

## St. Paul's Parish Bulletin

**21<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**August 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

*“The Church exists in order to evangelize. That is to say, in order to preach and teach, to be the channel of the gift of grace, to reconcile sinners with God, and to perpetuate Christ’s sacrifice in the Mass.” — St. Paul VI, Evangelii Nuntiandi (14)*

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### Parish Contact Information

**Parochial Administrator:** Rev. John Molina | (902) 724-2471

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**Housekeeping:** Karen Morrell

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### Parish Office Hours:

- Monday & Friday: 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- Tuesday to Thursday: 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

- Tuesday: 11:30 AM
- Thursday: 8:30 AM
- Saturday: 11:00 AM – 12:00 PM

### Eucharistic Adoration:

- Fridays 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM
- Summit – First Sunday of the Month 7pm to 8:30pm**

### Baptisms:

Celebrated on the first Sunday of each month. Please contact the parish office to register and arrange preparation.

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### Prayer for the Sick

 Please remember in your prayers:

Tim McNulty, Melvin Laviolette, Allan Gaudet, Valerie McInnis, Robert McBurnie, Francis Oba, Wilfred & Eva Gallant, Sheila Perry, Steven Arsenaault, MacDougall, Annie Bridges, Agnes Poirier, Gail & Thomas Cybulski, Douglas Gaudet, John Arsenaault, Barbara Gillis, Jeanette MacKenzie, John Richard and Della van Vliet.

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**Rosary Intention for August** We pray for mutual coexistence. Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

## Mass Times & Intentions | August 25-31

**For St. Paul's Parish and St. John the Baptist**  
*(+ indicates prayers for the repose of the soul)*

### Monday, August 25

9:00 AM – St. Paul's Souls in Purgatory, McKenna Grandchildren

### Tuesday, August 26

10:00 AM – St. John's:

12:00 PM – St. Paul's: Souls in Purgatory, +Anita Peterson

### Wednesday, August 27

9:00 AM – St. Paul's: Living & deceased members of CWL

### Thursday, August 28

9:00 AM – St. Paul's: +Clifford & Theresa Gallant, +Anne Marie Gauthier

### Friday, August 29

9:00 AM – St. Paul's: Inmates, +Allison Laughlin

9:30 AM – St. Paul's: Holy Hour of Adoration

10:00 AM – St. John's

### Saturday, August 30

4:00 PM – St. Paul's: Memorial Book Mass

### Sunday, August 31

9:00 AM – St. Paul's: +Tiffany Harvey & Josh Gallant, Angelo Jaison Paul

10:00 AM – St. John's: Parishioners

11:00 AM – St. Paul's: Intentions of Parishioners

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## Mass Readings for August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025

**First Reading:** Sirach 3.17-20, 28-29

**Second Reading:** Hebrews 12.18-19, 22-24a

**Gospel:** Luke 14.1, 7-14

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## Legacy Fund 50/50 Fundraiser

**Thank you for your support!** As of **August 13th, 2025**, the total received this month from our 50/50 tickets is **\$439.00** (The winner receives half) Draw will be held after the 11:00 am Mass, in The Parish Centre Lounge, on Sunday, August 31st.

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## Last Week's Offerings

**Sunday Offering:** \$4,483.75

**Automatic Debit:** \$1,686.50

**E-Transfers:** \$240.00

**Building Fund:** \$200.00

**Total Weekly Contributions:** \$6,610.25

**Weekly Parish Operating Cost:** \$7,440

🙏 *Sincere appreciation for your continued generosity.*

## St. Vincent de Paul Society | (902) 724-3454

Please help us to help those that need a hand up especially during these tough economic times. Suggested items for this week are: coffee, cereal, crackers, cookies & peanut butter. Thank you. Fresh produce donations can be delivered directly to the food bank: **Monday, Wednesday & Friday** | 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM.

*‘Whether it’s caring for a relative, helping a neighbor, or volunteering your time, be encouraged as you do the work God has called you to do. Your labour can be a powerful testimony of faith, hope & love.’*  
- Our Daily Bread

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## Parish Ministries & Outreach

### Catholic Women's League (CWL)

Seeking a deeper way to live your faith in fellowship and service? Consider joining the CWL.

*Acting President: Judy Lewis*

**Leadership training 2026** - applications are now being accepted for the 2026 cohort of our Leadership Program.

More details can be found at

[www.cwlfcanada.ca](http://www.cwlfcanada.ca).

### St. Paul's CWL Bursary

For female students entering university or college.

Applications available at the Parish office.

**Deadline:** September 1st, 2025

### Knights of Columbus

Meetings held on the third Tuesday of the month, next meeting is September 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

*Grand Knight: Garth McKinnon*

### Sisters of the Sacred Heart

Have you got a loved one that you would like the sisters to visit? Contact: (902) 436-5386 | [sacredheartpei@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartpei@gmail.com)

### Catechism

Registration will open on August 24th. you will find the online form at [stpaulsparish.ca/catechism-registration](http://stpaulsparish.ca/catechism-registration) as well as updated details.

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## Upcoming Events

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

September 26–28 | Amherst, NS

(506) 451-8489 | [ron.joanne.arsenaault@wwme.org](mailto:ron.joanne.arsenaault@wwme.org)

[www.wwme.org](http://www.wwme.org)

### Parish Picnics

Aug 24: St. Simon & St. Jude, Tignish

## Pipe Organ Summer Concert Series

**Final Concert:** Tuesday, Aug. 26 · 1:00 p.m.: St. Dunstan's Basilica, Charlottetown **Encore Performance:** Wednesday, Aug. 27 · 7:00 p.m.: of St. Simon & St. Jude

## 2025 Jubilee Canadian Martyrs' Pilgrimage

Join us Saturday, September 20 at St. Peter's Church, Seven Mile Bay to honour the courageous faith of the Canadian Martyrs and pray for pro-life intentions. More info:

[dioceseofcharlottetown.com](http://dioceseofcharlottetown.com)

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## Bishop's Dinner – October 1

Join Bishop Joseph Dabrowski for an evening of faith, community, and generosity as we celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope.

More info and tickets:

<https://dioceseofcharlottetown.com/a-celebration-of-community-faith-and-service-diocese-launches-first-annual-bishops-fundraising-dinner/>

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## Seeking God's Presence

By Fr. John Molina

*“They will come from the east and the west and from the north and the south and will recline at table in the kingdom of God.” (Luke 13:29)*

The readings this Sunday open our hearts to God's great vision: a kingdom where people of every nation are gathered into His presence. Isaiah speaks of a God who sends out messengers to announce His glory to the ends of the earth, so that all peoples may share in His joy.

This is not a small promise; it is the generous dream of a Father who wants His house filled.

But the way is not without challenge. The Letter to the Hebrews reminds us that God's love sometimes takes the form of discipline, shaping us, strengthening us, and guiding us to walk in the right path. Jesus, too, speaks clearly: the gate is narrow. It is not enough to simply be near Him; what matters is allowing His word to transform our lives.

Yet this is never a burden to fear. It is an invitation to live with purpose — to walk with others, to carry one another, and to let our faith become a sign of hope for the world. In every Mass, we are not only welcomed to the Lord's table, but also sent out, like those messengers in Isaiah, so that others might find their place in the banquet of God's kingdom.