

St. Paul the Apostle Maltese-Canadian Parish



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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.

January 31st & February 1st – Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, January 31

4:30pm (d) Grech & Schembri Families

Sunday, February 1

9:00am (d) For the people of the parish

10:30am (d) Lorenzo & Dolores Bonello

(d) Joseph & Carmen Gové

(d) Rita Caruana

(d) Angelo Azzopardi

12:00pm (d) Salvatore & Rosina Ciappetta

Tuesday, February 3 *St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr* (d) Maria & Joao Borges

Wednesday, February 4 (d) Joseph Farrugia

Thursday, February 5 *St. Agatha, Virgin & Martyr* (d) Richard Micallef

Friday, February 6 *St. Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs* (d) Angelo Azzopardi

Saturday, February 7 *First Saturday*

MASS FOR THE FEAST OF ST. PAUL'S SHIPWRECK – NEXT SUNDAY

The Mass to celebrate and honour the Shipwreck of St. Paul will be offered at the 10:30am Mass (ONLY) on **Sunday, February 8, NEXT SUNDAY**. A limited number of booklets will be available for you to follow the readings and the prayers.

First Confession/First Communion

First Confession/First Communion will be offered in the Spring of 2026.

The parent meeting and registration will take place on **NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 8**, in St. Paul the Apostle Church, following the 12noon Mass.

Baptized Catholic children in grade 2 or higher are eligible to receive the sacraments. Please bring a copy of your child's baptism certificate to the registration **if they were not baptized** at St. Paul's.

An **on-line registration form** is available on our parish website. You can complete it, print it off and bring it with you to the registration. You must attend the registration class. At the registration meeting, you will need to purchase two catechism books for a total of \$25.00. These two books are for class use and for home.

The first class for First Confession will begin Sunday, February 22, at St. Paul's in the museum at 10am. More information on classes etc. will be given at the registration meeting.

MEMORIAL OF ST. BLAISE

This Tuesday, February 3, is the memorial for St. Blaise, bishop and martyr who lived during the 4th century. He is credited with curing a boy who was choking on a fish bone, stuck in his throat. The emperor at the time was amazed but still tried to force Blaise to renounce his faith. Blaise refused and was tortured and beheaded. Eventually, the tradition of blessing throats on his feast day came to be.

**BLESSING OF THROATS WILL TAKE PLACE
IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE TUESDAY MORNING MASS.**



ASH WEDNESDAY

The season of Lent will be upon us soon. It begins with Ash Wednesday and concludes at the Easter Vigil.

Two Masses will be offered on Ash Wednesday, February 18: 9:15am (bilingual) and 7pm (English).

Blessed ashes will be distributed during both Masses.



FEAST OF ST. PAUL'S SHIPWRECK

Annual *St. Paul's Feast Dinner & Dance* on Saturday, February 7th.

Doors open at 5:30 pm

Dinner to be served at 6:15 pm

Come enjoy a delicious meal with your church family!

Catch up with old friends and perhaps make some new ones.

The evening's menu will include the following:

- Bread with Tuna (Hobz biz-Zejt)
- Small Pasta Shells with Red Sauce & Meat
- Lemon Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans & Carrots
- Sliced Bread
- Trifle
- Coffee & Tea
 - Cash Bar
 - Music by DJ



Tickets prices are:

- Adults - \$50.00
- Children (5-12 yrs.) - \$25.00
- Children under 4 yrs. – Free

For more information or to purchase tickets,
please call Freda Mifsud at 416-762-1891.

Seating will be on a first-come first-seated basis.

FREE CATHOLIC ESTATE PLANNING WEBINAR

NEXT Saturday, February 7, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.

Learn:

- **How to avoid problems:** in your Will, in the Powers of Attorney, and through proper Estate Trustee selection
- **How to create your own legacy**
- **About our Catholic traditions around cremation, burials and funerals**

3 WAYS TO REGISTER:

1. scan the QR code:

2. follow this registration link:

<https://qrco.de/WedFeb7>

3. send an email to:

Development@ArchToronto.org and write

“webinar February 7” in the title line + your name(s) in the body of the message.



MARRIAGE SUNDAY 2026



Married couples are invited to the Celebration of Marriage Mass with Bishop John Boissonneau **NEXT Sunday, Feb. 8**, at 2:30 p.m. at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica. (65 Bond St., Toronto).

All married couples will have the opportunity to renew their marriage commitment during the Mass. Reserved seating is available for couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ anniversary in 2026. Seating is limited and available by advance registration. All other seating is first-come, first-served.

Those unable to attend in person are invited to join via livestream.

Registration and additional

information: www.archtoronto.org/marriage



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