

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.

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) Alternating Mondays - 7:00 p.m.

Life Teen (Gr. 9-12) Alternating Saturdays - 6-9:00 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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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 17 November 2019

“This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defence in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to with stand or contradict.”

Lk 21:13-15

First Reading + Malachi 4:1-2

Second Reading + 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12

Gospel+ Luke 21:5-19

Mass  for the Intentions  Week

Monday, November 18

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, November 19

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

****6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS**

7:00pm+Bolek/Lucia BOZEK, Pers Int – M Bogucki

Wednesday, November 20

8:00am+Rev Philip JONES, RIP – Archdiocese TO

Thursday, November 21

8:00am+Claire HALL, RIP – P Murray

10:30am+Mass at Good Samaritan Complex

Friday, November 22

(Fri. Daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)

12:10pm+Michael O'LEARY, RIP – J Pender-Chiovitti

Saturday, November 23

(Sat. Daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+Lucy DUCETTE, Pers Int – M Bogucki

5:00pm+Anna GREEN, RIP – Dw Donnelly

Sunday, November 24

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30am+Patricia DEVEREAUX, RIP – M Lynch

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Reasons to believe.

“Why, during the Second World War, did Pope Pius XII remain silent about the destruction of the Jews?” At one time this question was widely being discussed. It is an odd question, because it presumes that Pope Pius XII was silent when, in fact, he was the only world leader who spoke out! There is no “why” because there was no silence. Anyone with any grasp of history knows that Pope Pius XII was adamantly opposed to all forms of totalitarianism, whether Fascist or Communist, and he spoke out boldly against them. He mobilized the Catholic Church to save as many Jews as possible. His actions were heroic.

Why is it that so many people were willing to accept the false claim that Pope Pius XII was silent? The answer is: because they wanted to believe it. This is the phenomenon known as “confirmation bias.” Starting with an unfounded opinion, one then accepts any evidence that seems to confirm it while rejecting any evidence that seems to contradict it. C. S. Lewis recalls, as a young lad, going up to his father one day and declaring “I am prejudiced against the French!” Taken aback, his father asked “Why?” He replied, “If I had a reason, it would not be a prejudice.” We begin with prejudice and then look for reasons.

To take an example from current events, we can ask, “Why do people still believe the President Trump colluded with Russia to win the 2016 election?” It is, however, more to the point to ask, “Why do they want to believe it?” Obviously, if you already have a low opinion of someone, you are prepared to believe the worst of him, even collusion with a foreign power.

Taking this discussion to a higher level, we all have beliefs and opinions on a whole range of matters, some are trivial and others of immense importance. Certainly we ought to be able to answer the question, “Why do I believe this?” but also, “Why do I want to believe this?” The avowed atheist does not believe in God because he does not want to believe in God. What, then, of the avowed Christian? Does he believe in God only because he wants to believe? Is he perhaps, as Sigmund Freud suggests, satisfying a subconscious psychological desire for an ideal father figure? Or is his faith founded on something substantial?

The search for truth requires intellectual honesty and humility. We are constantly learning and we need to be open to correction. We can learn even from those who differ from us as they challenge us to reflect more deeply on our beliefs. We hold to the Catholic faith not because we want it to be true in spite of contradictory evidence, but because we have tested it and tried it and found it to be true. We have a well founded conviction that nothing can be truer than the Catholic faith.

Saint of the Week:

Let's try not to be exacting with other people, but rather to pass over in silence those thousand little annoyances that tend to irritate us. For we know that no one is perfect in this life, and we must put up with the defects of others as they put up with ours. - *St. Rose Philippine Duchesne (1769-1852), Patron of perseverance, Feast Day November 18*



Prayers for the Souls of the Faithful Departed.

All during the Month of November we will pray for the Souls of the Faithful Departed at all parish masses.

