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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

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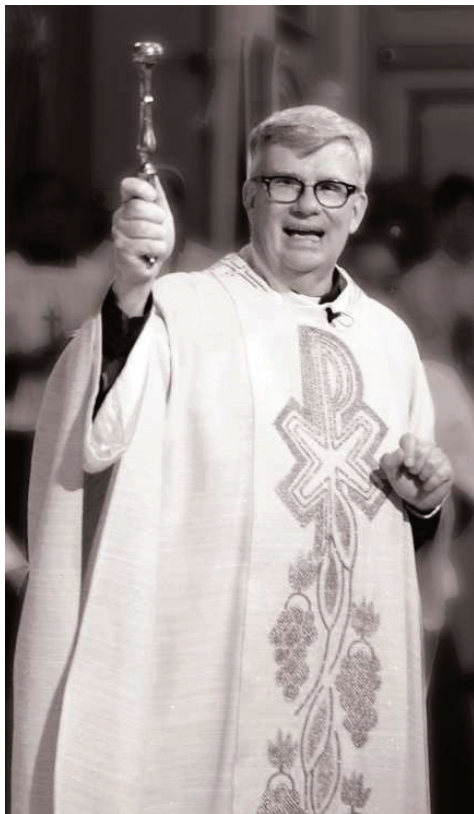
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❖ A MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Seeing the World Through the Eyes of Faith



On the day we commemorate the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead, we gather to give praise to God, acknowledging that we have been changed. This is why our hour in church, our time together in our parish, and the bonds we share as we help one another live the Christian life all testify to a different way of living.

How do we hear about the problems of the world? Most often through

journalism—print, television or online. This way of looking at the world presents us with facts and, increasingly, images. Yet our viewpoint cannot be captured in a photograph or a video. Through Baptism, we are joined intimately to Christ and thus made members of one family. As we hear of so many challenges and struggles, we can be tempted to view even our own lives through a merely journalistic lens, seeing only burdens and difficulties.

So, what does it mean to see ourselves and the world through the eyes of our faith? The Word of God helps us. Learning from Jesus, we are not only His followers, but we become His friends. This week St. Paul beautifully reminds us that the gift we have received in the grace of Christ so far outweighs the burdens and faults of this world that it overflows with new life.

Like St. Paul, I find myself wanting to encourage all of you to become ever more deeply rooted in this New Creation into which we have been reborn. We need our whole selves to be engaged: an intelligent use of our emotions, healthy imaginations, practical wisdom, and the sanity to be present to the graces the Lord offers us each day. As St. Paul so often teaches, give praise to God, entrust yourselves to Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, and use your gifts for the good of others. Be discerning. Seek to do the things that will endure.

I am confident that the faith you possess will continue to build up God's Kingdom here at St. Paul's. Fr. Charles will bring his own gifts, and he too will listen to the promptings of the Holy Spirit as he shepherds those whom the Lord has entrusted to his care.

Please remember to pray for me as well—for the parishioners of St. Joan of Arc, for all those whom I have had the honour of serving throughout my priesthood, and for those who may come under my pastoral care in the future.

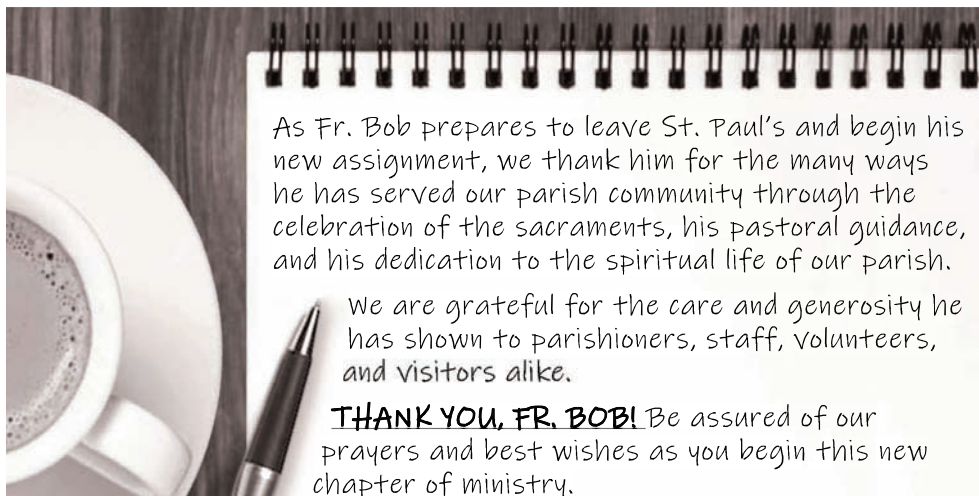
As I wrote last week, I am deeply grateful to all of you. We are so very blessed with people who work here and volunteer generously in so many ministries. It is truly edifying to witness the mutual respect, care, concern, and willing encouragement that flow so freely at St. Paul's.

