

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

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

Life in the Spirit Prayer Group:

7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

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

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.

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.

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1st Sunday of Advent ~ 27 November 2016

“Two men will be out in the field; one will be taken, and one will be left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken, and one will be left. Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.” — Mt 24:40-42

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First Reading + Isaiah 2:1-5

Second Reading + Romans 13:11-14

Gospel + Matthew 24:37-44

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, November 28

No Mass Scheduled

Tuesday, November 29

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+**HOLY HOUR**

6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+John MASTELARZ, healing – M Bogucki

Wednesday, November 30

8:00am+Chris & Yvonne HYLAND, - S Hands

Thursday, December 1

8:00am+Frank HALEY, 90th B-day – M Lynch

10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Community

Friday, December 2

12:10pm+Loranna CHISHOLM, RIP – G/J Gillis

Saturday, December 3

(Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+Bill MacLEOD, RIP – Aunt Micki

5:00pm+Paul LAPERRIERE, RIP – G Cole

Sunday, December 4

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30am+Personal Intentions – K Guchardi

Last Week's Collection:

General Offering: \$3,313.75

Thank you for your commitment to our parish.

Saint of the Week:

Faith renders meaningless such words as anxiety, danger, and fear, so that the believer goes through life calmly and peacefully, with profound joy, like a child hand in hand with his mother. - *Blessed Charles de Foucauld (1858-1916 A.D.) Trappist priest, martyr. Feast Day December 1*

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Keep calm and trust in God.

The Christian is in the world but not of the world. His life must necessarily be different from that of someone without faith. His conduct, his habits of life, his way of thinking, of making choices, of evaluating things and situations, are different, because they happen in the light of Christ's words, which are a message of everlasting life. — Pope John Paul II.

We are living in unsettled times. As Pope Leo XIII said at the beginning of the last century: “The outlook on the future is by no means free of anxiety.” The twentieth century turned out to be the bloodiest century in history. I am not worried about possible global conflict, but I am very concerned about our post-Christian culture which has turned its back on God and embraced what Pope John Paul II rightly called the “culture of death.” With the killing of the child in the womb already enshrined as a “reproductive right,” we have now also discovered a right to euthanasia — the legal killing of the old, the sick and the depressed. As this becomes law, true rights of religion and of conscience are disregarded and collaboration with evil is coerced.

Back in the early 1960's, sociologist Peter Berger noted that “church membership in no way means adherence to a set of values at variance with those of the general society; rather, it means a stronger and more explicitly religious affirmation of the same values held by the community at large.” He was speaking of the mainline Protestant denominations and he made an exception for the Catholic Church: “Those who are concerned with the fusion of culture and religion owe a measure of gratitude to Catholicism, which has remained in a state of tension with the overall culture — and thus provides an important witness that is not simply a reflection of secular values.”

From a Catholic perspective, Thomas Merton, saw things in much the same light. “The great tragedy of our age is that there are so many Christians whose religion is a matter of pure conformism and expediency. These ‘believers’ cling together, offering one another an apparent justification for lives that are essentially the same as the lives of their materialistic neighbors whose horizons are purely those of the world and of its transient values.”

It has been over fifty years since these things were written, and the truth of these observations has become more and more apparent. And yet, there are signs of hope. The Catholic Church still stands firm against the “spirit of the age,” the *Zeitgeist*, and will, by the grace of the Holy Spirit, continue to do so.

As St. Augustine has said: “The Church will totter if its foundation shakes; but how can Christ be moved?...Christ remaining immovable, it (the Church) shall never be shaken. Where are they that say that the Church has disappeared from the world, when it cannot even be shaken?”



