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Administrator: Fr. Ivano Burdian M SSP
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OFFICE HOURS
Tuesday to Friday: 10:00 am to 5:30 pm

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish office will be closed from Tuesday, December 27th to Friday, December 30th.

MASS SCHEDULES & OTHER ACTIVITIES

Weekday Morning Mass
Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 9:15 am (Maltese)
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)
12:00 noon (English)

Weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
No Adoration December 21st & 28th. Weekly Adoration will resume on Wednesday, January 4 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..

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 17

- Enzo Gusman
- Nina & Salvu Schembri
- Grace Mendes

Sunday, December 18
9:00am

- Sam Fenech

10:30am

- Carmel & Edmond Scicluna

12:00 noon

- Rosie & Joseph Ellul
- Susanne Camilleri
- Rose & Domenic Bartolo
- Frank Cini
- Sam Cassar

Monday, December 19

- Camilleri Family

Tuesday, December 20

- Camilleri Family
- Maria Mendonca

Wednesday, December 21

- Our Lady of the Immigrant Perpetual Mass
- Camilleri Family

Thursday, December 22

- Charles Camilleri
- Rita Zammit
- Maria Mendonca

Friday, December 23

- Emanuel Cutajar

Saturday, December 24

- Christmas Novena at 9:15am

December 18, 2022
Fourth Sunday of Advent - Year A

Sunday Reflection... written by Caroline Pignat

Mary is expecting someone else's child? As Joseph wrestles with this difficult fact and its many challenges, God reaches out to reassure him. Joseph doesn't know *what* will happen next, *why* this is happening, or *how* he can possibly be the right man for this job, Joseph knows the *who* - he knows God - and that's enough. If Joseph had a motto, it would likely be Psalm 37.3: "Trust in the Lord, and do good." It's how he lives his life. Time after time, Joseph trusts God and takes action. That faith gives him the courage to do the next right thing. It helps him take that next step. And the one after it.

Like Joseph, we can trust God even if we don't fully understand our circumstances. Especially then. Like Joseph, we can be encouraged to do that next right thing just because God asked.

What is God asking of you? What plans might he be asking you to rethink? What challenge might he be asking you to face? Who is he entrusting to your care? If you are feeling anxious, confused or unprepared, remember: God is with you. Trust God and do good, knowing he will give you all you need to do the next right thing - for he is with you every step of the way.

*Taken from the Living with Christ booklet
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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 no longer be active 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 dropping 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.



POINSETTIAS

As we get closer to Christmas, we are beginning to prepare the Church for our celebrations. Please help us with our preparations by donating Poinsettia plants to us. We will be accepting these beautiful flowers during the week before Christmas, that is from **Monday, December 19th to Friday, December 23rd**. You may drop them off at the Rectory during office hours. THANK YOU!!



We have started taking Bookings for our parish's New Year's Eve Dinner-Dance.

Apart from being served a 7-Course Meal, each table will have one bottle of red

wine and one bottle of white wine; and of course champagne at midnight will be served at midnight to celebrate the New Year!

You can purchase your tickets by contacting Freda at 416-762-1891. Prices are \$60.00 for Adults; \$25.00 for children 5-12 years old; and children 5 years and under are free.

To reduce waste and unnecessary expenses, bookings and purchases must be made by Wednesday, December 28th.

Let's welcome 2023 together in a joyful and friendly manner, with good food, a good atmosphere, and good company, especially since this is the last New Year's we will be celebrating with the MSSP Fathers.



This weekend is your last opportunity to purchase tickets for our Christmas Raffle. Tickets will be sold at the back of the church during all weekend Masses.

The draw for this raffle will take place this coming Wednesday, December 21st during the 9:15am Mass.

1st prize: 9-piece Nativity Set

2nd prize: Statue of Baby Jesus

3rd prize: 1-piece Nativity Set

Tickets are 1 for \$2.00; 3 for \$5.00



2023 CALENDARS

Our 2023 Calendars have arrived. Be sure to get your copy from the back of the church or from the parish office.



CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Christmas Novena Masses: Continues to Christmas. Includes 9:15am Mass on Saturday December 24th. (Sundays, December 18th & 25th at regular Sunday Mass times.)

Christmas Eve: Saturday, December 24th
8:00 pm Mass in Maltese

11:15 Vigil in English which will include Christmas Carols and the Child's Message followed by Midnight Mass in English

Christmas Day: Sunday, December 25th
Masses as per Sunday Schedule

New Year's Eve: Saturday, December 31st
5:30 pm Mass in English

New Year's Day: Sunday, January 1st
Masses as per Sunday Schedule

2023 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

are ready to be picked up from the back of the church. Please make sure that it is your box, double check the address, as your number may have changed, especially those who have had an envelope number over 300 in the past. May we take this opportunity to thank you for your continuous support for the parish, it is all very much appreciated.



OFFICE CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

The Parish Office will be closed from Tuesday, December 27th to Friday, December 30th, and will re-open on Tuesday, January 3rd, 2023.