All Souls Envelopes are at the back of the Church or in the foyer during November. Place your envelope in the collection basket or the basket at the front of the

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

ALL SOULS REMEMBRANCE:

We celebrate our eternal union with loved ones who live in Christ. We remember the following families in our prayers: All Deceased Holy men & women, Agnew, Allen, Arthur, Atkinson, Baldassarra, Beaton, Bednarczyk, Belanger, Benko, Bernard, Berry, Binns, Bolaa, Brown, Bumstead, Buerk, Cake, Carroll, Cameron, Chmielowska, Cole, Coles, Cox, Coyne, Crowley, Cupidio, Da Silva, Deceased Teachers of Simcoe County, Donnelly, Dubbin, Durette, Dzikiewkl, Emind, Englehardt, Ferguson, Fitzgerald, Ford, Forgotten Souls, Fisher, Freak, Gagnon, Gallant, Garbutt, Gibson, Givens, Granoic, Hall, Harder, Heffernan, Hill, Hindle, Hoffart, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Horan, Hudgin, Hussey, Hutchinson, Ignas, Jennings, Joly, Jones, Joyce, Kardys, Kearney, Kelly, Kennedy, Keogh, Kilbride, King, Kopec, Koppell, Krzyzaniak, Kurnat, Kurnath, Lanning, Legault, Lee, Lemay, Lesiak, Lima, Lobalsamo, Lynch, MacDougall, MacIsaac, MacKay, MacLean, MacNeill, MacPherson, MacArthur, Magyar, Makaroff, Martin, Martinho, Mattes, McCabe, McCarthy, McGoldrick, McNeill, Medvigy, Megraw, Mercurio, Michelberger, Minorini, Mitchell, Mohan, Morrison, Murray, Natyh, Neilson, Nickerson, Nolan, Novielli, O'Connor, O'Gorman, Ortman, Ozimek, Papotto, Pickett, Piotr, Pszyszlak, Quinlan, Regimbald, Ribic, Rice, Ronan, Ruetz, Saliba, Samtani, Sauve, Schmidt, Scott, Shaw, Shuk, Sinka, Sitarz, Skelton, Snyder, Solski, Stanway, Stea, Stiegwardt, Strum, Stubson, Sunguluck, Svetina, Szymanek, Tardif, Vandervoort, Veltri, Vienneau, Viceiros, Vought, Walbourne, Wright, Ziaja.

There is still time to register

How Do I Become Catholic?

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic,

Please contact Fr. Glass at father.glass@gmail.com

Sunday's following 10:30am Mass

Thank you!

The Conveners of the Catholic Women's League Christmas Bazaar would like to thank all those who contributed to make it a great success, to those who donated their time & talents, prizes, sandwiches, baking, sweets, sewing/knitting, jewellery, scarves and Christmas Baskets and ornaments. A big thank you to our student servers in the Tea Room. Thank you all for your support of the Bazaar and our Raffle Draw.

Winners of the Main Raffle Draw

First Prize \$500.00 - - Donna Micellia

Second Prize \$300.00 - - Elaine Goddard

Third Prize \$200.00 - - Carol McMann

Calendar of Events

Nov 17 – Parish Breakfast following 10:30 a.m. Mass

Nov 18 – EDGE Night (bring nerf guns) 7:00 p.m.

Nov 19 – St. Vincent de Paul Mtg. 7:30 p.m.

Nov 20 - 1st Communion Class Grp. A - 6:00 p.m.

Nov 20 – 3rd of 4 Baptism Classes 7:30 p.m.

Nov 21 – Confirmation Class Grp. B - 7:00 p.m.

Nov 21 – CWL Gen. Mtg. [Elections] 7:00 p.m.

Nov 22 – 1st communion Grp. B – 6:00 p.m.

Nov 27 – Confirmation Class Grp. A – 7:00pm

Nov 27 – Baptism Rehearsal 7:30pm

Nov 28 – Blood Donor Clinic 2:30 – 7:30pm

Dec 1 – Muffin Sunday after 10:30am mass

Dec 5 – CWL Christmas Dinner 6:00pm

ADVENT RETREAT

Find out more about the meaning behind the Advent wreath.

“Called to The Light”

With MaryAnne Giannini

MaryAnne hails from our own region (Colgan).

She is a retired High School Chaplain with the Simcoe

Muskoka Catholic School Board.

Everyone is invited to Come and Join us

In the Spirit of the Advent Season

Saturday, November 30

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

(doors open at 8:45 am in the Fr. Bennett Hall)

Admission is free but **registration required** in order to ensure refreshments for all

To register, sign up in foyer/contact Martha Whelton
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