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#### Office Hours

Monday to Friday  
8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

#### Sanctuary Hours

Sundays: 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

#### Parking

Parking is free on Sunday mornings at the Manulife building located on the north side of Bloor Street at the top of Ted Rogers Way. To gain access to Manulife's parking, press the intercom button and inform the security attendant you are attending a service at St. Paul's.

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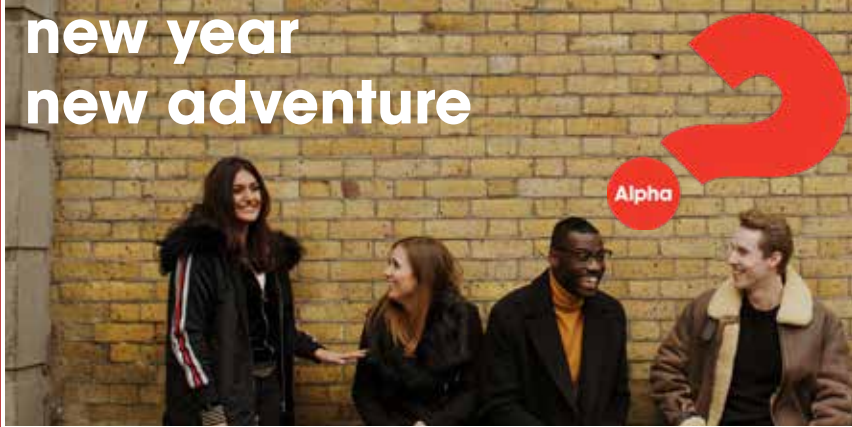
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### 3 Tips for Alpha:

**1. Pray for your friend, brother-in-law, or co-worker.** Pray for anyone who is curious, new to the Christian faith, or has a different spiritual background. Pray they accept your invitation to explore, or resume, their faith at Alpha.

**2. Use one of our invites.** Pick up an invite card from St. Paul's Central and give it to the person you would like to invite. Want to invite someone digitally? Send them the link to our digital invite page: [stpaulsbloor.org/tryalpha](http://stpaulsbloor.org/tryalpha). Or download one of the 4 digital invites located at the bottom of the page to share via text or social media.

**3. Invite someone to "try" with you.** Offer to try Alpha with your guest on January 16. You might say, "I am going to check this event out, would you like to come with me?" Let them know that the invitation is open, so if they change their mind, they can join you at any time. Alpha is a friendly and safe place to ask questions and express opinions. And if they don't like it, there's no pressure, no cost, and no follow-up.

**Try Alpha on January 16**

**12 p.m. (lunch) | 6:30 p.m. (wine & appetizers)**

Childcare is available for the evening session.

**RSVP at [stpaulsbloor.org/alpha](http://stpaulsbloor.org/alpha)**

# This Year, Get Involved

## CONNECT

- **Small Groups** - Small Groups are the best way to grow in your faith and in friendship with people from St. Paul's. We'll help you find the small group that's best for you. Stop by St. Paul's Central or sign up at [stpaulsbloor.org/small-groups](http://stpaulsbloor.org/small-groups)
- **Little Sunbeams** - Little Sunbeams Parents & Tots is a free, weekly drop-in gathering on Wednesday mornings where parents can connect while children sing, learn and play. Join us each week starting this **Wednesday, January 9 at 9:45 a.m.**
- **Youth (Grade 5 to Grade 12)** - Youth Music resumes this **Wednesday at 5 p.m.** followed by Wednesday Night Youth Group from **7 p.m. - 9 p.m.**
- **Young Adults** - Hang out with other young adults at Spirituality on Screen: *Paul, Apostle of Christ* on **January 10 at 7 p.m.** You can also learn about the "Do's and Don't's of Personal Branding" at our next Young Professionals Night on **January 31 at 7 p.m.**
- **Winchester Group** – interested in making a difference by knitting items for Moorelands Kids and the Pikangikum First Nations? The Winchester Group meets on **Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m.** in the Library. New members are welcome at any time.

## LEARN & GROW

- Is 2019 the year you (or your child) take a step of faith through Baptism or Membership? Contact Mark Regis at [mregis@stpaulsbloor.org](mailto:mregis@stpaulsbloor.org) or ext. 230
- **Reading the Bible: Who Wrote My Bible?** - Gain a deeper understanding of your Bible at this free workshop on **January 27** following the 9:30 and 11 a.m. services.
- Christian Meditation and Wednesdays With God are weekly Bible studies that resume this week, and new people are always welcome. Visit our website for time and location [stpaulsbloor.org/calendar](http://stpaulsbloor.org/calendar)

## CARE & PRAYER

- Parents Prayer Group - Parents of children and youth are invited to connect and pray every **Wednesday evening at 8:30 p.m.** in St. Paul's Chapel.
- DivorceCare, Music for Health and Dealing With Depression are courses available for your emotional, spiritual and physical needs. For start dates and to register, visit [stpaulsbloor.org/programs-courses](http://stpaulsbloor.org/programs-courses)
- **Alpha Prayer Group** - all are welcome to join us in praying for the participants of Alpha starting **January 16 at 6 p.m.** in St. Paul's Chapel.

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## SERVE

- **Regent Park Community Dinner** (formerly Cornerstone) - help serve desserts to members of the Regent Park community on **January 26**. Sign up at [stpaulsbloor.org/cornerstone](http://stpaulsbloor.org/cornerstone)
- **Coldest Night of the Year** - support Yonge Street Mission's endeavour to end homelessness, and volunteer as a Site Host at St. Paul's on **February 23**. Register at [stpaulsbloor.org/coldest-night-walk](http://stpaulsbloor.org/coldest-night-walk)
- There are numerous opportunities for you to connect, learn, grow and make a difference through serving. Get involved by stopping by St. Paul's Central or visiting [stpaulsbloor.org/serve](http://stpaulsbloor.org/serve)

### Save the Date - Coldest Night of the Year is February 23



On **February 23**, join us for the family-friendly event: Coldest Night of the Year. We are walking to bring awareness to the work of Yonge Street Mission, a local organization that serves the hungry, homeless and hurting in Toronto. For more information, contact **Robert Hurkmans** at **ext 247** or visit [stpaulsbloor.org/coldest-night-walk](http://stpaulsbloor.org/coldest-night-walk)

### Starting this week

#### Tuesday, January 8

Winchester Group - 10 a.m. | *Library*

Christian Meditation - 1 p.m. | *Room 206*

#### Wednesday, January 9

Little Sunbeams Parents & Tots - 9:45 a.m. | *Nursery*

Wednesdays with God - 12 p.m. | *Dalton Room*

Youth Music - 5 p.m. | *Youth Room*

Youth Group - 7 p.m. | *Youth Room*

#### Thursday, January 10

Spirituality on Screen - 7 p.m. | *Cody Hall  
Paul, Apostle of Christ*

For a full schedule of weekly events, visit [stpaulsbloor.org/calendar](http://stpaulsbloor.org/calendar)

## Missed a sermon or want to re-listen?

[stpaulsbloor.org/sermons](http://stpaulsbloor.org/sermons)

