

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

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.

1st Thursday 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 9:00 a.m. Mass Saturday morning.
Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour before 7:00 p.m. Mass

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.

Baptism:

Parents/Guardians are to be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation. (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.

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord
25 March 2018

Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields. Mark 11:7-8

Gospel + Mark 11:1-10
First Reading + Isaiah 50:4-7
Second Reading + Philippians 2:6-11
Gospel + Gospel 14:1 – 15:47

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, March 26

NO MASS SCHEDULED

6:30pm+St. Paul's School Easter Tenebrae

Tuesday, March 27

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Mary WALSH, RIP – R O'Leary

Wednesday, March 28

8:00am+John THIBERT, - P/C Morrison

Thursday, March 29 – HOLY THURSDAY

(No Morning Mass)

7:30pm+Mass of Thanksgiving – M Agoncillo

Followed by Adoration until 10pm

Friday, March 30 – GOOD FRIDAY

3:00pm+The Passion of Our Lord

7:00pm+STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saturday, March 31 – EASTER VIGIL

(No Morning Mass)

12:00noon(IC)+ Blessing of Easter Foods

Sunday, April 1 – EASTER SUNDAY

8:00am(IC)For the People of the Parish

9:00am(SP)+Rita CRUMP, RIP – Family

10:30am(SP)+Deceased members of NARAJ Family

Saint of the Week:

Become aware of God, in whose presence you are while you pray . . . Then take a formula of prayer and recite it with perfect attention both to the words you are saying and to the Person to whom you are saying them. - *St. John Climacus (579-649), Abbot, The Ladder of Perfection, Feast Day March 30*

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

I do not have a 'bucket list,' that is, a wish list of things I would like to get done before I 'kick the bucket.' It is enough for me to know that God has placed me where I am, and it is here that I can best serve him.

St. Paul wrote to the Christians in Philippi:

I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as refuse, in order that I may gain Christ, and be found in him ... that if possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already attained this or am already perfect; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

St. Paul had only one item on his bucket list: to preach the Gospel, in season and out of season. "I have become all things to all men, that I might by all means save some. I do it all for the sake of the Gospel, that I may share in its blessings." It was a difficult road that St. Paul walked, but he walked it in the footsteps of his Lord, making up in his own sufferings "what is lacking in Christ's afflictions, for the sake of his body, that is, the Church."

If there is anything that characterized St. Paul's life, more than anything else, it was great joy, even amid all the hardships he endured. "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. ... The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus."

The English martyr and poet, St. Robert Southwell, wrote that "the short man does not grow taller when he stands on the highest hill, nor does the tall man lose his height in the lowest valley. And as a base mind, though most at ease, will be dejected, so a resolute virtue is most impregnable in the deepest distress."

St. Paul's joy came not from external circumstances, but from the fire of the Holy Spirit that warmed his soul and made roses bloom among the thorns. "I have learned the secret of being content in any and every situation, whether well fed or hungry, whether living in plenty or in want. I can do all this through him who gives me strength."

St. Paul was the opposite of the cheerless Pharisee; he knew how to abound. He would agree with Hilaire Belloc:

Where the Catholic sun does shine
There's music and laughter and good red wine
At least I've always found it so,
Benedicamus Domino.

Still, on our path of life we cannot avoid passing through some low valleys, but we press on, never losing heart. "Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you."

MARCH 25, 2018

NOTICE:

The parish office will be closed at 3pm on Thursday, March 29th and will re-open on Tuesday, April 3rd at 9:00am.

HOLY THURSDAY RETREAT

Overnight Retreat

March 29- 30, 2018

5pm March 29 until 4:15pm March 30



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8



Tuesday, March 27

CONFESSIONS

6pm ~ 6:45pm before 7pm Mass

Holy Thursday – March 29th

No Morning Mass

7:30p.m.+Mass of the Lord's Supper
Eucharistic Adoration until 10:00p.m

Good Friday – March 30th

No Noon Mass

3:00p.m.+Commemoration of The Lord's Passion
7:00pm+Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday – March 31st

No Morning Mass – No Confessions

12:00noon+ Blessing of the Easter Foods at
Immaculate Conception Church

Easter Vigil + 8:30pm – March 31st

{The greatest celebration in the Church Year}

Please NOTE Mass Times

CHANGES

Easter Sunday – April 1st

****8:00 a.m.** + Immaculate Conception

****9:00 a.m.** and **10:30 a.m.** + St. Paul's

Come and share **A Day of Reflection** with us on
Tuesday March 27th at 10:00am
at Henry Carr Farm.

(contact – Claudette Morrison 705-435.3234)

We will be praying the Rosary, having a Holy Hour, confessions and Mass with Father Pierre Farrugia. We will be taking up a collection for Fr. Pierre. We will share a light potluck lunch. Everyone is welcome!!!

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Parish Goal: \$50,000 – Bal To-date: \$13,188.95

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Next ShareLife Sunday – April 22, 2018

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA - begins Good Friday, March 30th and is completed Saturday, April 7th. Our Lord told St. Faustina...*"On each day of the novena you will bring to My heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My mercy ... On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My passion, for the graces for these souls."* Novena Leaflets are available under the Divine Mercy Image in St. Paul's Church.



The National Catholic Mission 2018

Vision TV: Part 1 Monday March 26;

Part 2 March 27th at 8 pm ET

Salt + Light: Part 1 March 27th;

Part 2 March 28th at 8 pm ET

The 2018 Mission will be rebroadcast: Part 1 on Good Friday and Part 2 Holy Saturday at the times of the regular Daily TV Mass. The Mission will also be available at www.dailytvmass.com

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