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 on the 2nd & 4th Saturday of the month

Sunday:

9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception 10:30 a.m. at St. Paul the Apostle

Devotions:

Marian Cenacle

Tuesday - 7:00 p.m. at St. Paul the Apostle

Reconciliation(Confessions):

Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:45 p.m. or by appointment

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.

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 on the First Friday of each month until Saturday 9:00a.m. Mass. Confessions available before the Friday and Saturday Masses.

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.

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 the Parish 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 (CWL Pres: Beatriz Baumfeld 705-435-9111)

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

St. Paul the Apostle

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Immaculate Conception

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Pastoral Team:

Pastor: Fr. Alan Glass, EXT. 22 Deacon: Desmond Carroll Youth Minister: Dave McKendrid

Youth Minister: Dave McKendrick, EXT. 24 or email Dave: allistonlifeteen@gmail.com Secretary: Deborah Donnelly, EXT. 21



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 29 September 2013

> First Reading + Amos 6:1,4-7 Second Reading + 1Timothy 6:11-16 Gospel + Luke 16: 19-31

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, September 30 NO MASS SCHEDULED Tuesday, October 1st 6:00pm+HOLY HOUR

7:00pm+Edith LAWLOR, RIP – A Ronan **Wednesday, October 2**nd

8:00am+Marj LEGAULT, healing – C Morrison

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8:00am+Ann CROWLEY, Pers. Int. – A Green 10:30am+Mass at Kingsmere Home

Friday, October 4th

12:10pm+Carl LAURIER, RIP – J/R Vandervoort Followed by Adoration until Saturday morning Mass

Saturday, October 5

(Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception) 9:00am+Paul CALEY, RIP – J/M Caley 5:00pm+Paul DION, RIP – M/J Scanlon

Sunday, October 6

9:00am+Rita CRUMP, RIP – J Crump 10:30am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 4:00pm+Mass followed by Life in the Spirit Seminar

Our Feast Days & Saints

September 30 + Saint Jerome
October 1 + Saint Therese of the Child Jesus (Lisieux)
October 2 + Holy Guardian Angels
October 4 + Saint Francis of Assisi
October 6 + Saint Bruno
October 6 + Blessed Marie-Rose Durocher

FROM THE DESK OF FR. GLASS:

Counter-cultural Catholic

The problem with the Catholic Church today is that she is out of step with Western culture. Or so we are told. Surely, isn't it about time that the Church caught up to society on things like abortion and same-sex marriage? And how long can the Church hold on to medieval ideas like an all-male celibate clergy? Doesn't the Church realize that she is woefully behind the times?

Yes, the Catholic Church is counter-cultural. And guess what? Jesus was counter-cultural. St. Paul was counter-cultural. St. Augustine was counter-cultural. St Francis of Assisi was counter-cultural. Mother Theresa of Calcutta was counter-cultural. Pope John Paul II was counter-cultural, so was Benedict XVI, so is Pope Francis. Being counter-cultural is part of the job description for a Christian.

There is a saying: "You have to go along to get along." But that's not the Gospel. "Do not conform yourselves to this age but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect." *That's* the Gospel.

That is the Gospel that Paul preached to a pagan world. It was a scandal to the Jews and foolishness to the Greeks, but it was the power of God and the wisdom of God to those who believed. Paul never compromised the Gospel.

The Catholic Church has lived through many ages. And in every age the Church has been out of step with the spirit of the times. She always has and always will be. When Peter and Paul were preaching the Gospel in defiance of Roman culture, the Roman Empire was at its height — it seemed indestructible. But that Empire fell and the Church carried on. Through the Dark Ages and the Middle Ages, through the Renaissance and Enlightenment. Ages came and went. Cultures developed and decayed. Through it all the Church stood firm, buffeted and battered perhaps, but always proclaiming the truth of the Gospel.

Part of the reason I love reading St. Augustine is that the times that he lived in are so much like our own. Augustine genuinely appreciated the many good things in the culture of the Roman Empire, but he had no illusions. He saw clearly that "to love this world is to break faith with God, yet men applaud and are ashamed to do otherwise."

Jesus is kind and loving, but he also demanding: "Those who are ashamed of me and of my words, of them the Son of man will be ashamed when he comes in his glory." How can we be ashamed of the Gospel?

We are living in a world that is not Christian, and often anti-Christian. We can choose to conform to the culture of this world, which Pope John Paul II called a "culture of death," or we can choose to build the "culture of life." As Christians we are called to be counter-cultural. This is not a comfortable position to be in. To be counter-cultural is not easy. But Jesus never said that following him would be easy: he said that it would be worth it.

Sunday, October 6 2:00-3:00p.m.



One hour of silent, prayerful protest against abortion.

(At the Intersection of Church and Victoria St.)

How Do I Become Catholic?

RCIA - Journey in Faith

[Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults]



Classes are held on Sunday's 11:40 am (following 10:30 am Mass)

Are you curious about our faith? Do you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic. Please contact Fr. Glass at 435-6325/ext 22.



Good Shepherd Food Bank Invites You... to participate in the 2013 Thanksgiving Food Drive. Your donations of non-perishable food will help us meet the demand and offer nutritious meals to those in need.

Calendar of Parish Events

Sep 29 – Parish Breakfast at 10am and 11:30am Oct 3 – Knights of Columbus Exe. Mtg. at 7:30pm Oct 4 - Confirmation Family Gathering for Holy Family School and other non-catholic schools at 7:00pm Oct 4 – Euchre at *Holy Family* School at 7:30pm Oct 6 – Life Chain 2-3pm at Church & Victoria Sts. Oct 6 – Life in the Spirit Seminar 4 – 6:30pm Oct 7- Squires Meeting at 7:00pm

Oct 9 – First Communion Family Gathering for St. Paul's School and other non-catholic schools at 6:00pm

Oct 9 - 1st of 3 scheduled Baptism Classes at 7:30pm

Oct 10 – Knights of Columbus General Mtg. at 7:30pm.





Catholic Ministry to Grades 9-12

SOCIAL NIGHT

Sunday, 20th October (watch future bulletins for details)

Contact: Text Dave McKendrick at 647-237-1348 allistonlifeteen@gmail.com

Catholic Youth Ministry for Grades 6 - 8 Next Edge Night





Sat. October 5th

Building Blocks!

Edge starts at 6:15 pm

[Life Teen Mass at 5:00 p.m.]



Life in the Spirit Seminar

St. Paul The Apostle Church Presented by Lito & Ralyn Mitra

7 Sundays from Oct 6th - Nov 24th (skipping Thanksgiving weekend Oct 13) 3:00-5:30pm

except on Oct 6th @ 4pm beginning with the Eucharist followed by seminar and on Nov. 10th - 1:00-6:00 pm.

Experience the transformation as you open yourself to the Holy Spirit who will empower and guide you.

The Life in the Spirit Seminar is open to all parishioners 19 years and older — and it's FREE.

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