

# 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.*

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## **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)

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## **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.

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## **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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## **NOTE: PICTURES & VIDEOS ARE NOT PERMITTED DURING OUR LITURGIES**

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### **St. Paul the Apostle**

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### **Immaculate Conception**

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### **Pastoral Team: Pastor:** Fr. Alan Glass

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**Deacon:** Desmond Carroll

**Youth Minister:** Dave McKendrick, EXT. 24

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Text Dave @ 647-237-1347



32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 6<sup>th</sup> November 2016

“That the dead will rise even Moses made known in the passage about the bush, when he called ‘Lord,’ the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob; and he is not God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive.” — Lk 20:37-38

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First Reading + 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 7, 9-14  
 Second Reading + 2 Thessalonians 2:16 – 3:5  
 Gospel + Luke 20:27-38

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Monday, November 7**

NO MASS SCHEDULED

**Tuesday, November 8**

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Vickie & Joe FISHER, Pers. Int. – S Hands

**Wednesday, November 9**

8:00am+Stefan COLALILLO, RIP – M Maghory

Thursday, November 10

8:00am+Maria ARAUJO, RIP – M Mota

Friday, November 11

12:10pm+In Remembrance of our Deceased Verterans

Saturday, November 12

(Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+Rosemary O’LEARY, RIP J/B Surman

4:15pm – 4:45pm+CONFESSIONS

5:00pm+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

Sunday, November 12

9:00am+David SCANLON, RIP – H/J Scanlon

10:30am+Larry/Theresa KEOGH, 60<sup>th</sup> Ann. – M Lynch

**Saint of the Week:**

Mercy itself wishes you to be merciful, righteousness itself wishes you to be righteous, so that the Creator may shine forth in His creature, and the image of God be reflected in the mirror of the human heart as it imitates His qualities. - Pope Saint Leo the Great (400-461), Doctor of the Church, Feast Day November 10

**Last Week’s Collection:**

General Offering \$ 3,882.89

Parish Capital Upgrades \$ 1,163.20

*The Lord Love’s a Cheerful Giver!!*

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

*The Four Last Things.*

In this month of November, when we pray for those who have died, it is good to recall the Church’s teaching on the state of the soul after death. This teaching is often categorized as “the four last things: death, judgment, heaven and hell.” It includes the doctrine of Purgatory.

Many people seem to think that Hell and Purgatory were closed down and boarded up sometime in the mid-1960’s and that souls are now directed straight to heaven. The publication of the Catechism of the Catholic Church in the 1994 should have dispelled this misconception. The Catechism says:

All who die in God’s grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. The Church gives the name “Purgatory” to this final purification. The tradition of the Church, by reference to certain texts of Scripture speaks of a cleansing fire. ... From the beginning the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God... Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them.

I perform many funerals, and the funeral homily is not the time to preach about hell and purgatory. But we do need to be reminded beforehand, as part of our general religious education, that the purpose of a Catholic funeral is to offer the Eucharistic Sacrifice for the deceased. In the funeral Mass, we pray for our dear loved one, that his sins will have been forgiven, and that he will quickly be purified from any remaining imperfections and soon be admitted to heaven. A funeral is emphatically *not* a “celebration of life.” It *is* a celebration of God’s abundant mercy. It *is* a celebration of the redemption that Christ won for us by his death on the cross. It *is* a celebration of faith and hope.

Yes, Auntie Maggie was a wonderful person and we will miss her terribly, but what matters above all is that she is a beloved child of God, created in God’s image and likeness, loved beyond all measure, and she has been called to take the place reserved for her in God’s presence in Heaven. But how can she come into God’s presence except with a soul cleansed of all imperfections and resplendent with every virtue. That is the purpose of Purgatory.

