

St. Paul’s Parish Bulletin

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 5th, 2025

To recite the Rosary is nothing other than to contemplate with Mary the face of Christ.”

— *St. John Paul II, Apostolic Letter Rosarium Virginis Mariae (2002), no. 3*

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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.

Prayer for the Sick

Please remember in your prayers: Mike Spin, Louise Wedge, Derrick Rowe, Rocky Gallant, Baby Alis, Tim McNulty, Leona MacDonald, Melvin Laviolette, Wilfred & Eva Gallant, Sheila Perry, Gail & Thomas Cybulski, Douglas Gaudet, , Barbara Gillis, Jeanette MacKenzie, John Richard and Della van Vliet.

Rosary Intention for September

For our relationship with all of creation Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

Mass Times & Intentions

For St. Paul’s Parish and St. John the Baptist

October 6th – 12th

(+ indicates prayers for the repose of the soul)

Monday, Oct 6th

9:00 AM – +Intentions of Nicole DesRoches, Intentions of Chantale Gagnon

Tuesday, Oct 7th

10:00 AM – St. John’s: +

12:00 PM – St. Paul’s: + Mona Lee Gallant, Souls Purgatory

Wednesday, Oct 8th

9:00 AM – St. Paul’s: + Joseph & Edith Coulter, +Louis & Edna McKenna

Thursday, Oct 9th

9:00 AM – St. Paul’s: + Joey Craig, +Russell Richard

Friday, Oct 10th

9:00 AM – St. Paul’s: +Melina Hashie, Deceased Members of the McNeill Family

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

10:00 AM – St. John’s

Saturday, Oct 11th

4:00 PM – St. Paul’s: +Dan Harper, +Frances Doucette

Sunday, Oct 12th

9:00 AM – St. Paul’s: +Vernon Pineau, +Cesar Dawal

10:00 AM – St. John’s: Intentions of Parishioners

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

Mass Readings for Oct 12th, 2025

First Reading: 2 Kings 5. 14-17

Second Reading: 2 Timothy 2. 8 -13

Gospel: Luke 17.11-19

Legacy Fund 50/50 Thank you for your support! As of October 2nd, 2025, the total received this month from our 50/50 tickets is \$85.00 (The winner receives half)

Check Your Tickets! Our September 50/50 winner still hasn’t claimed their prize! If you have **ticket #76084008**, please come forward before Sunday, October 11 at noon. The prize is \$420—but if unclaimed, it will roll into the October draw. After that, the September ticket will no longer be valid. The October draw will be held after the 11:00 am Mass, in The Parish Centre Lounge, on Sunday, October 26th,

Last Week’s Offerings

Sunday Offering: \$5,189.20

Automatic Debit: \$1,686.50

E-Transfers: \$500.00

Building Fund: \$790.00

Total Weekly Contributions: \$8,165.70

Weekly Parish Operating Cost: \$7,440.00

🙏 *Thank you for your ongoing generosity.*

Parish Ministries & Outreach

NET Youth Retreat!Youth in Grade 7+ are invited to “Living for Greatness” at St. Paul’s on Saturday, Oct. 11 (9 AM–5 PM). Lunch and snacks included. Free to attend (donations welcome). Register by Oct. 9 with Tawnya at education@stpaulsparish.ca

Catholic Women’s League (CWL)

Faith • Fellowship • Service

Acting President: Judy Lewis

Next Meeting October 4th 10am Social 10:30am Meeting

Knights of Columbus

Join the Knights of Columbus and be part of a brotherhood empowering Catholic men to live their faith — at home, in the parish, at work, and in the community. **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

Food Drive Blitz – Let’s Overflow the

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

Join us on **Saturday, October 11th, from 9 AM to 12 PM** in the **Emmaus Room (Winter Street entrance)** for our **Food Drive Blitz!**

Our amazing volunteers will be ready to greet you—and even carry groceries from your car—so dropping off donations is quick and easy. We’re collecting both **non-perishable and perishable food items**, as well as **monetary donations** to keep our shelves full.

