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.

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.

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

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 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

St. Paul the Apostle

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Immaculate Conception

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Youth Minister: Dave McKendrick, EXT. 24 or email Dave: allistonlifeteen@gmail.com

Text Dave @ 647-237-1347



4th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 31 January 2016

When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury. They rose up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town had been built, to hurl him down headlong. But Jesus passed through the midst of them and went away.

First Reading + Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19 Second Reading + 1 Corinthians 12:31 - 13:13 Gospel + Luke 4:21-30

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, February 1 NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, February 2 - Presentation of the Lord

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle 6:00pm+*HOLY HOUR*

**6:15pm - 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS 7:00pm+CWL 50th Anniversary Ints. - K of C #9352

Wednesday, February 3

8:00am+Beverly RICHARDS, RIP – M Whelton

Thursday, February 4

8:00am+Kenneth BECKETT, RIP – M Whelton 10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Community

Friday, February 5

12:10pm+PINTARICH Family Int. – A Pufek

Saturday, February 6

(Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception) 9:00am+NO MASS SCHEDULED 5:00pm+Rosemary O'LEARY, RIP - L/C Laciak Sunday, February 7

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 10:30am+Georgina MUSCAT, RIP – Family

Saint of the Week

January 31 This was the method that Jesus used with the apostles. He put up with their ignorance and roughness and even their infidelity. He treated sinners with a kindness and affection that caused some to be shocked, others to be scandalized, and still others to hope for God's mercy. And so he bade us to be gentle and humble of heart. - Saint John Bosco (1815-1888), priest, Feast Day January 31

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

My Father's house is a house of prayer.

When Jesus was twelve years old he was left behind in Jerusalem after the celebration of the Passover festival. Mary and Joseph searched for three days and finally found him in the Temple with the teachers. On seeing his Mother, Jesus said: "How is it that you were looking for me? Did you not know that I must be in my Father's house?"

Indeed, the Temple in Jerusalem was God's house, the central place of worship for all Israelites. At the heart of the Temple was the "Holy of Holies" the small room that contained the Ark of the Covenant, where only the High Priest was allowed to enter once a year. On the Altar in the Temple, sacrifice was offered to God by the priests on behalf of the people. In the outer courts, the teachers gathered to study the Law. When later Jesus chased the money-changers out of the Temple, he quoted the prophets: "My house shall be called a house of prayer."

The Temple was destroyed by Roman armies in 70 A.D., so that literally not one stone was left upon another. But a new Temple was built — a Temple not built by human hands, but a spiritual Temple, the Church. "The very stone that the builders rejected has become the corner stone." For the Israelites there was only one Temple. For Christians, every Church is a Temple, at the heart of which is the Holy of Holies, Jesus in the Tabernacle.

Maisie Ward used to tell a story about her 7 year old son, Wilfrid. One day he asked to go to the Church to pray. Maisie said, "Why do you need to go to the Church? Isn't God right here in this room?" Wilfrid answered, "Yes, but God is only *everywhere* here."

One of my favorite saints is St. Columba. One day St. Columba was in a small boat with some of his monks when they were caught by a storm and in danger of capsizing. Columba said to his monks: "Today it is not I who will pray for you in this danger, but the holy Abbot Cainnech."

St. Cainnech was about to have dinner when he said to his monks: "We cannot have dinner at this time, for St. Columba's boat is even now in peril on the sea. At this moment he speaks the name of this Cainnech, saying that he should pray to Christ for him and his fellows in time of trouble." St. Cainnech instantly ran to the Church with one shoe on and the other one left behind in his hurry. As he prayed, the storm suddenly ceased and the sea became calm.

St. Columba said: "Now I know, O Cainnech, that God has heard your prayer. Now indeed you have helped us by your swift running to the Church wearing only one shoe."

Wouldn't God have heard the saint's prayer just as well in the dining hall as in the Church? Yes, but as even a young child realized, God is only everywhere there. Sometimes, we need to go to our Father's house, to the house of prayer. Sometimes, like St. Cainnech, we even need to run there with only one shoe on.



<u>Celebrate Your Marriage</u> with a 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: February 19-21, 2016

Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, Mississauga

For more information and application, please go to www.wwme.org or contact: Gerard & Marge McCauley at gerard.marge@rogers.com or (905) 792-1925

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SPIRITUAL BOUQUET FOR 2016 ORDINANDIS

A Spiritual Bouquet is an offering of Masses, Communions, 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 2016. 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 in the foyer of the church on an easel. You do not have to sign your name, just the number of what you can commit yourself to follow through with.



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8

EDGE Night Friday, February 5, 2016

Desert Wanderer

A night to discover the real meaning of Lent

OPEN IN SPIRIT TO GOD PRAYER GROUP



The next prayer group evening will be Thursday, Feb 4th & Feb 18th at 7:30 9pm. There will be a short Praise and Worship, followed by a teaching. All members of the 3 LSS groups are invited to join in the fellowship at prayer group meetings.

WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT WEEKEND

February 19-21, 2016 at Queen of Apostles, Mississauga. The retreat begins at 8:00 p.m. Friday and concludes with Mass Sunday noon, followed by lunch. Preached by the Centre Team. Please call 905-278-5229 for further information or to register.

<u>Catholic Education</u> <u>Working Together to Transform Our World</u>

The Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board is kickingoff a registration campaign for its elementary and high schools with radio and newspaper ads during the first week of February.

We believe there is something truly unique and special about learning that is rooted in faith and spiritual growth. It is a blessing that the youngest members of our parish have the opportunity to grow in spirit and faith within the Catholic school community. Our Catholic schools offer distinct faith-filled learning experiences, with a combined focus on academic, spiritual, social and emotional growth. Together, our Catholic schools and our parish community will guide children in their ongoing growth in faith.

To help parents and students get ready for Kindergarten, the board has developed a package, including a parent booklet, child's activity book and DVD. We encourage parents who are looking to register their child for Kindergarten to drop by their local Catholic school to pick up their copy of the package. Our Catholic high schools have a similar package called *Come Grow With Us.* You can also find all of the information at www.smcdsb.on.ca

Calendar of Parish Events

Feb 2 – Faith Formation Video Sessions at 7:30pm
Feb 3 – Confirmation Class for Grade 8
Feb 4 – LSS Prayer Group at 7:30pm
Feb 4 – K of C Executive Mtg. at 7:30pm
Feb 5 – Edge Night at 7pm
Feb 8 – Public Speaking Contest at 7pm
Feb 10 – Ash Wednesday
Feb 11 – CWL Executive Mtg. at 7pm
Feb 11 – K of C General Mtg. at 7:30pm

Feb 11 – Edge CORE Mtg. at 7pm



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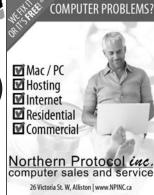
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