

# 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.*

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## **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.

## **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

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## **YOUTH MINISTRY:**

Edge Night (Gr. 6-8) Alternating Mondays - 7:00 p.m.

Life Teen (Gr. 9-12) Alternating Saturdays - 6-9:00 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

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## **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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## **St. Paul the Apostle**

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## **Pastoral Team: Pastor:** Fr. Alan Glass

*father.glass@gmail.com*

Youth Minister: Dave McKendrick, EXT. 24

or email Dave: *allistonlifeteen@gmail.com*

Text Dave @ 647 -237-1348



**Presentation of the Lord ~ 2 February 2020**

When the time came for their purification according to the law of Moses, Mary and Joseph brought the child Jesus up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the law of the Lord, "Every firstborn male shall be designated as holy to the Lord"), and they offered a sacrifice according to what is stated in the law of the Lord.

**First Reading + Malachi 3:1-4**  
**Second Reading + Hebrews 2:10-11, 13b-18**  
**Gospel + Luke 2:22-40**

**Mass  for the Intentions  Week**

**Monday, February 3**  
 NO MASS SCHEDULED

**Tuesday, February 4**  
 5:30pm+Marian Cenacle  
 6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

\*\*6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS  
 7:00pm+Anne NEWMAN, Pers Int – Josh Fleming

**Wednesday, February 5**  
 8:00am+Marie VADER, RIP – J/M Scanlon

**Thursday, February 6**  
 8:00am+Leo JOYCE, RIP – C Skelton  
 10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Community

**Friday, February 7**  
*(Fri. Daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)*  
 12:10pm+Anne NEWMAN, Pers Int – J Fleming  
 Followed by Adoration until Saturday morning Mass

**Saturday, February 8**  
*(Sat. Daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)*  
 9:00am+Rita CRUMP, RIP – Family  
 5:00pm+Frank CROWLEY, RIP – M/A Crowley

**Sunday, February 9**  
 9:00am+FOR THE EOPLE OF THE PARISH  
 10:30am+John KEARNEY, RIP – Reis Family

**Saint of the Week**

Blessing for a Journey - O Brigit, bless our road, that calamity may not overtake us as we travel; O veiled one from the laden Liffey, may we reach home safely by your intercession. - *St. Brigid of Kildare (451-523), Feast Day February 1*

**FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:**

*Never tire of speaking out in defense of life.*

The right to life is the pre-eminent social, cultural and moral issue of our times. Last week, for the very first time, a U.S. President attended the *March for Life* in Washington, D.C. In past years, President Trump has addressed the *March* via video; this year he was there in person. For those who have not seen his speech, here are some highlights:

All of us here understand an eternal truth: Every child is a precious and sacred gift from God. Together, we must protect, cherish, and defend the dignity and the sanctity of every human life. When we see the image of a baby in the womb, we glimpse the majesty of God's creation. When we hold a newborn in our arms, we know the endless love that each child brings to a family. When we watch a child grow, we see the splendor that radiates from each human soul. One life changes the world.

We cannot know what our citizens yet unborn will achieve. The dreams they will imagine. The masterpieces they will create. The discoveries they will make. But we know this: every life brings love into this world. Every child brings joy to a family. Every person is worth protecting. And above all, we know that every human soul is divine and every human life, born and unborn, is made in the holy image of Almighty God. With determined hope, we look forward to all of the blessings that will come from the beauty, talent, purpose, nobility, and grace of every child.

I know fully well that I will be criticized for praising President Trump for his support of a culture of life. But to be fair, if President Obama had addressed the *March for Life* at any time during his eight years in office, pro-lifers would have been absolutely over the moon in their joy. It never happened. If a Democrat wins the U. S. presidency in November, it would be fantastic to see him (or her) at next year's *March for Life*. However, there is little hope of that since all the Democratic candidates have declared their support for abortion on demand through all nine months of pregnancy, even the Catholic Joe Biden. In fact, Elizabeth Warren has pledged to wear a Planned Parenthood scarf at her inauguration, if she is elected.

Perhaps one day a Canadian Prime Minister will address the *March of Life* in Ottawa. We can pray for that eventuality — and at the same time, exercise our *vote* to make it happen.

