St. Paul's Co-Cathedral Parish

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary November 17, 2024

"Beauty will Save the World"

The Church year comes to an end - not with a whimper but with "the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory"(Mk.13).

This is the image in the central stain glass window in our Apse installed almost forty years ago.

To see it you have to look up.

That is where our end-times glance is directed - looking up. The Son of Man - Christ Jesus the power to look up - the Holy Spirit - the eternal goal - the Father - this is the reality we meet when we walk into this holy temple, our Co-Cathedral of St. Paul.

We forgot this as a Church for many years. We thought that our eyes must only be trained upon this world and the work of justice happening here. We set in op-

position loving God by "looking up" against loving our technologized and de-humanized generation. neighbour, "looking around". There is no opposition. The Beauty of the Face of God is the source of seeing Beauty in the face of our neighbour.

The churches of the Ancient Church - when Catholic and Orthodox were one - always offered such "uplifting" Beauty in their liturgy and in their architec- built this church, and we will not impose our passing ture. Embodying the Beauty of Heaven come down to taste on its venerable beauty by smashing and destroyearth, in Christ who opens up Heaven's Beauty.

to the Christian faith of his parents, upon entering in and how our community reacts. So, there will be tem-1922 the church of St. Sophia in Constantinople [sadly porary rearrangements of the liturgical elements to now used as a mosque by the Muslim conquerors] wrote:

"those who have visited [this church of Hagia Sophia] and have fallen under the **spell of what it reveals,** will find themselves permanently enriched by a new apprehension of the world in God"



For Bulgakov, the very shape of the church, was a theophany: a revelation of God through earthly beauty. His soul was called upwards and his way of seeing the world was enriched beyond any of the "ideas" of worldly justice that had once stirred his youth.

That is what our renovations which unfold during this Jubilee year ahead long to do: offer an encounter with the Beauty that is God to the generations ahead who in this Co-Cathedral will find themselves unplugged from their technology and liberated to see the world in a true way. Simply, we pray our building and our liturgies will be an encounter with "the Son of Man coming with great power and glory": a meeting of Beauty which comes from Faith in Christ the King of the Universe, a Beauty that will save that hyper-

In two weeks, Advent will bring with it a new stage in preparing for this re-building of Beauty: the transformation of the Holy of Holies in the sanctuary of the Co-Cathedral.

Our generous forebearers' hard-earned money ing as was done in the foolish fads of the past. We must Sergei Bulgakov, a Russian Marxist who returned see how our preliminary designs will work in our space see if the Liturgy of the Church can unfold with inspiring beauty appropriate to the "power and glory" of the Eucharist.

> Perhaps it can be a symbol for the re-arrangement of the temples of our lives so that Christ's Beauty can shine even more through us – lifting the hearts of those around us to "look up" to the Beauty that will Save the World: Jesus!

MONDAY, November 18, 2024 Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter & Paul (OM)

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary 12:10 pm - **Mass** (SI Fr. Geoff Young) 6:30 pm - Medjugorje Prayer Group

TUESDAY, November 19, 2024

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary
12:10 pm - **Mass** († Paul Charlebois)
4:30 pm - 1st Reconciliation (Grades 4+5)
7:00 pm - Marriage Prep

WEDNESDAY, November 20, 2024

11:00 am - Confessions, & Rosary 12:10 pm - **Mass** († Patrick Lenon) 4:30 pm - 1st Reconciliation (Grades 2+3)

THURSDAY, November 21, 2024 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (M)

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
12:10 pm - **Mass** († Della Halliday)

4:30 pm - RCIC 7:00 pm - RCIA

8:00 pm - Christ the King Prayer Group

FRIDAY, November 22, 2024 St. Cecilia (M)

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary

12:10 pm - **Mass** († Paul Charlebois)

5:30 pm - Baptism Prep

5:30 pm - Sto. Nino Prayer Group

SATURDAY, November 23, 2024 St. Clement I (OM) & St. Columban (OM)

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary 12:10 pm - **Mass** (SI Katherine & Kyle Siemens) 4:00 pm - Open in Spirit to God Lectio Divina

SUNDAY, November 24, 2024 Christ the King

8:00 am - **Mass** 10:00 am - **Mass** 7:30 pm - **Solemn Vespers** 8:00 pm - **Mass**

Ministry Training Night

If you signed up as either Lector, Welcomer or for the St. Michael Guild, please come for one night of ministry training at St. Paul's Wednesday, November 27 at 7:00pm

St. Paul's Christmas Ice Sculpture Project

If anyone is interested in helping with the Christmas Ice Sculpture Project, please contact Don Greer by calling (306) 242-7945 (no text) or by email at dwgarchitect@gmail.com

Praise, Worship & Lectio Divina Study

Every 4th Saturday of the month from 4-6pm

Next Class: November 23

All are invited - bring your bible!

Campaign Life Saskatchewan will be selling Religious Christmas cards and Christmas cakes after the Sunday Masses at St. Paul's on November 24. For more info contact Louis at 306-249-2764

Mark your calendars for this year's St. Nicholas Party!

Sunday, December 8 after the 10:00am Mass

Please join us next Sunday, November 23, for the Knights of Columbus Pancake
Breakfast following the 8:00am &
10:00am Masses!



OFFERING for November 10, 2024

 Cash Donations
 \$ 904.90

 Envelopes
 \$ 2,350.80

 Renovations
 \$ 510.00