



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

Mass is celebrated at the Good Shepherd Centre - 412 Queen St. East,
Monday to Friday: 12:00 pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays from 3:30 pm to 4:15 pm

OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Friday from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

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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
- ♦ First Communion, Confirmation and RCIA;
Registration takes place in September
- ♦ Anointing of the sick & Communion to the sick and shut-ins;
Please call during office hours

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❖ A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR



Annunciation (c. 1472-1475); Artist: Leonardo da Vinci; Source: Uffizi Galleries, Italy

Peace Be With You!

Last week, on Good Friday, Jesus' last human breath was expelled from His body and today, Jesus, risen from the dead, breathes upon His apostles and announces peace – the peace of the New Creation in His Name.

This makes for a great coming together of grace this weekend. We are celebrating the Octave of Easter, which is also called, Divine Mercy Sunday. This title draws on the devotion to the saving and merciful love of Jesus that formed the heart of St. Faustina Kowalska's lifelong prayer. Jesus breathes His Holy Spirit on the apostles and on Monday, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Annunciation.

In response to the Holy Father's request in 2023, Archbishop Leo has provided all our parishes with resources to help us to be consecrated to Mary on or near the Solemnity of the Annunciation. At

the end of each Mass this weekend, some of these prayers will be used to give each and every one of us the opportunity to draw close to Mary in this way.

You may be asking why the Annunciation is being celebrated so late this year. Well, when Easter's date causes the feast to fall within Holy Week or the Octave of Easter, the celebration is moved to the next available date. This year that date is April 8th! Next year the Annunciation will be on March 25th as we normally expect it to be.

This year we have a wonderful coming together of Christ, the Holy Spirit, and the loving Mother of Christ and the Church. There are many intentions that we have in our lives, but I would ask you to add prayers for the whole Church. Despite all the stresses and questions in the present day, when we

stop and let go of our own attachments, and welcome the Lord Jesus at the Eucharistic banquet, we express our hope and what is already true. Together, we are a communion united by the Lord, Himself. None of us can claim to have a perfect understanding of our faith and all of us have to admit our own weakness and limitation in living it every day. Despite these things, the Lord, who has come for the sick, forms us, calls us His friends and makes us one with Him. It is that overwhelming grace that gives us hope and allows us to entrust ourselves to His merciful love. May Mary, our Mother, lead us into all faith that we may be one holy people in mercy and in truth.

In Christ,

Fr. Bob

❖ NEWS

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, April 6

4:30 pm ♦ For the People

Sunday, April 7

8:30 am ♦ † Leonila Nerizon

11:00 am ♦ All Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, April 9

5:00 pm ♦

Wednesday, April 10

5:00 pm ♦ † Joan Dorrington

Thursday, April 11

5:00 pm ♦

Friday, April 12

5:00 pm ♦ Private Intention

Parish Collection Summary

	2024	2023	Diff
Mar 31	\$ 10,419	\$ 5,646	↑ \$ 4,773
Apr 7		\$ 7,215	
Apr 14		\$ 6,474	
Apr 21		\$ 3,031	
Apr 28		\$ 3,195	
Mth Target	\$ 10,419	\$ 25,561	↓ \$15,142

Thank you for supporting our parish!

Save The Date !

May 10th, 2024 at 7:30 pm

In honour of Mother's Day, on the evening of May 10th, 2024, St. Paul's will be hosting Together in Worship Canada in a musical performance entitled Full of Grace. More information soon!

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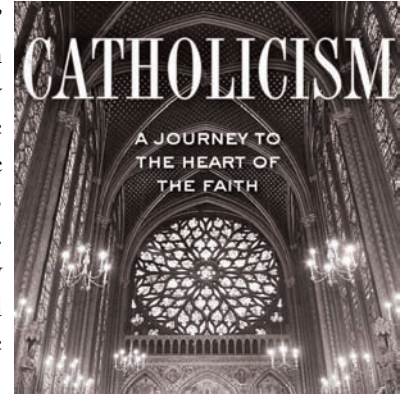


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Ongoing Catholicism Program

St. Paul's invites you to attend our "Catholicism" program, happening every Sunday, after the 11 am Mass. Each week, we watch a 30-minute video by Bishop Barron, where he addresses some of the most controversial questions about life and the identity of Jesus Christ. After the video, we discuss the episode over coffee, tea, and light refreshments. The Catholicism program is a great opportunity for you to grow in your faith while getting involved with our Parish faith community. We hope to see you there!



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Thus far we have raised \$11,300 toward our goal of \$75,000. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope or online through our parish website. Thank you for living the Gospel by opening your hearts and sharing your blessings.



Fr. Bob's on Vacation

Fr. Bob will be away on vacation from April 6th to April 27th. During this time Fr. Michael Lehman, Fr. Tony Farah and Fr. Luis Melo will be celebrating the parish Masses. For sacramental (baptism, marriage etc.) inquires please contact the parish office after Fr. Bob returns.



"Pour Out" Adoration Night

April 19, 7 to 9pm; Merciful Redeemer Parish, Mississauga

Merciful Redeemer's spring Pour Out Adoration Night is here and open to all ages! This evening is inspired by Romans 5:1-11, where St. Paul speaks of how God's love is poured into our hearts to give us peace, mercy and hope. With Easter and Divine Mercy Sunday having just passed, we will gather together to continue soaking in God's love as we ponder the incredible mercy He pours unto us. What does God's overflowing gift of mercy look like? How are we being receptive to this love and mercy? And finally, how do we love Him in return? Join us for a beautiful evening of praise and worship, adoration, prayer ministry, confession, testimony sharing and a talk by Fr. Matt McCarthy! No registration required. All are welcome!

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