



ST. PAUL'S BASILICA

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MASS TIMES

Saturday: 4:30 pm ♦ Sunday: 8:30 am and 11:00 am
Monday: No Mass ♦ 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

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SACRAMENTS

Please contact the parish office 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 the autumn
- ♦ 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

An Ending and a Beginning

Labour Day has arrived! The summer months are beginning to fade. Soon we will be at the equinox, when night is as long as day, and then furnaces, sweaters and coats will follow. If you are in school, the summer can be a miraculous time when mysterious growth happens and you find yourself in the next grade. As we live a little longer, summer feels short and our focus turns once more to our responsibilities.

I have always thought of a parish's year as being determined by the school year. There is an arc. We have a period from September until the beginning of Advent when normal parish activities take place. In Advent we prepare for Christmas, socialize and admittedly shop. During the celebration of Christmas we take time with family and friends as we give thanks for the birth of the Saviour. Come January we get down to our work, school, and recreational activities. Just as the days are beginning to get longer, we look toward Lent. This year Ash Wednesday arrives in late February. We focus on turning toward Christ and the impending celebration of Easter and the Sacraments of Initiation. Adults will be baptized, confirmed and receive their First Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. Younger candidates will receive



their First Eucharist or Confirmation during the Easter season. And before we know it the long weekend in May arrives and our attention turns again to summer – letting go of school and easing back on work. We make plans for time to be away.

In the midst of all this is life itself with its joys, challenges, sorrows, questions, graces and quiet moments of gratitude to God and others. The parish is the people who make it up in a living relationship with the living God and with one another. Included in our awareness should also be those who are not physically with us for Sunday worship or the other parish activities. God loves each person. The

parish is a wonderful resource for us and a wonderful community in which share with one another.

In the coming year, may we be outward looking while not neglecting the nurturing and support that we need to live out our vocations in Christ. As we spread our wings, I hope that you hear and respond to the Spirit's call in you. Abundant blessings to all!

In Christ,

Fr. Bob

❖ NOTEWORTHY



Rest in Peace Cathy LeBlanc 1958-2025

It is with great sadness that we must announce the passing of Ms. Cathy LeBlanc on August 22, 2025.

Cathy faithfully served as head Sacristan at St. Paul's for over 40 years, including 7 changes in pastors / administrators. Cathy touched many lives. She is remembered as a fun and dedicated member of our parish community, present at nearly all liturgical celebrations and quick to help with any and all aspects of the Mass, liturgy and behind the scenes organization and training. In 2017 she was honoured with the Papal Benemerenti Medal for outstanding service to God's people.

Our thoughts are with her husband, Charlie, and all her family and friends.

Funeral details will be shared once available.

Holiday Office Schedule

The parish office will be closed until Wednesday, September 3rd for the Labour Day holiday.

Have a wonderful and safe Long Weekend!



Youth & Young Adult Ministries Kickoff Dates!

- Edge Opening BBQ: Sept 12, 6:30 pm
- Young Adults: Sept 17, 7:00 pm
- Lifeteen: Sept 19, 6:00 pm
- Alpha & Little Saints: Sept 28, 12:30 pm

Parish Collection Summary

	2025	2024	Diff
Aug 3	\$ 4,518	\$ 4,453	↑ \$ 65
Aug 10	\$ 3,845	\$ 2,462	↑ \$ 1,383
Aug 17*	\$ 6,459	\$ 7,361	↓ \$ 901
Aug 24	\$ 1,722	\$ 2,161	↓ \$ 439
Mth Target	\$ 21,831	\$ 20,599	↑ \$ 107

** Includes Monthly Pre-Authorized Debit Donations*

Thank you for supporting our parish!



Cashless Donations

With fewer people using cheques or cash, here are some new ways to donate!

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Tip Tap - Simply tap your card on the 'tip tap' device, located at the back of the church, to donate. If you would like to receive a tax receipt at the end of the year, you can register your physical card by scanning the QR Code next to the 'tip tap' device. An information sheet is available next to the 'tip tap' device.



Weekly Mass Intentions for August

<p>Saturday, August 2 4:30 pm ♦ For the People</p> <p>Sunday, August 3 8:30 am ♦ For the People 11:00 am ♦ Mira Vlahovic</p> <p>Tuesday, August 5 - 5:00 pm</p> <p>Wednesday, August 6 - 5:00 pm</p> <p>Thursday, August 7 - 5:00 pm Jo-Anne Sheehy</p> <p>Friday, August 8 - 5:00 pm Private Intention</p> <p>Saturday, August 9 4:30 pm ♦ † Andrew Cristillo</p> <p>Sunday, August 10 8:30 am ♦ For the People 11:00 am ♦ Olaf</p> <p>Tuesday, August 12 - 5:00 pm Private Intention</p> <p>Wednesday, August 13 - 5:00 pm Private Intention</p> <p>Thursday, August 14 - 5:00 pm</p> <p>Friday, August 15 - 5:00 pm Private Intention</p> <p>Saturday, August 16 4:30 pm ♦ For the People</p> <p>Sunday, August 17 8:30 am ♦ † Puthussery Paulose & Annamkutty Paulose 11:00 am ♦ † Sunny Crasto</p> <p>Tuesday, August 19 - 5:00 pm † Giuseppina Nardi</p>	<p>Wednesday, August 20 - 5:00 pm † Payyapilly Varkey George & Mary George</p> <p>Thursday, August 21 - 5:00 pm</p> <p>Friday, August 22 - 5:00 pm Private Intention</p> <p>Saturday, August 23 4:30 pm ♦ † Maria Van Thi Nguyen</p> <p>Sunday, August 24 8:30 am ♦ For the People 11:00 am ♦ † Aileen Menez</p> <p>Tuesday, August 26 - 5:00 pm † Mary Kuriakos</p> <p>Wednesday, August 27 - 5:00 pm Private Intention</p> <p>Thursday, August 28 - 5:00 pm Private Intention</p> <p>Friday, August 29 - 5:00 pm Private Intention</p> <p>Saturday, August 30 4:30 pm ♦ † Claire Budziak</p> <p>Sunday, August 31 8:30 am ♦ For the People 11:00 am ♦ † Bingo</p> <p>Tuesday, September 2 - 5:00 pm † Cathy LeBlanc</p> <p>Wednesday, September 3 - 5:00 pm</p> <p>Thursday, September 4 - 5:00 pm</p> <p>Friday, September 5 - 5:00 pm 5:00 pm ♦ Private Intention</p>
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