



# St. Patrick Parish

HAMILTON, ONTARIO

## News From The Pews

**"He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits"(Mark 6:7)**



**Love Others As Christ Loves Us!**

July 11, 2021 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

# 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 OPEN for in-person masses to a 25% 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](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

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**Hansel Fernandez** | De Mazenod Door Outreach

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# BEYOND THE WALLS

What Happens Here Doesn't Stay Here

## THROUGH HIM, WITH HIM, AND IN HIM



I listened, really listened to a sermon that Fr. Tony gave this past week during a weekday mass about us being Jesus' chosen ones. He created us. He chose us, but do we remember to always choose Him? Likely not.

Father talked about the many negative forces that can become really dominant in our lives. Characteristics like jealousy, anger, deceit, betrayal and so many other harmful and destructive energies. It is SO easy to feel them and get caught up in them. It is so easy to forget God and to be coerced into a realm that is far from constructive.

No matter where we find ourselves on a daily basis, - be it during the happiest moments when we're feel-

ing up and energetic, or when we are hurt or broken on our darkest days - Jesus still chooses us. During times when we aren't in the best of moods or maybe aren't in a great head space, no matter the reason, we completely forget to choose Him, because that negative energy takes over and adds fuel to the fire. Yet Jesus is there, the same as He is during all of our good moments. He's always there. Remembering He's there is lost on us in those moments of hurt.

It's easy too to forget to live the good news, not just to read it or listen to it, but to remember to live it and to be the church. When we are angry or hurt sometimes that all gets thrown out the window and we let those feelings of negativity overrule and overrun us. It's like a fast moving freight train running on a track to nowhere. The lights are flashing, the whistle is blowing, but this is all on the way to nowhere.

It isn't easy to reign in those negative feelings. That's why prayer is such an important and powerful factor. We need to reach out to God and ask for His mercy and for the grace to give all of those destructive and damaging feelings over to Him.

Amidst our own sufferings, our own pain, our own brokenness, Jesus is still calling us because we are His chosen ones. He created us and gave us life - how could He not want to help us or be there for us during the most difficult of times. It's a wonderful reminder of faith and a reminder that we need to put that very same faith into action. It's far from easy to turn those feelings of surrender and defeat into blessings, but we can do it, if we simply remember to choose Him.

By: Diane Downey



# De Mazenod Door Outreach

The Poor • The Marginalized • The Inner-City Youth



A shout out of THANKS to Goodwill, The Amity Group, Kelly Duffin President & CEO as well as Coffee House Manager, John Tomasik and their amazing staff and volunteers for their continued support of De Mazenod Door Outreach. Goodwill has been providing both sandwiches and meals for guests of the Door and Rest and Hygiene Station for more than a year and have recently received funding for another 26 weeks! These folks continue to go above and beyond within the community and we are so grateful to be a recipient of their amazing charitable deeds! Thank you, Goodwill Amity!



Our Canada Summer Jobs program students, Joseph and Annabella have been hard at work these past few weeks getting in the fast paced groove that is 'The Door' and getting to know volunteers, staff, guests and parishioners. Both of these young people are hard working individuals who come in to work every day with smiles on their faces and a great enthusiasm to go forth and to good work. We surely couldn't have asked for more. It is a great blessing to have them here with us for the Summer!

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

## Friday BBQ

July 16, 2021

- Anon., in honour of J.T. Mi-siaszek
- Lisa & David Creaghan
- Anon., in memory of Joan Agro

July 23, 2021

- McTiernan & Donald Families, in memory of May Mc-Tiernan



## Ways to Help



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



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

## Most Wanted Items



Ziplock Snack Bags

Bananas



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# VOCATIONS REFLECTION

## SURELY YOU HAVE MADE OTHER PLANS!

Any organization, in order to achieve their goals and materialize their vision, needs to have a strategic plan. It basically defines concrete steps and actions in the process, clarifies expectations and provides transparent communications to all involved. As Peter Drucker, an Austrian-American management consultant, educator, and author, once said, "In the face of uncertainties, planning defines the particular place you want to be and how you intend to get there."

