

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)

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

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.

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 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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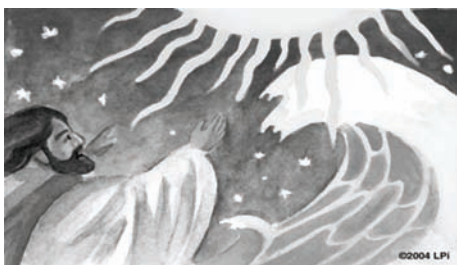
Deacon: Desmond Carroll

Youth Minister: Dave McKendrick, EXT. 24

or email Dave: *allistonlifeteen@gmail.com*

Text Dave @ 647-237-1347

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



1st Sunday of Advent ~ 29 November 2015

“People will die of fright in anticipation of what is coming upon the world, for the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand.” — Lk 21:26-28

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1979 CCD.

First Reading + Jeremiah 33:14-16
Second Reading + 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2
Gospel + Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, November 30

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, December 1

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+**HOLY HOUR**

**6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Mass of Thanksgiving – T/F Cacho

Wednesday, December 2

8:00am+Joseph BOGUCKI, RIP – J/K Quinlan

Thursday, December 3

8:00am+Jane BRISBOIS-PICKETT, RIP – S/E McGuire

10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Community

Friday, December 4

12:10pm+Rosemary O’LEARY, RIP – J Pender-Chiovitti

Followed by Adoration until Saturday morning Mass

Saturday, December 5

(Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+Yvette JOYAL, ill – A/L Lemire

5:00pm+Chester/Mary GALEZOWSKI, RIP – Family

Sunday, December 6

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30am+George KEOGH, RIP – L/M Joyce

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

When are we going to begin to serve God?

Something has gone very wrong with us and with the world of which we are a part. The world is not and we are not what we know was meant to be. That is the most indubitable of truths: it is beyond dispute, it weighs with self-evident force upon every mind and heart that has not lost the sensibility that makes us human. — R. J. Neuhaus.

St. Augustine wrote his great work *The City of God* as the Christian response to the collapse of the Roman Empire. Alaric and the Goths had sacked Rome in 410 A.D. Later, the Goths invaded North Africa and besieged Augustine’s own city of Hippo. St. Augustine died during the siege.

Lately, it has been hard to resist the feeling that we are living through a similar time of social collapse. On the one hand, we in the “great western democracies” have never been so well off in material things; on the other hand, we have never been so impoverished intellectually and morally.

I recently read an account of poor village life written in the 19th century. The writer complained that “the morals of the people had degenerated to the lowest depth.” I wondered about that. What is the *lowest* depth? Does that even mean anything to us today? They had certainly not sunk so low as to celebrate Gay Pride Week. Nor did they kill off the sick and elderly and call it “end of life care.”

When I look around, it seems that we have lost the basic knowledge of good and evil, of right and wrong. We seem hell-bent on rushing down the broad way that leads to destruction.

But it is *not* true that we do not know the difference between good and evil. These are things that we *can’t not know!* They are hardwired into our human nature, written on the human heart. Cicero, the pagan philosopher and statesman who lived before the time of Christ knew this:

There is in fact a true law — right reason — which is in accordance with nature, applies to all men, and is unchangeable and eternal. This law summons men to the performance of their duties, by its prohibitions it restrains them from doing wrong. It will not lay down one rule in Rome and another in Athens, but there will be one law eternal and unchangeable, binding at all times upon all peoples.

We all have been endowed by our Creator with intellect, which we can use to discern the good. We have been endowed with free will in order to choose the good. Yet we can also misuse our intellect to justify evil. We can misuse our freedom to choose the wrong.

St. Paul recognized the inner struggle to overcome our evil tendencies and strive always for the good. He cried out, “Who will deliver me from this body of death?” His answer: “Thanks be to God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.”

As this blessed season of Advent begins, let us turn our hearts and minds to God. Let us begin to serve Him.

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your continued Support!
Sunday Offering: \$ 4,046.75

Lions Club Christmas Hampers:

Food items and unwrapped toys can be dropped off at the Church. The hampers will be delivered to hundreds of families in Alliston and surrounding area on December 21, 2015.



