

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 6, 2020

Ezekiel 33.7-9
Romans 13.8-10
Matthew 18.15-20



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Confessions:

Tuesday 10:00 - 10:30am

Thursday 10:00 - 10:30am

Saturday 10:00 – 11:00am

Due to COVID-19, Individual confessions will be taking place in the Library (located to the right of the Sanctuary).

Liturgical Schedule

Monday 9:00am + David Blacquiére, John Gaudet and Eddie Gaudet

Tuesday 9:00am + Yvonne Arsenault

Wednesday 9:00am + Alfred Perry

Thursday 9:00am + Frank, Delima and Gerald Richard

Friday 9:00am + Shirley Coughlin
+ Betty Gaudet

Saturday 4:30pm + Margaret Cooke

7:00pm + Lorne Luxton

Sunday 9:00am Special Intentions

11:00am Intentions of the Parishioners

4:00pm + Gerard Gallant

Anniversaries... Annette Thibert

(A cross (+) before a name indicates prayers for a deceased person.)

Last Week's Offerings

Sunday Offering 3,240.00 Automatic Debits 2,550.00

Children's Building Fund 258.00

Total \$6,048.00

Cost to operate St. Paul's Parish each week: **\$7,440**

Sincere appreciation for your continued generosity!

Parish Office Hours... St. Paul's Parish Office will be closed on Monday, Sept. 7th due to the holiday and will reopen on Tuesday, Sept. 8th. Sorry for any inconvenience.

Baptism ... Inquiries/registrations, Contact the Parish Office at (902) 436-5112 or office@stpaulsparish.ca

Prayer Line ... To have prayers said for family/friends experiencing health problems, call 436-5039 or 436-6135.

Catholic Women's League ... www.cwl.ca

Provincial C.W.L.... www.cwlpei.ca

Knights of Columbus... Meetings will resume on the third Tuesday of every month, beginning on September 15th at 7:00pm in the Main Hall. The K of C lead the Rosary on the 3rd Saturday of the month at 6:30pm & offer it for the peace of the world.

St. Paul's Masses Update... The church is open to 50 people during the Daily Masses (Mon-Fri) and open to 100 people during Weekend Masses. **Daily Masses and Weekend (Sunday) Masses Do Not Require Registration anymore.** All Masses will be based on first come, first serve and we ask that you please arrive at least 10 minutes early to every Mass because you will need to sign in upon arrival.

St. Paul's is now open for Daily Masses, Monday-Friday at 9:00am and weekend (Sunday) Masses on Saturdays at 4:30pm & 7:00pm and Sundays at 9:00am, 11:00am and 4:00pm. The Parish doors will open approximately 30 minutes before every Mass. Thank you for your patience and support. If you have any questions, please contact Nicole in the Parish Office.

Try Our 4:00pm Sunday Mass! ... As our catechism program prepares to resume this fall, we encourage those who are able to try attending our 4:00pm Sunday Mass in order to avoid congestion at our Sunday Morning Masses. We have added this Mass for your convenience because of our current limitations of 100 attendees at Mass due to Covid-19 Restrictions.

St. Paul's Online... Connect with us online on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/stpaulspei or our website stpaulsparish.ca for all the latest info on how the Church is responding to COVID-19. Join us as we continue to grow in faith during this difficult time.

Sing to the Lord... Public Health recently announced that parishioners will be allowed to sing in church again provided they are wearing a mask and maintain a physical distance of 6ft (which our seating arrangement allows). So please feel free to bring your masks and join us in praising the Lord!

Prayers for the Sick/Suffering... Norma Gallant, Brian Spin, Wayne Spin, David Allen, Carrie MacQuarrie, Jason MacQuarrie, Laurlyn Ley, Peggy Dunville, Kathleen Gaudet, Lavenia O'Connor, Gail Bernard, Camden Kingyens, Shirley Hardy, Jean Profit, Adam Bourque, Matthew Ricard, Clay Rayner, Mary Dunbar, Raymond Caissie, Glen Birt, Myrtle Smith, Monique Arsenault, Janine Landry, Rosalie Folland, Ann Boyle, Mary Keith, Bree Dechambeau, Harold Langille, Frances Hamill, Joshua Gallant, Gary Gallant, Jeannette Arsenault, Sharon MacNeill, Donald MacDonald, Susan Lynn MacLean, Robert Arsenault, Colette Cormier, John & Mary Veerabathina, Mary Linn Bridges, Della Arsenault, Lemma Rose, that Jesus may bring them healing.

Catechism 2020-2021... It's time to register your children for Sunday School! Due to Covid-19, we need to know exactly how many children we will be teaching this year to make plans to keep them physically distanced. Dates and Times of classes will be announced only after we have determined the size of each class. Therefore, we ask everyone to **please register any children in grades 1-8 as soon as possible** by visiting <https://stpaulsparish.ca/catechism-registration> or stop by the Parish Office Mon-Friday 9:00am - 4:00pm.

