

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

Sunday:

9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception

10:30 a.m. at St. Paul the Apostle

Marian Cenacle: Tuesday - 5:30 p.m.

Life in the Spirit Prayer Group:

7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

1st Thursday 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 9:00 a.m. Mass Saturday morning.
Tuesday - 6:00 p.m. Holy Hour before 7:00 p.m. Mass

YOUTH MINISTRY:

Edge Night (Gr. 6-8) every 2nd Friday 7-9 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

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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4th Sunday of Easter ~ 7 May 2017
 (World Day of Prayer for Vocations)

The one who enters by the gate is the Shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice.

John 10:2-4

First Reading + Acts 2:14a, 36b-41
Second Reading + 1 Peter 2:20b-25
Gospel + John 10:1-10

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, May 8

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, May 9

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

6:15pm+ CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Mary WALSH, RIP – J Blacklaws

Wednesday, May 10

MASS CANCELLED

Thursday, May 11

MASS CANCELLED

Friday, May 12

Toronto Archdiocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations

12:10pm+Ciprian/Claudia ILIE, 16th Wedding Ann.

Saturday, May 13

(Daily mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+For Personal Intentions of a Parishioner

5:00pm+Bill GRACE, RIP – Family

Sunday May 14

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30am+Helen LYNCH, RIP – G/M Leest

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Rejoice in the Lord always — again, I say, rejoice.

Christians are supposed to be joyful! We are supposed to abound in the fruit of the Holy Spirit: “love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.” Nevertheless, the truth is that there are times when I am anxious and fearful. Am I then lacking in faith? Does it mean that the Holy Spirit is not in me?

St. Paul himself admits to being “under daily pressure because of my *anxiety* for all the churches. Who is weak, and I am not weak? Who is made to stumble, and I am not indignant?” St. Paul was no stranger to anxiety and fear. It was in the *midst* of tribulation that he turned to God for strength and comfort. “Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.”

How it is that anxiety and trust can exist at the same time? I don’t really know, but I know that they do. I am afraid of heights, yet every year at camp I climb to the top of the pole, heart pounding, but trusting in the climbing harness and the instructor. Scared? Yes. Trusting? Yes.

A book that I am currently reading has Jesus say this:

A troubled heart is always an indication of one’s lack of trust in me. Trouble, interior disquiet, comes from wanting to control and manage the things that are better left to my Father’s providence. At every moment I provide you with occasions to trust me and to abandon to me the things that we would prefer to see other than they are. Whenever we come up against something that contradicts our plans or fails to meet our expectations, give that thing, that situation, that disappointment to my heart, and then relinquish all worry over it.

I am not distant from you nor am I removed from your life. Make frequent acts of trust and abandonment. Let go of the things that you cling to most tightly. Come to me with empty hands. Hold on to nothing, not even to your own plans and desires for good things. If the things that you want for yourself are good, know, beyond any doubt, that the things I want for you are infinitely better.

The things that weigh upon you most heavily, the things that cause you the most anxiety and distress, are the very things that I want you to abandon to me. When something becomes a cause of anguish, or makes you fearful, or robs your heart of peace, give that thing to me immediately, and once you have given it to me, think of it no more.

I find that passage both challenging and comforting. Yes, there will be times when we do not feel inner peace and joy, but rather acute anxiety and distress. We should not deny the reality of our emotions or feel added guilt because of our lack of faith. Rather, we should acknowledge the reality our anxieties and then put everything into the hands of our Lord. Let him calm our heart and give us the peace of the Holy Spirit — even in the midst of our trials.

Saint of the Week:

Christ tells us that if we wish to join him, we shall travel the way he took. It is surely not right that the Son of God should go his way on the path of shame while the sons of men walk the way of worldly honor. - St. John of Avila (1500-1569), Priest, Doctor of the Church, Feast Day May 10

Last Week’s Collection

Sunday offering	\$ 3527.40
ShareLife	\$ 6608.30
Parish Capital upgrades	\$ 1117.30



www.sharelife.org

Living the Gospel by

providing for those in need...

