

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 (LIFE TEEN Mass)

Sunday:

9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception

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

3:00 - 5:30 p.m. Life in the Spirit Prayer Group

(On the 2nd & 4th Sunday 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 9:00a.m. Mass Saturday morning.

Devotions:

Marian Cenacle

Tuesday - 5:30 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle

Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour before 7:00 p.m. Mass

Reconciliation(Confessions):

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

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 Classes on the 2nd, 3rd & 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. (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 the Parish 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. Please introduce yourself to the Pastor or Deacon and register as soon as possible. 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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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



3rd Sunday of Easter ~ 19 April, 2015

Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures. And he said to them, "Thus it is written that the Christ would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day." — Lk 24:45-46

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD

First Reading + Acts 3:13-15, 17-19
Second Reading + 1 John 2:1-5
Gospel + Luke 24: 35-48

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, April 20

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, April 21

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+**HOLY HOUR**

**6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Edward WITTENBERG, RIP – M Whelton

Wednesday, April 22

8:00am+Mary O'LEARY, RIP – M Lynch

Thursday, April 23

8:00am+Joan DENNIS, RIP – R O'Leary

10:30am+Mass at Riverwood Home

Friday, April 24

12:10pm+Carolyn MURRAY, RIP – P Murray

Saturday, April 25

(Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+CWL Mass (Our Lady of Good Counsel)

5:00pm+Brian DURKAN, RIP – R/J Vandervoort

Sunday, April 26

9:00am+Ray CHARBONNEAU, 80th B-Day, M Lynch

10:30am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

1:30pm+1st Communion – Holy Family School

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Young adults make the same complaints against the Church over and over again. They disagree with the Church's position on homosexuality, sexual ethics, the ordination of women, and other progressive causes. They are angry over the lack of inclusive language. From their perspective the Church is less loving and compassionate than the world at large. — *Recent blog comment.*

It is hard to dispute the accuracy of that observation. The Church does hold on to many outdated ideas, especially on issues of morality. Perhaps the Church would have more success attracting young adults if the Church's positions were more in line with those of modern secular society.

This is not a new problem. When Joshua had lead the people of Israel out of the desert and into the Promised Land he said to them:

Now therefore fear the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and faithfulness; put away the gods which your fathers served beyond the river, and in Egypt and serve the Lord. And if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your fathers served in the region beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you dwell; but as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord.

In the days of Elijah, the Baals and the Ashteroth attracted a greater following than the God of Israel. Elijah had to flee to Mount Horeb where he complained to God:

I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life to take it away.

God had to assure him that he was not alone — there were still seven thousand who had not worshiped Baal.

The problem with the Church today is that Christian morality is out of fashion. In the modern world of moral relativism the Ten Commandments are seen as antiquated and irrelevant. The truth is that the spirit of the Gospel is opposed to the *zeitgeist*, the godless spirit of our times. It is now totally counter-cultural to live what Pope John Paul II called "the high standard of ordinary Christian living."

But let's not forget what St. Paul wrote to the Galatians:

Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ... drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

Saint of the Week:

If you always love one another, if you always uphold one another, you will be capable of working wonders!

- *Saint Mary Euphrasia Pelletier (1796-1868), Feast Day April 24*



Working wonders in our livelihoods...

“My worst day clean is better than my best day using,” exclaims Suzanne, as she shares the details of her past use of drugs and other substance abuse.” I was on medication constantly to deal with the side effects and was a chronic pain patient for 35 years. I was sick and tired of being sick and tired. With the support of Catholic Family Services, I was able to finally kick the habit.” The Closed Trauma and Sister mentoring program were crucial to helping Suzanne get her life back on track. The positive influence of CFS program supervisor Valerie Anderson and encouragement from other professional staff gave Suzanne the courage to try again. She sheds ‘tears of joy’ as she now speaks on behalf of CFS, sharing the detailed differences Catholic Family Services has made in her life. Over 79,000 individuals received help in getting their lives back on track through ShareLife-supported family services program.

Parish Goal: \$50,000 Balance to-date: \$19,619.45

Everyone is invited to an evening with
ARUNA PAPP,
Speaker and Author



She is a nationally and internationally recognized educator and advocate of human rights, who has inspired many with her courage, wisdom, and compassion. Join us as she talks about her life and how she gave a voice to thousands of Canadian girls and women living in quiet desperation who are victims of culturally rooted gender-based violence.

Thursday, April 23, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.
Fr. Bennett Hall
St. Paul the Apostle Parish
190 King Street South, Alliston
Sponsored by the Catholic Women's League

Calendar of Parish Events

- Apr 21** – St. Vincent de Paul Mtg. – 7:30pm
- Apr 21** – Symbolon Series –Session 7 – 7:30pm
- Apr 22** – 1st Communion Gathering for St. Paul’s School 6pm
- Apr 23** – CWL Evening with Aruna Papp – 7:00pm
- Apr 24** – Euchre in the Fr. Bennett Hall at 7:30pm
- Apr 25** – Spring Cemetery Clean-up – 9:00am
- Apr 26** – 1st Communion Holy Family School – 1:30pm
- Apr 30** – Confirmation Class at 7:00pm
- May 2** – Pierogi Dinner – 6:30pm
- May 2** – Third SHARELIFE Collection all masses
- May 3** – 1st Communion St. Paul’s School – 1:30pm
- May 9** – Garage Sale 8-2pm

St. Paul’s Cemetery & Immaculate Conception Cemetery Clean-up Saturday, April 25th

9:00AM – We begin at St. Paul’s Cemetery and then up to Immaculate Conception Cemetery.
Bring rakes & Leaf Blowers
Refreshments Provided
ALSO...Qualifies for Community Hours

Saturday, May 2 @ 6:30pm

**Home made Pierogi Dinner
Potato & Cheese Pierogies,
Ham, Veggies, Dessert**

50/50 Draw
Tickets Available after weekend Masses
Adults \$15
Children 11 yrs & under \$7
Whole Family \$50

Contact Dave McKendrick: Text 647-237-1348
Or email: allistonlifeteen@gmail.com

Proceeds to support Edge Camp

GARAGE SALE

SATURDAY, May 9, 2015
8:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M.

Please Hold on to those treasures that are in Good, Clean, Working order until the following delivery dates.....

- Wednesday, May 6** from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Thursday, May 7** from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- Friday, May 8** from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

For pick-up, please contact before May 5, 2015.
Loretta Gismondi at 705-458-9504

****Note: NO CLOTHING PLEASE**

OPEN IN SPIRIT TO GOD PRAYER GROUP

Our next prayer meeting will be on **Thursday, May 7th, from 7:30-9:30pm** in St. Paul Church. There will be a Praise and Worship followed by Living Word Group. Snacks and fellowship will follow.



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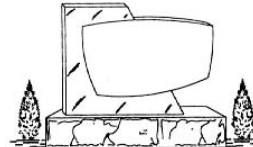
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