Catechism Book Pick-Up and In-Person Registration...

Catechism books will be available for pick up on Sun, Sept 13th from 10:00am-4:00pm in the Main Hall. Reminder that books are \$20 each up to a max of \$50 per family. Please enter through the Parish Center doors and follow all physical distancing and hand sanitizing measures. In-person registration for catechism will be available at this time.

Confirmation 2020 Update... Dates have been set for our confirmation class of 2020. Due to COVID-19 regulations, we will be having 2 confirmation ceremonies, one on Tues, Sept 15th, and a second on Thurs, Sept 17th. Both ceremonies will be held at 7:00pm. There will be a rehearsal and opportunity for confessions on Monday, Sept 14th for all candidates and sponsors at 6:00pm. All candidates are reminded to attend the final confirmation retreat on Sat, Sept 12th at 1:00pm. Please keep our confirmation candidates and their sponsors in your prayers during this time.

Confirmation Rehearsal Details... Rehearsal for all candidates begin confirmed and their sponsors will be taking place on **Monday September 14th** from 6:00-8:00pm. All candidates who are being confirmed on Sept 15th and their sponsors are asked to come to the **Winter St. Entrance** and follow the signs to their meeting location. All candidates attending the Sept 17th ceremony and their sponsors are asked to enter through the **Main Church Doors** and meet in the church. Reminder that everyone is asked to arrive before 6:00pm so we can begin on time.

Catechism Planning Meeting... All parents, any interested parishioners and all catechism teachers are invited to a special meeting to provide input into the planning of the upcoming catechetical year on Thurs, Sept 10th at 7:00pm in the Main Hall. With the new Public Health Regulations for COVID-19 to consider, we want as much input as possible to better serve our students and their families. To ensure we stay within meeting limits, please register by emailing education@stpaulsparish.ca or calling 902-439-3741.

Volunteer Opportunities... We are blessed at St. Paul's with the opportunity to serve children in our catechism program. To serve these children better, we are looking for more volunteers to help with this program. The types of positions include preparing materials for programming, registration helper (signing children in and out of programs), and in class helper (taking attendance, handing out materials in catechism class). If you feel called to help in any of these positions, please attend the Catechism Planning Meeting on Sept. 10th or contact Jessica at 902-439-3741 or education@stpaulsparish.ca

Youth Group Updates... Our new Senior Youth Group for gr. 9-12 will be meeting in person every Friday at 7:00pm at the Parish Center. Our Youth Worship Night for all youth in grades 5-12 will be meeting in person on Wednesday Nights at the Parish Center at 7:15pm.

Wee Ones Word... Unfortunately, due to COVID-19 and the current Public Health regulations, our children's liturgy program will be cancelled for this Fall. We will update you when regulations change, and we are able to resume Wee Ones Word.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Suggested items for food bank this week: food snacks & juice packs for school, cereal, canned meats/fish for sandwiches, and cheese whiz. Thank you!

Defining the poor is easy – it is in all of us. It's not just the people who call us or live on the streets. We are all poor in some measure. Sometimes poverty is more evident, however, we all have a reason to be. God speaks to us through our brothers & sisters who are weak, sick, poor, elderly & vulnerable.

The K of C/ Sisters of the Sacred Heart Bottle Exchange... If you are interested in supporting the Sisters of the Sacred Heart, you can do so using your recyclables. Don's Bottle Exchange & Highland Bottle Exchange accept cans/ bottle donations. All donations will aid in the programs the Sisters are involved in

A Special Retreat Weekend for Grandparents... Join us on Sept 11-13, 2020 at Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre for a retreat weekend. Our understanding of a Grandparent is that of an Elder who through their lived experiences pass on important values, beliefs & ideals to future generations. We wish to recognize & celebrate your wisdom and love on this retreat weekend. This will be a guided retreat in which there will be quiet time along with prayer meditation time to reground yourself in what really matters bringing you back to who you are and the God that created you. In this way you will deepen your awareness of your beautiful and sacred self within the context of your sacred history. You will be guided by a team; Julia Donahoe-MacDougald, Fr. John Lacey, and Gilles Michaud. Because of the pandemic and its physical distance guidelines we are limited in the number of participants that can be accepted. To register please contact: Gilles Michaud: 902 724 2583 or Earla and Martin Avery (Our Lady of Hope Retreat Centre) 902-621-2385

Another good way to grow in friendship with Christ is by listening to his word. The Lord speaks to us in the depths of our conscience, he speaks to us through Sacred Scripture, he speaks to us in prayer. Learn to stay before him in silence, to read and meditate on the Bible, especially the Gospels, to converse with him every day in order to feel his presence of friendship and love. - Pope Francis