“One of the core components of our Pastoral Plan is Catholic Outreach in Justice and Love. As a Catholic community, we are called to be the hands and face of Jesus in our communities. One of the ways that we do this is through our annual ShareLife appeal, which provides resources to agencies serving the poor and marginalized not only in our archdiocese, but also around the world. ShareLife is a tangible way that we can put the Gospel value to love one another as I have loved you into action, and I invite all parishioners to support the mission work of the Catholic church by making a sacrificial gift to ShareLife.” —Thomas Cardinal Collins, Archbishop of Toronto.

Today is ShareLife Sunday – May 7, 2017

Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH GOAL \$50,000 ~ Balance to-date \$ 32,617.20

Just a Reminder to our parishioners doing their “spring cleaning”



Our ‘Annual Garage Sale’ is to be held on Saturday, **May 27 from 8am to 2pm**. Please hold on to those clean, reusable treasures until May 24th when we can start receiving them in the Fr. Bennett Hall.

NO CLOTHING PLEASE!

CONGRATULATIONS.....

to all Grade Two students from Holy Family School, St. Paul’s School and others schools upon receiving their First Holy Communion over the past two weekends. Let us thank God for our faith, let us practice it, let us live it out in our daily lives, let us bring the light of faith to others. Our faith will have meaning for us and will be a source of strength for us if we practice it and live it out in our life.

St. John Vianney has reserved 10 bus seats for St. Paul’s Parish for

**March for Life
Trip to Ottawa ~
11 May 2017**

Call/Text Dave McKendrick
at 647-237-1348

\$50 per adult. Bus pick up at 89/400 interchange.
Tentative times Departure 5:45 am and Return 11 pm.



NOMINATIONS FOR PASTORAL COUNCIL

**6 Elected Positions opened for nominations
for the 2017 – 2019 term**

Please return your nomination forms with names and phone numbers (print clearly) by Sunday May 14 (Mother’s Day)

You can nominate more than one person (16 yrs. and over) and you can also let your own name stand.

All nominees will be contacted to be sure they will allow their name to stand.

Thank you for your time and participation.

The Nomination Committee Council.

(Forms available on table in foyer of church)

**HOME ENTHRONEMENTS
CONSECRATE YOUR FAMILY NOW**

"I WILL BLESS THE HOMES

in Which My Sacred Heart shall be exposed and honoured alongside the Immaculate Heart of My Mother, Mary" (The Child Jesus to Sr. Lucia, December 10, 1925)

Anyone wishing to have their homes enthroned to The Sacred Heart of Jesus and The Immaculate Heart of Mary. Please fill out the form in the foyer of the church; Drop it into the collection basket or the office or Contact:

Connie or John Orr: 705.435.4293 Claudette Morrison: 705.435.3234 or Debbie Tardif: 705.424.0500

FATIMA NIGHTS @ HOLY SPIRIT PARISH

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We would like to invite you every 13th day of the month, starting May 13th and end ending on October 13th for an evening of prayer and candle light procession, to honour the 100th Anniversary of the Apparitions of Our Lady in Fatima.

May 13th after 5 pm Mass;

June 13th after 7 pm Mass;

July 13th after 7 pm Mass;

August 13th after 12 noon Mass;

September 13th at 7 pm

October 13th after 7 pm Mass

More information at 705-722-3771 ext.2

* www.holyspiritbarrie.ca



Join the WEEK OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS
on the Daily TV Mass (May 6 – May 13, 2017)

The National Catholic Broadcasting Council (NCBC) is hosting a Week of Prayer for Vocations from May 6th - May 13th. Each Mass during that week will focus on the call to religious life. You can join the Vocations Prayer Circle by visiting the NCBC website at www.dailytvmass.com, by e-mail at info@ncbc.ca, or call toll-free at 1-888-383-6277 to have your name added to the Circle.

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