November 8th, 2020

Wisdom 6.12-16 1 Thessalonians 4.13-18 Matthew 25.1-13



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Confessions:

Tuesday 8:30am- 8:55am Thursday: 6:30pm - 6:55pm Saturday: 11:00am - 12:00pm

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 + Elmer Doiron + Douglas Joseph Gallant 9:00am + Mr. De La Fuente Tuesday 9:00am + Martin Richard Wednesday **7:00pm** + M.R. Papa Thursday 9:00am + Francis and Gregory Hynes Friday Saturday **4:30pm** + Donna Dankster Ann Celine Magpantay 7:00pm **Special Intentions** 9:00am +Crisleta Mason Sunday 11:00am **Intentions of Parishioners 4:00pm** +Dr. Hubert McNeill

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

Anniversaries... Ronald McIver, Vital Gauthier, Vincent Savidant

Prayers for the Sick/Suffering... Norma Gallant, Brian Spin, Wayne Spin, David Allen, Carrie MacQuarrie, Jason MacQuarrie, Laurlyn Ley, Peggy Dunville, Kathleen Gaudet, 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, Mary Jones Blair Creelman, Normand Richard, Stephen Gaudet and Cecil Gallant that Jesus may bring them healing.

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 on the third Tuesday of every month. 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.

Baptism Prep Course... is happening soon. Please register by calling the main office.

CWL... St Paul's CWL monthly meeting will be held on Monday November 9th at the Parish Centre commencing with an executive meeting at 1pm followed by the regular meeting at 2:00 pm. Masks are to be worn entering and exiting the Centre and social distancing will be practiced.

Weekend Mass Update... With the approval of Public Health, we have opened the church to 150 people for our weekend masses. Masks are highly recommended and must be worn when singing. Masks should be removed prior to receiving communion and put back on after receiving. The church is now divided into 3 sections (A, B & C). Washroom location for group A is downstairs, for group B is in the Ushers room (which must be accessed through the foyer) and for group C it is in the crying room.

You will notice green tape on the pews, this is there to indicate 6ft.distancing. If you are sharing a pew with others who are not in your bubble, you must stay on the far ends of the pew, not crossing into the 6ft spacing in the middle.

At communion time, we ask that everyone remain in their pews and Communion ministers will bring the Eucharist to you. Please stay on your side of your pew, maintaining physical distance from others not in your bubble, people on one side of the pews will be served first and the minister of Communion will come around and serve those on the far ends of the pew after. Daily masses will remain at 50-person capacity.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we attempt to ensure the safety of everyone, while trying to bring as many people as possible to the Sacraments.

Financial information... Although Covid 19 has impacted our parish finances this year we were thankfully able to participate in Federal funding which enabled us to retain much needed staff and continue services. Last year's Power of the Toonie campaign had put us in adequate financial shape and the generosity of many of our parishioners who continued their regular donations or contributed special donations during this time is sincerely appreciated. Thank you!

Last Week's Offerings

Sunday Offering 6,066.55 Automatic Debits 1,964.00 Children's Building Fund 251.00

Total \$8,271.55

Cost to operate St. Paul's Parish each week: \$7,440 Sincere appreciation for your continued generosity!



Volunteers needed... To fulfill all the public health requirements, we require some more volunteers to help at the Masses, signing

people in, ushering, helping with Eucharistic Ministry, technology, music and reading. If you are interested in helping with any of these ministries, please call the main office.

Instruction and training will be provided - all you need is a willing heart!

Christmas Masses... To allow more parishioners to celebrate Christmas Mass, we will be having additional Christmas Masses this year. Mass times will be as follows:

December 24^{th.} 2020 - 4:00pm, 6:00pm, 8:00pm, 10:00pm & Midnight.

December 25th, 2020 - 9:00am

Registration is required for all Christmas Masses. Please call between the hours of 10:00am and 12:00PM only (902) 724-3646 or email education@stpaulsparish.ca.

