

St. Paul's Basilica Parish

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First Parish of the Archdiocese of Toronto

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*"May the message of Christ, in all its fullness, continue to find
a home in you."*

Colossians 3:16

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Mass available

At the Good Shepherd Centre

412 Queen St. East

Tuesday to Friday 12:00 noon

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 3:45 to 4:15 p.m.

SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, FIRST COMMUNION, MARRIAGE

Please contact the parish to begin the
process of preparation

MINISTRY TO THE SICK

Please call the parish office so that our
parishioners may receive communion
regularly.

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Micheline Dutil, Principal

Phone: 416-393-5204

PARISH MINISTRIES

Sacramental Preparation

Breakfast Club

Children's Liturgy

Taize Prayer

Eucharistic Adoration

Choir

St. Vincent de Paul

Food Bank

Mass Intentions for the Week

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| Saturday, December 16th | 4:30 p.m. | +Ettore Memme |
| Sunday, December 17th | 8:30 a.m. | Parishioners of St. Paul's |
| | 11:00 a.m. | +Jose Faller |



THE SANCTUARY LIGHT BURNS FOR:
+EDGAR MURRANT & +CATHERINE SMITH



DAY OF CONFESSIONS

“So often, our own sins and failings seem to be an obstacle in encountering the love of our Lord, preventing us from taking the steps towards authentic and renewed conversion. Yet Jesus came not to call the righteous, but sinners. He is the Good Shepherd who seeks out the lost, the physician who comes to heal the sick. And one of his first acts after the Resurrection was to entrust to the Church the power to forgive sins in his name. Thus, in order to undergo an authentic and renewed conversion, and to encounter the Love of God, a focus on the Sacrament of Reconciliation – this most powerful encounter with divine mercy – is essential.” - *Thomas Cardinal Collins.*

From **December 11 to 23, 2017**, each parish in the Archdiocese of Toronto will be holding a **Day of Confessions**. Confessions at our parish will be available on:

December 16th / 17th & 23rd / 24th

Saturday:

Confession 3:45pm to 4:15pm
Mass 4:30pm to 5:15pm
 Confession until 6pm following Mass

Sunday:

Confession 8am
Mass 8:30am to 9:15am
 Confession 9:30am to 10:30am
Mass 11am to 11:45am

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve

4:30 p.m.
 Celebrant & Homilist: Fr. Smith
 12 Midnight
 Celebrant & Homilist: Fr. Krafchik

Christmas Day

8:30 a.m.
 Celebrant & Homilist: Fr. Smith
 11 a.m.
 Celebrant & Homilist: Bishop Kasun

**Lessons and Carols at St. Paul's
 Sunday December 17th at 2pm**



The **Advent Concert** at St. Paul's Basilica is a celebration of music and Scripture for the Christmas Season. The service will consist of 8 traditional readings for the Christmas Season from Scripture, interspersed with carols, hymns, solos and ensemble music performed by the musicians of St. Paul's Basilica. Admission is free for all.

***Refreshments to follow in the Basilica Hall.
 Please join us!***

First Friday Eucharistic Adoration at St. John's 786 Kingston Rd.

On all First Fridays, until June of 2018, St. John's has Eucharistic Exposition & Adoration – a time where we watch and wait, where we remain silent in His Presence, and where we open ourselves to His Graces which flow from the Eucharist. All are welcome. Start time is 7:00 p.m.

God is Good, all the time!

Deacon Paul

A Christmas Cake Thank You

I want to thank all the Parishioners of St. Paul's Basilica for supporting the Campaign For Life Christmas sale. The 4:30 p.m. mass contributed \$265.00 as did the 8:30 a.m. mass. The 11:00 a.m. Parishioners broke the tie and sold \$850.00 worth of cakes. Thank you!

Fr. Smith



The Christmas Mass on TV

For those who cannot make it to church, please join the catholic Community this Christmas. Watch the Daily TV Mass:

Christmas Eve

on VisionTV at 9:00 p, ET

yesTV at 10:00 pm ET

Christmas Day

on VisionTV at 8:00 am and 12:00 pm ET

on Salt+Light at 11:00 pm ET

on yesTV at 1:00 pm

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The Rosary at St. Paul's Basilica

According to some Catholic traditions, the rosary was given to Saint Dominic in a vision of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

On Sunday December 10th after the 11 am mass come and pray the rosary for Pope Francis intention which is for elderly people that they will be sustained by families and Christian communities.

Prayers of Petition in the Chapel of Mercy

(Located to the right of the middle door)

Prayer is our direct avenue to reach out to God with our requests and concerns. Our prayer becomes a form of adoration and a way to show our trust in our Creator God and Jesus the Eternal High Priest, who intercedes for us with his Father.

Starting this weekend there will be two petition boxes with paper and pencil that you may write your concerns on and place in the petition box. On the last Sunday of each month the 11 am mass will be offered for the people and concerns that have been placed in the petition box.

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