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Saturday: 4:30 pm ♦ Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am
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SACRAMENTS

Please contact us for more information on preparing for and receiving a Sacrament at St. Paul's Basilica.

- ♦ Baptism; Two months in advance
- ♦ Marriage; Registered parishioners at least one year in advance, For all other marriage inquiries please contact the parish office
- ♦ First Holy Eucharist, Confirmation and RCIA;
Registration takes place in the fall
- ♦ Anointing of the sick & Communion of the sick and shut-ins;
Please contact the parish office

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❖ A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Music and Spirituality

Quite possibly if you are coming to celebrate Mass at St. Paul's you are at least partly drawn by the music. Its influence on us is significant but we may not realize just how significant.

We conclude that this or that piece is beautiful or lifts us up. Well, there are good reasons for that.

1. Music is the modern medium for poetry. Both the music and the words can open up our imaginations and transport us from our daily concerns. That's one good reason why music has pride of place in our worship.
2. Music is breath. Whether it is Gregorian chant or folk melodies with a sacred text in a hymn, the rise and fall, the movement and pauses all speak to us of the most elemental part of life – breathing and breathing out. It takes us to our centre from where life can be renewed.
3. The beat goes on. Music generally has a rhythm. When it is slower it echoes our lives at rest and peace. Think of a waltz played by

melodious strings. It can be regular or irregular and may take us on a journey through the ups and downs of life.

4. Music is the human voice. Even when we are listening to instrumental music they often imitate the human voice. Wind instruments and brass require breath and give breath voice shaped by the talents of the musician. String instruments vibrate, slide, bounce and have tones and overtones like the human voice. I love Ella Fitzgerald, for example, whose voice to my ears was rich with tones and overtones. Even percussion instruments have a kind of voice in their resonance, as you listen to the decay of a drum or of cymbals.

In all these ways music provides tools by which we express and reveal our deepest selves. When music is at the service of our spiritual life it serves to reveal not only the goodness of the artist but becomes a means by which we have revealed to us something of our own hearts. Certainly, some music can be oppressive and we can use music to reinforce negative feelings sometimes but music holds such



possibilities of opening us that it can be a great ally and expression of the spiritual life. Chant, for example, developed just in that way ... to help those praying to offer themselves more deeply and together as a worshipping body.

I will close this little reflection with the reminder that we have a concert coming up on October 21st with our organ, a breathy instrument that uses air to make music just like our vocal cords. And like a big version of our body, the church will resonate with those sounds and help us to travel to new spiritually enriching places.

FYI, I have a blog on the subject: Fr. Bob's Music Blog: <https://frbobmusic.blogspot.com/>.



In Christ,

Fr. Bob

❖ NOTEWORTHY

Together in Worship Canada Organ Recital



On Friday, October 21st at 7 pm, organists Aaron James, Gordon Mansell and David Simon, of *Together in Worship Canada*, will be putting on a recital featuring one of Toronto's oldest all wood pipe organ here at St. Paul's. Coffee and cookies will follow the recital in the parish hall. There is no cost but a suggested \$5 free will offering is appreciated. All are welcome to attend!

All Souls Day - November 2nd, 2022; Praying for Our Beloved dead in November

In the month of November it is our tradition to pray for our beloved. The parish will have a "Book of Remembrance" for the faithful departed and the names of all those family members written in it will be remembered at all masses throughout November. Parishioners may add names of deceased family members or friends for whom they wish the parish to offer prayers during this season of remembrance. On November 2, All Souls day the parish will have Masses for All Souls at 5pm and 7pm.

Pakistan Floods - Humanitarian Relief

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

- » Online at www.archtoronto.org
- » By phone 416-934-3411
- » Through the parish, making cheques payable to:
St. Paul's Basilica – Pakistan Floods – Humanitarian Relief

Please continue to pray for those who have died and been displaced as a result of this tragic situation in Pakistan.

