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8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Parking

Parking is free on Sunday mornings at the Manulife building located on the north side of Bloor Street at the top of Ted Rogers Way. To gain access to Manulife's parking, press the intercom button and inform the security attendant you are attending a service at St. Paul's.

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Congratulations!

Congratulations to Molly Finlay and Sean Davidson on being ordained deacons in the Diocese of Toronto last Sunday afternoon.

Congratulations also to Jenny Andison (past Associate Priest) and George Sumner (past Honorary Associate) who received Honorary Doctorates and to Molly Finlay and Orvin Lao (members of St. Paul's) who received Master of Divinity degrees from Wycliffe College this past Monday.



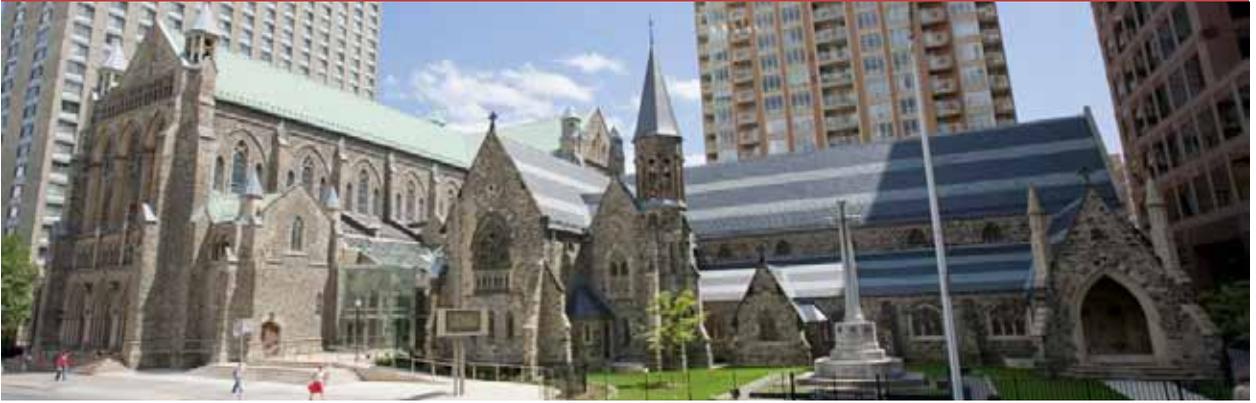
Happy Mother's Day!



Her children arise and call her blessed; her husband also, and he praises her: "Many women do noble things, but you surpass them all." Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Honour her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

Proverbs 31:28-31

Doors Open 2017



Once a year, the City of Toronto invites organizations with buildings of architectural interest to open their doors to the public. On the last weekend in May, people travel all over the city exploring places that are usually private or closed. While the St. Paul's sanctuary, or "New Church" is open every Sunday, many people have never been inside. This year, we are participating in Doors Open Toronto with the hope that many will come who have never visited before.

Our theme for the weekend is, "From the Titanic to Vimy Ridge, the decade that changed St. Paul's". Did you know our pulpit was given to the church by a Titanic survivor? Being the church home of the Queen's Own Rifles, WWI had a devastating affect on the community. Over 500 members of the parish served in the war. When the church opened in 1913 the walls and windows were bare. After WWI memorial plaques and stained glass windows were put up and dedicated to loved ones who gave sacrificially for Canada.

Our church archivists have found many interesting stories and created a nine-stop tour around the church which will be available in booklet and guided form. Join us on **Saturday, May 27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, May 28 from 12:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.** to learn about our fascinating history.

Interested in volunteering?

We're looking for hosts and tour guides for the following shifts:

May 27: 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m., 11 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.,
12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m., 2 p.m. - 4 p.m.

May 28: 12:15 p.m. - 2 p.m., 1:30 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Congregation members of all ages are welcome to help. You should be able and prepared to stand for two hours. Sign up at St. Paul's Central in the Atrium on Sunday, or contact the office at mail@stpaulsbloor.org or 416-961-8116.



Engaging Sundays with Service

The term “Sunday Service” points to a core reality of what we do every Sunday morning. We are literally serving Jesus Christ with intentional, authentic worship, and we also serve one another to help make that same worship meaningful and engaging. Every Sunday at St. Paul’s this takes more than 160 people involved in a variety of ways to proclaim the greatness of God and his redeeming love for his people.

We want you to be part of it! Following the services on May 21 and 28, we will hold brief 15 minute discussions for these roles: Greeter, Reader, Prayer Leader, and Communion Wine Server. For those who are current volunteers this is an important opportunity for updates and role clarification. For those interested in serving, this will be a chance to find out more about these roles. We will meet at the chancel steps, near the front of the Sanctuary.