Sunday Missals for purchase... as we are unable to put them in the pews this year, the 2020-2021 Sunday Missals are available for purchase by donation. They will be available after weekend Masses; simply place your donation in the offerings box, and pick up a Missal on your way out. They can also be picked up from the Main Office.

Catechism Information... Thank you to all parents and students for your cooperation as we resumed catechism classes on Oct 4th with new adaptations for COVID-19. We appreciate your help in ensuring the safety of our students and volunteers.

Reminder to please keep students home if they have any symptoms of COVID-19 which include fever, new or worsening cough, shortness of breath, sore throat, unusual fatigue, sneezing, congestion, runny nose or loss of smell or taste. Please let your child's teacher know (via Facebook or email) if your child will not be attending class for any reason and they will provide you with information to review at home.

Confirmation Retreat... All students seeking Confirmation this year are asked to attend our fall retreat on Saturday Nov 21st from 1pm-5pm. If you have any questions or concerns, please email education@stpaulsparish.ca

Sacramental Preparation... All youth in grades 1-8 who have registered to receive their First Communion this year are reminded to please submit a completed First Communion Information form along with a copy of your child's baptismal certificate if they were not baptized here at St. Paul's. Forms may be dropped off at the main office, submitted to classroom teachers or emailed to our coordinator at education@stpaulsparish.ca.

Youth Group Leadership Team Meeting... All those interested in volunteering with the Youth Group are asked to attend a meeting this Wed Nov 11th at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall. Youth aged 16 and over and adults are welcome. Reminder that volunteer hours in this ministry will qualify for High School Youth to use towards a provincial Community Service Bursary.

Youth Group Updates... Our Senior Youth Group (gr. 9-12) meets every Friday at 7:00pm at the Parish Center. Our regular Youth Group (gr 5-12) meets Wednesday Nights at the Parish Center at 7:00pm. **No youth group on Wednesday Nov. 11th.**

Nativity Raffle... Tickets are now available on a beautiful Nativity Scene Framed Picture valued at \$130. All proceeds will go to support children and youth programs at our parish. The winner will be drawn at our Nativity Night on Dec. 17th. Tickets can be purchased at the Main Office or at Kelly's Flower Shoppe for \$2 each or 3 for \$5. Tickets are also available through e-transfer. Simply send your funds to office@stpaulsparish.ca with the security answer 'church' and in the Memo section put 'Nativity' and we will email your tickets to you.

St. Vincent de Paul...As in previous years St. Vincent de Paul will be making a monetary donation to the annual Kin Family Christmas Appeal being held on Dec. 7th. Parishioners wishing to help can do so by making a monetary donation to us, please indicate "Christmas Appeal". These donations can be made at the Parish Office or in the weekend collections. These special donations will be included on your 2020 St. Vincent de Paul Tax receipt. Those wishing to "adopt a family" can continue to do so contacting Sue: 902-303-0135 a member of the Kin Christmas Appeal

Suggested items this week: Deodorant, coffee, cookies, jam & cheese whiz. Thank-You

Please note If you are bringing donations for St. Vincent dd Paul with you to a weekend Mass and are unable to access the donation bin due to our COVID-19 precautions, please leave your donations in your seats and an usher will take it to the donation bin after Mass

No matter what happens in life, be kind to people. Kindness is a wonderful legacy to leave behind.

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

Recovering together... Next weekend the special collection for Development and Peace-Caritas Canada will be taken up. Thank you for your Solidarity with the Global South and the people who are devastated by the COVID-19. Please give generously to D&P to help our Recovery Together.

Scholarships... Applications are now being accepted at the Community Foundation of Prince Edward Island (CFPEI) for The St. Andrew's Society Scholarships (\$47,000 in total scholarships available). The Scholarship Fund awards full-time university students in any of their first three years of university who are currently residents of Prince Edward Island, Roman Catholic and of Scottish descent. Details at www.cfpei.ca

Calling all Teen Encounter Alumni... we are having an evening of Adoration! Save the date: November 27th at 7pm, we will gather at Holy Redeemer Parish for an evening of prayer. WorshipSafe practices will be followed. More details coming soon