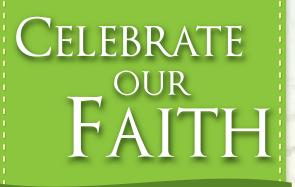
# St. Patrick Parish HAMILTON, ONTARIO

# News From The Pews

"Who then is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?" (Mark 4: 41b)

Love Others As Christ Loves U

June 20, 2021 - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## **Connect With Us**

Website: www.stpatrickshamilton.ca

Facebook: fb.me/stpatrickshamilton

### LIVE-Stream Mass Schedule

The church is OPEN for in-person masses to a 15% capacity. Seating is on a first-come-first-serve basis.

Weekend Sat |5 PM Sun |9 AM, 11:30 AM\* & 7:15 PM\*

> Weekday Tues to Fri | 12:15 PM\*

\*Live streamed via our Facebook page and website.

### Sacraments

The sacrament of reconciliation is available by appointment only.

For more information about booking baptisms, weddings, marriage preparation, or other inquiries, please contact us.

# Connect With Us



#### Parish Office Hours Mon - Fri: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

### Location

Pastoral Centre 440 King St. East, Hamilton, ON L8N 1C6 Administrative Centre 20 Emerald St. South, Hamilton, ON L8N 2V2

### **Contact info**

Phone: (905) 522-9828 Email: parishoffice@stpatrickshamilton.ca

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Sherri Ramirez | De Mazenod Door Outreach Coordinator

Christina Crawford | Music Director JC Asuncion | EA to Fr. Tony, Youth Ministry, RCIA

#### **Pastoral Team**

Sr. Andrea Kowalczyk | Liturgy Workshops Arthur Kara | Facilities Operator Br. Dan Dionne, OMI | Music Ministry Diana Quildon | Volunteer Coordinator Diane Downey | De Mazenod Door Outreach -Administrative Assistant Evelyn VanFleet | Assistant Facilities Operator Ian Ford | Director of Technology Katharine Bennett | De Mazenod Door Outreach Hansel Fernandez | De Mazenod Door Outreach Louella Lacerna | Office Assistant Rita Kara | Office Administrator

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# **BEYOND THE WALLS**

### What Happens Here Doesn't Stay Here

# WELCOME TO OUR ST. PATRICK'S TEAM!

New faces at St. Patrick's Church and De Mazenod Door Outreach. We would like to welcome 4 of our 5 summer students who have joined our team through the Canada Summer Jobs Youth Employment Program, granted through the Federal Government of Canada for the Summer of 2021!

Alex and Sam will be helping Arthur Kara to maintain the grounds around all the church properties as well as inside the Church. While Rianne and Joseph will be assisting at the De Mazenod Door as well as assisting at the Hygiene & Rest Station. They will be joining our team for the next 12 weeks. As well, Mia will be joining the team at the Parish, as of the 1st week July. Welcome to our St. Patrick team! We look forward to having you all join our very unique community of St. Patrick's. Come as you are!



Alexander Vastano may look familiar to some of you, and he should! Alex was here last summer with our team assisting Arthur Kara, our Facilities Manager, with the maintenance around the church building. Alex will be returning to Brock University to continue with

his studies in hopes of becoming a teacher in the near future.



Sam Somaye is a grade 12 student at Cathedral Secondary School. Though Sam did not have much knowledge of St. Patrick's Parish and the important work that is being done here, Sam has embraced our Mission naturally as a young man who aspires to be a positive role model wherever life takes him.

Rianne Farhood, a grade 11 student also at Cathedral Secondary School who, as she puts it , "just wants to get

out of the house and do something positive!", had assisted with our last De Mazenod Door sit down luncheon back in January of 2020. The seed was planted. She got to see and feel first hand the community spirit at work through serving those



in need, and she wanted to be a part of that.



Joseph Jos is a grade 11 student at St. Thomas More Catholic Secondary School. Joseph has been volunteering at the De Mazenod Door for a number of months, and already has shown how he has embraced our mission. Joseph's kind, respectful attitude and will-

ingness to help others is a true testament to his faith and work ethic.

Mia Drew is a grade 11 student at St. Mary's Catholic Secondary School. Mia has also spent time volunteering at the De Mazenod Door along with assisting at the De Mazenod Farm. Though Mia won't be starting until July, I am sure she will have no problem fitting in with the others.



Last weekend Fr. Jarek & Fr. Tony both spoke about the parable of the Mustard Seed in their Homilies and about how this little tiny seed is planted and begins to grow. This is our time now to watch the seeds that have been planted in our youth, sprout, and take root and grow to love their communities and those within them for who they are, no matter how they find them.

