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.

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

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

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. Registration forms and envelopes are available in the foyer 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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Youth Minister: Dave McKendrick, EXT. 24 or email Dave: allistonlifeteen@gmail.com

Text Dave @ 647-237-1347



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 23 October 2016

"But the tax collector stood off at a distance...and prayed, 'O God, be merciful to me a sinner.' I tell you, the latter went home justified, not the former; for whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and the one who humbles himself will be exalted." - Lk 18:13a, 13c-14 Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

First Reading +Sirach 35:15-17, 20-22 Second Reading + 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18 **Gospel + Luke 18:1-8**

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, October 24 NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, October 25

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

**6:15pm - 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS7:00pm+Sam/Allison LEE, Pers Int – J/C Orr

Wednesday, October 26

8:00am+Joseph Bogucki, RIP – M Bogucki

Thursday, October 27

8:00am+Bill MacLEOD, RIP - J Catherwood 10:30am+Mass at Riverwood Home

Friday, October 28

12:10pm+Joe NEALON, RIP – G Gillis/JBeattie

Saturday, October 29

(Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception) 9:00amm+George KEOGH, RIP - M Keogh 5:00pm+S/J TOMPOROWSKI, RIP – Family Sunday, October 30

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 10:30am+Aurele/Linda Lemire, 50th Ann – D/G Carroll

Saint of the Week

Come now, loving Mother, let us lose no time. Here I am: dispose of me as you will, for you know that I am wholly yours. I trust that you will do this out of your great kindness, pity, and mercy, and I ask you this through the love you bear for the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

- Saint Anthony Mary Claret (1807-1870) Feast Day October 24

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Spiritual Combat.

In last Sunday's homily I quoted Theophan the Recluse. a Russian Orthodox monk and bishop who is one of the great Christian spiritual guides. The Orthodox Churches are not in communion with the Catholic Church but we recognize the validity of all their Sacraments and we share the same "rule of faith," Sacred Scripture and Sacred Tradition. The separation of our Churches occurred in 1054 AD, so we have a thousand years of shared Tradition, which means that although there are some differences in emphasis, our theology is essentially the same. We recognize the sanctity of the Orthodox Churches and the great value of their spiritual traditions. Pope John Paul II made it one of his priorities to work for the re-unification of the Catholic and Orthodox Churches — he said that the Church needed once again to "breath with both lungs."

The common spirituality of our Churches demonstrated by a book that I came across a little while ago and which I am now reading: Unseen Warfare. The origin of this book is actually in 16th century Italy, where the Catholic priest Lorenzo Scupoli wrote the spiritual classic, The Spiritual Combat, which was the favorite book of St. Francis de Sales. In the eighteenth century, this book was taken up by a Greek Orthodox monk, Nicodemus of the Holy Mountain, who translated it into Greek, renaming it Unseen Warfare. Actually, Nicodemus made an adaptation rather than a direct translation, modifying it to suit Orthodox readers and adding citations of the Fathers of the Eastern Church. A century later, Theophan the Recluse, translated the work into Russian, again modifying and adapting it. The final product is therefore the combined wisdom of Scupoli, Nicodemus and Theophan, a common treasure of both the Catholic and Orthodox Churches.

As Christians, we are involved in "spiritual combat" and "unseen warfare." As St. Paul says: "For this is the will of God, your sanctification." And sanctification, while entirely dependent on the grace of God, is also hard work. I have heard Protestants say that the Catholic faith is a religion of "works," that we believe that salvation is a reward for our good deeds. Nothing can be further from the truth. The Christian is indeed a sinner saved by grace, but he is also a new creation in Christ, called to a life of virtue and holiness. Virtue is the very essence of the Christian life. St. Augustine defined virtue as "the ordering of love." It is the love of God which calls us to express our faith in action.

The teaching of the Catholic (and Orthodox) Church on grace and works is perfectly summarized by St. Paul:

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God — not because of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. [Eph 2:8-10]

OLIFE TEEN Saturday 29@6pm

Life Teen Night – The Tree - A night to help teens connect in a tangible way, the events leading to original sin and the coming of Jesus Christ through the story of Adam and Eve in the creation and fall.

<u>Annual Christmas Bazaar</u> Sat. Nov. 5



St. Paul the Apostle Parish Hall 10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Get caught up in all the excitement & **Sign-up today** on the board in foyer to help.

*Your donations of new or good Clean used Jewellery should be at the Church <u>before</u> Friday, November 4th. There is a drop-off box on table in foyer

*Our Bake-Off is Friday November 4th @ 9 a.m.

* Please return all ticket stubs, unsold tickets, & money to Elaine Tindal, Ticket Convener

There will be *NO White Elephant Table*.

Please keep your treasures for the Spring Garage Sale.

CWL 2017 MEMBERSHIP DUES:

Our memberships have to be collected and remitted to C.W.L. National office on **Jan. 1, 2017**. Thus, **ALL MEMBERS**, as well as those people who are leaving for the sunny south, are asked to please leave their membership in advance. The fee is still \$25. You can use the Nov. CWL envelope in your church offertory box; or print on a plain envelope your name, address, postal code, phone number & email address if you wish. It can be dropped in the collection basket at weekend masses or the parish office. Some <u>pre-printed envelopes</u> can also be found on the table in the foyer.

Humanitarian Relief – Hurricane Matthew

The Archdiocese is accepting financial contributions following the devastation by Hurricane Matthew in Haiti. 1.4 million people are in need of assistance. More than 1,000 people reported dead so far. In partnership with Caritas Haiti, funds will provide basic supplies, food and sanitation kits; Those wishing to help may do so by:

- Online at website <u>www.archtoronto.org</u>
- By phone at Development Office 416.934.3411
- Cheques payable to your parish
 - o Name of Parish Haiti Emergency

Paul the Apostle Cemetery Clean-up

Saturday, October 29



9:30AM – Bring rakes & Leaf Blowers Refreshments Provided

Qualifies for community hours

Notice to Lot Owners — St. Paul's Catholic Cemetery

As part of our fall clean-up we will be removing all metal or iron crosses, glassware, ceramics and lawn ornaments. These items can pose a safety risk to our maintenance staff and equipment and detract from the decor of our cemetery. If you would like to save these items, please collect them before Oct. 28th. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our cemetery clean and safe.



All Souls Day Mass

November 2nd @ 8am & 7pm

At St. Paul's Church

For the faithful departed of our families and the Parish.

All Souls Envelopes

can be picked up at the back of the Church & in the foyer.

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

First Holy Communion Family Gathering

(Parents & children)

Holy Family School and other non-catholic Schools
- Friday, October 28 @ 6 pm

St. Paul's School and other non-catholic Schools
- Friday, November 11 @ 6 pm

Last Week's Collection:

Sunday Offering - \$4,588

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