

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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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



2nd Sunday of Lent ~ 16 March 2014

Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud cast a shadow over them, then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." — Mt. 17:1-3

First Reading + Genesis 12:1-4
Second Reading + 2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Gospel + Matthew 17:1-9

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, March 17

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, March 18

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

7:00pm+Walter & Kathleen DURKAN, RIP – B/E Durkan

Wednesday, March 19

8:00am+MASS of THANKSGIVING – Parishioners

Thursday, March 20

8:00am+Rita CRUMP, RIP – J Crump

Friday, March 21

12:10pm+John MEGRAW, Healing – W/E Shipman

Saturday, March 22

(Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+_____

5:00pm+Brian DURKAN, 80th B-Day – Family

Sunday, March 23

9:00am+Joseph MacDONALD, RIP – Family

10:30am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Our Feasts and Saints

March 17 + Saint Patrick

March 18 + Saint Cyril of Jerusalem

March 19 + Saint Joseph

March 23 + Saint Turibius of Mogrovejo

Saint of the Week

Accepting the faith is like putting into the bank the money we have given you; God will ask you for an account of this deposit.

- St. Cyril of Jerusalem (315-386), Bishop, Doctor of the Church, Feast Day March 18

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Six Popes: John XXIII to Francis I

This past Thursday, 13 March, was the first anniversary of the election of Pope Francis. Looking back, it is surprising that only two weeks after the unexpected resignation of Pope Benedict, we had a new Pope greeting the crowds at St. Peter's Square. Unlike a political election, there was no election campaign and no self-proclaimed candidates. The media pundits were profiling the "front-runners," but no one correctly predicted the outcome.

It is said that the Church is not a democracy. True enough — the people, the *demos*, do not vote for our bishops or the Pope. But there is a careful selection process. When there is a vacancy in a diocese — bishops are now required to retire at age 75 — there is a painstaking search for a worthy successor. This involves discussions with prominent clergy and lay people, active bishops and the Congregation of Bishops in Rome. A short list is presented to the Pope who makes the final decision.

It is not strictly democratic but there is a wide consultation. Considering the necessary qualifications for a new Bishop, the pool of candidates is not large. As a teacher of the faith, he will have a solid academic background — usually a Doctorate in Scripture, Theology or Canon Law. He will have proved himself as an able administrator. He will also be a model of Christian discipleship — a man of deep faith and prayer, a pastor of souls.

If a Bishop demonstrates exceptional ability, the Pope may make him a Cardinal. The Cardinals are advisors of the Pope. One of their most important duties — exercised only at long intervals — is the election of a new Pope. Our Archbishop, Cardinal Collins, was appointed by Benedict XVI and took part in the election of Pope Francis.

It is certainly open for discussion whether the procedure for selecting Bishops and the Pope can be improved. Personally, I do not see how anything positive can come out of politicizing the selection process. We can certainly point to some disastrous appointments — Bishops who egregiously failed in their pastoral duties — but this by no means characterizes the college of Bishops as a whole.

The past two centuries have seen a string of excellent Popes. My favorite is Leo XIII who was Pope from 1878 to 1903. John XXIII was elected in 1958 and he stunned the world by calling the Bishops of the world together for the Second Vatican Council. He died while the Council was still in session. The work of the Council was completed by Pope Paul VI. One of the prominent Bishops at the Council, Karol Wojtila, became Pope John Paul II in 1978. His task as Pope was to implement the teachings of the Council.

On April 27th of this year, Divine Mercy Sunday, both John XXIII and John Paul II will be canonized — declared Saints. It might not be democracy, but it says something for the current process for selecting the head of the Church that two of the last six have been canonized Saints.

Feast of St. Joseph

Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Wednesday, March 19th at 8:00a.m.

Feast of The Annunciation of the Lord

(Also consecration to the BVM)
Tuesday, March 25th at 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
Up until Good Friday- April 18th

Calendar of Parish Events

Mar 17 – Squires Meeting at 7:00pm

Mar 18 - 7:30pm Film on Mother Angelica's "Heaven" series

Mar 19 – 2nd of 3 scheduled Baptism Classes at 7:30pm

Mar 19 – 6pm 1st communion Gathering for St. Paul's School

Mar 20 – Cemetery Committee Mtg. at 7:30pm

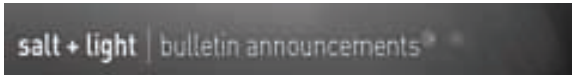
Mar 20 – Blood Donor Clinic 2:30 – 7:30pm

Mar 21 – Euchre in the Fr. Bennett Hall at 7:30pm

The following SPIRITUAL BOUQUET was presented to
the 7 soon-to-be priests at the 24th Ordinandi Dinner,
March 4, 2014:

MASSSES.....	111,518
EUCCHARISTIC ADORATIONS.....	20,243
ROSARIES.....	91,652
COMMUNIONS.....	100,942
VISITS TO THE SACRAMENT.....	27,968
NOVENAS.....	24,400
STATIONS OF THE CROSS.....	7,668
SACRIFICES.....	44,431
PRAYERS.....	1,081,026

The Catholic Women's League would like to thank you for all
your support and generous prayerful offerings for these soon-
to-be ordained priests.



The Sunday Mass

This outreach to our senior citizens, the infirmed, and other
viewers affords them the opportunity to join in a worship service
from their homes, nursing homes or hospital rooms. In a broad
sense, it becomes their TV parish as evidenced by the phone calls
and letters that The Sunday Mass receives. Salt + Light
Television's broadcast of The Sunday Mass from St. Malachy's
Parish in New York City airs every Sunday at 12:30pm ET /
9:30am PT (as well as at 3:00pm ET / 12:00pm PT)



March 16, 2014

Working wonders in our livelihoods...

Andrew attended counselling at Catholic Family Services in
Simcoe at the suggestion of his employer. He was
experiencing a considerable amount of conflict at work
which was affecting his job performance. Andrew realized
that if he didn't get some help he was at risk of losing his
job. Through counselling he learned more positive ways of
interacting as well as some healthy stress management
skills. Today Andrew has fewer conflicts at work and has
learned how to separate his work and home life. He
appreciated the help that Catholic Family Services provided
to him when he needed it most. Last year, ShareLife-
supported Family Service agencies provided family
counselling to over 5,100 people in the Greater Toronto
Area.

First ShareLife Sunday – March 30, 2014

Please give generously. You can work wonders!

Parish Goal: \$50,000

Balance to-date: \$1,165

Mary, Mother of God

Next Edge ~ March 22, 2014

At 6:00 pm, after 5:00 pm Life Teen Mass



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8

OPEN IN SPIRIT TO GOD PRAYER GROUP

Our next prayer meeting will be on Sunday,
March 23rd, from 3-5:30pm in the Fr.
Bennett Hall. There will be a teaching on
Basic Intercession after the Praise and
Worship. Snacks and fellowship will follow.



- On Sunday, Mar 30th, 3-5:30pm, there will be a teaching on Understanding Corporate Worship. Please plan to attend this extra teaching day for the month of March.
- On Sunday, April 13th, 3-5:30pm- the prayer group will be presenting the 7 Last Words. Please come and join us in this event.

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