By Sherri Ramirez

De Mazenod Door Outreach The Poor • The Marginalized • The Inner-City Youth

This past Tuesday brought us a fantastic truck load donation of food products used for the breakfast and lunch programs at St. David Catholic Elementary School. Since the students aren't returning for in school learning, they reached out to us at De Mazenod Door knowing we could definitely put these items to good use! Thank you so much to Principal Anna Boyle and Vice Principal Joe Tersigni for looking beyond their walls to the community and for thinking of those we serve! If anyone knows of any other school in the community like this which has a food program where food (both perishable and non-perishables) might be wasted if left until September, please feel free to ask them to contact us! We would be overjoyed to get this good and nutritious food used up!



We would also like to say a big thank you to Brother Terence Aylward of the Little Brothers of the Good Shepherd, Good Shepherd Hamilton who always goes above and beyond to ensure our needs are met when they have extras to share. Thank you Brother, for being a shining example of community!! We thank everyone for their prayers, time, talents and treasures!

### Friday BBQ

June 25, 2021

 Knights of Columbus, St. Margaret Mary Parish Council #9553



**Volunteer:** Call the office or email Diana (our Volunteer Coordinator) at <u>dquildon@stpatrickshamilton.ca</u>

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

## **Most Wanted Items**



Driver for Tim Horton's Pick-Ups

DRIVER NEEDED! We currently need a driver to pick up at two Tim Horton's locations every Tuesday morning. Contact the office for more info if you are available to help! 905.522.9828



# **VOCATIONS REFLECTION FAITH IN A TIME OF CRISIS**

The English poet Shedd said, "A ship is safe in a harbor, but that is not what ships are built for." So, the vocation of the ships or boats is to brave the seas, traverse horizons and meet people. The American psychologist Carnegie said that the best people he met in life were people who had gone through storms in life. Gandhi said, "A person with a grain of faith in God never loses hope." When the storm suddenly hit the apostles, their faith failed them and they were all overcome with fear. They began to doubt about Jesus' love and care for them. And so, when in their fear they cried out, "Master, do you not care? We are drowning," Jesus gently rebuked them for their lack of faith.

This storm represents the great problems that arose in the early Church when it began its mission. There were great divisions and many disagreements. Even Peter and Paul one day publicly rebuked each other because they had differing ideas on how to evangelize the pagans (Galatians 2:11-14). During the dangerous crossing, Jesus sleeps and his disciples desperately try to fight the sea on their own. It is indeed very difficult to believe that Jesus' sleep was real. In fact, it is practically impossible to sleep quietly on a boat filling with water tossed by big waves. Jesus' sleeping is very symbolic and it signifies the death of Jesus. St. Mark is telling his Christian community that Jesus is no longer among us the way he used to be when he lived in this world. His disciples feel lonely and think that they must count only on themselves. However, this is not true. Rather, He is there with them though apparently indifferent to their desperate situation.



This incident shows that the apostles were not super men. They were just ordinary people like us. Their cry to the Lord for help is a cry made by so many of us when danger strikes and God seems not to care about us. Many still believe that if God was with them and if God really cared about them, then no storm would ever hit them. So, when a storm does come, they immediately think that God has abandoned them. But today's Gospel story shows that this is not so. The storm hit them even though Jesus was present with them in the boat. If our faith doesn't stop or prevent the storm, what does it do then? Faith assures us that God is with us in the midst of the storm. It is the conviction that we are not alone that enables us to get through the storm.

Is not our experience similar to that of the first Christian communities? Don't we feel at times tossed around and overwhelmed by events and difficulties? Are there not times when we feel absolutely alone and without any strength? For example, when our families are in deep trouble, when one of the spouses is unfaithful, when the children misbehave, when any kind of disease attacks, when financial problems threaten to swallow all the savings, when there is disagreement among the brothers and sisters in our Christian community etc. At such moments, how many people ask, "Where is God? Where is Jesus? Why does he not intervene? Why does he not help me now?" Yes, we feel He is far away. But we should not behave like the apostles who forgot that the Master was with them. Their mistake was to have recourse to him only when their situation became desperate. One who has faith in Christ does not remember him only when things go wrong.

The call of Jesus today is, "Let us cross over to the other side." Human life is filled with lots of necessary crossing from one shore to the other. For example, crossing from a lack of faith to a fullness of trust in the Lord, crossing from a selfish life to lead a selfless life with others, crossing from hatred to forgiveness, crossing from scorn to respect etc. So let us awaken the Christ of our Spirituality, let us awaken ourselves to Divine Love, let us awaken ourselves that God is greater than our mistakes, sins, and crises and do the next right thing for the kingdom.

