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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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Happening Today



Pilgrim: The Eucharist Starts Today!

12:15 p.m. in Room 106

The Pilgrim course is a small group study where you can learn how to follow Jesus in everyday life. It unpacks the basic message and teaching of the faith, and shows how to pray and live like Jesus. Come as you are to participate in a way that is comfortable, whether sharing openly in conversation or listening quietly.



Organ Recital

Join us today **at 3:00 p.m.** for the first organ recital of 2018 featuring Stephen Frketic, a former St. Paul's Organ Scholar. Now, Stephen is the Director of Music at Grace Church-on-the-Hill. Admission is free for this one-hour concert.

Pick up a card at St. Paul's Central for more dates. For more information contact Thomas Bell, Music Director, at ext. 233 or email

music@stpaulsbloor.org

Ministry Fair Today

Worshipping Together



Serving the Community



Learning Together



Serving Each Other



Today, at the back of the sanctuary, we are holding a Ministry Fair to help you find where and how you can serve. This is an occasion to explore where you fit and discover how your gifts, talents and passions can serve to strengthen the community as we seek to follow Jesus.

Serving opportunities are grouped into four categories: Worshipping Together, Learning Together, Serving Each Other, and Serving the Community. Each area has multiple places and spaces for active participation. Ask others how and why they got involved. Ask when they serve and what they have learned. Perhaps you will find a new way to connect or a new place to belong.

Everyone is uniquely gifted by God. May your gifts shine in the service of His glory.

"Be devoted to one another in love. Honour one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality." (Romans 12:10-13)

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Ask anything
about life, faith or God

Register at: stpaulsbloor.org/alpha



5 Ways to Invite Someone to Alpha



1. Prayer. Pray for your friend, family member, neighbour or co-worker - anyone who has questions about life, faith or God. Pray they might accept your invitation to begin or resume their faith journey at Alpha.



2. Give someone an invite card from St. Paul's Central. These invite cards provide all the details (time and location) about the Alpha experience at St. Paul's. Take a couple cards and hand them to anyone you would like to invite.



3. Share our posts on Facebook and Twitter. Retweet tweets from our Twitter page (@stpaulsbloor) and share our Facebook posts promoting Alpha. Introducing someone to Alpha can be as simple as sharing it to your social media network.



4. Invite them to "try" with you. Offer to go with them to the first Alpha session. Let your guest know that at Alpha, there is no pressure, no follow-up and it's free of charge. Alpha is an open, welcoming and honest space to explore and discuss life's big questions together.



5. Share your own story. If you've participated in Alpha, share your testimony with someone. Your story is powerful. Let people know how Alpha affected your life or the life of someone you know.



Marriage Course
January 31 to March 14
from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The Marriage Course gives married couples or those preparing for marriage the tools to build a strong and healthy marriage that lasts a lifetime. Over seven evenings, couples talk about important issues that can often be swept under the rug in the rush of daily life including resolving conflict, learning to communicate effectively, and having fun together.

To learn more or to register, visit stpaulsbloor.org/marriage-course or contact Mark Regis, at ext. 230 or mregis@stpaulsbloor.org.

Cornerstone Dinner
January 27
from 4 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.



Several times a year we partner with Church in the City in Regent Park to offer a hot meal on a Saturday evening to about 400 people. Sometimes we prepare, serve and clean up the main course and sometimes we provide drinks and dessert. Children, usually ages 9 and up, who can follow directions and move about independently, are invited to serve along with their guardians.

To volunteer for serving desserts and drinks, visit stpaulsbloor.org/cornerstone or contact Sandra Seaborn at ext. 226 or sseaborn@stpaulsbloor.org.



The Money Course
Starts January 31
from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.

The Money Course is a great place to start learning the skills required to manage your money. It teaches budgeting skills and a simple, cash-based system.

The course is free and designed for everyone - whether unemployed, a student, working, self-employed, retired, newly married or recently divorced.

To find out more or to register online, visit stpaulsbloor.org/money-course or contact Joyce Badley, Executive Pastor, at ext. 229 or jbadley@stpaulsbloor.org.

DivorceCare
Starts January 16
at 7 p.m.



Dealing with the pain of divorce or separation?

DivorceCare is a 13-week series that takes a biblical approach to divorce and can support you through the trials and traumas in the aftermath. Each session begins with an instructional video followed by informal group discussion.

