

# 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 on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month

### **Sunday:**

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

## **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.

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## **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.

## **Baptism:**

Parents/Guardians are to be registered parishioners and attend the Baptism Preparation Classes on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> 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

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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 (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.

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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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Rectory: 705-435-0131  
www.stpaulsalliston.com

### **Pastoral Team:**

**Pastor:** Fr. Alan Glass, EXT. 22  
**Deacon:** Desmond Carroll  
**Youth Minister:** Dave McKendrick, EXT. 24  
or email Dave: allistonlifeteen@gmail.com  
**Secretary:** Deborah Donnelly, EXT. 21

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ 8 September 2013

*“If any one comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple.” — Lk 14:26-27*

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First Reading + Wisdom 9:13-18

Second Reading + Philemon 9-19, 12-17

Gospel + Luke 14:25-33

### **Mass Intentions for the Week**

**Monday, September 9**

NO MASS SCHEDULED

**Tuesday, September 10**

**6:00pm+HOLY HOUR**

7:00pm+Eugene DEVEREAUX, RIP - P Devereaux

**Wednesday, September 11**

8:00am+Francis LYNCH, RIP – M Lynch

**9:30pm+St. Paul’s School Mass here at Church**

**Thursday, September 12**

8:00am+Marj LEGAULT, Healing – A Green

**Friday, September 13**

**10:30am+Holy Family School Mass**

12:10pm+Emma FRANCIS, RIP – J/F Gallant

**Saturday, September 14**

*(Sat. daily Mass at Immaculate Conception)*

9:00am+Rev. Msgr. Pranas Gaida, RIP – TO Archdiocese

5:00pm+Sheila ZBITNEW, RIP – Family

**Sunday, September 15**

9:00am+Catherine MacKID, Personal Intentions

10:30am+FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

### **Our Feast Days & Saints**

September 9 + Saint Peter Claver

September 12 + Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary

September 13 + Saint John Chrysostom

September 14 + Exaltation of the Holy Cross

September 15 + Our Lady of Sorrows

### **Saint of the Week**

As water extinguishes fire, so prayer extinguishes the heat of the passions.

-St. John Chrysostom (347 - 407), *Feast Day September 13, Theologian*

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

#### *Life in the Spirit*

On the first Pentecost Sunday, the disciples were gathered together in prayer, when they were filled with the power of the Holy Spirit. Rushing out into the street they began proclaiming Christ.

Those hearing them said: “These men are drunk!”

Drunk? No! These men are not drunk, as you suppose, but this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: “And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh.”

On that Pentecost Sunday the disciples experienced what Christ has promised to each one of us — his Holy Spirit as a power in our lives. As St. Irenaeus says: “Just as the soul gives life to the body, so the Spirit gives life to the soul.” We are only fully alive, when we are alive in the Spirit.

This Holy Spirit was given to us when we were baptized. For most of us this occurred when we were infants. When the purifying waters of Baptism were poured on us we became temples of the Holy Spirit. When we received the Sacrament of Confirmation we were sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit. How is it then that we do not experience the presence of the Holy Spirit in our lives? How is it that what was spoken by the prophet Joel is not being fulfilled in us?

Fr. Raniero Cantalamessa (official preacher to the Popes John Paul II and Benedict and now to Pope Francis) explains how the graces of a Sacrament can be “bound.” For example, if the Sacraments of Marriage or Holy Orders are received in the state of mortal sin, these Sacraments, though valid, do not confer grace.

Think of it as being given the latest smart phone. It may be a wonder of technology, capable of doing amazing things, but all its wonderful capabilities are “bound” if the battery is dead. In order for its capabilities to be “released” the battery needs to be charged.

It is the same with the sacraments. If our spiritual battery is dead — if we are not in the state of grace — the graces of the sacrament are not released.

Fr. Raniero says: “There are cases in which a sacrament, while not being completely ineffective, is nevertheless not entirely released: It is not free to work its effects. In the case of Baptism, what is it that causes the fruit of this sacrament to be held back? The fruit of the sacrament depends wholly on divine grace; however, this divine grace does not act without our ‘yes’ — our consent and affirmation.”

*The Life if the Spirit Seminar*, which we are hosting in this parish, is to help us open ourselves to the Holy Spirit, to give permission to the Holy Spirit to be the life of our soul.

What is holding us back? Perhaps it is the fear that it actually might transform us. As the Letter to the Hebrews says: “It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.”

**The 29th Annual Rosary Sunday**

September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2013  
Martyrs' Shrine, Midland

12:00 noon Outdoor Mass at the Polish Altar Celebrant  
Bishop Wayne Kirkpatrick

Procession of the Blessed Sacrament at 2:00 p.m.  
followed by Living Rosary and Benediction at the Papal Altar.  
Bring your rosary, lawn chairs, picnic lunch & your Family!

**New this Fall**



**HOLY HOUR**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

*At St. Paul's Church*

Starting Tuesday's at 6:00p.m.  
followed by Mass at 7:00p.m.



**Life in the Spirit Seminar**

*St. Paul The Apostle Church*

7 Sundays from Oct 6<sup>th</sup> – Nov 24<sup>th</sup>  
(skipping Thanksgiving weekend Oct 13)

3:00-5:30pm

except 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.

**Calendar of Parish Events**

Sep 8 – Life in the Spirit Seminar at 3:00p.m.

Sep 11 – 1<sup>st</sup> of 3 Scheduled Baptism Classes at 7:30p.m.

Sep 12 – Knights of Columbus General Mtg. at 7:30p.m.

Sep 13 – Euchre in the Fr. Bennett Hall

Sep 17 – St. Vincent de Paul Mtg. at 7:30p.m.

Sep 18 – CWL Executive Mtg. at 6:00p.m. followed by  
General Mtg. at 7:30p.m.

Sep 18 – 2<sup>nd</sup> of 3 Scheduled Baptism Classes at 7:30p.m.

Sep 19 – Blood Donor Clinic 2:30 – 7:30p.m.



Catholic Youth Ministry  
for Grades 6 – 8



**KICK - OFF!!**

**Sat. September 21<sup>st</sup>**

**Life Teen Mass at 5:00 p.m.**

**Edge starts at 6:15 pm**

**C.W.L. BRUNCH & SPEAKER**

ALL ladies of our Parish are invited !



Where: Nottawasaga Inn, Alliston  
When: Sunday, September 29, 2013  
Time: 11:30 a.m.  
Cost: \$ 30.00/person

Please respond by the dead-line **September 15, 2013.**

To book your place or if you need a ride  
call Dawn at 705.435.9914 or Beatriz at 705.435.9111.

**How Do I Become Catholic?**

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

Starts Sunday 22 September

11:40 am (following 10:30 am Mass)

If you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic have  
them contact Fr. Glass at 435-6325 ext. 22

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**NEW to PARISH? Have you registered yet?**

It is important to be registered to receive the sacraments and  
support your faith community. Please fill in the registration form  
below and place it in the collection basket or hand it into the  
office. Offertory Envelopes can be picked up in the church foyer.

Welcome to St. Paul's Parish!

Family Name: \_\_\_\_\_

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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