

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.

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

Saturday	September 24 th	4:30 p.m.	+Vito Pileggi req. by Fran
Sunday	September 25 th	8:30 a.m.	
		11:00 a.m.	+Jose Faller Req. by Rona +Martin & Genara Escobido req.by Liv Valasco



**THE SANCTUARY LIGHT BURNS FOR:
+JOSE FALLER**



26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The Prophet Amos is the great champion of the poor and he is quite serious about the complacent folk who pamper themselves at the expense of others. The idle rich are the target of the prophet's wrath because their blatant consumption of delicacies is always at the expense of those who lack bare necessities.

That same theme continues on today's gospel, where Luke presents a vivid study in contrasts. The rich man, called Dives in the Latin Bible, was consumed in self-centred living. He had everything in life by no compassion for the poor or anyone else but himself. When Lazarus and Dives were in this life, there was no chasm between them. The rich man could have gone out and helped Lazarus any time. But in eternal life there is a great chasm separating heaven and hell.

Today's gospel is not just about money or wealth. Almsgiving is good, but involvement is better. Our focus must be on the well-being of the poor and downtrodden. It is in giving that we receive, and God loves cheerful givers. Let us consider what we are depending on. Do we think being rich means we are right with God? It is wiser to think ahead to eternity!

*Fr. Thomas Rosica, CSB
Toronto, Ontario*

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Children's Liturgy for all children in JK, SK, Grade 1 & 2 is every Sunday at the 11:00 a.m. 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.



OUR PARISH FESTIVAL

A BIG thank you to all the volunteers that helped out at this year's festival! The festival was a huge success and we had the highest turn out of guests to date!

FIRST COMMUNION

If you child attends St. Paul's Catholic School, please register at the school. If not, please register at the parish office. Office hours are Monday through Friday 9am – 4pm.

OUR FOOD BANK DRIVE HERE AT ST. PAUL'S BASILICA WILL BE THE WEEKEND OF OCTOBER 1ST AND 2ND

Most needed items:

- *Beans
- *Soup
- *Crackers
- Large baby diapers
- Peanut butter
- Cereal
- Cookies
- Juice

Cash donations allow the food bank to purchase whatever they need!

HOLY DOORS

The Archdiocese has recently released a new video promoting the nine Holy Doors! The video was filmed right here at St. Paul's Basilica and offers a brief explanation of the jubilee indulgence, while directing viewers to more information at <http://archtoronto.org/mercy>. To view the video directly go to <http://bitly.com/gatesofmercy> or google search "Gates of Mercy" You will see some familiar faces!

MASS OF WELCOME for Bishop Robert Kasun, C.S.B.
St. Michael's Cathedral – Thurs. Oct. 6, 2016 – 10:30 a.m.

All are invited to a special Mass of Welcome for the newest Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Toronto, Bishop Robert Kasun. The celebration will take place on Thursday, October 6, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral (65 Bond St.). The new bishop will be responsible for the pastoral oversight of the Central Pastoral Region of the Archdiocese of Toronto.

Next COFFEE SUNDAY will be OCTOBER 1st and 2nd after all the Masses

RCIA

(Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

Are you or is someone you know interested in becoming Catholic? Are you an adult in need of completing the Sacraments of Initiation (Confirmation and Eucharist)? If so, please call or visit the parish office as soon as possible to begin the registration process. Sessions will begin in the near future.



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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.

A Message from our Pastor...

As we begin our second year together we will focus on the Pastoral Plan of the Archdiocese of Toronto.

The Pastoral Plan is deeply rooted in prayer, the foundation of our efforts. The mission is two-fold. The Pastoral (inward) mission is to nurture and strengthen the faith experience of committed Catholics, drawing on the model of St. Peter to whom Jesus said "Feed my Lambs." Our Apostolic (outward) mission is to announce the Gospel both to the faithful and to those outside the church.

Our model for this effort is St. Paul, who first encountered Christ through conversion and then proclaimed Him throughout the world.

Thank you for your continued support!!

Fr. Smith

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