Register at stpaulsbloor.org/divorcecare or contact Nancy Truscott at ext. 228. or parishnurse@stpaulsbloor.org



Save the Date - Coldest Night of the Year

On **February 24**, join us for the family-friendly fundraiser: Coldest Night of the Year. We are walking to bring awareness to the work of the Yonge Street Mission, a local organization that serves the hungry, homeless and hurting in Toronto.

For more information, contact Sandra Seaborn, at sseaborn@stpaulsbloor.org or ext. 226.



GriefShare - Starts March 2 at 1:30 p.m.

The series is a biblical approach to the deep hurt from the finality of death. Topics include living with grief, the effects of grief, the uniqueness of grief, stuck in grief and God's prescription for grief. You are welcome to begin attending the GriefShare group at any point in the series and you do not have to attend in sequence.

To register online, visit stpaulsbloor.org/griefshare or contact Nancy Truscott, Parish Nurse, at ext. 228. or parishnurse@stpaulsbloor.org



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This week we are praying for...

World and National Issues

- Order and peace to be brought to all nations and be united for a lasting peace.
- Those in leadership, regardless of their position, to be faithful in service and exercise wisdom and justice for all people.
- All the poor, hungry, and neglected all over the world, may their cries be a call to action for those who have so much.
- All victims of circumstances beyond their control, so that all may live in peace, with respect.

The Global Church

- Followers of Christ to walk in humility, persevering towards unity rather than fracturing it.
- Us to be a church that is thankful to You and for Your faithfulness to us regardless of our circumstances.
- The church's prayers to be infused with biblical vision, honesty, and humility.
- Everyone gathered today to worship in the Anglican Diocese of British Columbia, which includes Vancouver Island and the Gulf Islands.

In Our Own Church

We pray for the following members of our St. Paul's community: Susan, Murray, Alexander, Alex, Chantal, Cassius, LeKnox, Diane, Sandra and Margery. We pray for your love, grace and mercy to sustain them.

The Flowers Today

The flowers in the Church are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of:

High Table:

In loving memory of Audrey Hobbs given by Ebert & Family.

The Chapels:

In loving memory of William & Flora McPherson and Bev & Pam Westcott.

Lost and Found



If you have lost or misplaced a personal belonging in the past few months, please stop by our Lost and Found at the north-east corner of the Sanctuary, **before February 2.**

After February 2, we will donate anything left in our Lost and Found to charity.

What's Happening This Week

Sunday, January 14 - Ministry Fair

Pilgrim: The Eucharist - 12: 15 p.m. | *Room 106*
Organ Recital - 3 p.m. | *Sanctuary*

Monday, January 15

GriefShare - 5:30 p.m. | *Library*
ESL Cafe - 7 p.m. | *Sanctuary*

Tuesday, January 16

Winchester Group - 10 a.m. | *Library*
Holy Communion - 12:10 p.m. | *St. Paul's Chapel*
Christian Meditation - 1 p.m. | *Room 206*
DivorceCare - 7 p.m. | *Library*

Wednesday, January 17

Little Sunbeams Parents and Tots - 9:30 a.m. | *Nursery*
Wednesdays With God - 12 p.m. | *Dalton Room*
Lunchtime Alpha - 12 p.m. | *St. Paul's Chapel*
Alpha - 6:30 p.m. | *Great Hall*
Youth Group - 7 p.m. | *Youth Room*

Thursday, January 18

CBS Women's Bible Study - 9:30 a.m. | *Music Room*
Choir Practice - 6:30 p.m. | *Music Room*

Friday, January 19

Music for Health - 10 a.m. | *Gym*

Sunday, January 21

Pilgrim: The Eucharist - 12: 15 p.m. | *Room 106*
Chancel Guild Executive Meeting
- 12:30 p.m. | *Leadership Lounge*

Did you know?

We're on Twitter!
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Every Sunday

Worship Services

8:15 a.m. | *Chapel of the Good Shepherd*
9:30 a.m. **the bridge** | *Sanctuary*
11 a.m. | *Sanctuary*

Prayer Ministry

10:20 a.m. & 12 p.m.
St. Paul's Chapel

Nursery

beginning at 9:15 a.m. | *2nd Floor*

Children's Ministry

9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. | *2nd Floor*

Youth Group

9:30 a.m. & 11 a.m. | *Youth Room*

Prayer Groups

10:20 a.m. | *Room 7*
10:50 a.m. | *St. Paul's Chapel*

Community Lunch

12:15 p.m. | *Great Hall*
\$8 per person

Looking Back,
Living Forward

**Next Sunday's
Preaching Passage**

Genesis 39: 6-20

Topic: Power and Politics