

## St. Paul’s Parish Bulletin

November 9, 2025

Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

“The Church is alive. She is the place where we encounter the living Christ.”

— *Pope Benedict XVI, Homily at St. John Lateran (2005)*

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### Parish Contact Information

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### Parish Office Hours:

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

**Please Note:** The Parish Office will be **CLOSED on Tuesday, November 11 for Remembrance Day.**

### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

### Eucharistic Adoration:

- Summit – First Sunday of the Month 7pm to 8:30pm**

### Baptisms:

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

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### Prayer for the Sick

Please remember in your prayers: Rose Gallant, Pat Williams, Jean Murray, Mike Spin, Louise Wedge, Baby Alis, Tim McNulty, Leona MacDonald, Melvin Laviolette, Wilfred & Eva Gallant, Sheila Perry, Gail & Thomas Cybulski, Douglas Gaudet, Barbara Gillis, Jeanette MacKenzie, John Richard.

### Mass Times & Intentions

**For St. Paul’s Parish and St. John the Baptist***Nov 10<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> (+ indicates prayers for the repose of the soul)*

**Monday, \*\* NO MASS\*\***

**Tuesday, Nov 11<sup>th</sup>**

**\*\*9:00AM\*\* – St. Paul’s: +Louise Boulanger, +Richard Connolly**

**Wednesday, Nov 12<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 AM – St. Paul’s: + Melina Hashie, Intentions of Chantale Gagnon**

**Thursday, Nov 13<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 AM – Intentions of Marcia Gagnon, Intentions of inmates**

**Friday, Nov 14<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 AM – St. Paul’s: + Joey Craig, +Marc & Serge Gagnon**

**10:00 AM – St. John’s: Intention of the donor**

**Saturday, Nov 15<sup>th</sup>**

**4:00 PM – St. Paul’s: Souls in Purgatory, Intentions of Chantale Gagnon**

**7:00 PM – St. John’s: Intention of the donor**

**Sunday, Nov 16<sup>th</sup>**

**9:00 AM – St. Paul’s: + Intentions of Jean Murray, +Melina Hashie**

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

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### Last Week’s Offerings

**Sunday Offering:** \$6,616.50

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

**E-Transfers:** \$220.00

**Building Fund:** \$205.00

**Mission Sunday:**\$741.00

**Indigenous Reconciliation fund:** \$430.00

**Cemetery:** \$30.00

**Total Weekly Contributions:** \$9,929.00

 *Thank you for your ongoing generosity.*

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### Living with Christ Subscription

Renew or start a subscription by Nov. 15, 2025. Annual fee: \$40. Please contact the office.

**Loonie-Toonie Collection** A special collection will be taken at all weekend Masses on **Nov. 21–22** to support the Free Christmas Dinner. Extra funds will go to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank.

### 50/50 Legacy Fundraiser

Thank you for your support! As of Nov 2, we’ve received \$340. (winner receives half). Draw: Nov. 30 after the 11 AM Mass in the Parish Centre Lounge.

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### Society of St Vincent de Paul

**(902) 724-3454**

**Items Most Needed This Week:** Laundry detergent, dish soap, toilet tissues (4-6 roll packs), apple sauce, canned meats for sandwiches & miracle whip.

 Thank you for your continued generosity and compassion in helping those in need.

As in past years, **St. Vincent de Paul** will donate to the **Kin Family Christmas Appeal** on **Monday, Dec. 1**. Parishioners may contribute by marking “**Christmas Appeal**” on their donation—these will appear on your **2025 tax receipt**. To **adopt a family**, contact **Sue (902-303-0135)**.

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### Faith Formation & Family News

**Catechism:** No classes **Nov. 9 (Remembrance Day weekend)**.

Classes resume **Nov. 16**.

**Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest:**

Ages 5–14, runs **Nov. 16 – Dec. 7**, hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

**Children’s Mass:**

Also on **Nov. 16**. Families invited to sit up front; Confirmation students will serve.

**Volunteer Training Sessions (2–3 PM)**

- Nov. 15 – Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist**
  - Nov. 22 – Lectors**
  - Nov. 29 – Hospitality**
  - Dec. 6 – Junior Altar Servers (youth)**
  - Dec. 13 – Senior Altar Servers (adults)**
- Sacristans – Fr. John will set a weekday meeting.*

**Junior Altar Servers:**

**Children who’ve received First Communion are invited to train Dec. 6.**

**Youth Group** Grades 7–12. Every second Friday, 7–9 PM.

Next gathering: Nov 7 – join us for fun, faith, and friendship

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**Catholic Women’s League (CWL)**

*Faith • Fellowship • Service* Meet the first Saturday of the month.