With your help, we can fill our food bank to overflowing and make sure no one in our community goes without. **Every can, every box, every gift makes a difference.** Spread the word, bring a friend, and let’s make this Blitz a success—**together we can care for our community!**

Catechism News:

Families are invited to the **Children’s Mass on Sunday, Oct. 5 at 11 AM**, where we’ll commission our Catechism teachers and present Bibles to Grade 4 students. Please note there will be **no class on Oct. 12**—wishing everyone a blessed Thanksgiving!

Indigenous Reconciliation Fund

This year's Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF) Collection is October 4–5, parishes across our Diocese will take up the annual collection for IRF. **Please give generously and pray for reconciliation here on Prince Edward Island and across Canada.**

Used Puzzle Sale

St. John the Baptist Parish is hosting a puzzle sale on Saturday, Oct. 18, 10 AM–2 PM in the church. Proceeds go toward the church roof project. To donate puzzles, contact Claudette at 902-436-1072.

Pancake Breakfast! Join us on Sunday at St. Paul’s after the 11am Mass, October 5 for a delicious pancake breakfast hosted by the **Knights of Columbus**. Come enjoy good food and fellowship! Cost: By donation – proceeds support *St. Vincent de Paul food bank*.

Welcome to the St. Paul's Library!

Our small but well-stocked library is located by the right side confessional (Central St. side). Most shelves have now been labeled, and some works are categorized by Authors and others are under Themes or Subject matters. Come browse the shelves, borrow an item or two, and return it in the Returns blue box when done! There is no borrowing period — you bring it back when you're done with it! No sign in or sign out necessary! Next week, we will discuss our newest section called "When two or three are gathered in my name". Stay tuned, and happy browsing!

Summit

Join us in a night of Worship & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Summit will be **Sunday October 5th, beginning at 7:00 until 8:00pm** at St. Paul’s Parish. There will be a reflection by Dr. Don Clark on being a Catholic Missionary, a time of musical worship and silent prayer.

Seniors’ Reflection

Join us at the Marguerite Bourgeoys Centre on Tuesday, Oct. 7, 10:30 AM–Noon, with presenter Lauren van Vliet (formerly of St. Paul’s). Lunch to follow; donations appreciated. All are warmly welcome! For details, call Sr. Joan Marie at 902-330-4559.

Seeking God’s Presence

By Fr. John Molina

“Increase our faith!” (Luke 17:5)

This Sunday’s Gospel shows the apostles asking Jesus for greater faith. The Lord responds by pointing not to extraordinary powers, but to humble fidelity. Faith, even as small as a mustard seed, can accomplish what seems impossible. Jesus then adds the parable of the servant: disciples are not to seek rewards or recognition, but to live their mission in service and humility.

This is the heart of Christian life: we are disciples who have been sent. Our Catholic identity is rooted in this truth — that baptism gives us a mission. We are called to proclaim the Gospel not only with words but with our daily witness of love, humility, and service. Like the apostles, we too must cry out, *“Increase our faith!”* so that our lives may truly reflect Christ to the world.

As we enter the month of October, the Church also invites us to turn with confidence to Mary, the Mother of the Church and Queen of the Rosary. Mary is the model disciple — she listened, she believed, she said *“yes”* to God’s mission. Every time we pray the Rosary, we join her in contemplating the mysteries of Christ, and we are renewed in our own call to carry Him into the world.

The Rosary is not only a private devotion; it is a missionary prayer. As we meditate on the life of Jesus through Mary’s eyes, our hearts are opened to the needs of our neighbors, to the cries of the poor, and to the task of sharing the Good News. Praying the Rosary helps us, like Mary, to be bearers of Christ’s presence wherever life takes us — in our families, workplaces, and communities.

Let us ask for the grace this October to let our faith grow like the mustard seed. Through humble acts of service and by following Mary’s example of discipleship, may our parish communities become living witnesses of the Gospel, sent to proclaim Christ in both word and deed.