

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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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



3rd Sunday of Easter ~ 4th May 2014

They returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread. — Lk 24:33-35

Excerpt from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1979 CCD

First Reading + Acts 2:14, 22b-28

Second Reading + 1 Peter 1:17-21

Gospel + Luke 24:13-35

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, May 5

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, May 6

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

7:00pm+_____

Wednesday, May 7

8:00am+_____

Thursday, May 8

8:00am+SOULS in PURGATORY, - J/F Gallant

Friday, May 9

12:10pm+_____

Saturday, May 10

(Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+_____

5:00pm+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Sunday, May 11

9:00am+Marie SZYMANEK, RIP – Family

10:30am+Paul, Emile Madeleine LAPERRIERE – RIP

Our Feasts and Saints

May 6 + Blessed Francois de Laval

May 8 + Blessed Catherine of Saint Augustine

Saint of the Week

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

A Council and two Popes.

The Second Vatican Council was and continues to be a big deal. Vatican II was what is called an "Ecumenical Council," which means that it was a coming together of *all* the Bishops from around the world. These Ecumenical Councils are very rare in the life of the Church. The previous one, the First Vatican Council, had met in 1869. The one before that, the Council of Trent, wrapped up in 1563, three hundred years earlier.

The Second Vatican Council was the idea of Pope St. John 23rd. It was a shocking idea. Councils are only called to deal with serious crises in the Church. But at the time there didn't seem to be any crisis that justified a Council. Pope John had decided however that the Church needed *aggiornamento* — Italian for "bringing up to date," and a Council was needed to bring this about.

(St. Peter's Basilica and many of the offices of the governing bodies of the Church are located in the neighborhood of Rome known as the Vatican. Hence, "The Vatican" is often used as short-hand for the Church bureaucracy the same way that "Queen's Park" is short-hand for the government of Ontario.)

So in 1963 the Bishops gathered in the Vatican to deliberate on the future of the Church. Three years of deliberation resulted in sixteen documents on topics ranging from the reform of the Liturgy (the way we celebrate Mass and the Sacraments) to the use of communications media.

Now, here we are fifty years later, and we can look back at the social upheaval that took place in the 1960's throughout Western society. Following the austerities of two world wars, with a world-wide economic depression thrown in, the sixties ushered in an era of exponential progress in science and technology and unprecedented economic prosperity. It was the job of the Council to figure that out how was the Church going to carry on its divine mission in those changing times

Pope John died while the Council was still in progress. His successor Pope Paul 6th brought the Council to its conclusion. But it was really Pope St. John Paul 2nd who took on the job of implementing the Council.

Pope John Paul II was active in the Council as one of its youngest bishops and had a hand in shaping one of its most important documents, *Gaudium et Spes*, "The Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World." In all of his own teaching as Pope, John Paul constantly quotes from the documents of the Council. They were his guiding light.

The world is not the same as it was fifty years ago. Few people then could have predicted the challenges that we would be facing today. If our generation is to meet those challenges we need to draw on the wisdom of the Council and its two great Popes — the one who initiated the Council and the one who implemented it. No one is saying that this will be easy. But then Jesus didn't promise us *easy*, did he?

Be humble in order to be joyful, because joy goes hand in hand with humility.

- St Pachomius (292-346), Abbot, Founder of Christian Monasticism, Feast Day May 9

MAY 4, 2014

Building Relationships and Partnerships with



Canada's Indigenous Peoples

You are invited to an evening with Cheryle Jacobs,
Aboriginal Education Program Coordinator,
Native Canadian Centre in Toronto

Where: The Fr. Bennett Hall

When: Wednesday, May 7, 2014 @ 6:00 p.m.

Refreshments: Served by C.W.L. Ladies

EDGE Social Night

Meet the Life Teeners

Next Edge ~ May 10th, 2014

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



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8



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Today is ShareLife Sunday

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**Parish Goal: \$50,000 Balance to-date:
\$17,410.65**

(This time last year 2013 we were at \$22,535.00)

Calendar of Parish Events

NOTE: Fr. Glass Away May 5 – 9, 2014 also from
May 12 – 15 on Priest's Retreat

Apr 27 + 1st Communion for St. Paul's School
(A) 1:30pm and (B) 4:30pm

May 4–9 + Catholic Education Week /Keep us in your prayers

May 6 + Retired Teachers Luncheon 11:00am

May 7 + INDIGENOUS SPEAKER /CWL in parish hall 6:00pm

May 8 + K of C General Mtg. in Hall at 7:30pm

May 9 + Euchre in the Fr. Bennett Hall at 7:30pm

May 14 – 1st of 3 scheduled Baptism Classes at 7:30pm

May 15 – Blood Donor Clinic 2:30 – 7:30pm – Hall

May 15 – CWL Executive Mtg. at 7:00pm in Rm. 5

PAPAL BLESSINGS

Parishioners may order a Papal Blessing scroll to commemorate a milestone wedding, anniversary or birthday, as well as the reception of the sacraments of baptism, first communion, confirmation, marriage and religious ordination and profession.



For further information on how to order a Papal Blessing scroll, including cost and delivery time, please see your Parish Bulletin Board Poster or contact the office. Please Note: Orders require a minimum of 2 months from the 15th of each month the order is placed.

"BECOMING GOSPEL WOMEN TODAY"

A weekend of prayer and contemplation

Single women are invited to a retreat weekend on

Lake Simcoe, in Orillia

May 23 -25, 2014

Given by a team of Sisters of St. Joseph

For information and registration:

Contact Sister Rosemary Fry, CSJ

rfry@csj-to.ca or 416-285-4166

The National Week for Life and the Family

May 11-18 2014

The Catholic Organization for Life and Family will soon join with Catholics from coast to coast in celebrating Canada's National Week for Life and the Family – observed this year beginning on Mother's Day, May 11th.

Once again, we are privileged to have an opportunity to think more deeply about the inestimable value of human life and the role that the family plays in upholding and communicating that value. As our Holy Father recently observed: "The family is the place where we learn to love . . . the motor [that drives] the world and history."

We all know too well that no family is perfect. Nevertheless, "family"—says Pope Francis—"is the fundamental cell of society, where we learn to live with others despite our differences and to belong to one another; it is also the place where parents pass on the faith to their children"

Let this year's Week for Life and the Family – an initiative of the Conference of Catholic Bishops of Canada – be an opportunity to celebrate the joys of our family life and to consider what we might do to address the needs of families less fortunate than our own. Let us ask ourselves what we can do to create a more loving world, knowing that it is in forgetting ourselves that we will find ourselves. Let us turn our hearts and minds to Jesus Christ, the Truth, who is love incarnate. With him all things are possible.

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