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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:

Bilingual Mass 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.

Marriages:

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 14 5:30pm

Sunday, January 15 9:00am

- Carmen Muscat
- Salvina & Carmelo Fenech
- Theresa Massa

10:30am

12:00 noon

- Salvina & Paul Ballucci
- Frank Cini
- Josephine & Manuel Gambin

Monday, January 16

Tuesday, January 17

Wednesday, January 18

Our Lady of the Immigrant Perpetual Mass

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Thursday, January 19

Friday, January 20

January 15, 2023 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time- Year A Sunday Reflection... written by Jeanne Lambert

In Today's Gospel we hear these familiar words from John the Baptist: 'Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" During each Eucharistic celebration we hear these words and then repeat them three times - personalizing, affirming and professing - 'Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world.' The triple repetition of these words is purposeful: for the emphasis, following long-standing tradition and the spiritual significance of the number three.

Can we truly believe this? Did Jesus take away the sin of the world? John the Baptist knew Jesus, and his testimony and his experience convince his listeners, including us today, that it is indeed true.

The power of such an act - taking away the sin of the world - is quite beyond comprehension. As believers we have faith that this is true. Jesus' sacrifice was for the world and for each one of us. With this knowledge of our forgiveness, we can also believe Isaiah - that the Lord formed each one of us from the womb - and pray with St. Paul that the peace of Christ can be ours, Is it any wonder that the psalmist expressed such joy in the 'good news ' and such willingness to do God's will? Let us show and tell our gratitude for this good news.

Taken from the 'Living with Christ' booklet Vol. 29, No. 1, P. 86



"Behold, the
Lamb of God who
takes away the
sins of the world."
John 1:29

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.



FEAST OF ST. PAUL PARISH DINNER - DANCE

Come join us for our annual
Feast of St. Paul Parish Dinner-Dance!
You will experience and enjoyable atmosphere,
a delicious 5 - course meal,
good music and great company.

Tickets are \$50 for Adults, \$20 for Children ages 5 to 12, children under 5 years old are free.

Book your tickets by contacting Freda at 416-762-1891.

To reduce waste and unnecessary expenses, you must book and pay for your tickets no later than Wednesday, February 8th.

Hope to see you all there!

Farewell, Best Wishes & Thank you!

Fr. Ivano will be leaving Canada on the 15th of February, therefore on Sunday, January 29th at the 10:30 am, we will be having 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.

2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

There are still some boxes of offertory envelopes at the back of the church, that have not been picked up yet.



You will no longer be able to find them at the back of the church after this weekend, If you are not able to pick them up this weekend, but still would like to have your offertory envelopes, please call the office during office hours and we will save them for you.

Welcome to our New Administrator

On Sunday, February 5th at the 10:30 am Mass, we, as a Parish Community, will officially welcome Fr. Roy Farrell as our new Administrator.

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

Please remember that WE ARE NOT 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.