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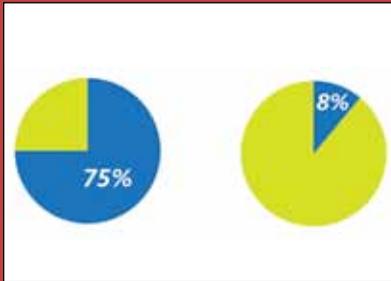
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Office Hours

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

Sanctuary Hours

Sundays: 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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.

Charitable Number
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St. Paul's Organ Recital

Join us for our 2017 series of organ recitals. These free one-hour concerts will provide an opportunity to listen to wonderful music and reflect on God.

March 26 at 3 p.m. - Tom Bell

April 23 at 3 p.m. - Tom Fitches

Admission is free and everyone is welcome to attend. For more information contact Tom Bell, Music Director, at music@stpaulsbloor.org or ext. 233.



Short-Term Service in Children's Ministry

Looking for an opportunity to serve in our church community? Consider taking on a short-term service project in Children's Ministry. Help us get ready for our special Easter programs.



Thursday, April 13 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. or 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. – prepare for our Good Friday 'Journey to the Cross' program

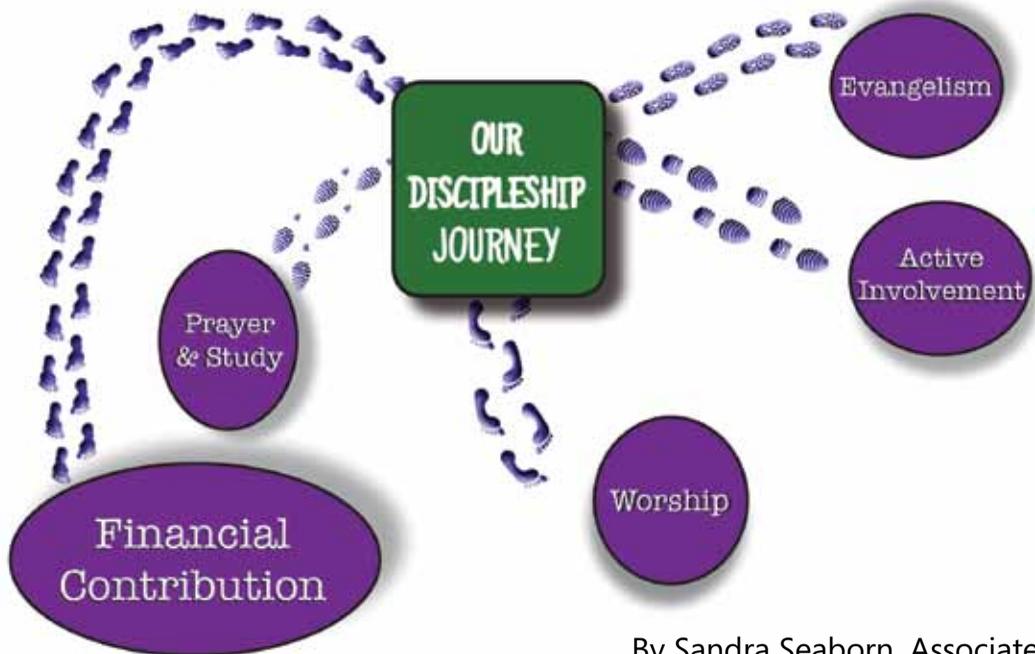
Friday, April 14 from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. – clean up from 'Journey to Cross' program

Saturday, April 15 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. – prepare for Easter Sunday

Sunday, April 16 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. or 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. – Easter Celebration help

To find out more, contact Janet Earle, Children's Minister, at children@stpaulsbloor.org ext. 241.

