

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

Patrick Cleary, Principal

Phone: 416-393-5204

PARISH MINISTRIES

Sacramental Preparation

Breakfast Club

Children's Liturgy

Taize Prayer

Eucharistic Adoration

Choir

Palm Sunday

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday	April 13 th	4:30 p.m.	+Rosalina Tomas Flor
Sunday	April 14 th	8:30 a.m.	+Eamon Dorgan
Sunday	April 14 th	11:00 a.m.	+Rosalina Tomas Flor +Jose Faller



THE SANCTUARY LIGHT BURNS FOR:
+JULIE CLUNE



Passion (Palm) Sunday

What did Jesus cling to? Not to the fleeting glory of crowds shouting, “Hosanna!” Paul says Jesus didn’t even cling to his divine position: he “did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself,” becoming human. He accepted the suffering and pain of human life. He lived in vulnerability, God’s Suffering Servant, not hiding his face “from insult and spitting.”

But he did not cling to suffering...he did not let it become the final word. Not even on the cross. He clung, instead, to his identity as God’s beloved. He clung to his relationship with the Father. Even in his agony, he remembered who he was. His final heartbroken cry was, nonetheless, a cry of faith, a prayer from Psalm 22: “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” He clung to what he knew best: he was God’s beloved; he trusted in God. And God did not let him down. Paul assures us, “God highly exalted him.”

We need to be reminded that evil, hatred, suffering and death don’t have the final word. Jesus gives us this gift. He shows us that life is stronger than death: love is stronger than hatred; faith and hope are stronger than fear and suffering. He shows us that we, too, are God’s beloved. Let us cling to this love.

*Dinah Simmons
Halifax, NS*

PARISH MISSION AT ST. PAUL’S April 15, 16 & 17 at 7 p.m.

We are very pleased to announce that Father Eugene O’Reilly will be preaching a Holy Week Mission at St. Paul’s. Fr. O’Reilly was born in Monaghan, Ireland, educated in Canada & France and was ordained in 1972. He is a member of The Redemptorist Order and has been preaching Missions since 1983. Some of the themes for the Mission are intimacy with God, living the reign of God today, reconciliation and discipleship. Come and spend one hour with the Lord during Holy Week.

The Mission is this week. Have you decided to make it? Too busy? Heard it all before? You are beyond help because divorced? Remarried? Haven’t been to church in years? These are excuses (not reasons) for avoiding the Mission. Weigh them well against the generous love of God who wants to speak to you. No matter what your decision, can I ask you to pray about the Mission? Prayer, as you know, changes things. Pray for yourself, for others. God will not refuse a heart raised to him in sincere prayer. Prayer will do for us what no other force on earth can do.

April 14, 2019

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

APRIL 15 – 21

PARISH MISSION

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY

7 PM – FR. EUGENE RILEY

“CAN YOU NOT SPEND ONE HOUR
WITH ME”

HOLY THURSDAY APRIL 18

MASS SERVICE 7:00PM

ADORATION OF

BLESSED SACRAMENT UNTIL 9:00 PM

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 19

12 NOON AND 3:00PM

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD’S
PASSION

HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 20

7:00 PM EASTER VIGIL

EASTER SUNDAY MASS APRIL 21

8:30AM AND 11:00AM

BE RECONCILED TO GOD!

Be at Peace!



God created us in love and calls us into relationship. When we lose track of that, we don’t live as we should: we aren’t being the people God meant us to be. We all need to be reminded of who we really are, so we can live from that fullness.

FR. RON KRAFCHIK will be available to celebrate the Sacrament of Confession with you the weekends of **April 6/7 & April 13/14** BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER EVERY MASS.

Archdiocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations

Cardinal Collins has designated Friday, May 3, 2019 as the Archdiocesan Day of Prayer for Vocations. We have three prayer intentions on this day: for the right discernment of vocations still unfolding; for endurance in committed vocations; and for an increase of priestly and religious vocations. Check poster on our bulletin boards for details. If you are unable to attend this event, please take a moment to pray for vocations on Friday, May 3. Vocation resources can be found on the Office of

Vocations’ website:

www.vocationstoronto.ca.

DAY OF REFLECTION

FOR CATHOLIC PARENTS
OF LESBIAN DAUGHTERS
AND GAY SONS

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