

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

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

Life in the Spirit Prayer Group:

7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

(On the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month)

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.

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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3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 22 January 2017

As He walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brother, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And He said to them, "Come, follow me, and I will make you fishers of people." Mt 4:18-19

First Reading + Isaiah 9:1-4
Second Reading + 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17-18
Gospel + Matthew 4:12-23

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 23

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, January 24

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+**HOLY HOUR**

6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Anna GREEN, B-Day Wishes – M/A Crowley

Wednesday, January 25

CONVERSION OF ST. PAUL THE APOSTLE

8:00am+Liberato VALENTINI, RIP – J/K Quinlan

7:00pm+ Parish Solemnity – Fr. Glass Intentions

Thursday, January 26

8:00am+Mary WALSH, RIP – S/P Keogh

10:30am+Mass at Riverwood Home

Friday, January 27

12:10pm+Margaret GUCHARDI, RIP – J/A Pendergast

Saturday, January 28

(Daily mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+ Sebastiana DITTA, RIP – S Grace

5:00pm+Leo/Mary JOYCE, 65th Wed. Ann. – M Lynch

Sunday, January 29

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30am+Liberato VALENTINI, RIP – C Beckett

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Prophets, saints and "pivotal players".

The main theme of the Old Testament is Faith. The people of Israel repeatedly fail to remain faithful to their special Covenant with God, and repeatedly God patiently and lovingly calls them back. God sends them prophets whose role is to remind them of their special relationship, which has both its privileges and responsibilities. At times the prophets convey words of condemnation: "Woe to you, O Jerusalem! How long will it be before you are made clean?" At other times, they have words of consolation: "I will set my eyes upon my people for good, and I will bring them back to this land."

The story of the Old Testament is also the story of the individual soul, continually falling and being lifted up. It is also the story of the Church. Just as God sent the prophets to the people of the Old Covenant, in the same way, when Christians are tempted to depart from the faith of the Apostles, God sends saints to instruct and encourage them.

When the early Church was threatened by Gnosticism, St. Irenaeus wrote his famous *Contra Haereses*, "Against the Heresies." When Arius was teaching that Christ was only a man, St. Athanasius defended the truth of Christ's divinity. When the Church's teaching on grace was being overturned by Pelagius, St. Augustine came to the defense of the Church, and has since been called the "Doctor of Grace." When the love of God has grown cold, God has sent us great saints and mystics such as St. Teresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross.

In the course of things, the Church will be disturbed by those promoting a "new and improved" Gospel. At those times, we do not allow ourselves to be "tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine" but we stand firm in the truth of Christ and the faith of the Church. St. Augustine in his days had to respond to many challenges to the faith — Manichaeism, Donatism, Pelagianism — but he saw that these challenges only made the Church stronger:

As St. Paul most truly said: "There needs must be many heresies, so that the tried and tested ones among you may stand out." So let's make use of this favor of divine providence. Those who stray from the truth are of greatest value, not by teaching the truth they don't know but in prodding Catholics into seeking the truth. Let us then make use even of heretics, not by way of giving approval to their errors but by way of upholding Catholic teaching and being more wide awake and careful.

Our Tuesday evening video series by Bishop Robert Barron, *The Pivotal Players*, is an introduction to some of the holy men and women whose special vocation was to offer instruction and guidance to the Church in troubled times, from the earliest days of the Church to modern times, from St. Irenaeus to Cardinal Newman. In getting to know these champions of the faith, we come to better appreciate God's providential care of the Church.

Saint of the Week:

However, always remember to focus on God when trying to amend your life, not self. Trust in His mercy. Give Him praise under all conditions. - *St. Francis de Sales (1567-1622 A.D.), Doctor of the Church, Feast Day January 24th*

Last Week's Collection:

Thank you for your continued Support!
 Sunday Offering: \$ 4,536.50

Wednesday, January 25th

MASS At 8:00 a.m.

And 7:00 p.m.

Parish Solemnity

The Conversion of Saint Paul the Apostle

Patron Saint of our Parish



CWL NEWS.....

MEMBERSHIP DUES

Our Membership campaign for 2017 will officially end on the weekend of **January 28-29, 2017** -- Please use a plain envelope or CWL envelope on the bulletin board (**NOT** the one in your Box in Nov. 2017) print name, full mailing address, phone number and email address with your fee of \$25. -- The envelope can be placed in the collection basket or the CWL mail-box

Northern Region Social, Sunday, January 29th from 2:00 to 4:00 pm hosted by St. Patrick's, Phelpston, Council at Our Lady of Lourdes, Elmvale

Diocesan Development Day, Saturday, February 11th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm (Mass is at 8:30 am), at Christo Rei Parish, 3495 Confederation Parkway, Mississauga, \$10 registration fee will be paid by CWL. - Northern region will have a bus beckettcarla@gmail.com to register.

C.W.L. Public Speaking Competition

The Mary Matthews Public Speaking Competition sponsored by the C.W.L. will take place in the parish hall on **Monday, January 30th at 7:00p.m.** All parishioners are welcome to come and support these young people as they deliver their prepared speeches in front of an audience. Refreshments will be served.

2017 Ordinandi Dinner

The Annual Ordinandi Dinner organized by the Serra Club will be held on **Tuesday, March 7th** at the Pearson Convention Centre, 2638 Steeles Avenue, East, Brampton. -- Tickets are \$70 each for adults, we have a table of 10 reserved. The dead-line to purchase is January 31, 2017. By attending the dinner you are encouraging our seminarians who will become ordained priests and helping support Serra House where men discern priestly vocations. Kindly contact Carla Beckett 705-435-1381 or email Carla At: beckettcarla@gmail.com **Don't forget to sign up on the Spiritual Bouquet on board in the foyer.



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8

EDGE Night

Friday, February 3 at 7:00pm

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Sunday, Feb 12, 2017 - 2:00 - 4:00pm
Holy Spirit Church, 650 Essa Road, Barrie,
Sunday Feb 26, 2017 - 2:00 - 4:00pm
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