Our Discipleship Journey: Financial Contribution



By Sandra Seaborn, Associate Priest

By definition money is a circulating medium of exchange, a means of assessing value, and making payment. In practice, money is a source of status, a mark of success and the cause of much anxiety. Throughout the Bible, there are many references to money, particularly our relationship to it at an emotive level. Money is shown to be both a tool for oppression and liberation. There are wisdom sayings that point to general principles and prophetic writings which point out our blindness. Scriptures remind us God is the creator of all, we are stewards. As stewards of time, talents and treasure our "first fruits" are to be given to the Lord in gratitude and acknowledgement of their source. Jesus warns money can become a "master" usurping the role of God, challenging both rich and poor to a radical reordering of priorities -- seeking first God's Kingdom and a renewed relationship with Him, rather than religion or riches.

Consider spending time this week learning more about what the Bible says about money. Here are a few verses to start with:

Proverbs 3:9 Honour the Lord with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce;

Matthew 6:21 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

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Malachi 3:10 Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it."

Ecclesiastes 5:10 Whoever loves money never has enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with their income. This too is meaningless.

Join us throughout Lent as we reflect on and intentionally implement the five elements of our St. Paul's Discipleship Covenant. Each week, we gather to worship and focus on the key elements of following Jesus in our lives. The sermons are also available at stpaulsbloor.org/sermons.

March 5—Active Involvement: engaging faith at St. Paul's.

Action response: Sign up to serve in a new ministry area. Complete a Connection Card and check: "I am interested in serving in a ministry."

March 12—Worship: more than Sundays.

Action response: Commit to attending worship services throughout Lent and Easter.

March 19—Financial Contribution: blessed to be a blessing.

Action response: For the next season seek to give 10% of your income to bless others.

March 26—Prayer and Study: learning together for life change.

Action response: Spend time in prayer, Bible reading and daily study throughout Lent and Easter.

April 2—Evangelism: living the faith.

Action response: Pray for friends, coworkers and family that you might invite to one of the Easter services.

Pick up an "Our Discipleship Journey" card at St. Paul's Central.

Ways to Give

For more information visit stpaulsbloor.org/give



In Person



Through our App

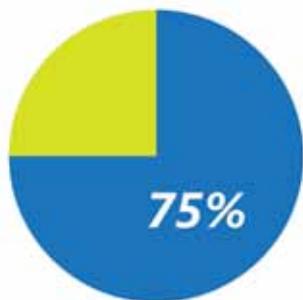


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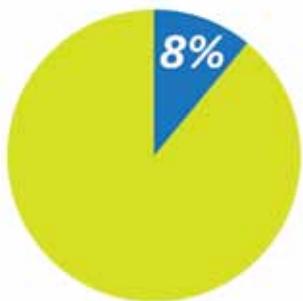


Pre-Authorized Giving

Interesting Facts About Financial Contributions at St. Paul's Bloor Street



75%
of the
BUDGET
is given by



of our
people

Means of Contributing

PAG: **139** individuals

Online: **220** contributions

App: **40** people

One Year of Our App

14,452 page views 

5,924 launches 

350 downloads 

Who pays the bills?

ZERO
government funding



3
trust funds



75
corporate renters



925
people like you



One Sunday in February
89 Children + 26 Youth + 706 Adults

= 821 Lives Impacted

Our Donors

# of Donors	Gave in 2016	% of \$
345	\$0.01 to \$100	1%
322	\$100.01 to \$1,000	6%
191	\$1,000.01 to \$5,000	20%
33	\$5,000.01 to \$10,000	10%
20	\$10,000.01 to \$25,000	14%
14	\$25,000.01 <	49%

INVITE A FRIEND TO CELEBRATE EASTER AT ST. PAUL'S WITH YOU!



APRIL 9 - PALM SUNDAY

Communion services at 8:15 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.



APRIL 13 - MAUNDY THURSDAY

Communion service at 7 p.m.



APRIL 14 - GOOD FRIDAY

The Passion Reading service at 11 a.m.

Journey to the Cross for children and youth at 11 a.m.