When we read the Gospel story, and witness Jesus' death on the cross, his resurrection, as well as the terror of the disciples in the Upper Room after his assumption, we can clearly see "the face of uncertainties". What was God's strategic plan then? How can the great commission, "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations!" (Matthew 28:19), be fulfilled and all its goals achieved?

There is a story told (I don't know who to credit it to) that after Jesus returned to heaven, he and the Archangel Gabriel had a conversation. Even in heaven Jesus bore the marks of the crucifixion. Gabriel said, "Master, you must have suffered horribly! Do people know and appreciate how you love them and what you did for them?" Jesus replied, "Oh, no; not yet. Right now, only a few people in Palestine know." Gabriel was perplexed: "Then what have you done to let everyone know about your love?" Jesus answered, "I have asked Peter, Andrew, James, John, and a few more friends to tell others about me. Those who are told will tell others about me, and still others until the last man and the last woman in the farthest corner of the earth will have heard the story of how I gave my life for them because I love them so much." Gabriel frowned and looked rather skeptical. "Yes, but what if Peter and the others grow weary? What if the people who come after them forget? Surely you have made other plans!" Said Jesus, "Gabriel, I haven't made any other plans. I'm counting on them."

As we hear in this weekend's Gospel, Jesus' strategy was very simple and involved discipleship (being called) and witness (being sent). "He called to him the twelve, and began to send them out two by two..." (Mark 6:7) Knowing that the Church is made up of saints and sinners, broken people and wounded healers, a variety of cultures and spiritualities, you might wonder how this is going to work out. Looking at the centuries of evangelization efforts, it

seems like the plan has worked out pretty well. History shows that not everything went perfectly, but over and over again there were people who answered the call and embraced the mission of being sent.



Now it's our time! God calls each one of us to a personal relationship with him and to missionary discipleship. Some of us might be called as a spouse, parent or single person. Some might be called as a religious brother or sister, or to the priesthood. Some of us might be called to a specific ministry within the Church or society. It's up to us now to live as witnesses to the Gospel. Surely God hasn't made other plans, because he is counting on YOU.

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## WEEKEND READINGS



**July 11, 2021**

**1st Reading:** Amos 7:  
12-15

**2nd Reading:**

Ephesians 1: 3-14

**Gospel:** Mark 6: 7-13

**July 18, 2021**

**1st Reading:** Jeremiah  
23: 1-6

**2nd Reading:**

Ephesians 2: 13-18

**Gospel:** Mark 6: 30-34

## 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](http://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](mailto: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



**Tues | Jul 13 | 12:15 PM**  
• Special Int

**Wed | Jul 14 | 12:15 PM**  
• Evalina Grilli

**Thurs | Jul 15 | 12:15 PM**  
• Conceicao Pereira  
• Andrew Nowack

**Fri | Jul 16 | 12:15 PM**  
• Special Int: Anelyn Taberna  
• Special Int: Joachim & Anne  
• Special Int: Nanding L. & Family

**Sat | Jul 17 | 5:00 PM**  
• Ron Eppin

**Sun | Jul 18  
9:00 AM**  
• St. Patrick's Parishioners  
**11:30 AM**  
• Joe Miranda Cordeiro  
• Peggy Goudet  
**7:15 PM**  
• Special Int: Fr. Tony O'Dell, OMI  
• Florence Carson

**Tues | Jul 20 | 12:15 PM**  
• Conceicao Pereira

**Wed | Jul 21 | 12:15 PM**  
• May McTiernan  
• Jose Faria & Family

**Thurs | Jul 22 | 12:15 PM**  
• Domenico Versace & Family

**Fri | Jul 23 | 12:15 PM**  
• Chansing Yat Cua  
• Wladyslaw & Maria Dobrowolski

**Sat | Jul 24 | 5:00 PM**  
• Special Int: Tony

**Sun | Jul 25  
9:00 AM**  
• St. Patrick's Parishioners  
**11:30 AM**  
• Maria Do Rosario Roque  
• Special Int: Sue Hampson-Strabac  
**7:15 PM**  
• Baltazar Fernandez  
• Anna Belanovic  
• Special Int: Anoumedem Family

