

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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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 9 February, 2014

Jesus said to his disciples: "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its taste, with what can it be seasoned? You are the light of the world. A city set on a mountain cannot be hidden." — Mt 5:13-16

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First Reading + Isaiah 58:6-10
 Second Reading + 1 Corinthians 2:1-5
 Gospel + Matthew 5:13-16

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, February 10

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, February 11

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

7:00pm+Stewart/Kathleen Kennedy, RIP – P/P Kennedy

Wednesday, February 12

8:00am+John CARDELLA, RIP – A/K Holychuk

Thursday, February 13

8:00am+Kathleen MOORECROFT, RIP – Morrow Family

Friday, February 14

12:10pm+Rita CRUMP, RIP – J Crump

Saturday, February 15

(Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+Marie SZYMANEK, RIP – Family

5:00pm+Ted LYNCH, RIP – H Lynch

Sunday, February 16

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30am+Ralph ORSI, RIP – G/M Leest

OUR FEASTS & SAINTS

February 10 + Saint Scholastica

February 11 + Our Lady of Lourdes

February 14 + Saint Cyril and Saint Methodius

Saint of the Week

In our ignorance of what the future holds, how can we be so bold as to question what comes about by God's permission? Surely it is reasonable to think that our complaints are groundless and that instead of complaining we ought to be thanking Providence.

- St. Claude La Columbiere (1641-1682), Jesuit Missionary, Feast Day February 15

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

The love of that which ought to be loved.

You don't have to go to Church to be a good person. You don't have to be Catholic or Christian. You don't even have to believe in God. A non-church-going Atheist can be a good person just as much as a God-believing Church-going Rosary-praying Catholic. According to the ancient Greek philosophers, a "good" person is one who consistently, and as a kind of second nature, lives the four moral virtues of prudence, justice, temperance and fortitude.

Justice is giving to everyone what is his due and doing what one knows is right — it is being fair to everyone in all things at all times. *Temperance* is using good things in moderation — not too much and not too little. *Fortitude* is courage — the willingness to face danger or to suffer harm in pursuit of what is right. *Prudence*, the highest virtue of all, is the wisdom to know what is right.

If this is the definition of "good," then I can think of many people who live good, virtuous lives, sometimes to a superlative degree, who are not Catholic or who are not even Christian.

So then, if you don't need to go to Church to be a good person, and if you don't need to be Catholic to be a good person, then why bother being a Church-going Catholic?

Because, to put it simply, "being good" has nothing to do with it. Christ did not come for you to be a good person! The world knew about the four moral virtues of prudence, justice, temperance and fortitude long before Christ. These are human virtues — they are simply part of living a rational well-ordered life — they are common to humanity.

What truly defines us as Christians are virtues that the ancient pagan world and our modern secular world know nothing about: Faith, Hope and Charity (Love). These Christian virtues do not make you a good person — they make you a holy person. Christ did not come so that we might be good — he came so that we might be holy. The teaching of Jesus on the Christian life could not be clearer. Love God with all you heart, all your soul, all your mind and all your strength. And love your neighbor as yourself. Everything else follows, including the moral virtues.

St. Augustine says: "In this life, virtue is nothing else but the love of that which ought to be loved. To choose this is *Prudence*; not to be turned away from it by any difficulty is *Fortitude*; or by any seducement, and that is *Temperance*; or by any pride, and that is *Justice*. But what must one choose for one's first love if not that God than which there is no better? That is God. And if we place any other thing over him in our love, or on the same level, we do not know how to love ourselves."

The Gospel is not about being good, it is about loving God. You get to Heaven not by being good, but by wanting more than anything to be in God's presence forever. We don't go to Church to be good. We go to Church because we love God and want to be in his presence now.

Calendar of Parish Events

- Feb 9 – Life in the Spirit Prayer Group 3-5:30pm
- Feb 11 - 7:30pm Film on Mother Angelica's "Heaven" series
- Feb 11 – St. Vincent de Paul Mtg. at 7:30pm
- Feb 12 – 1st of 3 scheduled Baptism classes at 7:30pm
- Feb 13 – CWL General Mtg. at 7:00pm
- Feb 13 – K of C General Mtg. at 7:30pm
- Feb 14 – Euchre in the Fr. Bennett Hall at 7:30pm

Winners of our CWL Youth Public Speaking Contest!!



The Catholic Women's League is proud to announce the winners of the Mary Matthews Public Speaking Contest. **Winner:** Madisen Irvine from Holy Family School spoke on 'Tongue Twisters'. Irvine will move on to compete at the Northern Regional CWL contest; and **Runner-up:** Julianna Laciak also from Holy Family School spoke on 'Special Needs'. Julianna will now go on to compete at either The Royal Canadian Legion or The Lions Club.

The quality of the speeches was outstanding and presented a challenge for the three judges. All the participants are to be congratulated on their excellent presentations. Thank you to all who were involved in the C.W.L Speaking Contest – Anu Antao (Education Convener) and the many helpers who made it a success!

SPIRITUAL BOUQUET FOR 2014 ORDINANDIS



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, rosaries that you can commit yourself to follow through with. These offerings are not paid offerings. This Spiritual Bouquet is one of the 'best gifts' they could receive and they always look forward to receiving it. Please, take a moment to give inspiration and support to our future priests.

BAPTISMS

We wish to congratulate the families of the following children who have entered in to the Roman Catholic Community through the holy sacrament of BAPTISM: Nathaniel Simon Santos CHAI-FOO; Ethan Daniel DUARTE; Hunter John GRAHAM; Celia Elizabeth SEVERINO and Auden Remy TELEGDI.



OPEN IN SPIRIT TO GOD PRAYER GROUP



The next one will be this Sunday, Feb 9th, from 3-5:30pm. There will be a short Praise and Worship, followed by a teaching on the topic of "Intro to the Living Word" followed by discussion and refreshments in parish hall.

GOT A QUESTION?

Next Edge, March 1st, 2014
At 6:00 pm, after 5:00 pm Life Teen Mass



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8

****NO EDGE Saturday, February 15th**

FAMILY DAY WEEKEND

Event: Video on "Heaven" (7 weeks)
by Mother Angelica

Week 2 – Feb. 11th ~ Time: 7:30 – 9:00 p.m.
(after 7:00 p.m. Mass)

Place: St. Paul's Church

Contact: Claudette Morrison (705-435-3234)

For Tickets or Information: 416-291-4255 / 905-270-2510 / www.popefrancis.org

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