APRIL 16 - Easter Sunday Celebrations

Communion Services at 8:15 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Easter Egg Hunt for children after the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services

Pick up an invitation to our services at St. Paul's Central.



Palm Cross Day

Join us for fun and fellowship as we learn to make palm crosses. We will be making palm crosses in Cody Hall on **Friday, April 7 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**

They will be distributed at St. Paul's on Palm Sunday.

Clothing Drive for Adults



From now until April 16 we are collecting donations of clothing for adults. These will be given to Cornerstone Ministries, which works with many people trying to get back on their feet after going through difficult situations or circumstances.

We are collecting new or used suits, dresses, belts, shirts, blouses, jackets, pants, shoes and new socks. Place your clothing donations in the box in the Atrium.

For more information contact Sandra Seaborn, Associate Priest, at ext. 226 or

6 sseaborn@stpaulsbloor.org.

Prayer List

March 19 - 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, with respect

Everyone to be filled with hope, meaning and purpose.

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

The Worldwide Church

For 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 and today especially praying for The Archbishop of Canterbury, head of the Anglican Communion internationally, The Most Rev. and the Rt. Hon. Justin Welby.

In Our Own Church

Those serving and served in this church by the Chancel Guild who ensure the church is prepared for worship.

We remember the following members of our community Mary Jane, Edie, Shelley, Ashley, David, Roy, Jacinth, Patricia, Susan, Hiep, Pheobe, Scott.

Those in our community dealing with challenging situations, suffering, troubles or isolation.

Our Lenten Season

As we prepare for the events leading to Jesus Christ's Resurrection, may we commit ourselves to our Discipleship journey together.

The Flowers Today

The flowers in the church today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of John Hendrik Veltkamp given by John Veltkamp.

Easter Memorial Flowers

Remembering a loved one with an Easter memorial flower is a wonderful way to share in decorating the church for Easter. Complete the memorial flower envelope in the pew or at St. Paul's Central, and place it on the offering plate or in the office mailbox. Memorials begin at \$20 per entry. Envelopes are due **Sunday, April 9.**

What's Happening This Week

Sunday, March 19 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

Pilgrim: The Beatitudes - 10:45 a.m. & 12:15 p.m. |
Room 106

Monday, March 20

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

Tuesday, March 21

Winchester Group - 10 a.m. | *Library*
Holy Communion - 12:10 p.m. | *St. Paul's Chapel*
Christian Meditation - 1 p.m. | *Room 206*
DivorceCare - 7 p.m. | *Library*

Wednesday, March 22

Wednesdays With God - 12:15 p.m. | *Dalton Room*
Alpha Prayer Time - 6 p.m. | *St. Paul's Chapel*
Alpha - 6:30 p.m. | *Cody Hall*
The Marriage Course - 7 p.m. | *Great Hall*
Youth Group - 7 p.m. | *Youth Room*

Thursday, March 23

Choir Practice - 6:30 p.m. | *Music Room*
Young Adult Gathering - 7 p.m. | *Great Hall*

Sunday, March 26 - 4th Sunday of Lent

Pilgrim: The Beatitudes - 10:45 a.m. & 12:15 p.m. |
Room 106
Organ Recital With Thomas Bell - 3 p.m. | *Sanctuary*

Every Sunday

Worship Services

8:15 a.m. | *Chapel of the Good Shepherd*
9:30 a.m. **the bridge** | *Sanctuary*
11 a.m. | *Sanctuary*

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



Soup with Grilled Cheese
Sandwiches - \$8



Praying Through Holy Week

You are invited to pray with us on
April 8 from 8:45 a.m. to 10 a.m.
During this time, we will reflect on
and pray for all of the events and
services of Holy Week and Easter at
St. Paul's.

For more information contact Steve Shaw,
Associate Priest, at sshaw@stpaulsbloor.org or
ext. 232.

Next Sunday's Preaching Passage

Joshua 1:6-9

Topic: Our Discipleship
Journey - Prayer & Study