May God bless each and every one of us as we continue to say "yes" to all that the Lord asks of us. Though my ministry now takes me elsewhere, be assured that I will remember you all at the altar each time I celebrate Mass. Thank you for allowing me the privilege to share in your lives and your faith.

In Christ,

Fr. Bob

❖ NOTEWORTHY



As Fr. Bob prepares to leave St. Paul's and begin his new assignment, we thank him for the many ways he has served our parish community through the celebration of the sacraments, his pastoral guidance, and his dedication to the spiritual life of our parish.

We are grateful for the care and generosity he has shown to parishioners, staff, volunteers, and visitors alike.

THANK YOU, FR. BOB! Be assured of our prayers and best wishes as you begin this new chapter of ministry.

*Happy
Father's Day*

We wish a very Happy Father's Day and all of God's blessings to our fathers, grandfathers, godfathers and the many other father figures in our lives.

We also remember fathers who are no longer with us, but whose memories we will always cherish.

❖ NEWS

Weekly Mass Intentions

Saturday, June 20

4:30 pm ♦ For the People

Sunday, June 21

8:30 am ♦ † John Nagy

11:00 am ♦ † Christine Bhatia

Tuesday, June 23

5:00 pm ♦ † Margaret Ann O’Leary

Wednesday, June 24

5:00 pm ♦ † Peter Mariani

Thursday, June 25

5:00 pm ♦ † Conceição Silva & Hurdley Wilson

Friday, June 26

5:00 pm ♦ Rahmun Aung Khin

Parish Collection Summary

	2026	2025	Diff
June 7	\$ 4,927	\$ 3,065	↑\$ 1,862
June 14	\$ 4,213	*\$ 6,981	↓\$ 2,767
June 21*		\$ 2,716	
June 28		\$ 3,422	
Mth Totals	\$ 9,141	\$ 16,184	↓\$ 7,043

* Includes Monthly Pre-Authorized Debit Donations

Upcoming Special Collections

- **July 5** - Preservation Fund
- **July 12** - Mission Co-Op (speaker/collection)
- **July 19** - Mission Co-Op (collection)
- **August 2** - Preservation Fund

Thank you for supporting our parish!



Cashless Donations

With fewer people using cheques or cash, we are pleased to offer several convenient ways to donate:



Online: Scan the QR or visit stpaulsbasilica.archtoronto.org and select the Donate button. Ensure that “St. Paul’s Basilica” is selected from the parish drop-down menu.

TipTap: Tap your card against an amount on the device at the back of the church to make a donation. For a year-end tax receipt, register your physical card by scanning the QR code beside the TipTap device.



Burgers, Blessings & Best Wishes

BBQ Social

SUNDAY
JUNE 21
12PM - 2PM

We’re Grilling on our Front Lawn!
(or in the case of rain, our Parish Hall)

Join us as we bid farewell to
Fr. Bob and thank him
for his ministry at St. Paul’s!



Youth Ministry Fundraiser Pop-Ups and Thank You!



First, we would like to express our sincere gratitude for the tremendous support shown for our parish’s youth programs. Your generosity will help children attend either the EDGE Camp or our parish run summer camp who might otherwise be unable to participate.

Our youth have gone above and beyond in creating handmade crafts and baked goods for these fundraisers. As long as volunteers and supplies remain available, we will continue to host occasional pop-up fundraisers. These sales will be announced at Mass as they arise.

Thank you again for your continued support and encouragement of our youth. If you would like to donate or volunteer to help please contact Micah at mmacmullen@archtoronto.org.

You create memories that last a lifetime through ShareLife



For many parents, who are unable to care for their children on a full-time basis, summer break brings both mental and financial worry. Agencies you support through ShareLife, such as Camp Ozanam, Office of Catholic Youth, Silent Voice Canada, and St. Bernadette’s Family Resource Centre, offer day programs and summer camps that bring children and youth, and their parents, much-needed relief. St. Bernadette’s Family Resource Centre cares for individuals who are facing developmental and physical challenges. At St. Jude’s Academy

of the Arts Adult Day Program, adult children with development disabilities are met with patience and empathy. You provide families with peace of mind, knowing that their loved ones are welcomed into a community and safe space that affirms their dignity and worth. Thus far we have raised \$30,000 toward our goal **\$55,000**. Please give using a ShareLife envelope or at sharelife.org/donate.

St. Paul’s Summer Day Camp

Weekdays from July 6 - July 31; 9 am - 3 pm (extended care available)

St. Paul’s is once again running a four-week summer day camp for children in grades 1 to 7. The camp focuses on helping children learn about our Catholic faith while providing fun opportunities to meet new friends and participate in a variety of activities including games, arts & crafts and sports. Each week will feature prayer, games and sports, a field trip and a drama production open to families and friends. The weekly cost per child starts at \$130, plus extra for extended care with family and multi-week registration discounts available. For more information please reach out to our youth minister, Micah, at macmullen@archtoronto.org. To register visit bit.ly/StPB-Camp or scan the QR code.



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