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# St. Paul the Apostle Church Maltese-Canadian **Community Parish**

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Administrator: Fr. Ivano Burdian MSSP Parish Secretary: Mrs. Rita Apalit

#### **REGULAR OFFICE HOURS**

Tuesday to Friday: 10:00 am to 5:30 pm

### **MASS SCHEDULES & OTHER ACTIVITIES Weekday Morning Mass**

Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 9:15 am (Maltese/English) Tuesday & Thursday - 9:15 am (English)

#### First Friday of the Month:

Mass in Maltese at 9.15 am, followed by Adoration & Benediction

#### Weekend Masses;

Saturday 5:30 pm (English) Sunday: 9:00 am (English)

10:30 am (Maltese/English))\*\*

12:00 noon (English)

\*\* Please note that starting on Friday, January 6th, all Maltese Masses will be bilingual.

#### **Weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Every Wednesday at 7:00pm

#### SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** Please contact the Rectory.

Baptisms are held every 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month at 10:30am.

Contact the priest at least one year in advance of the wedding. A marriage preparation course is required.

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Any day, by appointment; call the office.

#### **Anointing of the Sick:**

Contact the priests. Parishioners are reminded that this is not a sacrament that should be left for the last possible minute. It is a Sacrament for the sick, not just for the dying.



#### Mission Statement

We, the community of St Paul the Apostle, are a Maltese-Canadian personal Parish, founded on September 8, 1930, and administered by the Missionary Society of St Paul. We are a faith community reflecting the gospel values of Christ according to the teaching and tradition of the Roman Catholic Church. We serve the Maltese community, welcoming also other people from other nationalities. Our mission is to follow Christ by sharing our gifts of time, talent and treasure: by imitating Christ; and by giving witness to our faith through our everyday lives..

#### Saturday, January 7 5:30pm

- Carmen Gauci
- Carmen Imbroll

#### Sunday, January 8 9:00am

- Rita Caruana
- Patricia Nielsen
- Maria DiMaulo
- Carmen Fenech

#### 10:30am

Emanuel, Carmela & Tessie Psaila

INFENTION

Frank Farrugia

#### 12:00 noon

Frances Caica

#### Monday, January 9

• Anthony & John Sultana

## Tuesday, January 10

- Herb Clough
- Eugenio Sturino
- Filomena & Sergio Burdian

#### Wednesday, January 11

Our Lady of the Immigrant Perpetual Mass

#### Thursday, January 12

Ciantar Family

#### Friday, January 13

January 8, 2023 Epiphany of the Lord - Year A 2

# Message from Fr. Dominic...

As he has arrived safely in Malta



More than six years ago, I had to say "goodbye" to the parishioners of St. Paul the Apostle Parish. The ones I loved and those who I believe loved me in return for the seventeen years that I served and ministered here. In one way or another, I kept in touch with what was happening through friends and other means.

It was a great surprise and unexpected that I was able to visit and meet you once again. The opportunity came when my superior asked me to come and spend a couple of months to help and be a companion to Fr. Ivano once the decision to

leave the parish was made. I was really happy to see you again as you were happy to see me again.

Honestly, I felt at home from the first day and I was happy to talk to some of you whom I have seen in the church and in the clubs or elsewhere. I was deeply distressed to hear about the loss of many parishioners, as some of you told me, "Fr. I lost my wife" or "my mother is seriously ill" or "my daughter doesn't want to see me, please pray for her". Don't give up. Let God work in his own mysterious ways.

May I congratulate all those in the Maltese community who are struggling to keep all the community activities. First of all, by the regular attendance in the church and all those who help in one way or another.

While I miss you all, may all of you as a community support Fr. Roy as he takes on the responsibility of the pastoral care of the parish. So that he will continue to bring you closer to God. May St. Paul patron of the Parish keep you steady in Faith.

I would also like to thank Fr. Ivano for his hospitality, friendship, and daily concern that I have everything I need and am well-fed!

May I wish you all and your families a Happy and prosperous New Year filled with God's blessings. I will continue to hold you in my prayers.

#### **NEW WEBSITE - NEW WAY TO RECEIVE OUR WEEKLY BULLETIN & NEWS**

This year, the Archdiocese of Toronto, implemented new websites for all parishes associated with them. Therefore, our new website is **stpaultheapostleto.archtoronto.org.** Due to this change, as of January 31, 2023, we will also be changing the way the weekly bulletin and other news gets transmitted.

For those who would like to remain on our mailing list, and also to those who would like to join, please visit our website, click on the top heading 'Contact us' and click 'Sign Up' on the drop down menu. Please fill out the form, you will notice that 'Parish Bulletin & Special Alerts' are already selected by default. Once you sign-up and submit, you will receive an email instructing you to verify your email. You will not be able to receive the bulletin until you verify your address.

If you have any questions or need help with signing up, do not hesitate to contact the office during office hours. Your understanding and cooperation is greatly appreciated.

# Farewell, Best Wishes & Thank you!

On Sunday, January 29th at the 10:30am Mass, we will celebrate a special Mass to bid farewell and best wishes to Fr. Ivano and to the Missionary Society of St. Paul.

A reception will follow after the celebration. On this day ONLY, the 12:00 noon Mass will be cancelled.



The parish New Year's Eve Dinner Dance was a great success, enjoyed by all present: good food, beautiful atmosphere, good company. A big thank you goes to the Social Committee and all who, in many

different ways, gave of their time and energy to make sure the evening would be a success. Thank you also to the sponsors of the evening and donors of the wonderful prizes we had for the raffles. After cutting expenses the Dinner left \$5,842 to the parish.

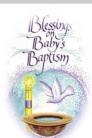


This weekend we welcome Fr. Roy as he joins our community as he prepares to become our new Administrator.

Let us make Fr. Roy feel welcome, and keep him in our prayers during this time of transition,.



The Feast of the Shipwreck of St. Paul Dinner-Dance will be held on Saturday, February 11th. More information will follow.



This weekend we welcome **James Carmelo Kaufman** and **Madeline Rose Connell**, who joins our Christian Community through the sacrament of Baptism.

We congratulate their families and support them with our prayers, as

they do their best to help their children grow into mature Christians.

#### **NEW EMAIL ADDRESS**

Due to the fact that the Missionary Society of St. Paul will no longer be active in the New Year here at St. Paul's, our present email address, stpaulmssp@gmail.com, will also become inactive in the new year. Please be advised that our new email address is:

stpaultheapostleto@archtoronto.org

#### **DONATIONS AND PAYMENTS**

Because of the change of our email address, as of January 1, 2023, WE WILL NOT be able to accept e-transfers any longer. Those wishing to send donations or pay for Mass Offerings may do so by putting money in an envelope and dropping it in the offertory basket during Mass, dropping it off at the rectory during office hours, or by sending us a cheque. Thank you for your ongoing generosity and understanding.

"We saw His star when it rose and have come to worship Him."

