## 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

#### Life in the Spirit Prayer Group:

7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

(On the 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month)

#### **Devotions:**

Marian Cenacle

Tuesday - 5:30 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle

#### 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.

#### 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

<u>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</u> 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

#### Baptism:

Parents/Guardians are to be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation Classes on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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 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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Pastoral Team: Pastor: Fr. Alan Glass

father.glass@gmail.com Deacon: Desmond Carroll

Youth Minister: Dave McKendrick, EXT. 24 or email Dave: allistonlifeteen@gmail.com

Text Dave @ 647-237-1347



All Saints ~ 1 November 2015

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. ...Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God."

— M t 5:3, 9
 Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

First Reading + Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14 Second Reading + 1 John 3:1-3 Gospel + Matthew 5:1-12a

#### **Mass Intentions for the Week**

Monday, November 2 7:00pm+ALL SOULS DAY Tuesday, November 3

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle 6:00pm+*HOLY HOUR* 

\*\*6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS 7:00pm+For Deceased Members of the CWL

Wednesday, November 4

8:00am+George KEOGH, RIP – P Devereaux

Thursday, November 5

8:00am+Rosemary O'LEARY, RIP – Ralphs Family 10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Community

Friday, November 6

12:10pm+Olga SVETINA, RIP – D Svetina

#### Followed by Adoration until Saturday morning Mass Saturday, November 7

(Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception) 9:00am+Maria ARAUJO, RIP – M Mota 5:00pm+Joseph SZYDLIK, RIP – A Szydlik Sunday, November 8

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 10:30am+Stefan COLALILLO, RIP – M Maghory

### How Do I Become Catholic?

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic have them contact Fr. Glass to arrange and appointment at <a href="mailto:father.glass@gmail.com">father.glass@gmail.com</a>

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your continued Support! Sunday Offering: \$ 5,000.90

#### FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Religion, culture and challenges for the family.

Culture is the *form* of society. A society without culture is a formless society — a crowd or collection of individuals brought together by the needs of the moment — while the stronger a culture is, the more completely does it inform and transform the diverse human material of which it is composed.

What then is the relation of culture to religion? It is clear that a common way of life involves a common view of life, common standards of behavior and common standards of value, and consequently a culture is a spiritual community which owes its unity to common beliefs and common ways of thought.

- Christopher Dawson, Religion and Culture, 1947.

The Synod of the Family wrapped up last Sunday in Rome. Pope Francis brought together a couple hundred bishops from around the world to discuss the challenges facing the family and to focus the collective wisdom of the Church on the problem of how Catholic families can both survive and thrive in predominantly non-Christian cultures.

We cannot underestimate the magnitude of the challenges that face us. Our new Prime Minister is self-righteously pro-abortion, pro-euthanasia and pro-gender-ideology. Our Provincial Premier is imposing a grossly immoral sex-ed curriculum on children in elementary school. All around us we see the triumph of what St. John Paul II called the "culture of death," what Pope Benedict called the "dictatorship of relativism" and what Pope Francis calls "ideological colonization."

In this oppressive cultural climate we are losing the right to speak openly about core values that derive from our common Christian heritage. According to one insightful observer: "Few people *really* believe that error has any rights, liberals least of all, and they would probably succumb to the temptation to shut up their opponents by force, if they had the power." They now have the power.

We need to understand clearly that to be Catholic is to be *counter-cultural*. We are swimming against the current. For the Christian, this is standard operating procedure. We are called to be *in* the world, but not *of* the world — these are Jesus' words, not mine.

Christopher Dawson wrote: "A culture is a spiritual community which owes its unity to common beliefs and common ways of thought." In our secular culture the "common beliefs" and "ways of thought" are diametrically opposed to Christianity. As Christians we cannot conform to this culture without destroying the roots of our faith. We need to build our own "spiritual community." This requires greater commitment than simply attending Sunday Mass.

We cannot be complacent. As St. Paul says: "God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline. — Be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus."



# All Souls Day Mass

# Monday, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 7:00 pm

For the Faithful Departed Members of our families and Parish.

#### All Souls Envelopes.....

can be picked up at the back of the Church. Place your envelope in the collection basket or the basket at the front of the altar and they will be remembered in all our parish masses during the month of November.

All donations will go directly to Cemetery Board for the upkeep of our parish cemeteries.

(Donations will be added to your yearly tax receipt)

#### Marian Consecration

Consecration to Jesus Christ through the Blessed Virgin Mary **Thirty-three days of prayer at home.** 

Thursday, November 5<sup>th</sup> to Tuesday, December 8<sup>th</sup>

At Fatima, our Lady gave five conditions for world peace:
Amendment of life — Daily Rosary — Five First
Saturdays —Penance, Sacrifice and Reparation —
Consecration to her Immaculate Heart.

The Benefits: Our good works are more effective — Grace is increased in our soul — Freedom of Spirit — Plenary indulgence for those who join the Confraternity.

Books available after Mass. More information, call Debra Tardif, (705) 424-0500

#### Mary:

#### A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother

*Please join us for this* Catholic Bible study that will bring you on an extraordinary pilgrimage, revealing Mary's unique role in God's Kingdom and in our lives. This series of eight, 30-min. sessions will be presented at two different times, beginning on Tuesday Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 p.m. (after Adoration and Mass), **or** Wed. Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> (following the 9:15 Rosary).



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8

Next Edge Night Friday, November 13th, 7:00 – 9:00p.m.

Fun & Games Social Night

#### **PARISH REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP**

Pope Francis has designated a 'Year of Mercy' to begin on December 8, 2015. As a tangible expression of our solidarity and care for our neighbours, The Society of St. Vincent de Paul at St. Paul's Church is establishing a refugee sponsorship committee, working with the Office for Refugees of the Archdiocese of Toronto. Many volunteers are required to assist in successfully sponsoring a family to settle in our local community. If you have an interest in learning more or helping us in our call to feed the hungry, clothe the naked and shelter the homeless, please plan to attend an information meeting, led by Project Hope of the Archdiocese of Toronto on Tuesday, November 10, 2015 in the Father Bennett Hall at 7:30 pm.

For more information, please contact Paul Healy 705-435-4951 or email <a href="mailto:pfhealy@yahoo.com">pfhealy@yahoo.com</a>, or John Farrugia 519-925-0339 email <a href="mailto:farrugiajohnj@gmail.com">farrugiajohnj@gmail.com</a>

#### **Clothing Drive for 'My Sister's Place'**

During the month of November, the Catholic Women's League is holding a women's clothing drive for specific items. What is currently needed:

- New Undergarments (any size)

- New or gently used House Coats/Pajama's & Slippers.

Please drop off your donations in the blue CWL tub under the table in the foyer. Thank you for your support.



St. Thomas Aquinas Secondary Catholic School Thursday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> 5:30pm – 7:30pm Dine-in or Take-out

Ginny's Special Chicken Roasted Potatoes, House Salad, Dinner Roll Homemade Deserts & Ice Cream

Adults \$15 - Students/Seniors \$12 - Children under 13 \$8 Children under 2 - Free Family \$40 (2 adults, up to 2 children under 13)

Tickets, call school 905-936-4743 x352

We wish to congratulate the families of the following children who have entered in to the Roman Catholic Community through the Holy Sacrament of BAPTISM: Leo Bruno BATTAGLIA; Jade Maura BIDINOT; Lauren Anne DUCA; Audrey Clare FARRY; Ari Samuel Zachary JARVIS; Vanessa Bruna LEVANTE; Penelope Irene LORD; Adrian Joseph REA & Nathania Claire SUJANTO.



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