In his landmark Encyclical, *Evangelium Vitae*, 'The Gospel of Life,' Pope John Paul II wrote that "believers in Christ must defend and promote the right to life" and that we must recognize "the incomparable value of every human person." Let us take to heart the words of Pope John Paul: "Never tire of firmly speaking out in defense of life from its conception and do not be deterred from the commitment to defend the dignity of every human person with courageous determination. Christ is with you: BE NOT AFRAID!"

**Celebration of Marriage Mass with Cardinal Collins – February 9, 2020 - 3 p.m.**

As part of Marriage Sunday 2020 celebrations, Cardinal Thomas Collins will preside at a special Mass to honour couples celebrating milestone anniversaries in 2020. If you (or a couple you know) are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60+ wedding anniversary in 2020, they are invited to join in this special celebration. The Mass will take place at 3 p.m. on Sunday, February 9 at St. Isaac Jogues Parish (1148 Finch Ave., Pickering). A reception will follow Mass. The Mass is open to all, but due to space restrictions those wishing to attend are asked to register online or by phone. Milestone anniversary celebrants will be assured of reserved seating. Registration and other important information can be found at: [www.archtoronto.org/marriage](http://www.archtoronto.org/marriage) or by calling (416) 934-3400, x 523.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!**



Celebrate your love and take a fresh look at your marriage! Spend a very special weekend together. A Weekend of discovery...a lifetime of love! Worldwide

Marriage Encounter is a weekend getaway that helps married couples rediscover themselves as individuals and as a couple. The Weekend format helps couples communicate openly and honestly without group sharing, therapy or marriage counselling. **Upcoming Weekend: April 24-26, 2020 - Four Points Sheraton (Argentia Road), Mississauga, ON. For more information and application, please go to [www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org) contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at (905) 792-1925 or [gerard.marge@rogers.com](mailto:gerard.marge@rogers.com)**

**Thank You** - The Alliston Lions Club would like to thank everyone who helped with the Christmas Hamper Campaign. 152 Families including approximately 260 Children were able to enjoy Christmas due to the generosity of the Alliston Community. In addition, left over food was donated to the local Good Shephard food bank. We thank everyone involved, you should be very proud of our community. *Sincerely, The Alliston Lions Club*

**CWL PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION**

The Mary Matthews Public Speaking competition sponsored by the C.W.L. will take place in the parish hall on **Monday, February 3, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.** ALL parishioners are welcome to come and support these young people from St. Paul's and Holy Family Schools as they deliver their prepared speeches in front of an audience. Light refreshments will be available.

**Ash Wednesday**

February 26th at St. Paul's  
8:00a.m. & 7:00p.m.



**The Stations of the Cross**

During Lent we will pray The Stations of the Cross  
Friday's at 7:15p.m.  
February 28th – April 10th



**SPIRITUAL BOUQUET FOR 2020 ORDINANDIS**

A Spiritual Bouquet is an offering of Masses, Communion, Rosaries, Stations of the Cross, Eucharistic Adorations, Sacrifices, Novenas and other forms of prayer offered by a person for an **intention**, this being, for the **seminarians** who are studying at St. Augustine's Seminary who will become ordained priests and make their vows in 2020. These offerings **are not paid offerings**, but personal prayers and devotions completed and offered up by an individual for the intentions of the seminarians. The Ordinandis have always expressed that receiving this Spiritual Bouquet **is one of the best gifts** they receive and they always look forward to receiving it knowing how much they are prayed for in this new journey of their life to serve the Lord. The sign-up sheet is provided at the back of the church on an easel. *You do not have to sign your name*, just the number of prayers, masses, etc. you can commit yourself to follow through with.



**Those wishing to help The Australia Fires may do so in the following ways:**

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: [www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to:  
Name of Parish – Australia Fires – Disaster Relief

Please use the generic humanitarian relief envelopes provided to the parishes for relief collections or your own envelope clearly printed Name, Address & Postal code plus envelope number if you use them. Our prayers are with the people of Australia as the country struggles to cope with this disaster. Thank you for your ongoing efforts to assist those in crisis.



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