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)

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.

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.

Bantism:

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 fover 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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3rd Sunday of Lent ~ 8 March 2015

Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

First Reading + Exodus 17:3-7 Second Reading + Romans 5:1-2, 5-8 Gospel + John 4:5-42

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, March 9 NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, March 10 5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+Marian Cenacie

**6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS 7:00pm+Rita CRUMP. RIP – J Crump

Wednesday, March 11

8:00am+Holy Souls in Purgatory - J/F Gallant

Thursday, March 12

8:00am+Joan & Gerald MEGRAW, 60th Ann. ~ Family

Friday, March 13

12:10pm+Brayen PUFEK, RIP ~A Pufek 7:00pm+STATIONS of the CROSS

Saturday, March 14

(Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception) 9:00am+Angelo SESTITO, RIP – J/L Tiernay 5:00pm+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Sunday, March 15

9:00am+Erna LEX, RIP – B Dermott 10:30am+Mary/Walter PFIEFER, RIP – D Svetina

SPECIAL MASS Thursday, March 19th 8:00a.m. and 7:00p.m. Saint Joseph,

Patron Saint of Canada
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary



The STATIONS of the CROSS During Lent we will pray The Stations of the Cross Friday's at 7:00p.m. up to Good Friday, April 3rd.

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Lament for the greatness of past ages.

In 1947 Louis Armstrong gave a one-night-stand performance at New York's "Town Hall". A team of top notch musicians backed him up, including Jack Teagarden on Trombone, and Bobby Hackett on cornet. The concert was recorded live. It has long been one of my all-time favorite recordings. Each time I listen to it I feel both joy at the exuberance and virtuosity of the performance, but also a sadness, a real sense of grief that such glorious days as those are now forever gone.

I experienced a similar feeling of nostalgia when I recently came across an old book on prayer by Fr. Juan Arintero, O.P., originally written in 1918. Fr. Arintero was well known in his own day for his spiritual writings, which breathe deeply of the spirit of St. Teresa of Avila and St. John of the Cross. The depth and breadth of this man's learning is astounding, but more than anything it is his own sanctity — his spiritual virtuosity — that stands out.

The period from the mid 1800's to the mid 1900's saw a flowering of Catholic philosophy and theology, represented by such figures as Jacques Maritain, Fr. Garrigou-Lagrange and Etienne Gilson. At the time it must have felt like the beginnings of a new springtime, the start of a new age of spiritual progress. Now, looking back, it more closely resembles an Indian summer — the late last flowering before the onset of frost and winter.

In our present world of technological sophistication, we can Google and Tweet on our iPads, but we are no longer capable of genuinely great art, music or poetry, and even more so, of philosophy or theology. Our times are like a return to the Dark Ages — then, scholars would study the ancients texts and comment on them, but were incapable of creating anything genuinely new.

In the same way, although there are still a few who can read and appreciate the works of spiritual masters such as Fr. Arintero, are there any in our age who can measure up to their achievements or hope to surpass them?

For Louis Armstrong, 1947 seemed to be a new beginning in his career, but it actually marked the end of an era. Music had already moved on, away from the New Orleans and Chicago jazz of the 30's, past the big bands of the 40's, into the era of Elvis Presley and Rock 'n' Roll.

Fr. Arintero set out to "sum up and synthesize" and make a "compendium" of the teachings of the saints on prayer, in order to prepare for a new advance. Instead, his work is like the final tally at the closing of the accounts.

Books such as those by Fr. Arintero can no longer be written — the fertile Catholic culture that gave birth to them no longer exists. Perhaps they can no longer even be read — their spiritual vocabulary has become a foreign language. Our modern culture can at best support only a shallow "spirituality" or "religiosity" with little real substance. Can we sustain Catholic faith without a Catholic culture?

Lent & Easter Schedule

During Lent we have the Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 7:00p.m. at St. Paul's Church

CONFESSIONS

Tuesday's at 6pm before 7pm Mass Saturday's at 4pm before the 5pm Mass

EASTER TRIDUUM

Holy Thursday - April 2nd

No Morning Mass

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

Good Friday – April 3rd

No Noon Mass

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

Holy Saturday – April 4th

No Morning Mass

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

Easter Vigil + 8:30pm – April 4th

{The greatest celebration in the Church Year}

Easter Sunday - April 5th

9:00a.m.+Immaculate Conception 9:00a.m. (new) and 10:30a.m. + St. Paul's Church

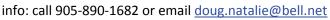


We wish to congratulate the families of the following children who entered into the Roman Catholic Community through the Holy Sacrament of BAPTISM: Mitchell Jon Di LUCA; Liam IANDOLI; Kenton Geoffrey KANYO; Grayson Andrzej LANGLOIS;

Alexandra Marie Joy RICHARDS; Ryan Michael Ronald RICHARDS; Victoria-Elizabeth Concetta Tanya ROBINSON and Benjamin Robert WEBBER.

Refresh and rekindle your love for each other by treating

yourselves to a marriage enrichment weekend at Queen of Apostles Renewal Centre, or give a weekend as a gift to family or friends. The Centre offers comfort, excellent cuisine and an inspiring program. The next weekend is May 22-24, 2015. For



MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE

Couples contemplating marriage this year, a 'marriage preparation course' is mandatory. Our Lady of Grace in Angus is offering a weekend course March 27-29. Call OLG: 705-424-1551

Living the Option

<u>Next Edge ~ March 21, 2015</u> <u>6:15pm</u>

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8

A night where our faith leads us to serve the poor and that through them we learn about god.

National Catholic Mission 2015

"Beware the Holy Spirit!"

VISIONTV: - Part 1 Monday, March 30 "God and the 6:00 o'clock news."

Part II Tuesday, March 31

"God does not count birthdays."

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Hosted by: Fr. Pat Fitzpatrick and feature Spiritan Fr. Anthony Gittins.



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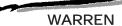
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