

St. Paul the Apostle and Immaculate Conception Churches



Graced by the constant, loving presence of God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - in our lives, energized by the intercession of Mary and the great Communion of Saints, and grounded in the Sacred Scripture, Tradition, Catholic Teaching, Sacrament and Prayer, we, parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle Parish, reach out to embrace all of God's children, encouraging them to receive the gift of eternal salvation, accept Jesus Christ as their Lord, and follow in his footsteps. We declare our solidarity with the poor of the world, and pledge to help them by sharing our love and bounty.

Sunday Liturgies

Saturday:

5:00 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle

Sunday:

9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception

10:30 a.m. at St. Paul the Apostle

Marian Cenacle: Tuesday - 5:30 p.m.

Life in the Spirit Prayer Group:

7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

1st Thursday of each month

Weekday Liturgies

Tuesday: 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle

Wednesday & Thursday: 8:00 a.m. at St. Paul the Apostle

Friday: 12:10 noon at Immaculate Conception

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following the noon Mass at Immaculate Conception Church on the First Friday of each month until 9:00 a.m. Mass Saturday morning.
Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour before 7:00 p.m. Mass

YOUTH MINISTRY:

Edge Night (Gr. 6-8) every 2nd Friday 7-9 p.m.

Life Teen (Gr. 9-12) every 2nd Saturday 6-9 p.m.

Reconciliation(Confessions):

Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. or by appointment

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. to 6:45 p.m.

Marriage:

Couples planning to be married must contact the parish priest one year in advance. No wedding date is to be set before consulting the parish priest. At least one of the parties should be a registered parishioner and both parties must attend a mandatory Marriage Preparation Course.

Baptism:

Parents/Guardians are to be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation. (Registration Package on table in foyer of church)

Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion: If anybody is sick (at the Hospital, Home, Nursing Home, etc.) & needs to be anointed or would like to receive Holy Communion or Confession, please call office.

Schools:

Holy Family Elementary School

705-435-3989

St. Paul's Elementary School

705-435-7211

St. Thomas Aquinas High School

905-936-4743

Pastoral Ministries:

Life Teen and The Edge Youth Ministry for students in grade six through to high school; Altar Servers; Lectors; Ushers; Eucharistic Ministers; Music Ministry; Pastoral Care Ministers to the sick and shut-ins; Children's Liturgy; Pastoral Council; R.C.I.A.; and Sacramental Preparation

Organizations:

The Catholic Women's League of Canada; Knights of Columbus; Columbian Squires (boys 10 - 18 yrs) St. Vincent de Paul Society

Stewardship:

Welcome to new parishioners! To be a member of our parish is to have a sense of belonging to a Community of Faith. Registration forms and envelopes are available in the foyer of the church.

NOTE: PICTURES & VIDEOS ARE NOT PERMITTED DURING OUR LITURGIES.

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



4th Sunday of Easter ~ 22 April 2018
Second ShareLife Sunday

I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. "For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again." John 10:16-17

First Reading + Acts 4:7-12
Second Reading + 1 John 3:1-2
Gospel + John 10:11-18

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 23

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, April 24

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Marjorie MORRISON, RIP – P/C Morrison

Wednesday, April 25

8:00am+Bill HANDS, RIP – S Hands

Thursday, April 26

8:00am+Fernandp DELUCA, RIP – S Kelly

10:30am+Mass at Riverwood Complex

Friday, April 27

12:10pm+Gerard TIGHE, RIP – M/S Tighe

Saturday, April 28

(Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+Doug HORAN, RIP – M Horan

5:00pm+Verna WALSH, RIP – A/B Major

Sunday, April 29

9:00am+Mary WALSH, RIP – B McGovern/J Surman

10:30am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Faith, Hope and Charity

If I have all Faith that can move mountains, but have not Love, I am nothing.... Now Faith, Hope and Love abide: these three. But the greatest of these is Love.

The word for ‘love’ that Paul uses in this passage from First Corinthians is the Greek *agapé*; the equivalent in Latin is *caritas*, which gives us the English *charity*. This is not romantic love, *eros*, or the love of friends, *philia*; rather, *agape* (charity) is the pure and sincere love of man for God and neighbor. It is this kind of love that St. Paul extols.

