



St. Patrick Parish

HAMILTON, ONTARIO

News From The Pews

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory." Matthew 25: 31



Love Others As Christ Loves Us!

November 22nd, 2020 - Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

CELEBRATE OUR FAITH

Watch Mass LIVE Online
Sunday | 11:30am/7:15pm
Tuesday - Friday | 12:15pm

Website:
www.stpatrickshamilton.ca

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[stpatrickshamilton](https://www.facebook.com/stpatrickshamilton)

Mass Schedule

Weekend
Saturday | 5:00pm
Sunday | 9:00am 11:30am •
7:15pm

Weekday
Tuesday to Friday | 12:15pm

Sacraments

Please contact the
Administrative Centre
or visit the parish website:
stpatrickshamilton.ca/weddings
stpatrickshamilton.ca/baptism

Connect With Us



Parish Office Hours

8:30am-4:30pm | Monday to Friday

Location

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BEYOND THE WALLS

What Happens Here Doesn't Stay Here

DIFFERENT BUT THE SAME

Christmas will look a lot different this year, but its meaning remains the same.



We're in the RED ZONE!! By now I'm sure you've heard that the City of Hamilton and area have been moved from Stage 3 into what the Province is calling the 'Red Zone'. Definitely a step backwards due to amazingly high numbers reached in positive Covid-19 tests. If numbers decrease within the 28-day timeframe, we would move again to Stage 3. If they increase.... Into 'lockdown'.

We aren't sharing this to scare people, but to remind everyone how serious this is and that each and every one of us must do our part in ensuring we all remain safe, both at home, when on outings and in church. We must remain vigilant and concerned for each other's health and safety.

Sunday is the Feast of Christ the King and the following Sunday, the beginning of Advent. In regular or 'normal' times (oh how I hate that we have to use those terms), but in those times of old, we wouldn't be second guessing every single move around Christmas masses and celebrations and numbers and restrictions. We would simply plan for the days ahead, head long, face forward and totally focused on the birth of Christ, as it has been celebrated for 2,000 years all around the globe. Yet here we are in the 3rd week of November wondering how it will all play out.

Well... if every single one of us followed the directives (not orders, that's a harsh word), given to us by the Federal and right down to the Municipal governments, we

might just be able to pull it off and be able to gather and celebrate this most beautiful, sacred celebration in fine style.

We miss our big crowd masses. We miss the many parishioners who have remained at home since March. We miss handshakes and hugs or holding someone's hand when they needed it. We miss seeing faces with smiles. However, we are thankful to our Almighty God through whose provided Divine Providence, when our churches were forced to close, enabled us stream our masses LIVE. We long for the peace that the Holy Eucharist brings and the freedom it promises us from slavery to sin. We yearn for normalcy.

For now, let's follow those rules & regulations. Let's practice all safety measures put in place. Wear your mask when you leave your home. Wash your hands repeatedly. Practice social distancing ensuring 6 feet or 2 meters of distance. Don't get together in crowds. Stay home when you don't need to leave.

We hope and, more importantly, we pray that by December 24th and 25th, we are able to celebrate the miracle of the birth of Christ Jesus much like they did thousands of years ago.

Our miracle is different this year, but the date remains the same. Nothing will ever change that.



De Mazenod Door Outreach

The Poor • The Marginalized • The Inner-City Youth



We are in the midst of planning the Hamilton Police Service (HPS) Annual Winter Coat Drive in conjunction with the HPS Social Navigator & Action teams. The original plan was to hold it in the gymnasium of the old St. Patrick school as we did last year. However, the fact that the Municipality has since moved into the 'Red Zone' means that this is no longer an option. We must strictly follow the regulations about the number of people we can have indoors at any given time.

The Drive will be held over two weeks: Tuesday November 24th and again Tuesday December 2nd. It will take place outside in the lot behind the school and church at three different stations. Hot chocolate and cookies made by the St. Patrick Parish CWL will be served from the De Mazenod Door window by staff and volunteers.

Donations of clean used coats/jackets for children, men and women can be dropped off at any of the 3 Hamilton Police Service locations throughout the City. Last year over 1,000 coats, boots, mittens, scarves, new purses and goodie bags were handed out to those in need.

We thank everyone for their prayers, time, talents and treasures!

Friday BBQ

This week's BBQ is sponsored by:

- Catholic Women's League of St. Margaret Mary Parish



Ways to Help



Volunteer: Call the office or email Diana (our Volunteer Coordinator) at dquildon@stpatrickshamilton.ca



Donate: To support this program, go to our website: www.stpatrickshamilton.ca and click GIVE

Most Wanted Item This Week



Coffee Whitener

Thank You To Our Sponsors!



