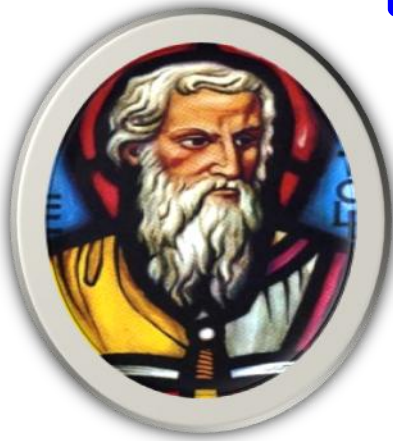


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**OFFICE HOURS** Monday to Thursday 8:30am to 4:00pm

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 is 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.

## December 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> – Fourth Sunday of Advent

**Saturday, December 20** 4:30pm (d) Paolo Corapi  
**Sunday, December 21** 9:00am (d) Veronica Micallef  
10:30am (d) Rita Zammit (d) George Pulo  
(d) Tony Axiak (d) Nenu Dingli  
(d) Rita Caruana (d) Joseph Farrugia  
12:00pm For the people of the parish  
**Tuesday, December 23** (d) Frank & Gustav Grech  
**Wednesday, December 24** (9:15am) (d) Emanuel Sammut & Family  
**Thursday, December 25** \*see Mass times below  
**Friday, December 26** NO MASS

### OFFERTORY ENVELOPES FOR 2026

There are still some boxes of offertory boxes that have not yet been picked up from the back of the church. **Please make sure that it is your box you are taking!**

❖ **All 2025 envelopes received after December 31<sup>st</sup> will be included as 2026 donations.**



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

### 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

### PRAYER FOR ADVENT

Heavenly Father,

On this fourth Sunday of Advent, we pause in gratitude for the gift of Your unfailing love.

As we light the candle of love, may its warm glow remind us of the light Christ brings into a world longing for hope, peace, and joy.

Fill our hearts with compassion for those in need, patience for those who struggle, and kindness for those who feel forgotten. Teach us to love as You love - selflessly, sacrificially, and without condition. Prepare us, Lord, to welcome Jesus not only into our celebrations but into the very center of our lives. May Your love shine through us this week and always. In Jesus' name we pray,

**Amen.**



### CLOSING MASS

#### **FOR THE HOLY YEAR OF JUBILEE**

Cardinal Leo wishes to extend a warm invitation to the faithful of the archdiocese to join him for the closing Mass for the Holy Year of Jubilee on **Sunday, December 28, 2025, at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica at 5:00pm. .**

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available with numerous priests present from 3:30 to 4:45pm. All are most welcome.**



# A Big Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who attended the Seniors' Luncheon on Sunday, December 14th. With your support, the Maltese Canadian Cultural Association (MCCA) raised \$1,982.60 for the parish. A heartfelt thank you to the MCCA for their generosity, effort, and continued support of St. Paul the Apostle Parish.



Thank you to the Seniors' Bingo Group for their donation of \$375.00 from their Christmas Luncheon.

- Fr. James

## CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

We are raffling off a Christmas gift basket!

Tickets can be purchased during the weekend Masses, or from the Parish office during office hours.

Tickets prices: 1 for \$2.00; 3 for \$5.00; 7 for \$10.00; 20 for \$20.00. **The draw will take place this Wednesday following the morning Mass.**



*Dear Parishioners,*

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.*

*I wish and pray you have a beautiful and holy Christmas and Happy New Year, filled with many good things, and all the peace and joy that knowing Jesus brings.*

*Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.*

- Fr. James

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Freda at 416-762-1891.**

### *Holiday Office Hours*

**Wednesday, December 24**  
❖ 8:30am – 12:00 noon

**Thursday, December 25 – closed**  
**Friday, December 26 – closed**  
**Monday, December 29 – closed**

**Tuesday, December 30**  
❖ 8:30 – 12:00 noon  
**Wednesday, December 31**  
❖ 8:30 am – 12:00 noon

**Thursday, January 1 – closed**  
**Friday, January 2 – closed**

*The parish office will reopen on  
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