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#### 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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## Missed Alpha last week?



Have questions about life, faith and God?

It's not too late to join us for Alpha at St. Paul's. Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith.

Our 12 p.m. Alpha sessions are geared towards professionals and are one hour long, including lunch. Our evening Alpha sessions are from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. and include dinner. Each session includes a short video followed by discussion.

Try Alpha this Wednesday, January 24 at either 12 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. and bring a friend!

For more information, visit [stpaulsbloor.org/alpha](http://stpaulsbloor.org/alpha)

## Cornerstone



*It's 5 p.m. I open the door of the fridge and wonder about dinner. I stand, peering into the bright white box considering the choices.*

As I look, I reflect on the privilege it is to be able to choose. The shelves of the fridge are stocked. I shop weekly for fresh food. I can eat from all the food groups, creating a plate of many colours. Unfortunately, such nutritious options are not financially available to all our neighbours here in Toronto.

With a rising proportion of income being allocated to housing, the amount of monthly budgets that can be spent on wholesome nourishment drops. Recognizing this rising food insecurity issue as well as the positive benefits of a shared meal, Church In The City offers a hot Saturday evening meal weekly in the Regent Park area. Church In The City works with two partner churches each night: one to bring dinner and one to bring dessert and drinks. These partnerships form "Cornerstone".

St. Paul's joins Cornerstone three to four times a year. Our 2018 dates are **January 27, April 21 and September 29**. The first two, we are responsible for the dessert and drinks. In September, we will cook, serve and clean-up the dinner. Volunteering with Cornerstone is an experience available to anyone ages nine and up, without mobility challenges. It is an educational, one-time service outing for a family, or formative experience for a small group. Since twenty or more gather from our church each time, it is also a great way to build relationships and get to know others from the St. Paul's congregation.

If you are interested in serving, you can contact Ian Koiter at ext 295 or [ikoiter@stpaulsbloor.org](mailto:ikoiter@stpaulsbloor.org). If you would like to help, but the dates don't match your availability, please contact Sandra Seaborn at ext 226 or [sseaborn@stpaulsbloor.org](mailto:sseaborn@stpaulsbloor.org), who would be glad to connect you with another community partner.

# Coldest Night of the Year Walk



*save the date*

it's cold out there | [cnoy.org](http://cnoy.org)  
saturday, february 24, 2018

On **February 24**, join us for the family-friendly fundraiser: Coldest Night of the Year Walk. 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](mailto:sseaborn@stpaulsbloor.org) or ext. 226.



## Young Adults Game Night

Join us for an evening of fun, games and snacks!

Young Adults Game Night is on **January 25 from 6 to 9 p.m.** in the Youth Room.

There will be a selection of games to choose from, but you're also welcome to bring some of your own. Snacks and refreshments will be provided.

For more information, contact Ian Koiter, Youth and Young Adult Pastor at ext 295 or [ikoiter@stpaulsbloor.org](mailto:ikoiter@stpaulsbloor.org).

## Upcoming Courses



### **Build a strong and healthy relationship**

**Marriage Course starts January 31 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](http://stpaulsbloor.org/marriage-course) or contact Mark Regis, at ext. 230 or [mregis@stpaulsbloor.org](mailto:mregis@stpaulsbloor.org).



### **Take control of your finances**

**Money Course starts January 30 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](http://stpaulsbloor.org/money-course) or contact Joyce Badley, Executive Pastor, at ext. 229 or [jbadley@stpaulsbloor.org](mailto:jbadley@stpaulsbloor.org).



## Tell us your favourite place to eat before or after attending Sunday service

We're creating a list of the "Best Places for Brunch on Sundays" and we need your help.

Tweet us (@stpaulsbloor) your favourite brunch or breakfast place near St. Paul's. You can also email [communications@stpaulsbloor.org](mailto:communications@stpaulsbloor.org) with your suggestions and photos.

