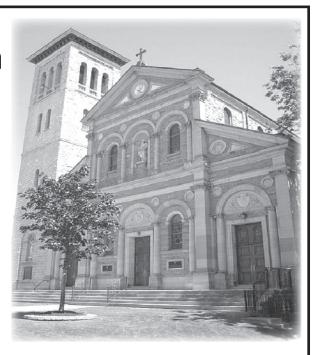
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"May the message of Christ, in all its fullness, continue to find a home in you."

Colossians 3:16

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Sunday

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

Patrick Cleary, Principal Phone: 416-393-5204

PARISH MINISTRIES

Sacramental Preparation **Breakfast Club** Children's Liturgy

Taize Prayer

Eucharistic Adoration

Choir

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday September 14th 4:30 p.m. Parishioners of St. Paul's Sunday September 15th 8:30 a.m. Parishioners of St. Paul's

Sunday September 15th 11:00 a.m. +Conching Apolinario, req. by Rona,

Joseph, Nancy Faller & Family



THE SANCTUARY LIGHT BURNS FOR: +JULIE CLUNE



FOOD DRIVE FOR COVENANT HOUSE - Weekend of October 5 & 6th



Did you know?

- Over the course of any given year, as many as 40,000 youth in Canada are without a place to call home
- Almost 80% of homeless youth reported leaving home because of family conflict. 63% of homeless youth reported childhood trauma & abuse.

Covenant House is in need of:

- Tinned tuna, salmon or other canned meat (chicken, turkey, ham, SPAM), chunky stew, Beefaroni
- Rice, pasta, Mr. Noodles
- Crackers, cookies, cereals, instant oatmeal (not plain)
- Snacks (granola, chocolate, pop tarts, chips, nachos, etc)
- Pasta sauce/paste, other pasta sauces (alfredo, pesto, etc)
- Condiments (mustard, mayo, ketchup, hot sauce)
- Canned vegetable and fruits
- Soup packages and cans
- Coffee, juice

90 - 4

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's readings remind us of the boundlessness of God's mercy. In our flawed humanity, we continually stray from the path we know leads to eternal life. But God's compassions and forgiveness are much stronger than his justifiable anger. God never gives up on us.

The first reading speaks of the Israelites turning from God to worship a golden calf, a difficult image to relate to. Yet, we are bombarded daily with calls urging us to acquire more superficial possessions. New cars, bigger homes, clothing, jewels, gadgets – each one a contemporary "golden calf". How easy it is to succumb to the media's temptations! Yet, God calls us, in the silence of our hearts, to forsake these false gods and return to him. His tenderness and mercy are always ours for the asking.

Luke's Gospel focuses on the pain of loss and the rejoicing that follows its reversal. The most powerful elements in this passage is the story of the "lost" son. As we hear it, perhaps we recognize ourselves in the son who abandoned home and family in favour of reckless living. Perhaps we identify with the elder son's discontent and envy when his father warmly welcomes his brother home. Perhaps we relate to both.

Heavenly Father, give us the grace to answer the call to share in your love, mercy and forgiveness.

Barbara D'Artois Ste-Geneviève, QC

Last Sunday Collection Was

4:30 pm Mass \$170.90

8:30 am Mass \$1,129.65

11 am Mass \$1,427.00



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