

❖ A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

The Lord Has Risen as He Promised...

There is an ancient prayer recited at the end of 'Night Prayer' all throughout the Easter Season: *Regina Caeli*, (Latin).



In English, the *Queen of Heaven* prayer goes...

*Queen of Heaven, rejoice, Alleluia.
The Son whom you merited to bear, Alleluia,
has risen as He promised, Alleluia.*

*Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, Alleluia!
For the Lord has truly risen, Alleluia.*

This is the essential message of our faith. The Lord has truly risen. And we are His brothers and sisters by His choice. Especially during this week of continuous Easter celebration let us rejoice. In Lent we have let go of our burdens; now let us know what it is to live in the Lord!

Just as on each Sunday we celebrate Christ's resurrection, His victory over sin and death – all the pathways of destruction – so too are to be renewed when we mark on this solemn feast the truth and the completeness of that victory. In Lent we became more aware of our own need for renewal; now Christ gives to us the gift beyond all our imagining. Let us allow Him to work in us.

Throughout the Easter season we will continue to rejoice in the Lord's resurrection, and we will also be preparing for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. It is the Holy Spirit that guides us, helps us to discern from all the many choices we can make in life, which ones lead us to the fullness of life. Like the Lord Himself, we must pray to the Father that our hearts and minds will be open. It is with the gifts and the direction of the Spirit that we begin to experience the fruits of Easter, sharing that so that the truth of God's love may become known in the midst of our too injured world.

I wish all of you a joyous and fruitful Easter!

In Christ,

Fr. Bob

❖ EVENTS

Take a tour of St. Paul's



Curious about the beautiful artwork, the tragedy of the Irish or the building's history? Why is St. Paul's a Basilica and how can you know that you are in a building of importance?

Tours take place after the Saturday

4:30 pm and Sunday 11 am Masses. Meet at the back of the church and a volunteer tour guide will take you on a short journey through the church.

Holy Week Schedule

Good Friday | April 15

The Lord's Passion
1:00 pm & 3:00 pm

Stations of the Cross - 5:30 pm

Holy Saturday | April 16

Easter Vigil - 8:30 pm
(No 4:30 pm Mass)

Easter Sunday | April 17

8:30 am & 11:00 am

Office Closed for Easter Monday

St. Paul's Basilica Office will be closed on Monday, April 18th for the Easter Monday holiday. Regular office hours resume on Tuesday.

Religious Education Registration

We are accepting registrations for all children wishing to participate in celebrating the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Holy Eucharist and Confirmation taking place this June.

We understand that due to the disruption caused by the pandemic, some children may have missed celebrating the Sacraments. Registration is open to any child who should have received a Sacrament in the past two (2) years.

Sign-up forms are available at the back of the church and in the parish office. The first meeting is scheduled for Sunday, April 24th (see form for more scheduling details)

New Weekday Mass!

In addition to our regular weekend Masses, St. Paul's now offers weekday Masses, Tuesday to Friday at 5:00 pm. All are welcome!

Thank You!

Our parish community extends a special word of thanks and gratitude to all liturgical ministers and to all those who helped make our Holy Week celebrations so prayerful.

A special thank you to

- Our Musicians, for providing the beautiful music,
- The Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers for their endless service and dedication and,
- Our Sacristan who helps make sure the liturgies run so smoothly.

Ukrainian Humanitarian Relief

Those wishing to help may do so in the following ways:

- Online through the Archdiocese of Toronto website: www.archtoronto.org
- By phone through the Development Office – 416-934-3411
- Through the parish, making cheques payable to:
St. Paul's Basilica - Ukrainian Relief - Humanitarian Relief

Your donation will help Ukrainians who are beset by violence in Eastern Europe, and it will help some of them find a new home in Canada

Please continue to pray for the Ukrainian people and all those who suffer under the human tragedy of war. Thank you for your continued assistance.



Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 16

Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 17

8:30 am; Jessica San Juan

11:00 am; For the People

Tuesday, April 19

5:00 pm; Mario Annecchini

Wednesday, April 20

5:00 pm;

Thursday, April 21

5:00 pm; + Suzanne McAllister

Friday, April 22

5:00 pm;

Easter Sunday Resurrection of the Lord - April 17, 2022

ShareLife Helps During Pandemic

"Many aspects of pre-Covid life are returning, such as the gradual reopening of our parishes. But we must remember that, for many people, their suffering continues. ShareLife-funded agencies have been helping thousands of people since the pandemic began. They quickly adapted their programs in light of safety and the changing needs of the people they serve."

– Cardinal Thomas Collins

Thank you for supporting ShareLife!

Bulletin Restart



bulletins in the upcoming weeks!

If you would like to include a parish or neighbourhood related article in the bulletin, please submit a write up, (50 to 150 words), including title and any accompanying image suggestions to stpaulsbasilica@archtoronto.org

All articles are subject to review and approval by the parish.

After a long hiatus, St. Paul's is set to begin publishing parish

2022 Mass Intentions

St. Paul's Basilica is now accepting 2022 Mass Intentions for all weekday Masses at 5 pm (Tue - Fri) and weekend Masses Sat at 4:30 pm and Sun at 8:30 am & 11 pm.

The offering for a scheduled / announced date is \$20 per Mass and \$10 per Mass for an unscheduled / unannounced intention. Monday deadline for the following week.

The parish office is open Mon - Fri from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm. To book a Mass intention, please call the office at 416-364-7588 or send an email to stpaulsbasilica@archtoronto.org.

Please consider the Pre-Authorized Giving Plan (PAG)



The Pre-Authorized Giving Plan, authorized and supported by the Archdiocese of Toronto, is a direct debit program allowing you to support our parish through an automatic monthly withdrawal from your bank account. Now you can lend us your support in the same manner that you currently pay many of your other financial obligations without writing cheques or searching your wallet for cash every Sunday. PAG sign-up forms are available at the back of the church and in the parish office.

To enroll in this convenient program, simply fill out the form, attach a void cheque and drop it into the weekly collection basket or mail it to the parish office. A tax receipt will be issued to you for the donations you contribute for that year.