

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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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 4 October 2015
{Respect Life Sunday}

“For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh. So they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, no human being must separate.” — Mk 10:7-9

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

First Reading + Genesis 2:7ab, 15, 18-24
Second Reading + Hebrews 2:9-11
Gospel + Mark 10:2-16

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, October 5

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, October 6

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

**6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+George KEOGH, RIP – R/M/P Campbell

Wednesday, October 7

8:00am+Marlene BERGIN, RIP – J/B Asher

Thursday, October 8

8:00am+Ed BOUDREAU, RIP – J/H Kieffer

Friday, October 9

12:10pm+

Saturday, October 10

(Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+Mass for the UNBORN – K of C

Sunday, October 11

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30am+Ken BROWN, RIP – M Brown

How Do I Become Catholic?

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic have them contact Fr. Glass to arrange and appointment at

father.glass@gmail.com

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Life without faith — cracked cisterns.

It is perfectly easy to live without faith — to live as if God does not exist. Most of our family, friends and neighbors seem to live happy and fulfilling lives without taking the least interest in religion. Some claim to be atheists — God does not exist. Some claim to be agnostics — maybe he does or maybe he doesn't, but nobody can say for sure. Some claim to be spiritual but not religious. Some just never think about God at all.

The irreligious seem to get on in this world just as well and even better than the religious. Looking through the Old Testament, it is hard to see how God's "chosen people," the Israelites, were any better off than the Philistines. More often than not God was punishing the Israelites for their sins while the pagan idols — though mute stones — did as little harm as they did good. No doubt the pagans much preferred their own uninhibited fertility rites to the fasting and breast-beating of the Jewish *Yom Kippur*, the "Day of Atonement." What did Jesus promise his disciples other than the cross?

Not so long ago it was believed that religion was necessary for morality. Certainly, the Jewish religion was necessary for Jewish morality, and the Christian religion is necessary for Christian morality. But modern non-religion gets to make up its own morality. This is what Pope Benedict called the "dictatorship of relativism" — there is no absolute good or evil, except believing makes it so. Pope John Paul II called it the "culture of death." As the anti-hero of Milton's *Paradise Lost* said, "Evil, be thou my good."

There is another old-fashioned notion, that religion is somehow necessary for "salvation." St. Paul warned the Galatians against "fornication, impurity, licentiousness, ...and things like these. I am warning you, that those who do such things will not inherit the Kingdom of God."

But, if there isn't any God then there can't be any Kingdom. And if there *is* a God, then surely he is so loving and merciful that we don't have anything to worry about because everybody goes to heaven (if there is a heaven).

Most people today consider themselves to be good people. They are happy as they are. They have no need for God in their lives. They don't ask God for anything, and they don't owe God anything. They are comfortable.

God says through the prophet Jeremiah: "My people have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water."

There is nothing mysterious about faith. It is the simple recognition of reality — recognizing who God is and who we are in relation to God. Religion is nothing except the outward expression of our faith, our love of God.

Why should we love God? As the poet Gerard Manley Hopkins expressed it: "What must I love thee, Lord, for then? For being my king and God. Amen."

Join Us Today - Sunday, October 4
2:00 – 3:00p.m.

One hour of silent, prayerful Protest against Abortion at the intersection of Church & Victoria Streets.



**St. Paul's Cemetery and
Immaculate Conception Cemetery
Fall Clean-up**

Saturday, October 31st

9:00AM – Beginning at St. Paul's
then over to Immaculate Conception

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 October 31st. We appreciate your cooperation in keeping our cemetery clean and safe.



Pontifical Mission Societies

Toronto, Canada

United in Love... Let us go to serve! *World Mission Sunday* has been set aside by Pope Pius in 1926, so that it can be the "feast of catholicity and universal solidarity" and that the whole world may publicly renew its commitment to be the missionary movement: the propagation of the faith and the proclamation of the Gospel to all peoples. WMS will take place October 18 and is celebrated on the same day in all the parishes around the world to make an offering to the poorest churches in Africa, Asia, Oceania, Europe and S. America. Envelopes are provided in your weekly offering box and tables in the back of the church.

Confirmation Initial Gatherings

(Parents & students)

All Grade 7 students

Wednesday, October 7th @ 7 pm

Children attending non-catholic schools are asked to come to this information night.

[For those who missed the Grade 8 gathering on September 30th are encouraged to attend this night]

The 'Rite of Inscription'

for confirmation will be held on the weekend of October 24/25 at all three masses for both grades 7 & 8

All registration documents have been sent home with the students the week of September 15th

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your continued Support!
Sunday Offering: \$ 4,064.35

Catholic Youth Ministry for Grades 6 – 8



Friday, October 2nd

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Games and Social Night!



We wish to congratulate the families of the following children who have entered in to the Roman Catholic Community through the holy sacrament of BAPTISM: Benjamin Michael CROWLEY; Mia Gabriella HAMMILL; Noah Joseph Thomas HUTCHENS; Abigail Christine Valerie McNAMEE; Daniel Christopher NASCIMENTO and Eva Sandra Linda VAN BOXTEL.



Friendly Visitors Group:

- Are you a new Mom?
- Are you just back home from hospital after surgery?
- Are you a shut-in?

If you would like a member of the Catholic Women's League to pay you a visit, please give us a call. For information, call Beatriz Baumfeld at 705.435.9111

Our parish is hosting a '**Ministry Fair**' after the 5:00p.m. and 10:30a.m. Masses on **October 16th and 17th**. Its time again to share information about our very busy and active parish and the many ways you can get involved and share your talents come and see the displays and sign up and enter to win a prize!



**OPEN IN SPIRIT TO GOD (BLD)
GREATER BARRIE AREA (GBA) PRAYER GROUP**

**The Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS)
is Coming Again to
St. Paul the Apostle Church.**

Through the Life in the Spirit Seminar, you will experience a transformation as you open yourself to the Holy Spirit Who will empower and guide you to lead a vibrant life in the Lord. Experience the long sought peace, forgiveness and reconciliation, and the joy of having a close personal relationship with the Lord.

The Life in the Spirit Seminar will cover several topics for 7 Sundays, 3-5:30pm, from Oct.18 - Nov 29, 2015.

- It is open to all parishioners 19 yrs and older – and it's free. For more information and registration, please call: Lito and Ralyn Mitra: 705-252-1410 or Claudette Morrison: 705-435-3234



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