

ST. PAUL'S BASILICA PARISH

Established in 1822 - First Parish of the Diocese

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MASS SCHEDULE

Masses at St. Paul's Basilica

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 and 11 a.m.

Weekday Masses

at the Good Shepherd Centre (opposite the Church, north side of Queen St.)
Tuesday - Friday 12:00 noon

OFFICE HOURS

Mon - Fri 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:45 - 4:15 p.m.

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, FIRST COMMUNION, MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish to begin the process of preparation.

MINISTRIES TO THE SHUT-INS

If people are in the hospital or are unable to come to mass because of age or other limitations, please call Fr. Frank or Sr. Nida so that they may receive communion regularly.

HOSPITAL VISITS

We will strive to visit parishioners in the hospital on University Avenue and St. Michael's Hospital.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. Francis V. McDevitt, Pastor
Sr. Nida Fe Chavez, CSJ, Pastoral Associate
Sr. Carmen Rojas, CSJ, Secretary
Joe Angelo, Music Director
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PARISH REGISTRATION: Count yourself in by registering in the parish. Forms are at the back of the church and in the office all week. Please register in the parish before seeking other services.

COMPANIONS IN MINISTRY: We are always in need of help with pastoral care and more hands for assistance. If you have the time, we have the need. Please call the office and leave your name and number. Fr. Frank or Sr. Nida will call you.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday	September 09 12:00 noon	Mass for peace
Wednesday	September 10 12:00 noon	Open
Thursday	September 11 12:00 noon	Kathrine Finnerty
Friday	September 12 12:00 noon	Open
Saturday	September 13 4:30 pm	Michael Schneider
Sunday	September 14 8:30 am	Mary Caspar
	11:00 am	Missa Pro Populo

Fr. Frank asks, "What Would You Say?"

Fr. Frank has been asked to do a weekend of reflection for the seminarians at St. Peter's Seminary in London, Ontario. The time will be focussed on the call to ministry of these young men. Surely parishioners may have some thoughts on this. If you would like to share your brief thoughts, five sentences or less that may be a useful exercise and would be used as part of the reflections. Email your thoughts to the parish website at stpaulsbasilica@on.aibn.com with the subject retreat or drop it on the collection plate. The question is, "What is the one truth that you hope that seminarians consider as they prepare for ministry?"

Feast of St. Francis Saturday, October 4 10:00-12 noon

We invite you and your dog, cat, hamster, pigeon, iguana, budgie, fish, turtle, horse or elephant, while maybe not elephants, to a blessing of animals at St. Paul's from 10 a.m. - 12 noon on the church lawn or inside if the weather is poor on Saturday, October 4. Let us be clear, this event is for everyone in the neighbourhood and the parish, including dissenting dogs, heretical hamsters, irreverent iguanas and blasé budgies and their owners. Blessings will be done individually on a first come first served basis. If a group of dogs or a family menagerie would like a shared blessing that is fine too. The animals are at all times to be in the control of their human companions.



Children's Liturgy is beginning again

For all children is JK, SK, Grade 1 and 2. Every Sunday at the 11 a.m. mass from September 21 to December 21. 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.

Today! Prayers for Peace

Cardinal Collins has invited religious leaders from various faith communities, Christian as well as the other religious traditions to gather for prayers for peace. This will take place here at the basilica today at 3 p. m. All are invited to come and pray for peace.

Parish Inventory

You will find tipped into your bulletin today the parish inventory. The inventory identifies areas where we could use some help as we move forward. Please take some time to consider the inventory and respond to it in a thoughtful way. We cannot approach everyone individually. We need you to respond. There are all kinds of good will and energy out there that we need to be able to tap, but we need you to say that you are ready to serve.

Prayer and Life

Prayer and Life is a program to deepen the participant's prayer life by looking at a variety of prayer forms. Prayer and Life was offered at St. Paul's last fall. We are offering the program once again since those who participated seemed to be so well engaged in the process. This is an opportunity for more members of the parish to take this opportunity. The program began last Wednesday the third, but new participants would be welcomed this week. It would be valuable to call the parish so they can let the leaders know.

Parish Festival

On September 28th after the 11:00 a. m. mass we will be having the parish festival on our parish grounds. If the weather is poor we will be inside. There will be games for kids, hamburgers and hot dogs and lots of information on the parish. There will be no cost to those who attend. Come on out! We are trying to reach as many Catholics in the Corktown area as possible so if you have family and friends in the area who we do not see at mass too often please invite them to come as well. There will be no heavy sales, just a warm welcome from you and the parish team.

Please bring lawn chairs if you have them or blankets. We will use the lawn area to the south of the church.



Second Collections

At St. Paul's we have what could appear to be an excess of second collections. These are all valuable efforts and in no way do we want to discourage people from supporting them. The time of Eucharist after communion shouldn't half the time be dedicated to collecting money. To that end we will have one second collection a month. When there are additional efforts in the month, they will be put on with the regular collection. This will always be mentioned at the beginning of mass.

Maintenance Fund

There is a collection today for the Maintenance Fund of the parish. This will be taken up as a second collection. Envelopes are by the door if you intend to donate next week.

The Annual Mix and Mingle

Faith Connections is a ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph dedicated to animating the faith life of young adults. They are inviting young men and women (18-39) on September 21 to 15 Laxton Ave. to Sunday mass at 4:00 p.m. with a barbecue to follow. Please rsvp by September 12th to Vanessa at 416-467-2645.

Follow Up Meeting

With our parish consultation in May, a number of parishioners formed into groups and have been meeting as a result of that effort. It is time to bring all of those folks together to see what their hopes are and to move forward. Perhaps there is need for some consolidation of ministries. Please do not say we really didn't achieve too much, so we will let it go. There is something you were trying to imagine so please come so that we can work with you to fit those hopes into the life of the parish. We will only have this one general meeting on Wednesday, September 24 at 7:30 p.m.



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