❖ NEWS

World Mission Sunday – October 22-23

There will be a second collection today for the Evangelization of the Nations, otherwise known as World Mission Sunday. This is a worldwide collection for the missionary church and it is our opportunity to assist at-need Catholic communities globally. Offerings are combined with offerings from other Catholics around the world and distributed to missions and dioceses. We are called to share from our abundance with those less fortunate who lack the basic essentials to know, love and praise God. Thank you for your support of this important work.



Time to register for First Holy Eucharist and Confirmation



It's that time of year to begin registrations for this year's Sacramental Preparation Programme. We are accepting registrations for children wishing to prepare for the celebration of the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation next spring.

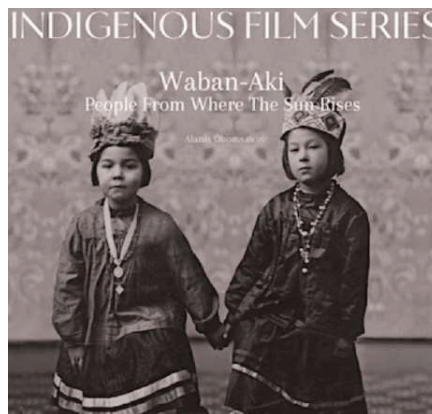
Information sheets and forms can be found at the back of the church.

Film Screening: Waban-Aki: People from where the Sun Rises

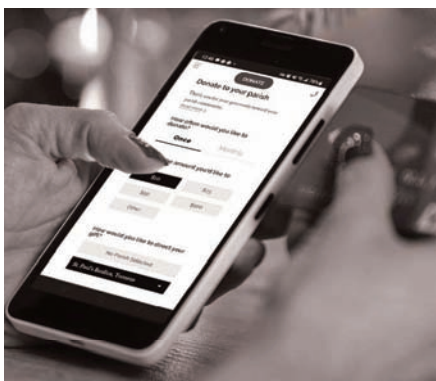
When: November 9th - 6:30 pm

Where: The Mary Ward Centre, 70 St. Mary St.

Join The Mary Ward Centre, The Jesuit Forum, & Regis College for an imaginative encounter towards Truth & Reconciliation. Dr. and Elder, Bob Philips (Great Bear) will be facilitating discussions to help deepen the appreciation for this film. Free to attend, though a good offering is appreciated. For more information or to register please scan the QR code or visit <http://tiny.cc/wabanaki>.



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Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 15

4:30 pm ♦

Sunday, October 16

8:30 am ♦ For the People

11:00 am ♦ Living & Deceased
Members of the McKee &
Orlando Families

Tuesday, October 18

5:00 pm ♦ Juliana Yang

Wednesday, October 19

5:00 pm ♦

Thursday, October 20

5:00 pm ♦

Friday, October 21

5:00 pm ♦ † John Anderson

RSVP Before it's too late!

*Estate Planning for the
Caribbean Community*

Are you Caribbean or of Caribbean descent? If so, join us for this **FREE** special event at the historic St. Paul's Basilica in Toronto, on **Saturday, October 29th, 2022**. Come and learn about the importance of a Will, Powers of Attorney & Estate Planning as well as Catholic teachings and traditions around burials and cremation. This day offers lots more!

- » A Light Breakfast
- » A musical interlude featuring members of Our Lady of Good Counsel Caribbean Music Ministry
- » A tour of the beautiful St. Paul's Basilica; the oldest Roman Catholic Parish in Toronto

Day's Schedule

- 08:00 am - Registration and Breakfast
- 08:50 am - Music
- 09:00 am - Presentation
- 10:00 am - Questions and Answers
- 10:30 am - Music
- 11:00 am - Tour of the St. Paul's Basilica

To register or receive further information, send us an email to: development@archtoronto.org or call us at 416-934-3400 ext. 561/519. Please include your Full Name and Parish. ***Space is limited so please register early!**

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