



# St. Patrick Parish

HAMILTON, ONTARIO

## News From The Pews

**"Take; this is my Body. Drink; this is my Blood."**

**Mark 14: 22-23**



**Love Others As Christ Loves Us!**

**June 6, 2021 - Corpus Christi Sunday**

# CELEBRATE OUR FAITH

## Connect With Us

### Website:

[www.stpatrickshamilton.ca](http://www.stpatrickshamilton.ca)

### Facebook:

[fb.me/stpatrickshamilton](https://fb.me/stpatrickshamilton)

## LIVE-Stream Mass Schedule

The church is CLOSED for in-person masses until further notice. Our LIVE stream mass schedule is as follows:

### Weekend

**Sunday** | 11:30 AM & 7:15 PM

### Weekday

**Tuesday to Friday** | 12:15 PM

We stream through our Facebook page and our 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](mailto:parishoffice@stpatrickshamilton.ca)

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## Parish Leadership Team

**Fr. Tony O'Dell, OMI** ([todell@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:todell@hamiltondiocese.com))

**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

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# BEYOND THE WALLS

What Happens Here Doesn't Stay Here

## HONORING THE LAST AND THE LEAST AMONG US

For the last several years St. Patrick Parish and De Mazenod Door Outreach (DMDO) have prioritized service to the poor and marginalized in our community. It began with serving sandwiches to a few guests here and there. The ministry has since evolved into the amazing multi-faceted entity it is today. We continue to serve 300-400 meals every day, all year round. Late last year, De Mazenod Door Housing was launched. Now, several un-housed or precariously housed men have a place to call home. Also included here is an immigrant family who through the housing ministry have a home to start their new lives here in Canada. Early this year, De Mazenod Farm was launched and we are just about ready to harvest the first crops.

The ministry has most definitely grown and with it the people that we serve. We have been able to journey with them and see them at their worst and at their best. We have seen them through different milestones of life like birthdays and anniversaries. We have watched as the few children that visit have grown. Most amazingly, we have had the privilege to see positive change happen in the lives of many as they found a sense of identity, self and purpose through their encounters with staff, volunteers and other guests.

This is perhaps the most beautiful fruit of our ministry: that those who are the last and least among us, as they have been told by society and sometimes even themselves, can feel like they aren't. They come to the Door and feel like they matter and that they are cared for. This is something that is so important in our ministry – to make sure that anyone and everyone who come by feels Christ's love.

Too many times are our guests forgotten, in life and more sadly in death. The City of Hamilton, unlike the City of Toronto, for example, has no database for homeless deaths in the city. With this as the case, how can we honour our

guests who have passed on and keep their memory alive for the loved ones that they leave behind? For this reason, St. Patrick Parish and De Mazenod Door have partnered with the Shelter Health Network (SHN) to begin hosting monthly Homeless Memorials.

These memorials will happen on the last Friday of each month during the 12:15 PM mass. Immediately after will be a Celebration of Life during the regular Friday BBQ. Here, friends and loved ones will have the opportunity to share some words about those they have lost (in a safe and socially distanced manner). The first memorial will be held on Fri, Jun 25, 2021.

We hope that these memorials will honor the dignity of the homeless who pass away in our city. In addition, we hope that the memorials will also be a place where the loved ones left behind can find healing and closure.



We honour the dignity of our guests in their life and through their death.

By JC Asuncion



# De Mazenod Door Outreach

The Poor • The Marginalized • The Inner-City Youth



Over the past few months, our numbers have been very high and steadily climbing which has brought sourcing food to the top of the list. We are literally serving thousands of meals every week. We are so grateful that we made the decision to become a member of Hamilton Food Share a couple of years ago. Food Share is able to provide us with much of the food necessary for daily meal making, but not all. Good Shepherd Hamilton is also a great sharer when they have an abundance of things.

We are always in great need of things like soft fruit like bananas, oranges, clementines, plums, peaches etc. As well, we are constantly sourcing lunch meat, mayonnaise, mustard and margarine for sandwiches. We go through vast amounts of 'salty snacks' like potato chips for lunch snacks as well as yogurt cups, granola or cereal bars that go with breakfasts.

The majority of our guests only ever have fruit or a snack treat if they come to the Door for a meal. They would almost never be able to afford such a luxury with the very little money they have, if any.