By Susai Jesu, OMI Vocation Team – Contact West Phone: (587) 335-2015 Email: soosaijesu@gmail.com

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# **WEEKEND READINGS**

### June 20, 2021 1st Reading: Job 38: 1, 8-11 2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 5: 14-17

#### Gospel: Mark 4: 35-41

"And they were filled with great awe and said to one another, who then is this , that even the wind and sea obey him"

# **MORE WAYS TO GIVE**



As a parish, we are stiving 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 | Jun 22 12:15 PM

Domenico Versace & DeLeonardo Family

#### Wednesday | Jun 23 12:15 PM

Randy Cheeseman

#### Thursday | Jun 24

- 12:15 PM
- Janina Multan
- Joe Miranda Cordeiro

#### Friday | Jun 25

#### 12:15 PM

- Irene & John Belanger
- Anna Szrajber
- All victims of Covid-19

#### Saturday | Jun 26

#### 5:00 PM

Teresita Boncodin

#### Sunday | Jun 27 9:00 AM

• St. Patrick's Parishioners

#### 11:30 AM

- Special Int: Adele Rogano
- Maria do Rosario Roque
- Victor Mora

#### 7:15 PM

- Luciana Bozzelli
- Guiseppina & Guiseppe Tinebra

### WEEKEND STATS: ATTENDANCE

#### Jun 12-13, 2021

MASS	In-Person	Facebook	Website
Sat, 5 PM	45	-	-
Sun, 9 AM	48	-	-
Sun, 11:30 AM	65	95	61
Sun, 7:15 PM	71	70	28

## WEEKEND STATS: COLLECTION

#### Jun 6 & 13, 2021

Collected from Envelopes	\$5,933
E-Transfer	\$547
Canada Helps	\$1,325
Pre-Authorized Giving	\$6,590
TOTAL	\$14,395

# **IN OTHER NEWS**



There are no new updates this week from the Diocese, but please check back here next week! Here are our stats since last week:

Target: \$500,000

- Total Pledged to date: \$647,365 (129.5% of target)
- 154 pledges to date
- 37% parishioner participation

Please continue to pray for this campaign that seeks to strengthen not only our parish, but also our Diocese.

# NATIONAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAY

National Indigenous Peoples Day in Canada is on Monday, June 21, 2021. Bishop Douglas Crosby has written a letter encouraging the Diocese of Hamilton to pray for our Indigenous brothers and sisters. The letter will be read at all of our masses this weekend, but here is an exerpt:

"I invite Catholics in the Diocese of Hamilton, to pray this weekend and especially on Monday, 21st, National Indigenous Peoples Day in Canada, for our Indigenous brothers and sisters – for the healing of past wounds, for wisdom to accompany one another on the path to reconciliation, and for a future full of hope.

All are invited to visit the Hamilton Diocesan website for information and resources to inform, to encourage and to heal."

Let us all pray together for healing and truth.

# NOVENA AND ACT OF ENTRUSTMENT TO ST. JOSEPH

The Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops Liturgy Office extends the invitation for faithful to join in on an Act of Entrustment to St. Joseph in solidarity with the Holy Father's proclamation of a "Year of St. Joseph". This Act of Entrustment will be preceded by a novena imploring St. Joseph's intercession for the welfare of the entire country, for the many needs of society, and to pray for those who passed away due to COVID-19.

The Novena begins on Tues, Jun 22 and ends on Wed, Jun 30. You are encouraged to join in on the Novena and Entrustment to St. Joseph from your home or after attending daily/Sunday masses for the 9 days of prayers.

Please contact the parish by email (parishoffice@stpatrickahmilton.ca) or by phone (905-522-9828) for the electronic copy of the Novena and Entrustment booklet (English and French versions are available).



NOVENA AND ACT OF ENTRUSTMENT TO SAINT JOSEPH

(Year of Saint Joseph)

# **IN OTHER NEWS**

# HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!



St. Patrick Parish extends a very joyous and blessed Father's Day to all of the physical and spiritual dads out there!

Dads are a very direct example to us all of the love of the Father. We honor all fathers for all of their love, all of their sacrifices and, most importantly, all of their dad jokes!

We love you, Dads! Thank you for making God the Father's love real in our lives.

Please visit our Facebook page (fb.me/stpatrickshamilton) this week for our video tribute to all of the dads in our parish.

# MEALS ON WHEELS: VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Meals on Wheels is in great need of volunteers in Hamilton's Downtown core and Stoney Creek East. The program runs Monday to Friday between 11 AM to 1 PM.

If this is something that you are interested in, please contact Allison Vuckovich-Bell:

414 Victoria Ave N Hamilton, ONT (289) 680-3459

Thank you in advance for your consideration and support.



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# REST & HYGIENE STATION



The Rest & Hygiene Station continues to operate to serve the vulnerable and marginalized in our community. However, as we have re-opened the church, the hours of operation have changed to Mon-Fri, 2-5 PM.

We have seen an increase in the volume of guests that we serve with the warmer weather. We appeal to you for support in the form of donations of the following items:

- Coffee Whitener
- Sugar and Sweetner
- Pre-packaged snacks (i.e. cookies, granola bars, candies, chocolates, etc..)
- Mens/Women's underwear
- Toothbrushes
- Bars of Soap

Thank you!