

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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Solemnity of the Conversion of St. Paul ~ 25 January 2015

“For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel—
not with wisdom and eloquence, lest the cross of Christ be emptied
of its power 1 Cor. 1:17

First Reading + Acts 2:3-16
Second Reading + 1 Corinthians 1:10-17
Gospel + Mark 16:15-18

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, January 26

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, January 27

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

**6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Robert MITCHELL, RIP – S Bonazza

Wednesday, January 28

8:00am+Rev. Agostinho PACHECO, RIP – Archdiocese TO

Thursday, January, 29

8:00am+Lorraine FOURNIER, RIP – J/A Pendergast

Friday, January 30

12:10pm+Philip JAMES, RIP – A/B Heap

Saturday, January 31

(Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+Antonina WACH, RIP – S/M Demianiuk

5:00pm+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Sunday, February 1

9:00am+Maria/Waclaw SZYMANEK, RIP – Family

10:30am+Ernie MacNEIL, RIP – Family

Saint of the Week

Obedience unites us so closely to God that in a way transforms us into Him, so that we have no other will but His. If obedience is lacking, even prayer cannot be pleasing to God.

- *Saint Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274), Doctor of the Church, Feast Day January 28*



Thank you to all who provide support to needy children through Chalice. Our EDGE youth have chosen a child to support. Her name is Olena. She is four years old and lives with her parents and one sister in the Ukraine. Olena has a chronic illness and a physical disability.



FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Christian saints and Catholic culture.

Fr. Robert Barron is currently working on a new video series: *Catholicism: The Pivotal Players* — “A new journey to unlock the truth behind the Catholic Church’s most influential people: a handful of saints and scholars who not only shaped the life of the Church but changed the course of civilization.”

St. Paul tells us that the Church is a body composed of many members. “And God has appointed first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then workers of miracles, then healers, helpers, administrators, speakers in various kinds of tongues.” Fr. Barron considers the saints who are the archetypes of certain spiritual gifts. He looks at the martyr, the teacher, the monk, the theologian, the reformer, the artist, the founder of a religious order, the mystic, the social activist, the evangelist and the convert.

It is interesting to see which saints have been chosen to be representatives of the various manners of living a life of holiness. Fr. Barron focuses on “pivotal players.” A pivot implies a change of direction, a new way of adapting the demands of the Gospel to changing circumstances. Throughout history there have been holy men and women who changed the course of events. They had an impact in their own day and are still important today.

The saints show us what it means to be Christian, to live as true disciples of Christ without compromise. In the saints we see the reality of the power of the Holy Spirit working in weak people, for God’s power is made perfect in weakness. “When I am weak, then I am strong.”

As the epitome of the “martyr,” Fr. Barron has chosen St. Irenaeus. It is Irenaeus who said, “Just as the soul gives life to the body, so the Holy Spirit gives life to the soul. Only when we are alive in the Spirit, are we fully alive.”

The “teacher” is St. Augustine. The sheer quantity of his writings that have come down to us is astounding: books, homilies, letters — all laboriously and lovingly copied out by hand. His most treasured book is *The Confessions*, the story of his conversion. *The City of God* sounds the death knell of the old paganism and announces the beginnings of that Christian civilization to which we are the often unmindful heirs.

The “monk” is St. Benedict. The “theologian” of course can be none other than St. Thomas Aquinas. Of the many reformers, St. Francis is chosen, and of the mystics, St. Catherine of Siena. Two “modern” writers are included: Cardinal Newman (1801-1890) and G. K. Chesterton (1874-1936), both English converts to the Catholic Church.

It is said that Catholic faith is not possible without a Catholic culture. Part of that culture is knowing our story — knowing those great men and women who changed the world by bravely living and proclaiming the Gospel. They have lived in every century, in every circumstance. Bravo to Fr. Barron for telling us their story and ours.

JANUARY 25, 2015

You are invited to join us for the annual
**CWL NORTHERN REGION COUNCIL
WINTER SOCIAL**

*Come join us for Fellowship,
Refreshments and Entertainment*

Sunday, February 1, 2015

2:00 – 4:00 pm

The Fr. Bennett Hall

Contact: Carla 705.435.131

Volunteers needed to help with donations of food items and helpers to prepare, please see sign-up sheets in foyer of church.



St. Paul's Catholic Women's League is forming a new "Outreach Group". This group would be on hand to visit new moms, those just home from hospital and shut-ins. If you would like to be part of this group, please contact Beatriz Baumfeld at 705.435.9111



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8

Over Night Retreat in Barrie

January 30 -31, 2015



9am Friday to 6pm Saturday

Contact Dave McKendrick

Text 647.237.1348 or email at

allistonlifeteen@gmail.com

****Sign-up forms are mandatory for travel**

See bulletin board for forms

SPECIAL MASS
Monday, February 2nd
at 7:00p.m.
The Presentation of the Lord
And the
Blessing of Candles



Calendar of Parish Events

Jan 28 - First Confessions for Holy Family School at 6pm

Jan 28 – 3rd of 3 scheduled Baptism Classes at 7:30pm

Jan 29 – Confirmation Class at 7pm in Fr. Bennett Hall

Jan 30 – Euchre in the Fr. Bennett Hall at 7:30pm

Feb 4 - - First Confessions for St. Paul's School at 6pm

Feb 5 – Life in Spirit Prayer Mtg. 7-9pm

Feb 5 – K of C Exe. Mtg. at 7:30pm

On Sunday, February 1st, the Church celebrates:

The World Day of Prayer for Consecrated

Life

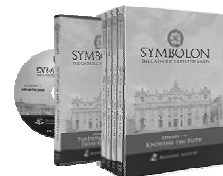


"They are men and women who can *awaken the world*. Consecrated Life is prophecy. God ask us to be sent to the *frontiers of the world*, avoiding the temptation to domesticate them. This is the most concrete way of imitating the Lord."

--Pope Francis, on the occasion of his announcement that 2015 will be dedicated to consecrated life.

In the Archdiocese of Toronto we are blessed to have living and serving among us more that 1,050 religious men and women of over 100 different religious congregations. There will be a special Mass on Sunday, February 1st, at 3p.m. at St. Paul's Basilica, Toronto in celebration of the vocation and witness of these special men and women religious who are vital and important part of the life and ministry of the Church in our Archdiocese. All are welcome.

**Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained
(Episodes 1-10)**



Catholicism is an entire way of life. But today it's not known. We might be familiar with different aspects of the Catholic faith. But how does it all fit together? And what difference does it make for our lives? "Symbolon: The Catholic Faith Explained" opens up the "big picture" of the Catholic faith in a way that helps us know it, live it and articulate it to others.

Begins January 29th ~ ~ Thursday mornings at 9:15a.m.

**Episode 1 – The Journey of Faith
Trinity, Faith and the God Who Is Love**

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