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

## Friday BBQ

June 11, 2021

- Sandy Pomeroy, in memory of Ronald & Barbara Male



## Ways to Help



**Volunteer:** Call the office or email Diana (our Volunteer Coordinator) at [dquildon@stppatrickshamilton.ca](mailto:dquildon@stppatrickshamilton.ca)



**Donate:** To support this program, go to our website: [www.stpatrickshamilton.ca](http://www.stpatrickshamilton.ca) and click GIVE

## Most Wanted Items



Ziploc Sandwich Bags



Juice Crystals

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## FEAST OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Last week I discovered the word: "Perichoresis: The dance of love." New to me, but very ancient; our Church Fathers used it in explaining the relationship of the Three Persons in God: a relationship, a communion of persons, "a harmonious set of relationship in which there is mutual giving and receiving. This relationship is called LOVE, and it's what the Trinity is all about, the perichoresis, the Dance of Love". (Jonathan Marlowe) The Greeks do this dance on special occasions such as weddings. This dance must include at least three persons. God is LOVE and cannot BE, without love; the Mystery of the Blessed Trinity is central to all the Mysteries of Human Life, of all Creation.

This Sunday, we celebrate the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. In this Sacrament, Christ lives in His Flesh, the most radical Gift one can give for those He loves – His Life. In conquering death, He entered into God's Glory: dying, He destroyed our death, rising, he restored our life ... At the Last Supper, as he was facing his Passion and Death, Christ prayed that, as He is One in the Father, we also may be ONE in HIM and through Him.

Not only did he give His Life, but he also chose to ask humans to participate in this mystery of Redemption. Baptized we become new creatures, entering into this mystery by dying and rising again in Christ. Just as Christ entered into the Glory of God, He invites us: "Come, pick up your cross and follow me." This is reminiscent of Creation when God said, "Let us make humankind in our image...and in the image of God they were created." We are called to continue building the "kin-dom" of God on earth. We are one in Christ Jesus and he wants us to be like Him, Sons, and Daughter of the Father.

As we celebrate the Eucharist, as the Body of Christ, we carry the world and all that is in it with us, many as ONE. "Take and eat, take and drink" ... "Be not afraid, I will send you my Spirit: in us resides the FIRE of God's Love.

As the First Christian Communities broke the Bread and drank the Wine, they remembered that like Christ they were invited to continue Christ's mission of love. They knew that their missionary discipleship could well cost them their life and even lead them to martyrdom.

Today, we are cast into grief for these children whose re-

mains were discovered in Kamloop's Residential Schools cemetery, and for their families, we groan under the weight of COVID, we feel helpless before the anger, the greed, and the hunger for power within our society. The load is heavy, but we are still called to witness LOVE, HOPE, and JOY. We can do it because we are not loners; we are the Body of Christ – We are never alone.



Let us, in the brokenness of our relationships, enter into the "Dance of Love", gradually getting in sync with the melody, the movement of our giving, receiving, reconciling, and embracing... because the dance is bigger than us. In Christ, with Christ, we continue as pilgrims of eternity.

By Margot Lavoie  
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## WEEKEND READINGS



**June 6, 2021**

**1st Reading:** Exodus 24: 3-8

**2nd Reading:** Hebrews 9: 11-15

**Gospel:** Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26

*"Take; this is my Body. Drink; this is my Blood."*

## 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 [stpattickshamilton.ca](http://stpattickshamilton.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@stpattickshamilton.ca](mailto:parishoffice@stpattickshamilton.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 8  
12:15 PM

- All Souls in Purgatory
- Louisa Coutou

Wednesday | Jun 9  
12:15 PM

- Noel Wickrama

Thursday | Jun 10  
12:15 PM

- Filippo Orsini Casslena

Friday | Jun 11  
12:15 PM

- Living and Deceased Benefactors of the Felician Sisters

Sunday | Jun 13  
11:30 AM

- Special Int: Debra Mobbins
  - Alice & Pat Hogan
- 7:15 PM
- Eduardo Piazza
  - Special Int: JC Asuncion

\*Mass Intentions that were requested for Saturdays before the stay-home order will be moved to Weekday and Sunday Masses until further notice. Thank you.

