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 on the 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month

Sunday:

9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception 10:30 a.m. at St. Paul the Apostle

Devotions:

Marian Cenacle Tuesday - 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle

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.

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 on the First Friday of each month until Saturday 9:00a.m. Mass. Confessions available before the Friday and Saturday Masses.

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.

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 (CWL Pres: Beatriz Baumfeld 705-435-9111)

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

St. Paul the Apostle

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Immaculate Conception

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Pastoral Team:

Pastor: Fr. Alan Glass, EXT. 22
Deacon: Desmond Carroll
Youth Minister: Dave McKendrick, EXT. 24

or email Dave: allistonlifeteen@gmail.com Secretary: Deborah Donnelly, EXT. 21



17th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 28 July 2013

Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples."
He said to them, "When you pray, say:
Father, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread."

First Reading + Genesis 18:20-32 Second Reading + Colossians 2:12-14 Gospel + Luke 11:1-13

Mass for the Intentions Week

Monday, July 29 NO MASS SCHEDULED Tuesday, July 30

7:00pm+Fr. Tad Walczyk, 25th Ann – J/F Gallant **Wednesday, July 31**

8:00am+Brian MURTHA, RIP – P/F Healy

Thursday, August 1

8:00am+Connie ORR, Pers Int – P/C Morrison

Friday, August 2

12:10pm+Kay BLANCHARD, Healing – C Mackid Followed by Adoration until Saturday morning Mass **Saturday, August 3**

(Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)
9:00am+Gordon STEWART, RIP – A Stewart/Family
5:00pm+Julie SAVARD, RIP – K/A Holychuk

Sunday, August 4

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 10:30am+Salvatore MELECA, RIP – T Gardner

Our Feast Days & Saints

July 29 + Saint Martha

July 30+ Saint Peter Chrysologus

July 31 + Saint Ignatius of Loyola

August 1 + Saint Alphonsus Mary Liguorgi

August 2 + Saint Eusebius of Vercelli

August 2 + Saint Peter Julian Eymard

August 4 + Saint John Mary Vianney

Saint of the Week

Teach us to give and not to count the cost. --- Saint Ignatius (1491 - 1556), Feast Day July 31, Priest & Theologian

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

The Challenge of Faith

The Emperor Maxentius issued a decree that everyone, rich and poor alike, should come to Alexandria and offer sacrifice to the idols, putting to death any Christians who refused to do so. A young woman named Catherine boldly confronted the Emperor. Standing at the door of the pagan temple, Catherine reasoned at length with the Emperor, using every sort of argument: syllogistic, allegorical, metaphorical, logical and transcendental.

The Emperor, unable to answer her, summoned the fifty wisest men in his kingdom to dispute with her. Overcome by her wisdom, they were all converted to Christ.

Such is the legend of St. Catherine of Alexandria, one of my favorite saints. Because there is no solid historical evidence for St. Catherine she was dropped from the calendar of saints after Vatican II (along with St. Christopher and St. Valentine). Her feast day was later restored by Pope John Paul II, the same Pope who wrote the encyclical *Fides et Ratio*, Faith and Reason.

The challenge of faith today is not a matter of intellectual argument. We can lay out all the reasons for our faith — syllogistic, allegorical, metaphorical, logical and transcendental — but in the end the arguments for religion do not compel any one to believe.

It was said of Winston Churchill, Britain's wartime Prime Minister: "The mistake you people make is that you think what the PM wants is a logical, reasoned argument. There is nothing he dislikes more."

This is the condition of our times. We pride ourselves on being rational and we use that for our excuse. Yet the last thing we want is a logical argument. The challenge of faith is not a matter of the intellect but a matter of the heart.

Christianity today is rejected, not because it is unreasonable, but because it is morally demanding. To be a disciple of Jesus has moral implications. In the light of faith we recognize that there is right and wrong, good and evil, non-negotiable values and principles. As the author of *The Imitation of Christ* says: "Many people, although they often hear the Gospel, feel little desire to follow it, because they lack the spirit of Christ. Whoever desires to understand and take delight in the words of Christ must strive to conform his whole life to him." Or as St. John says: "The light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light."

Our natural tendency is to follow the path of least resistance — to do what is easy rather than to do what is right. This is always a downward path. Jesus says that the gate is narrow and the road is hard that leads to life, and there are few who find it. The path of virtue is an upward climb.

The crisis of faith is falsely portrayed as a conflict of faith and reason. St. Catherine reminds us that faith and reason together point to the one Truth.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary SPECIAL MASS At St. Paul's Church

(No morning Mass)

Thursday, August 15 at 7:00 p.m.



Parish Goal \$ 50,000.00 Bal-to-date \$ 48,212.23

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NOTICE: 'NO Week Day' MASSES

On Mon-Sat., August 19,20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 2013 Sunday masses will be celebrated at regular times

For Mass Intentions during the summer please refer to the Monthly List provided at the back of church.



We Joyfully welcome into the Roman Catholic Church and our community through the Rite of Initiation of Christian Adults (RCIA), Debbie Shanaz ALI and Srichandra Singh (Paul) CHATTERPAUL.

We also congratulate the families of the following children who entered into the Roman Catholic community through the holy Sacrament of BAPTISM: Isabella Kateejah ALI, Annabella Fareenah ALI, Leanna Zareefah Doreen ALI; Bethany Grace BRUCE and Jessica Marie KRAR.

***NOTICE: Secretary will be out of the Office July 29th to August 12th, 2013 Fr. Glass will be out of the Office August 19th – 28th

Parish BBQ - Corn Roast - Outdoor Mass Provided by the parish At Immaculate Conception Church

Sunday, August 18th — beginning 3:00p.m. Followed by Life Teen Mass at 6:00p.m.

> Enjoy food and games beforehand And later more games, social time, smores, Bonfire and outdoor movie on the big screen at dusk



Ultimate Frisbee

August 8th and August 18, Ultimate Frisbee Tournament At Holy Family Sports Field

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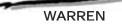
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