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**All Souls Envelopes.....**

All during the Month of November we will pray for the Souls of the Faithful Departed at all our 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:**

Adler, Allen, Amato, Arnobae, Arnott, Asher, Attridge, Baes, Bagnol, Baker, Balcerowicz, Baldassarra, Banks, Baptista, Baumfeld, Baxter, Beaton, Behl, Bergin, Binns, Bogucki, Bridgeman, Brophy, Brown, Bucrek, Bumstead, Butac, Cacho, Cake, Campbell, Carney, Carrol, Ceresino, Chaisson, Chiovitti, Cholak, Chu Chung Hun, Chu Chung, Chu Cheng Hon, Clansy, Coffin, Cole, Corpuz, Courchesne, Cox, Coyne, Crosson, Crowley, Culliton, Da Silva, DeCarbellis, DeCastris, Defoa, DeForest, Dennis, DeRadio, Devereaux, DiGirolamo, Dill, Dinneen, Dodd, Dol, Domm, Donnelly, Doyle, Drozd, Dubbin, Duncan, Durkan, Eisner, Elming, Ferguson, Fitzgerald, Flanagan, Fleming, Foley, Fontaine, Ford, Forgotten Souls, Franco, Freake, Fry, Gallant, Garnier, Gaudette, Gerrard, Gibbons, Gillis, Girardeaus, Giulia, Gomez, Grainger, Hall, Hands, Harder, Hawley, Heap, Heffernan, Herbert, Heydon, Hill, Hinton, Hoffart, Holychuk, Horgan, Hrobt, Hussein, Hutchenson, Hutchinson, Hyland, Ignas, Ignoto, Illingsworth, Imre, Jakubowski, Jensen, Jones, Jordan, Joyce, Jurczynski, Kaluk, Kelly, Kennedy, Kent, Keogh, Kilbride, Kopec, Koppel, Kryzaniak, Kvasnak, Kwiathowska, Lanning, Laperriere, Laurin, LeBlancs, Leclair, Lee, Lemay, Lewin, Lombardi, Lorincz, Lynch, MacArthur, MacDonald, MacDougall, MacIsaac, MacLean, MacNeill, MacPherson, MacWilliams, Magyar, Makaroff, Mallette, Martin, Matrieciano, Mazzuca, McArdle, McAuley, McCarthy, McDevitt, McGoldrick, McGuinn, McGuire, McIntaggart, McLucas, McNeice, Medvigy, Melo, Mercer, Milbury, Miller, Minorini, Mittelstaedt, Modarelli, Montrichard, Morrison, Moylan, Mrazek, Murray, Neilson, Nelson, Neville-Lake, Nickerson, Noble, Norman, Nyer, Ochrymowicz, O'Gorman, O'Leary, Oles, Ollero, Ortman, Ouealey, Pasko, Paszek, Patterson, Pearce, Pender, Percival, Perez, Perillo, Perry, Qmann, Quinlan, Rajtek, Reda, Reis, Ribic, Rice, Riddell, Rienneuutte, Rios, Roan, Rose, Rossetti, Roy, Sammons, Sasco, Saulnier, Schneider, Scott, Scricca, Shanley, Sheehan, Shunk, Sinka, Siwek, Skelton, Smith, Smotka, Snyder, Somm, Spadafora, Stafford, Stasiak, Stefanko, Stiegwardt, Stroich, Strum, Strzelczyk, Stubson, Stuart, Sullivan, Surette, Svetina, Szymanek, Tan, The Unborn, Thibert, ThivergeTkach, Underhill, Vanderpost, Vienneau, Viveiros, Vondette, Walker, Wallace, Walsh, Whitehead, Whiteside, Wigg, Wilbourne, Wilson, Wyszecza, Young, Yuras, Zubilewicz.



Catholic Ministry to Grades 6-8

**Extended EDGE Night**

Friday, December 11, + 2:30 – 8:30p.m.

**Light of the World**

To help the youth grow a deeper understanding of the season of Christmas and how we are called to say yes to Jesus Christ in our lives.



Catholic Ministry to Grades 9-12

**Next LIFE Night**

Saturday, December 5, 6-9pm

***We need VOLUNTEERS !!***

Adult Volunteers are always welcome.

Come and join us.

Our next planning meeting Dec. 7 @ 7pm

**Please welcome our new Executive for The Catholic Women's League for 2016 -2017.**

- Linda Beckstead, Carla Beckett – co-presidents
- Beatriz Baumfeld – past president
- Elaine Tindal – secretary
- Loretta Gismondi – Treasurer
- Marion Pickett – Christian Family Life
- Dawn Westcott – Communications'
- Helen Beamish – Community Life
- Claudette Morrison – Education
- Mary Lynch – Health
- Anu Antao – Memberships
- Lynda Blacklaws – Parish Activities
- Carla Beckett – Legislation/Resolutions
- Martha Whelton – Spiritual Development
- Fatima Healy – Goodwill

**Installation will take place after the 7pm Mass on December 8<sup>th</sup>, (Solemnity of The Immaculate Conception)**

**CWL Celebrating 50 years of Service To God & Canada**

Saturday, December 12, 2015

2:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. in the Fr. Bennett Hall

**MUST PRE-REGISTER:** Registration deadline is **Dec. 6, 2015**

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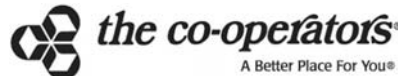
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