Then stay tuned for when the final list is revealed on our website and social media accounts.

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## With Facebook's new changes, you might be missing updates from our St. Paul's Bloor Street Facebook page

Check out these 3 easy steps to ensure you don't miss a story, update, or upcoming event from St. Paul's!

1

Visit [facebook.com/stpaulsbloor](https://facebook.com/stpaulsbloor) and click on "Like" if you haven't already Liked our Facebook page.

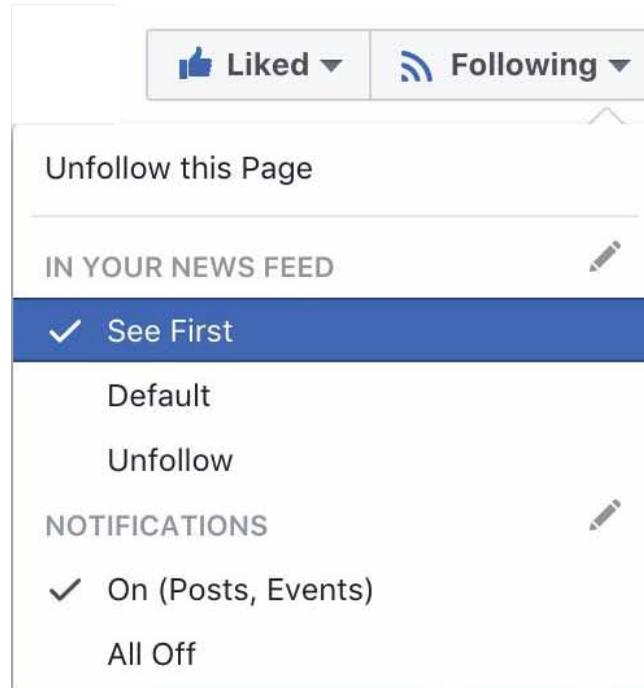
2

Beside the "Like" button, click on "Following."

3

Choose the option "See First."

If you do not want to receive notifications but still see new posts from St. Paul's, uncheck "Get Notifications."



Don't forget to share your photos and videos with us on Facebook and Twitter for a chance to be featured on our social media!

## This week we are praying for...

### World and National Issues

- An end to the many wars and conflicts in the world, so we may all be peace-makers and peace-keepers.
- Leaders to set aside selfish ambition and seek to govern for the welfare of all people with grace and mercy.
- The health of women, children, and families around the world, especially for an end to maternal and child mortality, so healthy families will be built.
- The dignity of all humanity, created in your image

### The Global Church

- All of us to be united together in and through the Trinity, as a church, in love.
- For the Bible to be the sole basis to lead and shape followers of Jesus Christ.
- The preaching of God's Word would be biblically centred and Holy Spirit inspired.
- Everyone gather today to worship in the Anglican Diocese of Caledonia in British Columbia.

### In Our Own Church

We pray for the following members of our St. Paul's community: Nola, Verity, Alex, Ella, Olivia, Ava, Florrie, David, Vanessa, Joan, and John. We pray for your love, grace and mercy to sustain them.



Last Sunday, January 14, we regretfully missed one of the memorial flower dedications, and we apologize.

The beautiful arrangement at the Font was given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Elizabeth Jane Veltkamp given by John Veltkamp.

### **The Flowers Today**

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

High Table:

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Bill Williams given by Sally Williams & family

In the Chapels:

Given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Barbara Cody.

## What's Happening This Week

### Sunday, January 21

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

### Monday, January 22

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

### Tuesday, January 23

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 24

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 25

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

### Friday, January 26

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

### Sunday, January 28

Pilgrim: The Eucharist - 12: 15 p.m. | *Room 106*  
Chancel Guild General Meeting - 12:45 p.m. | *Dalton Room*

## 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

## Next Sunday's Preaching Passage

Nehemiah 4:7-9, 13-18  
Topic: Wise Planning



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