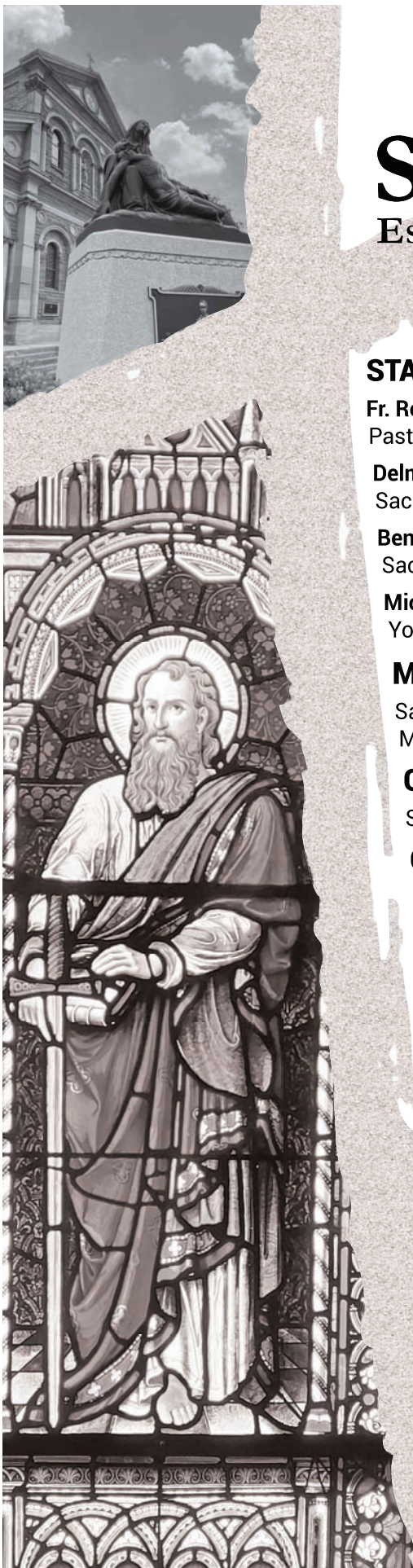




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MASS TIMES

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 or by appointment

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

DONATION OPTIONS

To begin donating via Weekly Offertory Envelopes or Pre-Authorized Monthly Direct Debit, please contact the parish office.

To donate by Credit Card, visit our website or use the Tip Tap Device located near the main entrance. To receive a tax receipt please register your card after your first tap. Information is available near device.

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❖ A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Life at School

We are well into the school year now. So much of what happens at school is more than just the subjects we study. There's a great deal of learning about how to get along with others and how to understand one another. Everyone's personality is different. Some are peaceful souls who quietly want to explore the world and life. Others are natural sharers who love to work together in groups. Then there are the competitive folks who thrive in sports and friendly challenges.

School life brings many blessings, but it also comes with its share of challenges. For some, school can feel intimidating; for others, it can be a place to push hard and strive to be first in line. Do we need to be popular? And, on the flip side, how do we cope when people say or do nasty things?

It's wonderful to want to do our best and to grow in goodness—but putting those ideals into practice isn't always easy. I hope that every child and teenager in St. Paul's Parish knows that they have a valued and important place in our parish family.



God calls us to be ourselves, though it can take time and effort to grow comfortable and confident in who we are. Our identity is uniquely our own, yet we all share a deep desire to belong. We are social by nature—and the same is true when we remember our soul. God has made us to be deeply social. Even God Himself is a community—three Persons in one: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

Beyond the disrespect and unkindness sometimes encountered in the use of social media, we can also end up hiding the deeper truths about ourselves behind too much screen time or constant use of headphones. Don't be afraid—remember that you are God's own. I often tell adults

to be patient and to meet life's challenges one at a time. The same wisdom applies to young people, too.

We are blessed to have St. Paul as a model. He kept moving forward with faith and courage. He had friends, but even more, he had a heart wide open to the love of God. Read his letters—especially where he describes what it means to live a Christian life. They remind us that even in the midst of all our learning, activities, and friendships at school, we can cultivate peaceful and growing hearts.

In Christ

Fr. Bob

❖ NOTEWORTHY

Offertory Envelope Boxes & Donation Numbers



We are beginning preparations for the 2026 offertory envelope boxes. We've noticed that many parishioners regularly contribute using the pink guest envelopes found in the pews. If this is you, we encourage you to consider registering for a box of numbered offertory envelopes or a parish donation number.

Each number is linked to your parish record, making it easier to record your donations and issue end-of-year tax receipts. It also saves you from having to write your name and address each week. To learn more or to sign up, please contact the parish office.

