

## **Music Ministry at St. Paul the Apostle Parish** **(Chris Forster: Music Committee Chairperson)**

We are very blessed at St. Paul the Apostle Parish to have a vibrant and diverse music ministry. With five Sunday Masses, and numerous other liturgies throughout the week, our parish requires many song leaders, cantors and various choirs to ensure that each liturgy has an effective music ministry. Our church tradition teaches us that music is not just an ‘add-on’ to liturgy, but a necessary and fully integrated element in the parish’s liturgical celebrations. The proper role of music ministry is to foster the “full, active and conscious participation” of the assembly in each liturgy through song. To do this, our Parish Music Ministry Committee meets regularly to ensure that choir leaders, singers and musicians have the resources, educational opportunities and support needed to create a vibrant and inspiring music ministry. Throughout the year, Music Ministry Leaders are involved in numerous liturgical events at the Archdiocesan level and in our parish including weekend masses, funerals, confirmations, reconciliation services, retreats, monthly baptisms, weddings, and seasonal celebrations such as Easter and Christmas.

It is important to emphasize that music is a ministry. It provides a welcoming atmosphere for all those who enter our church including newcomers, youth and marginalized members of our society. And it assists each member of the assembly to lift their minds, hearts and voices to God in song. Our choir leaders work hard to ensure that their liturgical music provides the assembly with an authentic and Christ-centered experience of church and liturgy. We welcome anyone interested in music ministry in our parish to contact one of our choir leaders for more information about how to get involved:

Chris Forster ([forsterc@sympatico.ca](mailto:forsterc@sympatico.ca)) for the 5:00 p.m. Saturday evening Mass  
Cynthia Fediuk-Mombourquette ([cynthia.fediuk@sympatico.ca](mailto:cynthia.fediuk@sympatico.ca)) for the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass

Sharon Buffett ( [sharonbuffett@yahoo.ca](mailto:sharonbuffett@yahoo.ca) ). for the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass

Jim Moulton ([jmoulton@cogeco.ca](mailto:jmoulton@cogeco.ca)) for the 12:00 noon Sunday Mass

Nadia Gundert ([nadia2484@yahoo.ca](mailto:nadia2484@yahoo.ca)). for the 7:30 p.m. Sunday evening Mass

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**5:00 PM Choir Saturday**



**9:00 AM Choir Sunday**



**10:30 AM Choir Sunday**



**12:00 Noon Choir Sunday**



**7:30 PM Choir Sunday**