DIocese of HAMILTON



WEEKLY VOCATION REFLECTION

ECHOES OF OUR CHARISM

"Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me." Matthew 25: 40

For us as Oblates of Mary Immaculate, whether vowed or Associates, the readings for the Solemnity of Christ the King are a reflection on and an echo of our charism.

God speaks through Ezekiel: "I will seek out my sheep, rescue them, seek the lost, bring back the strayed, bind up the injured, strengthen the weak." And in the last judgement parable Jesus highlights care for the hungry, thirsty, strangers, naked, sick and prisoners. As we listen to both readings, we recognize God's choice to identify with the most vulnerable in our world, whereas we often tend to envision God as the utmost expression of power, majesty and prestige.

As people called to live the Oblate charism "we commit ourselves principally to evangelizing the poor." (CC 1) "God's Word and our charism call us to be in solidarity and to identify ourselves with the lowliest people – the poor with their many faces" (CC 5), those who live at the margins of church and society. We are invited to know Christ more deeply in relationship with his beloved poor. Falling in love with Christ in the poor and with the poor in Christ will draw us into a deeper desire to serve him in and with the poor. Jesus tells this parable just before his own suffering and death on the cross – the ultimate expression of vulnerability, poverty and marginalization.



Our Oblate cross is a powerful reminder to us of Christ's solidarity with the most vulnerable and our call to be in relationship with them and Christ as an essential element of God's call to be Oblates. The readings remind us that living the call of discipleship is a long-haul endeavor! The Spirit has given us the gift of our charism; we are called to use that gift generously and see it grow in our world.

As Jesus so often says at the end of a parable or teaching "Let anyone with ears (to hear) listen!"

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"'Jesus never ceases to call people to follow him and to proclaim the Kingdom' (C. 52). We are convinced that Christ always provides the Church with the ministers that are necessary. It is up to us to discover effective ways of presenting our Oblate vocation to people today."

General Norms for Oblate Formation No. 78

A photograph of Fr. Jarek Pachocki, a man with a beard and short dark hair, wearing a dark jacket over a plaid shirt. He is smiling and holding a small, ornate cross in his right hand. The background is a solid yellow color.

VOCATIONS CAFE

If you are discerning a call to married and family life this is a "must watch" conversation for you! Fr. Jarek chats with Christina and Robert Mines at the Vocations Café. Check it out and pass it on: <https://youtu.be/Fr1IE7hOtkw>

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WEEKEND READINGS



1st Reading: Ezekiel 34: 11-12, 15-17

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 15: 20-26, 28

Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-46

"Just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me."

MORE WAYS TO GIVE



As a parish, we are striving to share Christ and His message of love with everyone. One of the main teachings of the Church is the importance of community - we would not be able to progress in our mission without you. Please consider supporting us financially through the following outlets:

1. Drop off or mail your donation envelopes to the secure mailboxes at the:

- Pastoral Center: 440 King St. East, Hamilton ON, L8N 1C6
- Administration Offices: 20 Emerald St. South, Hamilton ON, L8N 2V2

2. Canada Helps

- Please visit stpatrickshamilton.ca - at the top right hand corner of the page, you will see a tab to "Give." Hover over it and select "Donate Now" - this will take you to the Canada Helps website.
- Choose to give to the "General" fund. This will go towards supporting the parish.

3. E-transfer

- You can transfer your donation right from your bank account to the parish. Please transfer to parishoffice@stpatrickshamilton.ca

4. Pre-Authorized Giving

- This is the easiest method. Your chosen donation amount will automatically be withdrawn from your account at your chosen frequency.
- To set this up, please call our office at 905-522-9828 and ask to speak with Rita or pick up a form at our Administration Office or when you are here for mass.

