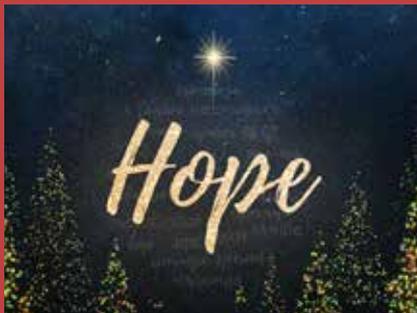


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Office Hours

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

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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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Why I'm Choosing to be Baptized

"To me baptism means believing that you have enough faith and trust in God that you would like to continue to follow and worship him forever. It also means that even through hardships, you will still be willing to rely on God to get you through those tough times. Baptism is a way of accepting God and Jesus into your life. It is basically you standing in front of your church stating that you are ready to welcome God into your life and that you wish He would continue to stay with you."

– Elizabeth



"I am at a point in my own spiritual journey where I feel the need and desire to receive God. Jesus has revealed His robes of righteousness to me during the lowest darkest time of my life. Now, I am happy and bright sunny days are here again. I want to thank God, Jesus,

and his Holy Spirit and I feel like being baptized is a huge part of my thank-you. I'm ready for a more profound commitment to God, Jesus, and The Holy Spirit along with the St. Paul's and Anglican church family."

– Dane

Next Sunday 12 individuals will make a public statement of faith through Baptism and Membership. Please join us to celebrate them at our 9:30 and 11 a.m services.

Christmas and Advent at St. Paul's



Hope

Christmas Pageant | December 9
4:30 p.m.

Lessons and Carols | December 16
9:30 & 11 a.m.

Service of Light | December 18
7:00 p.m.

Christmas Eve Services | December 24
12 p.m. Communion
4 p.m. Service for Families & Children
7 & 10 p.m. Christmas Music
7:30 & 10:30 p.m. Classic Christmas Service

Christmas Day Service | December 25
11 a.m. Christmas Communion

Christmas Bake & Knitted Goods Sale



The annual Christmas Bake and Knitted Goods Sale will take place after each service on Sunday, December 16 in Cody Hall. You can help by purchasing but also by donating. Baked goods are gratefully accepted, as well as preserves, breads, muffins and other homemade goodies. Please wrap and label all goods so they are ready for sale. Drop off times and locations:

- **Friday, Dec. 14:** The office from 1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
- **Saturday, Dec. 15:** Cody Hall from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
- **Sunday, Dec. 16:** Cody Hall before any of the services.

Advent Ask

This Christmas season we are challenging everyone to participate in our Advent Ask in one of two ways – give locally or give globally.

Give Locally: Give back using our Reverse Advent Calendar. We partner with local outreach ministries to provide much needed necessities, as well as prayers and acts of kindness during Advent. Calendars can be picked up at St. Paul's Central or downloaded at stpaulsbloor.org/AdventAsk

Give Globally: We are partnering with PWRDF to support sustainable farming, food security and nutrition programs with the Anglican Diocese of Masasi in Tanzania. It will improve the livelihood of farmers and mitigate climate change with agricultural education. Donate online, or by texting **"stpaulsbloor"** to **77977**, or pick up an Advent Ask offering envelope at St. Paul's Central.





Annual Toronto Star Christmas Concert

The annual Toronto Star Christmas Concert will be held at St. Paul's on Saturday, December 8. We are looking for volunteers to serve as greeters for the 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. concert. If you are able to help, sign up at St. Paul's Central or contact the office at 416-961-8116 or mail@stpaulsbloor.org

Advent and Christmas Resources for Children

Celebrate Advent with your family – pick up an Advent candle or one of our Advent and Christmas resources from Children's Ministry on the second floor.



Calling all Young Professionals

Bring a friend to the next Young Professional's gathering and come learn about Effective Communication Skills. **Thursday, November 29 from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.** in the Leadership Lounge. The St. Paul's Young Professionals group is a great, casual way to connect with other young adults who are at early stages in their careers. At our monthly gatherings, we explore ways to grow confidently in our work lives, learn how to conduct business ethically and with integrity, and discuss ways that faith can form our goals and practices.



Next Sunday's Preaching Passage:

1 Corinthians 2:1-5, 4:16-20

Theme: Kingdom Living