

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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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 20 September 2015

Taking a child he placed it in their midst, and putting his arms around it he said to them, “Whoever receives one child such as this in my name, receives me; and whoever receives me, receives not me but the One who sent me.” — Mk 9:36-37

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First Reading + Wisdom 2:12, 17-20
Second Reading + James 3:16-4.3
Gospel + Mark 9:30-17

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, September 21

NO MASS SCHEDULED

Tuesday, September 22

10:45am+Holy Family School Mass

5:30pm+Marian Cenacle

6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

**6:15pm – 6:45pm + CONFESSIONS

7:00pm+Frana / Andrej SVETINA, RIP – D Svetina

Wednesday, September 23

8:00am+Kathleen MERCER, RIP – P Murray

Thursday, September 24

8:00am+_____

10:30am+Mass at the Riverwood Home

Friday, September 25

12:10pm+Mass for the UNBORN – K of C

Saturday, September 26

(Morning Mass at Immaculate Conception)

9:00am+_____

5:00pm+Barbara CAVANGH, RIP – P/J/L Ceresino

Sunday, September 27

9:00am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

10:30am+Waclaw SZYMANEK, RIP – Family

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 at father.glass@gmail.com

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Every vocation is a religious vocation.

At weddings it is common to hear St. Paul’s tribute to love: “Now these three remain: faith, hope and love, and the greatest of these is love.” However, the Greek word that St. Paul uses is not *eros*, the love of bride and groom, but *agape*, the love of God and neighbor. Far from being a celebration of marital love, it is a reminder that any love that is not founded on love of God has no solid foundation.

We need to keep in mind that *every vocation is a religious vocation*. This includes especially the vocation to marriage and family, since this is the vocation to which most of God’s people feel called.

I have often heard it said that prior to the Second Vatican Council it was believed that only priests, monks or nuns could be “holy.” One of the great themes of Vatican II was “the universal call to holiness.” This was hailed as a declaration of liberty: the vast majority of God’s people no longer had to settle for second-class-citizen status in the Church — everyone could now be holy!

Rather than being a reason for celebration — as if haloes would now be handed out automatically along with the marriage certificate — this should have been a reason for “fear and trembling.” It meant that being married could no longer be used as an excuse for *not* being holy. One could no longer rely on the principle of division of labor: let the priests and nuns look after being holy, while everyone else could get on with “real” life. Parents were no longer off the hook. It was no longer sufficient to muddle through with the absolute minimum of commitment.

As Pope John Paul II has said: we are all — without exception — called to the “the high standard of ordinary Christian living.” We are all called to become saints, each in his own vocation, but *every vocation is a religious vocation*.

If we think of holiness principally as a life of prayer, then monks and nuns have an advantage, since prayer is their main occupation. But holiness is also sacrifice. And in that regard, parents have opportunities for advancing in holiness that monks can only dream of.

Each of us has a vocation, a state of life to which we are called. For each of us, our vocation is the principal means of becoming holy. All of us have a vocation to sainthood. It is for this reason that we have been put upon this earth. At the end of one’s life the only sadness is not having been a saint.

It is said that people with “real” lives don’t have the time for prayer. Make time! A wise old friend once told me: always make sure you pray *at least* fifteen minutes a day. The only time that you can make an exception to this rule is if you are busy — in which case, you must pray for half an hour! It is when we are busy that we most need prayer. Prayer is not an extra burden, but the most effective means of bearing our burdens. This applies especially to the Mass, because the Eucharist is the ultimate prayer — the first and indispensable support of the Christian life.

Weekly Collection: Thank you for your continued Support!
 Sunday Offering: \$ 3,543.94



**OPEN IN SPIRIT TO GOD (BLD)
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**The Life in the Spirit Seminar (LSS)
is Coming Again to
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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

Calendar of Parish Events

Sep 22 – Faith-filled Video Night at 7:30pm

Sep 22 – Defend Life Mtg. at 7:30pm

Sep 23 – 3rd of 3 scheduled Baptism classes at 7:30pm

Sep 24 – Children of Mary Prayer Group 9:00am

Sep 30- First Confirmation Class at 7:00pm

Oct 1 – LSS Prayer Group at 7:30pm

Oct 1 – K of C Exe. Mtg. at 7:30pm

Oct 1 – Cabbage Dinner Crew Mtg. at 7:00pm

Yes! It's That Wonderful Time of Year!!

CWL ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Saturday, November 7, 2015
10:00 am to 1:30 pm.

*We are looking for New Items for our ever popular
"Penny Table"*

This table is one of our major attractions next to the major Raffle draw. Visitors love to browse the table and purchase tickets toward items they wish to win for themselves or gifts for family and friends. So we are looking for exciting NEW donations such as:

- Children's Toys,
- Gift certificates to local stores and restaurants,
- Kitchen Gadgets
- and Gift Baskets to name a few!

Conveners: Carla 705.435.1381 or Dawn 705.435.9914

Please look for sign-up sheets in near future

Think of us while you are out Christmas Shopping ©

EDGE KICK - OFF!!

Catholic Youth Ministry for Grades 6 – 8

**Friday, October 2nd
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Social and Games Night!**

Why Youth Love Edge

- It's a fun, safe place to spend time with their Catholic friends.
- They get answers to their unanswered questions about their Catholic faith.
- They experience Jesus Christ in a profound, personal way.
- They feel like they are important to everyone else in the parish.

Why Parents Love Edge

- Edge gives middle schoolers a chance to build strong Catholic friendships before they enter high school.
- Their children are given Catholic role models on the Core Team who reinforce what is already being taught within the home. Parents often join the Edge Core Team too.
- Edge understands the physical, psychological, cognitive, relational, and spiritual maturation of middle school youth.

VOLUNTEERS Welcome!!

Both Parents and High School Youth needed to make this a very successful, active & vibrant youth community at St. Paul's.



National Life Chain Sunday is the largest peaceful, prayerful, pro-life, public witness in the world. More than 1500 cities across the

US and Canada are expected to participate on **Sunday, October 4th 2014** from **2:00 - 3:00 pm**. St. Paul the Apostle Church will be participating in our Alliston Life Chain at the intersection of Victoria and Church Streets.

Immaculate Conception Coffee Mornings:

We wish to thank all those who donated or participated in Coffee Sundays from Canada Day weekend until Labour Day weekend. This year's total was \$881.05 without any deductions as all services and supplies are donated. Thank you!



Stay tuned for more information on our upcoming "1st Annual Cabbage Roll Dinner"

October 24, 2015



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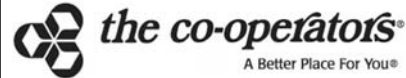
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