MASS INTENTIONS



Tuesday | November 24 | 12:15 PM

- Special Int: Larnie Diamante
- Domenico Versace & DeLeonardo Families
- Christopher Thompson & Sandro Ragona

Wednesday | November 25 | 12:15 PM

- Special Int: Lina Caballero
- Dominic Fragale

Thursday | November 26 | 12:15 PM

- Alexander Timmins & Family

Friday | November 27 | 12:15 PM

- Maria Sebastian Valeriano & the reparation of the sins of her ancestors

Saturday | November 28 | 5:00 PM

- Living and deceased members of the Ackert, Wasney & Kuta Families

Sunday | November 29

9 AM

- St. Patrick Parishioners

11:30 AM

- Maria Do Rosario Roque
- Rose & Tony Abdo

7:15 PM

- John Turpin & Danny Threader

WEEKEND STATS: ATTENDANCE



Nov 14-15, 2020

MASS	In-Person	Facebook	Website
Sat, 5 PM	94	24	9
Sun, 9 AM	80	40	6
Sun, 11:30 AM	75	92	43
Sun, 7:15 PM	74	60	27

WEEKEND STATS: COLLECTION



Nov 15, 2020

Collected from Envelopes	\$2,900
E-transfers	\$215
Pre-Authorized Collection	\$1,837
TOTAL	\$4,952

JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

This Feast Day, formally referred to as “Christ the King,” was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism (a way of life which leaves God out of man’s thinking and living, and organizes his life as if God did not exist).

This feast is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner, Christ’s royalty over individuals, families, societies, governments and nations.



Today’s Mass establishes the titles for Christ’s royalty over men:

- Christ is God, the creator of the universe, therefore He wields a supreme power over all things: All things were created by Him.
- Christ is our Redeemer, He purchased us by His precious Blood, and made us His property and possession.
- Christ is the Head of the Church, holding in all things the primary place.
- God bestowed upon Christ the nations of the world as His special possession and domination.

Today’s Mass also describes the qualities of Christ’s Kingdom. This kingdom is:

- Supreme: Extending not only to all people; but also, to their princes and kings.

- Universal: Extending to all nations and to all places.
- Eternal: For “The Lord shall sit as King forever.”
- Spiritual: “Christ’s Kingdom is not of this world.”

Before the reform of the Roman Calendar in 1969, this feast was celebrated on the last Sunday of October. Presently it is celebrated on the last Sunday of the Liturgical Calendar and segues into the Season of Advent, which marks the “Coming of the Lord”. With ever-growing desire, all Advent, we await the “coming King”. On Christmas the Church will greet, not the child of Bethlehem, but the King of Peace, gloriously reigning.

Christ the King will restore all creation and return His kingdom to the Father. The risen people of God will rejoice in a new heaven and a new earth:

“There, with the whole of creation, freed from the corruption of sin and death, may we glorify you through Christ our Lord.”

Jesus said to His disciples in this weekend’s Gospel reading: “When the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the Angels with him, he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep on His right hand and the goats at His left. Then the King will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.’”



IN OTHER NEWS

PUBLICATION OF BANNES: MR. PETER ROBINSON



DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

Mr. Peter Robinson is scheduled to be ordained to the Transitional Diaconate at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at Our Lady of the Assumption Parish, Stoney Creek, Ontario. If anyone knows of a serious cause why this Ordination should not take place, please notify your Parish Priest.

Let us all pray that Mr. Peter Robinson will be a good and faithful servant of the Lord and His Church.

PREPARE  **ENRICH**[®]
• *building strong marriages* •

We are now offering the PREPARE/ENRICH Program here at St. Patrick Parish. This program aims to empower couples either preparing for marriage or are already married, to strengthen and improve their relationship. Couples take the PREPARE/ENRICH Assessment at the beginning of the program to outline the areas of strength and weakness in their relationship. Then, skill-building exercises are offered to improve areas that need strengthening. For more information, please contact the parish office at parishoffice@staptrickshamilton.ca or call 905-522-9828.

CWL MILK BAG COLLECTION

Thank you to all parishioners who brought in their saved milk bags last month. The CWL will be collecting again before each Mass the weekend of November 28 & 29. This will be the last collection for 2020. The bags will be used to crochet mattresses for people experiencing homelessness. If you would like to help further by making the yarn or the mattresses, please email cwlstpatrickhamilton@gmail.com.



NOVENA OF MASSES FOR THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

In its capacity as our Diocese's Shrine to the Blessed Mother the Basilica of Our Lady Immaculate in Guelph will be hosting a Novena of Masses leading up to the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. This Novena will be seeking the intercession and protection of the Mother of God, and Mother of the Church, on our Diocese in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic. Novena Masses will be held at 7:00pm from November 29 to December 7 inclusive. Mass for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception will be celebrated by His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, at 7:00pm on Tuesday, December 8. All the faithful of the Diocese are welcome to take part in this Novena. Please note that all Diocesan COVID protocols must be observed while at the Basilica. Even if you cannot come to the Basilica of Our Lady in person please join this Novena in prayer from your home. Our Lady, the Immaculate Conception, Pray for Us.