The virtues of Faith, Hope and Charity are distinct in meaning, but they often get lumped together. One of our seminary textbooks defined “faith” as a combination of “conviction, confidence and commitment.” I suggested that “conviction” sounds like the traditional definition of Faith, “confidence” sounds like Hope, and “commitment” sounds like Charity. Is “faith” then a combination of Faith, Hope and Charity? Well, yes, I suppose so! The exercise of these three virtues together is certainly the *fullness* of faith — what some call a *living* or a *saving* faith.

The old children’s Catechism gives “Shorter Acts of Faith, Hope and Charity”:

An Act of Faith: O my God, I most firmly believe in Thee and all Thou hast revealed to Thy Holy Church, because Thou art Truth itself, Who neither canst deceive nor be deceived.

An Act of Hope: O my God, relying on Thy Promises, and upon the Merits of Jesus Christ, my Saviour, I most firmly hope in Thee, and trust that Thou wilt grant me grace to observe Thy commandments in this world, and reward me in the next.

An Act of Charity: O my God, Who art Worthy of all my love, and Infinite in every Perfection, I love Thee with my whole heart; and I love my neighbour as myself for the love of Thee.

One way of thinking of these distinct acts of Faith, Hope and Charity, is that Faith says, “God exists”; Hope says, “God loves me”; and Charity says, “God, I love you.”

Some people speak of “losing” faith, but we cannot “lose” these virtues; we have to deliberately reject them. When we commit a mortal sin we deliberately forfeit the virtue of Charity, the love of God. But even in the state of mortal sin, we may retain the virtues of Faith and Hope — we can still believe that God exists and that He loves us — and, indeed, it is this that leads us to the Sacrament of Confession where Charity is restored.

It is not enough to have Faith — as St. James says, “Even the demons believe, and tremble.” Faith is the beginning and the foundation, but in addition to the virtue of Faith we also need the virtues of Hope and Charity. As St. Paul says, the greatest of these is Love (*agape*). “If I have not Love, I am nothing.”

Saint of the Week:

What, then, does God look upon with pleasure and delight? It is the man who is fighting for Him against riches, against the world, hell and himself, the man who is cheerfully carrying his cross.

- *Saint Louis de Montfort (1673-1716), priest, Confessor, Feast Day April 28*

NOTICE

Due to winter storm our clean-up dates have change

St. Paul's Cemetery & Immaculate Conception Cemetery Clean-up

Saturday, April 28th at 9:00 a.m.

(Rain date May 5th)



Bring rakes & gloves

Refreshments provided

Qualifies for community hours

Notice to Lot Owners — St. Paul's Catholic Cemetery

As part of our spring clean-up we will be removing all metal or iron crosses, glassware, ceramics and lawn ornaments. These items can pose a safety risk to our maintenance staff and equipment and detract from the decor of our cemetery. If you would like to save these items, please collect them before April 14th. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our cemetery clean and safe.



Archdiocese of Toronto

Catholic Education Week – May 6-11, 2018

“Renewing the Promise”

This is a week specially set aside across the province to celebrate our Catholic schools and why the critical connection of home, school and parish is such an important and integral part of Catholic education.

The challenges to the existence of publicly funded Catholic education remains today. We must not be complacent. To help sustain and nurture our Catholic schools, we invite you do consider tangible ways to get involved.

- 1.) Share your gifts and talents with our publicly funded Catholic schools as a volunteer, there are many varied opportunities to get involved.
- 2.) Even if you do not have children in the system, we ask you to ensure that your property taxes indicate you are a separate school support.

You can check to see that you are listed as a separate school supporter on your municipal tax assessment roll by visiting www.voterloopup.ca Not only can you check for accuracy but you can correct your record online. *(Did you know that when you buy or sell your home it automatically reverts to non-Catholic school support?)*



Living the Gospel by providing for those in need

“One of the core components of our Pastoral Plan is Catholic Outreach in Justice and Love. As a Catholic community we are called to be the hands and face of Jesus in our communities. ShareLife is a tangible way we can put the Gospel value to ‘love one another as I have loved you’ into action. I invite all parishioners to support the mission work of the church by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife.” —*Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto.*

Parish Goal: \$50,000–Bal To-date: \$17,533.95

**Today is ShareLife Sunday
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SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, MAY 26, 2018

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