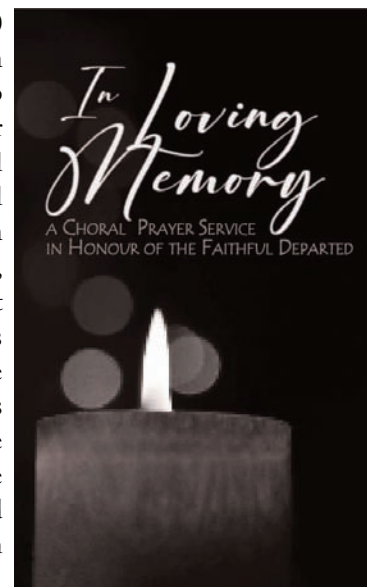
Time Change - Sunday, November 2

On Sunday, November 2, we will move our clocks back one hour to change to standard time. Please remember only the Sunday Masses next weekend will begin in accordance with standard time.

In Loving Memory:

*A Choral Prayer Service in Honour of the Faithful Departed;
November 4th at 7:30 pm*

On Tuesday, November 4 at 7:30 p.m., St. Paul's, in collaboration with Together in Worship Canada, will host a Choral Prayer Service in honour of the Faithful Departed. The evening will feature music by the Canadian Vocal Ensemble—Mosaic, under the direction of Vincent Cheng, along with reflections and guest speakers. All are warmly invited to attend this prayerful gathering. While the service is free of charge, those who wish may make a suggested free-will offering of \$10, which will be gratefully received.



Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, October 25

4:30 pm ♦ † Aileen Menez

Sunday, October 26

8:30 am ♦ For the People

11:00 am ♦ † Fr. Marcel Lahaie

Tuesday, October 28

5:00 pm ♦ The Sardelic Family

Wednesday, October 29

5:00 pm ♦ Vincent Deronja

Thursday, October 30

5:00 pm ♦

Friday, October 31

5:00 pm ♦ Private Intention

Parish Collection Summary

	2025	2024	Diff
Oct 5	\$ 3,417	\$ 3,826	↓ \$ 409
Oct 12	\$ 4,198	\$ 3,336	↑ \$ 862
Oct 19*	\$ 6,361	\$ 6,120	↑ \$ 240
Oct 26		\$ 2,526	
Mth Target	\$ 13,976	\$ 15,807	↓ \$ 1,832

* 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!

Online at 'stpaulsbasilica.archtoronto.org' or scan the QR code or and hit the Donate button. Check that "St. Paul's Basilica, Toronto" is selected from the Parish drop down menu when signing up.



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.



Upcoming Special Collections

Parish Preservation Fund

Our monthly Preservation Fund collection will be held **November 1 & 2**. This collection helps cover the ongoing maintenance needed to preserve and care for our beautiful Basilica, ensuring it remains open and welcoming to all.



Shepherds' Trust

The annual Shepherds' Trust collection will be held **November 15 & 16**. This collection supports the needs of elderly and disabled priests so they can lead a dignified life after many years of ministry.

We thank you in advance for your support, generosity and continued commitment.

Register your child for Sacramental Preparation

Families with children between the ages of 7 and 15, who are ready to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation next spring can pick up a registration package from the back of the church or the parish office. The First Holy Communion parent meetings have already taken place. Confirmation parent & candidate meetings will take place Sunday, October 19th and November 9th, at 10:15 am. Please see the registration package or email Micah, at mmacmullen@archtoronto.org, for info.

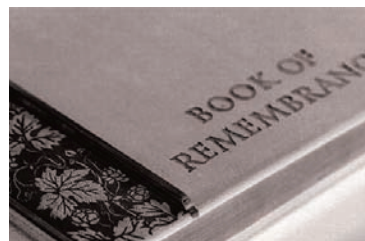


All Saints Day and All Souls Day Mass Schedules

On Saturday, November 1st, the parish will celebrate Mass for All Saints at 10 am. **Please note that the Saturday 4:30 pm Mass will be the normal Sunday Vigil Mass. There will not be a separate Mass for All Souls Day.** The Sunday 8:30 am and 11 am Masses on November 2nd will be celebrated for All Souls.



Praying for Our Beloved Dead in November



A Book of Remembrance will be available at the front of the church throughout the month of November, when we traditionally pray for the repose of the souls of our beloved. All are welcome to offer prayers for the faithful departed by writing the names of deceased family and friends in the book. Names in the book will be remembered at all Masses throughout November.

Latest News and Events in the Archdiocese of Toronto



Archdiocese
of Toronto

Raising a Saint:
Interview with
St. Carlo Acutis'
Mother



Eucharistic Miracles
of the World Exhibit
at St. Catherine of
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