May 21

10:30 a.m. – Prayer Leading, Serving Communion Wine at the Bridge

12:15 p.m. – Scripture Reading at the 11 a.m. service

May 28

10:30 a.m. – Greeters, Scripture Reading at the Bridge

12:15 p.m. – Prayer Leading, Serving Communion Wine at the 11 a.m. service

To those who have experienced the blessing of serving in these and other ways, we thank you and look forward to making our shared ministry of Sunday service even more welcoming and engaging.

For more information, contact Mark Regis, Associate Priest at mregis@stpaulsbloor.org or ext. 230.



Thy Kingdom Come

Thy Kingdom Come is a global prayer movement initiated by Archbishop Justin Welby. All Christians around the world are invited to pray between Ascension Day on May 25 and the day of Pentecost on June 4 for more people to come to know and follow Jesus Christ. Communities and churches around the world are joining together to pray for their friends, families and neighbours.

Rather than hold special prayer events, St. Paul's is encouraging every member to join this initiative by committing to pray individually or together with friends and family each day. For more information visit thykingdomcome.global or contact Steve Shaw at sshaw@stpaulsbloor.org or ext. 232.

"I cannot remember in my life anything that I've been involved in where I have sensed so clearly the work of the Spirit." - Archbishop Justin Welby

Are you interested in membership?

Are you interested in membership at St. Paul's? Our next membership service will be held on **Sunday, June 18**. For more information, contact Sandra Seaborn, Associate Priest, at sseaborn@stpaulsbloor.org or ext. 226.



Prayer List

May 14 - This week we're praying for

World and National Issues

An end to the many wars and conflicts in the world, so we may all be peace-makers, peace-keepers and peace-builders.

All victims of circumstances beyond their control, so that all may live in peace.

Those in leadership, regardless of their position, to be faithful in service and exercise wisdom and justice in their role.

The Worldwide Church

All followers of Jesus Christ, particularly remembering those who are persecuted, jailed, or subjected to violence simply because of their faith.

Our Bishops and leaders, that they would be strengthened by the Holy Spirit to serve in truth, love and humility.

Everyone gather today to worship in the Anglican Diocese of Caledonia in British Columbia.

In Our Own Church

The leaders and members of our Bible studies.

We pray for the following members of our community Henry, Marlene, David, Joan, Sean, Sherri-Anne, Sylvia, Etelka, Kristen, Evadne.

Those in our community dealing with challenging situations.

During our Sermon Series on Generosity

Lord of All, teach us true generosity. Give us generous hearts and spirits that willingly give you our time, talents and treasures. May we bring them to you in our own unique way to build your Kingdom here on earth. In Jesus name we pray. Amen.

The Flowers Today

The flowers in the Chapels are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Anne, Arthur & Barbara LePan, Mae, Stanley & Haughton MacLeod and Beth MacLeod Wong given by Jean LePan, Dorothy MacLeod & family.

The flowers at the Font are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Manuel Corvera given by Joan Corvera.

What's Happening This Week

Sunday, May 14 - Mother's Day

Stepping Into Faith - 10:45 a.m. | *Room 106*

Monday, May 15

ESL Cafe - 7 p.m. | *Sanctuary*

Dealing With Depression - 7 p.m. | *Library*

Prayer Time - 7 p.m. | *Room 7*

Tuesday, May 16

Winchester Group - 10 a.m. | *Library*

Holy Communion - 12:10 p.m. | *St. Paul's Chapel*

Christian Meditation - 1 p.m. | *Room 206*

Wednesday, May 17

Wednesdays With God - 12:15 p.m. | *Dalton Room*

Youth Group - 7 p.m. | *Youth Room*

Thursday, May 18

CBS Women's Bible Study - 9:20 a.m. | *Music Room*

Choir Practice - 6:30 p.m. | *Music Room*

Young Adult Gathering - 7 p.m. | *Great Hall*



175th Anniversary Testimonies

On **Sunday, June 11** we are celebrating our 175th Anniversary. But before that we want to hear from you! Let us know how you have been impacted at St. Paul's by sharing your testimony with us. Pick up a form at St. Paul's Central, fill it out and drop it off at the office or in the silver mailbox outside the reception window. Or fill out our online form at stpaulsbloor.org/175th-anniversary-testimonies

Thank you for taking part as we celebrate 175 years!
#175Years

Every Sunday

Worship Services

8:15 a.m. | *Chapel of the Good Shepherd*

9:30 a.m. **the bridge** | *Sanctuary*

11 a.m. | *Sanctuary*

Prayer Ministry

9 a.m., 10:20 a.m. & 12 p.m.

St. Paul's Chapel

Nursery

beginning at 9:15 a.m. | *2nd Floor*

Children's Ministry

9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. | *2nd Floor*

Youth Group

9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. | *Youth Room*

Prayer Groups

10:20 a.m. | *Room 7*

10:50 a.m. | *St. Paul's Chapel*

Community Lunch

12:15 p.m. | *Great Hall*

Community Lunch



Chicken Stirfry - \$8

Next Sunday's Preaching Passage

Mark 7:24-30

Topic: The Power of
Generosity Brings Healing