



# ST. PAUL'S BASILICA

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## MASS TIMES

Saturday: 4:30 pm ♦ Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am  
Tuesday to Friday: 5:00 pm

## CONFESSIONS

Saturdays from 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm

## OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm  
(closed for lunch from 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm)

## CONTACT

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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

## ST. PAUL'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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## ❖ A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR



### Speak Lord, Your Servant is Listening

The Canada Day long weekend is upon us. Confederation, now 156 years ago, began with four provinces, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario. The Canadian population has just surpassed 40 million. In 1961, the year I was born, the population was only 18 million. We've really grown! We've also seen a transformation of our self-understanding. There are people here literally from all parts of the world. We have begun to acknowledge that there very much was a 'Canada' here already, well before the arrival of European immigration.

We believe that the Holy Spirit is working through each of us, especially

if we are welcoming the Lord's voice; "Speak Lord, Your servant is listening". There is a great work we are all engaged in, of building up Christ's body right here, to reflect maturely and wonderfully the New Covenant.

Perhaps someday the terms we use in our Constitution may change to reflect that our First Nations peoples are at the heart of our country. Despite the very secular age in which we live, we should not lose hope. Our faith proposes a positive way of living, that not only conforms to the Gospel, but has positive consequences in our human lives – healthier relationships for one.

I hope we all take some time this summer to listen to God speak deeply to the very heart of our lives, so that when our busy lives return in September, we are more centred on Christ and freer to glow with His light. I look forward to the ways in which Christ is going to be richly present here in our community at St. Paul's.

Have a safe, enjoyable and renewing summer!

In Christ,

*Fr. Bob*

## ❖ NOTEWORTHY

### Welcome Visitors!

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all visitors who attend Mass with us at St. Paul's Basilica. We are happy to have you with us and invite you to introduce yourself to Fr. Bob O'Brien at the end of Mass.

If you attend frequently, we encourage you to consider joining our parish and becoming a member of our faith community. Each individual member



of our parish is an important part of our Catholic Family, sharing in gifts of faith from the Lord which are strengthened and deepened by our Communion in Jesus Christ.

Contact our parish office to register at 416-364-7588 or [stpaulsbasilica@archtoronto.org](mailto:stpaulsbasilica@archtoronto.org). If you are already a registered parishioner we would like to thank you for all your support!

### Bulletins During the Summer

Our next bulletin will be published on August 6 and resume weekly publications in September. Mass intentions for July will be listed in August's bulletin.



### Summer Office Schedule

The parish office will be closed on:

- » July 3 for Canada Day,
- » August 4 & 7 for the Civic Holiday,
- » September 1, 4 & 5 for Labour Day

***Have a wonderful and safe Summer!***

# ❖ NEWS

## Parish Collection Summary

June	2023	2022	Diff
Last Wkd	\$ 2,010	\$ 2,791	↓ \$ 781
Mth Total	\$ 10,334	\$ 14,359	↓ \$ 4,025

*Thank you for supporting our parish!*

## Healing after Abortion – Day of Prayer and Healing for Women

*Saturday, July 15, 2023; 9 am to 5 pm*

The Sisters of Life are hosting a Day of Prayer and Healing for women seeking healing after abortion. This day is an opportunity to experience the loving mercy of God and the joy of healing in Christ, in a confidential and sacred space. It will include a witness of mercy, a Scripture reflection, personal prayer, opportunity for Sacramental Confession, and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. There is no fee for the day, lunch will be provided. Please contact the Sisters of Life for more information and location details at 416-463-2722 or email [toronto@sistersoflife.org](mailto:toronto@sistersoflife.org)

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## Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed

*Wednesday, August 16, 2023 at 7 pm*



Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services - Archdiocese of Toronto invites all families within the Archdiocese of Toronto to participate in the Annual Mass for the Faithful Departed on Wednesday August 16, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

For information on Cemetery locations and Celebrants for this year's Annual Mass visit [catholic-cemeteries.com](http://catholic-cemeteries.com) or scan the QR code.



## Summer Street Patrol

*Wednesday evenings, July 05, 2023 - August 30, 2023 from 6:30 pm to 9 pm*  
*St. Patrick's Parish, 137 McCaul Street, Toronto*



Interested in helping the homeless? Street Patrol is a weekly volunteer walk through Toronto's downtown core, offering food and friendship to the homeless. Volunteer by yourself or organize a group of friends. Patrol once or as many times as you wish. Please note that food and drinks are prepared independently by you ahead of time. Individuals or small groups do not need to contact Street Patrol in advance. You may just show up. Groups of 12 people or more, please book ahead. Scan the QR code or visit [stpatricksto.archtoronto.org](http://stpatricksto.archtoronto.org) for more information.



## Irish Summer Camp 4 Kids



An Irish summer camp for children, aged 4 to 14, will be held at St. Paul's from Monday, July 24 to Friday, July 28. The camp offers an introduction into Irish culture, including language, singing, musical instruments, dance, sports and crafts, finishing with a showcase concert for families will be held at the end of the week.

For more information or to register visit [irishsummercamp4kids.com](http://irishsummercamp4kids.com) or scan the code.



## Remember us this Summer

Sadly, parish expenses do not take a summer holiday and still need to be paid. Please continue to support us throughout the summer while you are on vacation. Have a safe and enjoyable holiday!



## Donate Online

Don't carry cash or even own cheques? Want to collect miles or points on your credit card? A single or monthly donation through your credit card is a great option. Tax receipts are issued immediately for a single donation and at the end of the year for a recurring gift. Select the Donate button at [stpaulsbasilica.archtoronto.org](http://stpaulsbasilica.archtoronto.org) or scan the QR code. Please ensure that "St. Paul's Basilica, Toronto" is selected from the Parish drop down menu when signing up.



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