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St. Paul the Apostle Maltese-Canadian Parish 2025



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**Pastoral Team** Fr. James Bussanich, p.p. Deacon Raymond Frendo **Secretary** Mrs. Rita Apalit

**OFFICE HOURS** Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 4:00pm

Friday 8:30am to 12:00noon

MASS SCHEDULE Wednesday & Friday 9:15am (Maltese/English)

Tuesday & Thursday 9:15am First Saturday of the month 9:15am

Weekend Masses: Saturday: 4:30pm (English)

Sunday: 9:00am (English) 10:30am (Maltese/English) 12:00pm (English)

Weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesdays 7pm - 8pm

**SACRAMENTS Baptism:** Please contact the office. Baptisms are held on the first Saturday of the month at 10:30am **Marriages:** Contact the priest one year in advance of the wedding. A marriage preparation course in mandatory. **Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturdays: 3:45pm to 4:15pm, or anytime by appointment. **Anointing of the Sick:** Contact the priest. 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.

### November 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> – First Sunday of Advent

**Saturday, November 29** 4:30pm (d) Doris Theuma

**Sunday, November 30** 9:00am (d) Carmel & Josephine Caruana

10:30am (d) Lorenzo & Dolores Bonello

(d) Joseph & Carmen Gové

(d) Mary Seychell

(d) Natalino, Rose, Anthony, Charlie & Albert Taliana

(d) Joseph & Grace Bugeja

(d) Silvana Dewe & Emanuella Micallef

12:00pm (d) Missa Pro Populo

Tuesday, December 2 (d) Frank & Gustav Grech

Wednesday, December 3 St. Francis Xavier, Priest (d) Doris, Joseph & Catherine Micallef

Thursday, December 4 (d) Mohan & Agnes Rajendran.

Friday, December 5 First Friday (d) Frank Micallef



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you or anyone you know would like to become a member of the Catholic faith, there will be an introduction meeting on **Tuesday**, **December** 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in the church. Classes will begin in January. Please see Fr. James for more information.

### **OFFERTORY ENVELOPE FOR 2026**

are ready to be picked up from the back of the church. Please make sure that it is your box you are taking. Thank you for your continued support of the parish, it is truly appreciated!

### PRAYER FOR ADVENT

Lord, our God, we praise You for Your Son, Jesus Christ, for He is Emmanuel, the Hope of all people.

He is the Wisdom that teaches and guides us.

He is the Savior of us all.

O Lord, let *your* blessing come upon us as we light the first candle of this wreath.

May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise of salvation.

May He come quickly and not delay.

We ask this in His holy name. Amen.



First Sunday in Advent

### MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2025 ARE NOW FULLY BOOKED.

We will begin accepting Mass intention requests for 2026 starting in December 2025.

When bookings open in December, parishioners will be able to schedule Mass intentions for **January to March 2026**.

Further information will be provided regarding bookings for **April 2026 and onwards**.



The Maltese Canadian Culture Association would like to invite you to our annual Senior's Christmas Lunch on Sunday, December 14 at 1:30 pm. This will be a family event so please bring your children and grandchildren as we celebrate together. Tickets can be purchased for \$20 by emailing info@themcca.com or at the back of the church following all Sunday masses.

If you know anyone that would like to volunteer, please let us know.

The annual Anointing of the Sick will take place immediately after the 12:00 noon Mass.



# CHRISTMAS AND MARY MOTHER OF GOD (New Year's)

### **CONFESSION SCHEDULE**

Wednesday, December 17

Confession: 7:00pm - 8:00pm

Thursday, December 18

Confession after morning Mass, until 10:30am

Saturday, December 20

regular confession time

### **MASS SCHEDULE**

### **Christmas Eve**

7:30pm bilingual, 10:00pm English

**Christmas Day** 

9:00am English, 10:30am Maltese

Wednesday, December 31

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God 4:30pm English

### Thursday, January 1

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God 9:00 am English, 10:30am Maltese



The Giving Tree is an initiative that allows our parish to bring the joy of Christmas to the patients at Runnymede Hospital. Here's how you can participate:

On the **First Sunday of Advent, November 30, 2025**, two trees will be placed in the foyer of the church containing **60 small gift tags**—green tags for male patients and red tags for female patients. You are invited to **choose any tag** that appeals to you. Please **attach the original tag to the gift** so it can be delivered to the correct person. Once your gift is wrapped and tagged, you can

return it to the parish by December 17 and place it under the tree.

Thank you for helping us bring smiles to those in need this Christmas season!



RING IN THE NEW YEAR WITH YOUR CHURCH FAMILY!

December 31, 2025

Doors open at 5:30 pm

7. Course Meet

7 - Course Meal Cash Bar, Champagne at Midnight

Music by DJ, featuring Canadian singer/songwriter Pierina Cincinnato Door Prize & Raffle Prizes

### **Ticket Prices:**

- **❖** Adults \$80.00
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