Acting President: Judy Lewis Reminder to bring \$5. for money tree

**Prayer Line** to have prayers said for family/friends, call 436-5039 or 436-6135

 **Christmas Lottery, Bake & Book Sale!**

**Saturday, Dec. 6 – Parish Hall**

**Bake sale, lottery tree, used books, free coffee & fellowship!**

**Knights of Columbus** *Empowering Catholic men to live their faith.* Grand Knight: Garth McKinnon

**Sisters of the Sacred Heart** Would you like the Sisters to visit a loved one? Contact: (902) 436-5386 | [sacredheartpei@gmail.com](mailto:sacredheartpei@gmail.com)

**News from the library** a full bookcase is dedicated to the Saints, their lives and their works. We have books about the Early Church’s Saints and we also have books on more recent Saints. We have books on women Saints, American Saints, younger Saints. And we also have books that offer a portrait of many Saints. If you are looking at encountering Saints in their daily lives and their wisdom, go browse our bookcase that is titled SAINTS. Padre Pio, Maximilian Kolbe, Mary Magdalen, John of the Cross, Therese of Lisieux, Francis of Assisi, the Cure of Ars, Mother Teresa, Carlos Acutis, etc.... You will find your favorite saint for sure!

**Free Christmas Dinner** Christmas can be a lonely or difficult time, especially during these tough economic times. St. Paul’s Community Support Committee invites those who may be alone or facing financial hardship to a Free Christmas Dinner on Christmas Day, 1–3 p.m. **To register, call Linda or Wayne Doucette (902-436-4005).**

**Volunteers Needed** Help prepare and serve the Christmas Dinner on **Dec. 24 & 25**—tasks include cooking prep, decorating, serving, and cleanup. Contact **John or JoAnne Perry (902-436-4532)** to volunteer.

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**Seeking God’s Presence** *By Fr. John Molina*

*“Zeal for your house will consume me.” (John 2:17)*

This Sunday, the Church pauses to celebrate the *Dedication of the Lateran Basilica*, the cathedral of the Bishop of Rome and the mother church of all Christians. This feast is not only about a building, but about what that building represents: a visible sign of the Church’s unity, mission, and spiritual identity. When Jesus enters the Temple in today’s Gospel and drives out what does not belong, He reminds us that God’s house is meant to be a place of encounter — a space where hearts are renewed, lives are transformed, and God’s people rediscover who they are.

In this Gospel scene, Jesus reveals a deep and passionate love for His Father’s house. His actions speak a truth that we need to hear today: the Church is not simply an institution or a building, but the dwelling place of God among His people. Each of us, through baptism, becomes a living stone in God’s spiritual house. And just as Jesus purified the Temple, He also longs to purify our hearts, freeing us from whatever keeps us from encountering Him more fully.

This feast invites us to rediscover the sacred meaning of being a parish community — a people gathered in faith, rooted in Christ, and sent into the world to proclaim the Good News. Our spiritual life grows when we come to the Father’s house with openness, humility, and a desire to be renewed. Here, through the Eucharist, the Scriptures, and our shared life, we learn again who we are: disciples with a mission.

Our parishes of St. Paul (Summerside) and St. John the Baptist (Miscouche) are embracing a renewed vision for parish life guided by the diocesan call to pastoral transformation. As our plan explains, this renewal rests upon several foundational pillars such as Evangelization, Discipleship, Worship, Community, Service, Stewardship, Leadership, and Spiritual Life

At the heart of this plan is the conviction that Evangelization is the core mission of the Church. It involves two inseparable dimensions:

- Witness of Life — letting our daily actions reflect Christ;
- Proclamation of the Good News — sharing Jesus in words that invite others to encounter Him

This plan is not simply a program or a list of tasks. It is a spiritual and apostolic process, centered on the Holy Spirit, and meant to shape everything we do. It calls us to grow in prayer, form missionary disciples, and create communities where faith is lived joyfully and shared generously. It invites every parishioner to participate, because the renewal of our parishes depends on the commitment of the whole community, not just a few.

Today’s feast reminds us that the Church is a living house, built of people who allow Christ to dwell in them and work through them. May this pastoral vision help us grow as a united, missionary, Spirit-filled community — a parish that becomes, for many, a place of welcome, healing, and hope.