**All Souls Envelopes.....
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 Holy Men & Women, Adler, Aemilard, Alfonso, Aquinn, Araujo, Arena, Arnulfo, Asher, Atkinson, Baker, Baldassarra, Banks, Barcenas, Baumfeld, Bawor, Beamish, Beaton, Behl, Belen, Bellisle, Benko, Bergin, Bersabe, Bince, Binns, Blacow, Blianey, Bolla, Bradley, Brophy, Brown, Brtko, Bruna, Bumstead, Cahill, Cake, Campbell, Canale, Carroll, Ceresino, Chaisson, Chiovitti, Chisholm, Culmore, Clausner, Coffin, Cole, Coles, Comley, Coniza, Cousins, Cox, Cremers, Croner, Cronin, Crowley, Cyr, Cullen, Cunningham, Cupidio, da Silva, Defoa, Dennis, Desmond, Devereaux, Diaz, Dietsch, Dodd, Djetvay, Dol, Domenico, Domm, Donnelly, Downes, Dubbin, Dubois-Shelp Ducaire, Duggan, Duncan, Durkan, Eakins, Elliott, Elming, Emينو, Enriquez, Estiquio, Fleming, Ferguson, Fitzgerald, Foley, Forbes, Ford, Forgotten Souls, Freaque, Gallant, Gaudette, Gelley, Gibson, Gillis, Girardeau, Groen, Groudic, Guchardi, Gurreri, Hall, Hands, Harder, Harrison, Hauley, Hayes, Heazel, Heffernan, Hermann, Heydon, Hill, Hoffart, Holychuk, Horsinka, Howson, Hudgin, Hussey, Hyda, Hyland, Ignas, Ignoto, Ines, Jocyln, Joyce, Kawk, Kelly, Kennedy, Kent, Keogh, Kilbride, King, Kiss, Knowles, Kopec, Koppel, Korol, Kuasnak, Lamont, Lanning, Laperriere, Laughlin, LeBlanc, Leduc, Lee, Lemay, Lennon, Little, Lombardi, Lorincz, Lucy, Lunch, MacArthor, MacDonald, MacDougall, MacIsaac, MacKay, MacLean, MacNeill, MacPherson, Magyar, Malboeuf, Mallette, Marbella, Marcolini, Marion, Mason, Massey, Marshall, Martin, Masciol, Masters, Mateo, McArdle, McCann, McColder, McGrath, McGoldrick, McGuinn, McIntaggart, McKibbon, McLucas, McNeill, Medvigy, Megraw, Mellon, Michelberger, Micola, Miller, Minorini, Mirabella, Mitchell, Mitra, Modarelli, Momongan, Moore, Montichard, Moran, Morrison, Mota, Mrazek, Mularkey, Murphy, Murray, Myer, Naray, Natyk, Neilson, Neubauer, Nodwell, Nower, O'Connor, O'Gorman, O'Leary, O'Reilly, Ortman, Orzechowski, O'Sullivan, Panny, Parker, Patterson, Pearson, Pender, Pendergast, Perante, Perry, Pietro, Pires, Playne, Pothier, Power, Quann, Quinlan, Reda, Redmond, Regimbald, Remo, Rempillo, Ribic, Rich, Rios, Reidy, Riengueitte, Roberto, Rochefort, Ronan, Rossetti, Rossi, Roveto, Rudnicki, Santos, Sauder, Sauve, Savard, Scappaturo, Schmidt, Sekleski, Shaw, Shim, Simms, Sinka, Skelton, Slattery, Smith, Smyth, Snyder, Sofan, Stanton, Stiegwardt, Strum, Svetina, Tadier, Tagalog, Tan, Tessier, Thibert, Thomas, Thompson, Turner, Underhill, Uvsini, Vanderpost, Van

Niekerk, Veloso, Vienneau, Villegas, Walbourne, Walker, Walsh, Weldon, Westfhall, Whiteside, Whelan Wigg, Willard, Wright, Xillanueva, Zonneveld,

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Please assist the efforts of St. Vincent de Paul to ensure less fortunate families have a merrier Christmas by donating generously at this time of year. This year we hope to donate gift cards to families so they can buy food and shop for their own children. There will be a SPECIAL COLLECTON, dedicated to this cause, at the weekend masses on December 10, 11, 2016. Please use the dedicated envelope in your box of weekly envelopes or place your donation in an envelope with your name and address, in order to receive an income tax receipt from the church. You may also donate directly to St. Paul's Society of St. Vincent de Paul by contacting Paul Healy at (705) 435-4951.



Next Edge Night

Friday, December 2nd, 7:00 – 9:00p.m.

Incredible Hulk (Advent)

An opportunity to discover through the Hulk the fruits of the Spirit of peace and self-control.



Next Life Night

Saturday, December 10 – 6:00 – 9:00pm

The Void Christmas

A night for Teens to see how radically the Incarnation changes their lives through the waiting of our Old Testament people. And a night to celebrate.

Thursday, December 8th

Mass at St. Paul's Church at 8:00am

*'Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception
Of the
Blessed Virgin Mary'*

"Hail, Full of Grace! The Lord is with you." Luke 1

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

(For children up to 12yrs old)

Sunday, December 11th after the 10:30a.m. Mass

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