## WEEKEND STATS: ATTENDANCE



**Jul 3-4, 2021**

MASS	In-Person	Facebook	Website
Sat, 5 PM	47	-	-
Sun, 9 AM	44	-	-
Sun, 11:30 AM	73	75	48
Sun, 7:15 PM	127	65	25

## WEEKEND STATS: COLLECTION



**Jul 3-4, 2021**

Collected from Envelopes	\$2,840
E-Transfer	\$220
Canada Helps	\$543
Pre-Authorized Giving	\$3,222
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,825</b>

## IN OTHER NEWS



As we are approaching the tail-end of the One Heart, One Soul campaign here at the parish, we would like to give a special shout out of thanks to the dedicated and hard-working campaign volunteer team! Without this A-team, we would not have been able to succeed as we have.

We would also like to thank our campaign Manager, Tom Selzle of the Steier Group! Tom was such a great support to us. He always had a game plan that he was ready to put into action. Tom was very encouraging to our team and our efforts. Please keep Tom in your prayers as our time with him comes to a conclusion - may he be blessed abundantly for all of his generosity towards our parish and our diocese.

## A STORY OF HOPE

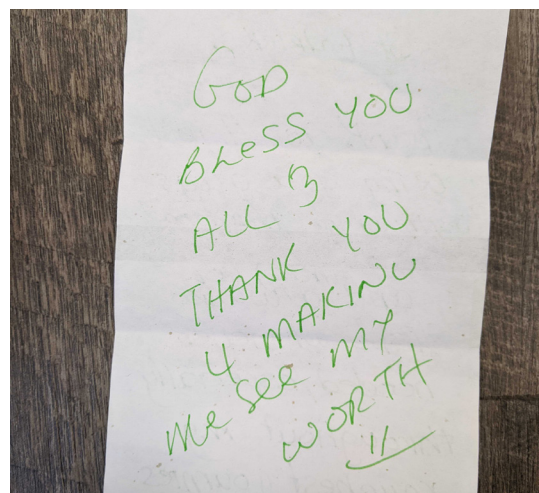
This week, one of our guests at the Door and the Rest & Hygiene Station stopped by to share some beautiful news: she will be moving in with her mother outside of the city. This is excellent news considering the rough experiences (which is an understatement) she has had while living here in the city. Although she has had many difficult experiences, she remained faithful. She attended Sunday masses here at the parish and we have known her to be an avid reader of her bible. The difficulties she experienced seem to pale in comparison to her strength and her faith. She left this note for us and allowed us permission to share her story with you:

"To Covid Outreach: St. Patrick's,

Thank you 4 just being you guys (despite wrong confessional times.) LOL and always there whenever needed, especially throughout my roughest journeys but MOST OF ALL 4 KEEPING ME OFF DRUGS. I might be drunk but not a junkie.

Love always,  
K.D."

Perhaps the most beautiful part of the note she left was on the back where she wrote:



Our mission and ministry here is to love everyone. It is amazing to see the fruits of loving others: in this specific case, the fruit is that in loving others, they learn that they are worthy of love, which in turn allows them to begin to love themselves. Everyone we encounter has a story. We simply hope that ours is a positive imprint on their journeys.

## JOINING THE RCIA

Our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) classes will be starting up again in the Fall of 2021. If you or someone you know is seeking and discerning a conversion to the Catholic faith, registration is open! The RCIA journey is one that seeks to answer the fundamental questions you may have about the faith as well as to bring light to applying the faith in the world today. We encourage you to take a leap of faith.

Please contact the office if you have any questions or if you would like to register. Call (905) 522-9828 or email JC Asuncion (jasuncion@stpatrickshamilton.ca).

## WELCOME TO THE TEAM!

We welcome, Patrick Kara as the temporary Lead at the De Mazenod Farm!

He will be taking care of the overall operations at the Farm and coordinating the volunteers at least until the end of this season. Please keep Patrick in your prayers as he embarks on this new journey!