There is nothing to fear about Purgatory. C. S. Lewis refers to it as an “untwisting” of the twisted soul — an operation that may be painful, but necessary. Would any of us be happy in heaven in our present condition? We would be like the wedding guest in Jesus’ parable, not properly outfitted with a wedding garment. I, for one, would like to be made ready for heaven before entering. Thank God for Purgatory, and let us pray for the faithful departed



**Saturday, November 12 – 6:00pm  
IMMACULATA**

A night to show how Mary continues to play an important role in salvation and how she leads us to her Son, Jesus.



Next Edge Night  
Friday, November 18th, 7:00 – 9:00p.m.

**Lights Out (Glow in the Dark)**

Goal is to create a fun and welcoming environment to foster relations and community.



**The Shepherds' Trust**  
*Caring for those who always cared for us.*

The Shepherds' Trust has a mission to provide, comfort and care for those who have steadfastly cared for us - our retired priests. As parishioners, we have our own memories of a Catholic priest who made a positive, meaningful and lasting impact in our lives.

Each year, thousands of people contribute to the Shepherds' Trust. The collection will take place in all parishes in the Archdiocese on November 12th & 13th. Envelopes are provided in your offertory box and on the tables inside the church and out in the foyer.

We want our priests to retire safely and with dignity. The Shepherds' Trust allows us to help achieve this goal.

**Your generosity is deeply appreciated.**

**Calendar of Parish Events**

- Nov 7 – Squires Mtg. at 7:00pm
- Nov 8 – St. Vincent de Paul mtg. At 7 :30pm
- Nov 9 – Life Teen Core Monthly Mtg. at 7:00pm
- Nov 9 – 1<sup>st</sup> of 4 scheduled Baptism Classes at 7:30pm
- Nov 10 – CWL Executive Mtg. at 7:00pm
- Nov 10 – K of C General Mtg. at 7:30pm
- Nov 10 – Defend Life Mtg. at 7:30pm
- Nov 11- 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Gathering for /Parents/students from St. Paul's School & non-Catholic schools at 6pm
- Nov 11 – Confirmation class for Grade 8 at 7:00pm
- Nov 12 – CWL Executive Mtg. at 7:00pm
- Nov 13 –Parish Breakfast following the 10:30am mass



**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, Banks, Baumfeld, Bince, Cake, Carroll, Chiovitti, Cole, Defoa, Dietsch, Dol, Durkan, Fitzgerald, Foley, Ford, Freake, Groudic, Hayes, Hermann, Hoffart, Horsinka, Ignas, Joyce, Keogh, Kopec, Koppel, Lanning, McArdle, McLucas, Natyk, Neilson, Neubauer, Nodwell, O'Gorman, O'Sullivan, Pender, Pendergast, Redmond, Ribic, Reidy, Sauder, Skelton, Smith, Stiegwardt, Svetina, Uvsini, Vanderpost, Walbourne.

**Lions Club Christmas Hampers:**

Food items and unwrapped toys can be dropped of at the Church. The hampers will be delivered to hundreds of families in Alliston and surrounding area on December 20, 2016.



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‘Sponsor A Family’ for Christmas, please call Paul Healy @ 705- 435-4951

**Giving hope to those in our families ...**

*Where there is no guidance, a nation falls; but in an abundance of counselors there is safety.  
(Proverbs 11:14)*

Last year nearly 20,000 people received effective outreach and counseling services from **ShareLife-supported Catholic Family Services** agencies from across the archdiocese. Our Family Service agencies have created walk-in clinics to help clients access service faster, reduce stress about a host of issues, and improve their sense of well-being. Clients report these sessions provide practical coping skills to help them deal with issues, and they feel more hopeful about their situation.

Rob attended a walk in clinic at Catholic Family Services in Simcoe, and received immediate attention. He received additional follow-up counseling and compassionate care, which helped him to deal with his depression from previous life issues. He noted ‘I am very grateful to ShareLife for the funding they provide for the counseling staff here at Catholic Family Services of Simcoe.’

Your support of ShareLife has made it possible for individuals to receive immediate help through walk-in clinic counseling. Thank you for helping to provide this service to those in need!





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