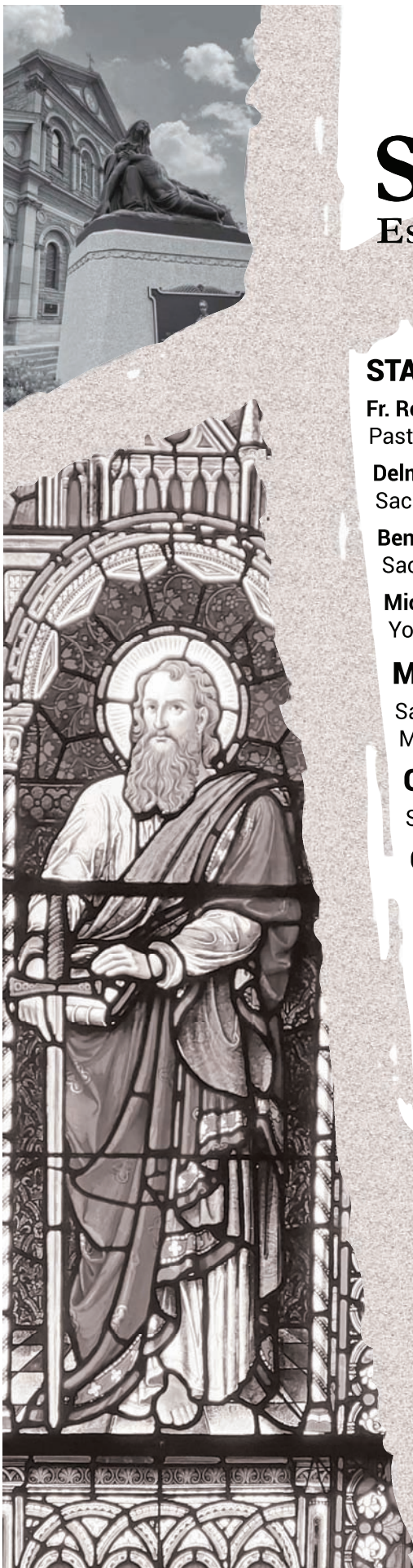




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MASS TIMES

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

Stories

Over the last couple of weeks, at our gatherings for those enquiring about the Catholic faith, we have devoted time to stories. I began by asking what stories they identified with growing up. We collected a wonderfully wide-ranging list. The following week, we began reflecting on why and what aspects of those stories were meaningful. Without revealing our own “plotline” too soon, we will eventually come to recount our shared story of salvation.

Stories rise out of our sense of identity. A key part of turning toward God is the revision and refinement of our own story, as we begin to understand ourselves on the journey toward the new life offered to us by Jesus.

What we call “Ordinary Time” contains a cycle of readings that leads us through this story. We hear of Jesus from his infancy to his Ascension. Through the weekday and Sunday reading cycles, we weave in and out of the Old Testament, the letters, and the Acts of the Apostles. As we approach the end of the liturgical year, we look toward the fulfillment of Christ’s saving work by hearing from the Book of Revelation.

In our contemporary world, it can seem that our appreciation for history—perhaps even the study of it—has diminished. Yet history tells the story of our shared life in countless ways. This weekend, two stories are presented to us: one from the Church, the other from Canadian society.



Like last weekend, the normal flow of readings is interrupted because we are celebrating a feast. The cathedral of Rome is dedicated to St. John the Baptist and St. John the Evangelist, though it is more commonly called “St. John Lateran.” This name refers to its geographic origins: in ancient Rome, the Laterani family’s estate was confiscated by the Emperor Nero and, centuries later, the palace built there was donated to the Pope by Emperor Constantine. Rome is a place that treasures history, and the cathedral of Rome stands as a symbol of the unity of the Church.

The second story is our upcoming observance of Remembrance Day on November 11th. The end of the First World War is now 107 years behind us, and the end of the Second

World War 80 years. To our fast-moving modern world, this may seem a long time. In reality, it is not—and their lessons are no less relevant. How many people today live scarred by violence? Alas, in far too many places, war and chaos still inflict deep devastation. Not every story is easy to tell, but sometimes we must face what is difficult if we wish to grow—to make lasting changes personally and as a society. Remembrance Day allows us to honour those who sacrificed to stem the blind pursuit of power and to protect the freedoms, order, and respectful coexistence we value, even in the face of many differences. With the blessings of peace and freedom that we enjoy, we are called not only to improve our own little piece of earth but also to positively effect the wider world. And rooted in our story of faith, we as believers have even more to offer.

We tell stories as representations of realities too large or mysterious to approach directly. This is why the Scriptures, in all their variety, evoke our imaginations into hearing God’s Word. The story of Christ’s revelation is, we believe, the root of all stories. From this root, we are called to make Christ known and to transform the world in preparation for the coming of God’s Kingdom.

In Christ

Fr. Bob

❖ NOTEWORTHY



Good Shepherd's Harvest for Hope Auction Open!

Until November 13th at 5 pm; Bid. Win. Give Hope!

Good Shepherd’s Harvest for Hope Auction is now live. Shop unique gifts and great deals while helping provide shelter, meals, and hope to people in need.

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This silent auction closes on November 13th at 5 pm. To bid, scan the QR code or visit can.givergy.com/Harvest-For-Hope/

For information about the auction, how to donate items, delivery options, and other important details please contact corliss@goodshepherd.ca or call 416-869-3619 ext. 262.



❖ NEWS

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, November 8

4:30 pm ♦ † Michel Vachon

Sunday, November 9

8:30 am ♦ For the People

11:00 am ♦ For the People

Tuesday, November 11

5:00 pm ♦ † Armed Forces Members who have Died in the Line of Duty

Wednesday, November 12

5:00 pm ♦ † William LeBlanc

Thursday, November 13

5:00 pm ♦

Friday, November 14

5:00 pm ♦ Private Intention

Parish Collection Summary

	2025	2024	Diff
Nov 2	\$ 5,773	\$ 4,804	↑\$ 969
Nov 9		\$ 2,924	
Nov 16*		\$ 6,663	
Nov 23		\$ 2,572	
Nov 30		\$ 6,101	
Mth Target	\$ 5,773	\$ 23,064	↓\$17,292

* 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 'tiptap' 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 'tiptap' device. An information sheet is available next to the 'tiptap' device.



We Remember...

On November 11th, we remember, in thanksgiving, those who made, and who continue to make, the supreme sacrifice for us in time of war. We pray that the offering of their lives may not have been in vain. Today we dedicate ourselves to the cause of justice, freedom and peace, and for the wisdom and strength to build a better world. May we keep all those who are overseas in our prayers, that they may return home safely.

Upcoming Special Collections

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.



Parish Preservation Fund

Our monthly Preservation Fund collection will be held **December 6 & 7**. This collection helps cover the ongoing maintenance needed to preserve and care for our beautiful Basilica, ensuring it remains open and welcoming to all.

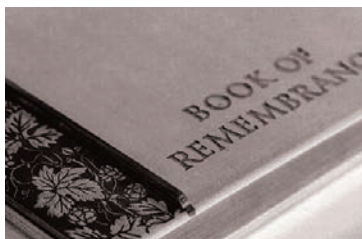
We thank you in advance for your support, generosity and continued commitment.

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.

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.

Renew Toronto



RENEW Toronto – an annual conference for all young adults aged 18 - 39, takes place on Christ the King weekend, November 21st to 23rd in Whitby. It is an opportunity to grow in faith with like-minded people in a similar stage of life. For more info, or to register visit 'renewtoronto.org' or scan the QR code.



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