

# 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.*

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## **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.

## **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

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## **YOUTH MINISTRY:**

Edge Night (Gr. 6-8) every 2nd Monday 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 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

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## **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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## **St. Paul the Apostle**

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Secretary: Deborah Donnelly, Ext. 21

## **Pastoral Team: Pastor:** Fr. Alan Glass

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Text Dave @ 647-237-1347



8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 3 March 2019

**FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:**

*Blessed are the pure in heart.*

Whenever you're called on to make up your mind,  
and are hampered by not having any,  
the best way to solve the dilemma, you'll find,  
is simply by tossing a penny.

No — not so that chance shall decide the affair  
while you're passively standing their moping;  
but the moment the penny is up in the air,  
you suddenly know what you're hoping.

— Piet Hein

That is a little poem I learned a very long time ago, and it has always stayed with me because it is so true. As the great Catholic scientist Blaise Pascal said: "The Heart has reasons that Reason knows nothing of."

The heart, in Scripture, is not only the seat of the emotions, but also of good and evil, folly and wisdom. Yet how difficult it is sometimes to know what lies within our own heart. In the book of the prophet Jeremiah we read: "The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse — who can understand it? I, the Lord, test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings."

Jesus says that "what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart. The good person out of the good treasure of the *heart* produces good, and the evil person out of evil treasure produces evil; for it is out of the abundance of the *heart* that the mouth speaks."

The psalmist prays, "Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me." In the sermon on the mount Jesus proclaims, "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God."

When we truly know something to be good and true, we know it not merely with our intellect but in the depths of our heart. St. Ambrose says: "This is our *Amen* — a Hebrew word that means 'So be it' or 'It is true.' What the mouth utters, the mind within acknowledges; what the word says, the *heart* ratifies."

In the *Book of Revelation*, Jesus identifies himself as "*The Amen*, the faithful and true witness." Jesus so often begins his teaching with, "*Amen, Amen*, I say to you." The NRSV translation, which is read at Mass, ineptly renders this, "*Very truly*, I tell you." *Amen* means so much more than this. St. Paul writes: "For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, whom we proclaimed among you, was not 'Yes and No'; but in him it is always 'Yes.' For this reason it is through him that we say the *Amen* to the glory of God."

Our *Amen* is our 'Yes' to Christ, arising from the depths of our heart. Christian conversion is nothing less than the transformation of the heart — the renewal of one's whole being brought about by the working of God's grace in the human soul. "Lift up your hearts! We lift them up to the Lord!" Faith is not only knowing the truth, but also *loving* the truth, with all our heart.

"Why do you see the speck in your neighbour's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? Or how can you say to your neighbor, 'Friend, let me take out the speck in your eye, 'when you yourself do not see the log in your own eye?'" *Luke 6:41-42*

**First Reading + Sirach 27:4-7**

**Second Reading + 1 Corinthians 15:54-58**

**Gospel + Luke 6:39-45**

**Mass  for the Intentions  Week**

**Monday, March 4**  
NO MASS SCHEDULED

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

\*\*6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00+Anna GREEN, RIP – P/P Kennedy

**Wednesday, March 6 – ASH WEDNESDAY**  
8:00am+Christina MORRISON, Pers. Int – P/C Morrison  
9:30am+Ashes Liturgy for Holy Family School  
12:00pm+Ashes Liturgy at St. Paul's School  
7:00pm+Stan/June TOMPOROWSKI, RIP – Family

**Thursday, March 7**  
8:00am+Shane RIORDON, RIP – CWL  
10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Community

**Friday, March 8**  
12:10pm+Marjorie, RIP – P/C Morrison  
7:00pm+STATIONS OF THE CROSS

**Saturday, March 9**  
(*Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception*)  
9:00am+Pat DEVEREAUX, RIP – J Creighton  
5:00pm+Helen LYNCH, RIP – Family

**Sunday, March 10**  
9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH  
10:30am+Artur SILVA, RIP – Family

## Ash Wednesday

March 6 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.  
March 8th – April 19th

## SPECIAL MASSES

Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00p.m.

### Saint Joseph,

Patron Saint of Canada

Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, March 25 at 7:00p.m.

### The Annunciation of the Lord



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8

Edge Night ~ Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00pm

## Basecamp Parent Night

The goal is to prepare the youth for the upcoming semester, to set up the theme of *To the Heights* and bring the parents in to learn more about the importance of getting their family to Mass every week.



Catholic Ministry to Grades 9 - 12

Life Night ~ Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 6:00pm

## Why Celibacy?

The goal is to understand that celibacy is a personal call from God. Freely controlling our desires rather than being controlled by them. Directing our passions toward the true, good and beautiful.

### NOTE:

For those enrolled in Baptism Classes,  
March 6 will start at 8pm after Ash Wednesday  
Mass, and the following classes on  
March 13, 20 and 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:30p.m.

† Please note that on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday Catholics are obliged to observe fasting and abstinence from meat. The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older; the law of fasting binds those from 18-59 years of age. One way to fast would be to have one larger meal and two light meals.

On Fridays especially during Lent, Catholics are also obliged to do something penitential. They can fast from meat or Pray the **Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7:00 p.m.** here at the church, or do charitable works or alms giving such as Sharelife.

Everyone is Welcome

## PARISH LENTEN RETREAT

Sponsored by the Catholic Women's League  
**Back by Popular Demand!**

With Murray Watson, PhD in Bible Studies,

Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> 9:00 am to 12:00 pm  
(doors at 8:30 am) in the Fr. Bennett Hall

Admission is free but **registration required**  
in order to ensure refreshments for all

To register, sign up in foyer or  
contact Martha Whelton 705-435-0991

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## Homemade Pies

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