

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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Text Dave @ 647-237-1347



The Ascension of the Lord ~ 17 May 2015

“Go into the whole world and proclaim the gospel to every creature. Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved; whoever does not believe will be condemned. These signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will drive out demons, they will speak new languages. They will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover.” — Mk 16:15b-17, 18c

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1979 CCD.

First Reading + Acts 1:1-11
Second Reading + Ephesians 1:17-23
Gospel + Mark 16:15-20

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, May 18

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, May 19

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

**6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Rolf WEICK, RIP – L Gaspar

Wednesday, May 20

8:00am+Eleanor WHELAN, RIP – J/A Pendergast

Thursday, May 21

8:00am+Rev. Bernard CANNING, RIP Archdiocese of TO

10:30am+Mass at Good Samaritan Home

Friday, May 22

12:10pm+Brian DURKAN, RIP – M/S Tighe

Saturday, May 23

(Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+Ronald McCALLUM, RIP – J/R Farrugia

5:00pm+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Sunday, May 24

9:00am+Bing GIBSON, RIP – Family

10:30am+Francis AMIRAULT, RIP – J/G Megraw

OPEN IN SPIRIT TO GOD PRAYER GROUP

Our next prayer meeting will be on **Thursday, June 4th, from 7:30-9:30pm** in St. Paul Church. There will be a Praise and Worship followed by Living Word Group. Snacks and fellowship will follow.



Saint of the Week:

It is right for you to seek God before and above everything else, because the majesty of God wishes you to receive what you ask for. This will also make you more ready to serve God and will enable you to love him more perfectly. - *Saint Paschal Baylon (1540-1592), Lay Brother, Feast Day May 17*

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Nothing can be truer than the Catholic faith.

Every year I become more Catholic even as our culture becomes more pagan. In one sense, “being Catholic” does not admit of degrees: either you are or you aren’t. Either you believe and profess all that the holy Catholic Church believes, teaches, and proclaims to be revealed by God, or you don’t. As Cardinal Newman said: “I may love by halves; I may obey by halves; I cannot believe by halves: either I have faith, or I have it not.”

Indeed, one’s understanding and appreciation of the truth of the Catholic faith can certainly increase and develop. In Grade Two, when I made my First Holy Communion, I firmly believed that I was receiving the body of Christ. Today, my understanding of the mystery of Christ’s presence in the Sacrament is immeasurably greater.

We all begin as infants in the faith, but we should not remain as infants. Our faith should remain childlike but it should never be childish. As St. Paul says, “We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine.” Rather we are called to grow “to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ.”

Truly, we ought to glory in the faith that was professed at our baptism. In the Rite of Baptism we say: “This is our faith. This is the faith of the Church. We are proud to profess it in Christ Jesus, Our Lord.”

Too often, however, even “practicing” Catholics are reluctant to openly profess the Catholic faith because it has become too radically counter-cultural. Some people have even come to expect the Church to affirm the same values promoted by the secular society, regardless of how contrary they are to the actual Gospel of Christ.

Writing nearly a century ago, Dom Anscar Vonier gives us a word of encouragement in our modern crisis of faith:

Never does the Church look forward to some future liberation, as if in the actual present she were a slave to an alien and oppressive power. The Holy Spirit is never without His witnesses. Dark periods of Church history are often succeeded, almost without any transition, by years of resplendent faith. But how does this happen? Is life born out of death? Life and light must have been there all the time, otherwise they could not have blossomed forth all at once into such power and radiance.

But fortitude is needed. As Church historian Cardinal Walter Brandmuller much more recently wrote:

We should stop being like the frightened rabbit that stares at the snake before being swallowed. This defeatist attitude, this whining self-pity, is an insult to God. What is needed is a new, forceful consciousness of being Catholic. There is nothing that could be truer than the Catholic faith — and wherever the Catholic faith, Catholic truth and Catholic moral principles are put in action, the world, despite all human shortcomings, is put in order.



Working wonders for our new arrivals in Canada...

Within one year of arriving in Canada, large numbers of immigrants who had no prior mental health problems experience mental health challenges that often impede their ability to settle in Canada. In addition, there are few culturally and linguistically appropriate mental health services. Last year, ShareLife agencies helped to meet this challenge by providing advocacy programs for more than 40,000 immigrants and refugees in the GTA.

*Thank you for your generosity.
Together we can work wonders!*

Parish Goal: \$50,000 Balance to-date: \$38,406.05



RETROUVAILLE

HELP FOR HURTING MARRIAGES

A Live-in Weekend followed by 6 Post sessions to help heal troubled marriages.

Our Next Weekend:

September 18, 19, 20, 2015

**For confidential inquiries or to register call:
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For more information visit:

www.torontoretrouvaille.com

Calendar of Parish Events

May 19 – St. Vincent de Paul Mtg. at 7:30pm

May 20 – 2nd of 3 scheduled baptism classes at 7:30pm

May 21 – Blood Donor Clinic 2:30 – 7:30pm

May 21 – CWL General Mtg. – 7:00pm

May 21 – Open in the Spirit Prayer Group – 7:30pm

May 22 – Euchre in the Fr. Bennett Hall – 7:30pm



We wish to congratulate the families of the following children who have entered into the Roman Catholic Community through the blessed sacrament of BAPTISM: Isabel Daniella BECKON; Joseph Rene CIPPONE and Alicia Marie WHITEHOUSE.

CHURCH BULLETIN ADVERTISING:

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in August 2015 and supports our bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1.800.268.2637.

Body Language

Next Edge ~ May 23th, 2015 6:15pm

5:00 pm Life Teen Mass



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8

A night to help recognize our bodies, reflect our souls through body & facial language

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GREATER BARRIE AREA
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Invites married couples to:

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COMPANIES/TRADES WITHIN PARISH COMMUNITY

The Building/Maintenance Committee of Immaculate Conception Church has identified various repairs which will require attention in the following areas:

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| Electrical | Plumbing | Landscaping |
| HVAC | Carpentry | |
| Painting | Roofing | |

- WSIB coverage and Insurance liability coverage of two million dollars is mandatory.

- This is an open invitation to all parishioners interested in quoting and pricing repairs in the above areas.

- Please contact Andy Prokopich - Chairperson-IC Building/Maintenance Committee at: 705-435-9237 or email at an.prok@hotmail.com or John Farrugia - Immaculate Conception Church - Parish Council Representative at: 519-925-0339 or by email at farrugiajohnj@gmail.com

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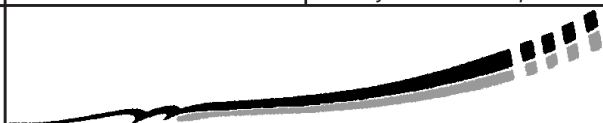


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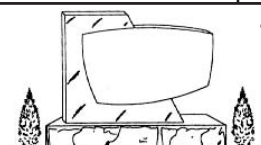
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