

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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EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



8th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 2 March 2014

“Look at the birds in the sky; they do not sow or reap, they gather nothing into barns, yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are not you more important than they?” — Mt. 6:26

First Reading + Isaiah 49:14-15
Second Reading + 1 Corinthians 4:1-5
Gospel + Matthew 6:24-34

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, March 3

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, March 4

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

7:00pm+Franca /Todd BYERS, Pers. Int. – L/G Gismondi

Wednesday, March 5 – ASH WEDNESDAY

8:00am+Isabel KELEMEN, RIP – M Gath

9:30am+Liturgy Service Holy Family School

12:00pm+Liturgy Service St. Paul's School

7:00pm+Ash Wednesday Mass

Thursday, March 6

8:00am+Ann DMYTRACZ, RIP – K/A Holychuk

10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Community

Friday, March 7

12:10pm+Christine/Larry LACIAK, Pers. Int. – C MacKid

Followed by Adoration until Saturday morning Mass

7:00pm+STATIONS OF THE CROSS (at St. Paul's)

Saturday, March 8

(Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+_____

5:00pm+Eugene DEVEREAUX, RIP – P Devereaux

Sunday, March 9

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30am+Marcelle LONGE, RIP - Baumfeld Family

Our Feasts and Saints

March 4 + Saint Casimir

March 7 + Saint Perpetua and Saint Felicity

March 8 + Saint John of God

Saint of the Week

With outstretched hands he (God) begs us to turn toward him, to weep for our sins, and to become the servants of love, first for ourselves, then for our neighbors. Just as water extinguishes a fire, so love wipes away sin.

- St. John of God (1495-1550), Patron of Firefighters, Feast Day March 8

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

What are you giving up for Lent?

In the old days the Church prescribed a Lenten fast — one full meal and two small meals — and abstinence from meat on Fridays. Now the only required days of fast and abstinence are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. But we are still required — not just encouraged, but actually required — to do some voluntary acts of fast and prayer and alms-giving throughout the forty days of Lent.

For alms-giving, we have the Share Life campaign. Our donations to Share Life are distributed to Catholic charities throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto. Share Life is an extremely effective way to assist those in need. As Christians we are obliged to help the poor. Scripture, both the Old and New Testaments, is insistent that we must reach out and provide for those who cannot provide for themselves, according to our means.

For prayer, Lent is an ideal time for all of us to establish better habits of prayer. This may mean being faithful to morning and night-time prayer, or praying the Rosary every day or the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Above all, during Lent we should make an effort to pray the Stations of the Cross.

We pray the Stations in the Church every Friday of Lent at 7:00 pm. I simply can't imagine Lent without the Stations of the Cross. Yes, it requires effort and commitment, but spiritual exercise is like physical exercise: you have to put in the effort to get the benefits. Think of the Church as a spiritual gym and the Stations as a spiritual workout.

If it has been a while since you attended a weekday Mass, Lent is the time to do it again. Not everyone can get to Mass at 8:00 am on a weekday morning, but many can attend Mass on Tuesday evening at 7:00 pm and on Saturday morning at Immaculate Conception Church at 9:00 am. We can all use the additional graces.

When was the last time you made a Holy Hour? We have a Holy Hour every Tuesday evening at 6:00 pm. Not sure what a Holy Hour is? Come and find out. And if you want a real prayer workout, come join our Life in the Spirit Prayer Group for a time of full-out praise and worship.

Do you have some spiritual reading lined up? Since last September we have had a library in the choir room. Make use of it. Browse for a good book and sign it out.

For fasting, we can stick with the traditional Lenten fast or we can give up something else. It is fine to give up chocolate or other junk food. Go forty days without alcohol or caffeine. Give up television, internet or social media. Be creative. Use this time of grace to give up a bad habit.

Lent is about both giving up and taking on — giving up some unnecessary pleasures and taking on some useful spiritual exercises. It is a time of increased spiritual and physical discipline. Lent is a season of great grace if we are willing to challenge ourselves and take advantage of it.

Ash Wednesday

March 5th at St. Paul's
8:00a.m. & 7:00p.m.

The Stations of the Cross

During Lent we will pray The Stations of the Cross
Friday's at 7:00p.m. at St. Paul's
March 7th – April 18th

Calendar of Parish Events

- Mar 3 – CWL Executive Mtg. at 7:00pm
- Mar 4 - 7:30pm Film on Mother Angelica's "Heaven" series
- Mar 4 – Defend Life Committee mtg. 7:30pm
- Mar 6 – K of C Executive Mtg. at 7:30pm
- Mar 7 – Euchre in the Fr. Bennett Hall at 7:30pm
- Mar 9 – LSS Prayer Group 3 – 5:30pm

OPEN IN SPIRIT TO GOD PRAYER GROUP

This Sunday, March 9th from 3-5:30pm., come and join us in Praise and Worship; a teaching on the topic of "The Living Word Group" followed by discussion and refreshments in parish hall.



World Day of Prayer

Friday, March 7, 2014
At St. John's United Church
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.



Please Confirm attendance by March 1st to St. John's Church Office @ 705-435-6732. Ext 201.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Couples contemplating getting married this year; A 'marriage preparation course' is mandatory. Our Lady of Grace Church in Angus is offering a weekend course March 21-23. Call OLG parish office at 705-424-1551.



Celebrate Your Marriage with a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!

Married couples: You deserve a weekend to cherish being together; to rediscover each other and focus on ways to make your relationship even better. A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend offers this opportunity. Consider giving each other or another couple that you know the gift of a weekend away from daily pressures; time to be with each other and with God on a Marriage Encounter Weekend. See www.wwme.org

Upcoming Weekend Date: March 21-23, 2014
Contact: Cora & Mike Bryce (905-896-2958) or cora-mikebryce@sympatico.ca

OVER THE EDGE!

Next Edge ~ March 8, 2014
At 6:00 pm, after 5:00 pm Life Teen Mass



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8

Our Lenten Journey Begins

Dinner is served in Solidarity with the Poor

The Mary Dobell Pro-Life Essay & Poetry CONTEST



An Opportunity for the Youth of Our Community to encourage awareness about positive attitude towards all Pro-Life Issues

The Catholic Women's League of Canada promotes the Mary Dobell Pro-Life Awareness Essay and Poetry Contest Annually. This contest is open to students in grades 7 to grade 12. Contest deadline: By **March 14, 2014**. For application forms and details, please see the parish bulletin board or contact: **Anu Antao** at 705-435-4982.

NEW TO THE PARISH?

WELCOME TO St. Paul the Apostle Parish!

If you are new to the parish please introduce yourself to us. You can register by filling out a registration form on the table or pick up a box of 2014 envelopes with the registration include. You can either drop it off in the collection basket or the parish office during the week..

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