"There is nothing so great as the Eucharist. If God has something more precious, He would have given it to us."  
- St. John Vianney

## WEEKEND STATS: ATTENDANCE



May 30, 2021

MASS	In-Person	Facebook	Website
Sat, 5 PM	-	-	-
Sun, 9 AM	-	-	-
Sun, 11:30 AM	-	145	100
Sun, 7:15 PM	-	88	43

## WEEKEND STATS: COLLECTION



May 23 & 30, 2021

Collected from Envelopes	\$1,280
E-Transfer	\$485
Canada Helps	\$461
Pre-Authorized Giving	\$5,034
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$7,260</b>

## IN OTHER NEWS



A Campaign for the Diocese of Hamilton

This past week, we have seen an amazing increase in support for the One Heart, One Soul Campaign here at St. Patrick Parish! God continues to bless our parish, ministry, community and Diocese! If you remember, there were no new updates last week. You will be amazed to find that this past week has been a stark contrast!

Here are our stats to date:

- Target: \$500,000
- Total Pledged to date: \$647,165 (129.4% of target)
- 153 pledges to date, 6 new this past week
- 36.8% parishioner participation

Let us continue to work together to build a strong parish and a strong Diocese!

## FATHER'S DAY WITH DE MAZENOD DOOR

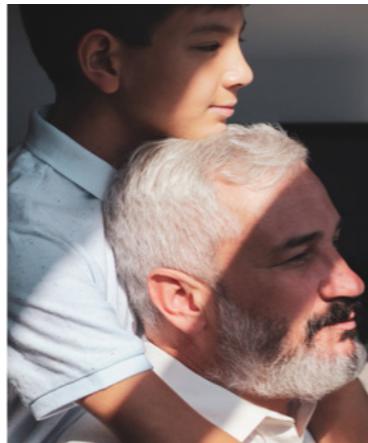
*What do you give the guy who has everything? How about something for the guy who has nothing.*

Make this Father's Day a meaningful one by gifting a donation in honor of Dad to the De Mazenod Door. A donation of \$35 will feed a guest for a week. A \$150 donation will feed a guest for a month.

To donate, please visit:

<http://demazenod-door.ca/make-a-donation/>

For those who have made a donation, a Father's Day Card is available at the office. Please contact us for more information.



## SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Friday, June 11 is the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. On this day we celebrate and claim Jesus' love for us - His divine love, His burning love and His sensible love.

In St. Margaret Mary's vision of Christ, He says to her: "I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Fridays in nine consecutive months the grace of final perseverance; they shall not die in my disgrace, nor without receiving their sacraments. My divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment."

We welcome students from Sacred Heart of Jesus Elementary School who will be joining us virtually for mass on this special day that celebrates the namesake of their school.



## IN OTHER NEWS

# THE DR. H. PATRICK & MRS. GAYLE E. CUNNINGHAM MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP

Through the generosity of a benefactor in the Diocese, the Dr. H. Patrick and Mrs. Gayle E. Cunningham Medical Scholarship has been established and will be accepting applications for 2021.

The purpose of this scholarship is to afford Catholics, faithful to the teachings of the Church, the opportunity to pursue medical education. The scholarship has a value of \$10,000.

Eligible Students are practicing Catholics who:

- Attend a parish in the Roman Catholic Diocese of Hamilton
- Are enrolled in a Canadian medical school
- Intend to practice medicine in Canada.

Application deadline is June 30, 2021. Award date is July 22, 2021.

If you or someone you know would be interested in this scholarship, please contact our office for an application form.



## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR PRIESTS (JUNE 11)

Catholics worldwide are urged to pray for Priests on June 11, World Day of Prayer for Priests. The day was begun by Saint John Paul II in 2002 with the objective of having all Catholic faithful join in prayer for the sanctification of priests. (Adapted from "Ordo: Liturgical Calendar 2020-2021")

### A Prayer for Priests by St. John Vianney (Patron of Priests)

God, please give to your Church today  
many more priests after your own heart.

May they be worthy representatives of Christ the Good Shepherd.  
May they wholeheartedly devote themselves to prayer and penance;  
be examples of humility and poverty;  
shining models of holiness;  
tireless and powerful preachers of the Word of God;  
zealous dispensers of your grace in the sacraments.

May their loving devotion to your Son Jesus in the Eucharist  
and to Mary his Mother be the twin fountains of fruitfulness for their ministry.

Amen.