



St. Patrick Parish

HAMILTON, ONTARIO

News From The Pews



"Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted."

John 6: 11



Love Others As Christ Loves Us!

July 25, 2021 - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

CELEBRATE OUR FAITH

Connect With Us

Website:

www.stpatrickshamilton.ca

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LIVE-Stream Mass Schedule

The church is OPEN for in-person masses. Social distancing and safety precautions remain in effect. Seating is first-come-first-serve.

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

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BEYOND THE WALLS

What Happens Here Doesn't Stay Here

FAREWELL.. FOR NOW!

If you don't live in the St. Pat's neighbourhood or anywhere in its vicinity, you may not know that on Tuesday of this week, the demolition of the defunct St. Patrick's Elementary School began. The cranes arrived, and bit by bit, as I write this, it's all tumbling down. There's been a whole lot of nostalgia floating in the air this week, along with the dust and debris. The walls that held so many memories for past alumni, both recent and those of long ago, are no longer standing. We've had a number of folks commenting on photos on our Facebook, both past students and staff, all with wonderful memories of different times and what used to be.



We have many of our own memories of this old school as well. We would frequently visit the students and have also built some amazing friendships with the staff. It held the committed beginning of the De Mazenod Door. Although the ministry itself began in the offices of the Pastoral Centre, it blossomed and bloomed within the walls of that old school. The number of volunteers that came and went through those halls is incredible. The number of meals that were served through that original 'door', staggering. And since we lack our own parish hall, for four years, special dinners and events were planned and executed in the school gym. Over those years, thousands

of guests of the Door sat and ate their meals like they would in a banquet hall and were treated with the same amount of respect and dignity.

When the Prime Minister of Canada visited the parish and De Mazenod Door Outreach on Good Friday in 2019, he too served fish & chips out of that same door. When the Governor General of Canada visited in 2017 for the Parish's 140th Birthday celebration, she also attended the celebration in that gym.

The parish underwent a two-month renovation and beautiful transformation in 2019, and where did we go to hold masses during that time? To the gymnasium and the kindergarten room of course! It may have lacked the charm and wonder that you can only feel inside an old church like St. Pat's, but it held the same amount of holiness, because Christ was there too.

These are just a few of the memories that we've experienced over the last few years. I'm sure there are many more shared between the parish and the school that those who have been around for a great number of years have much more knowledge of. The old school toppling down doesn't erase those memories or any that others may have. We can relive them over and over in our hearts and in our minds. Before we know it a brand new school will be erected, and eventually filled with the youth of tomorrow. We await the new memories that will be made. Our new De Mazenod Door will also be housed within the new school, so we are just as excited as the kids over at the old St. Brigid's School are, patiently waiting for their new home to be built.

We've all endured lots of change over the past couple of years. This is just one more change for us to roll with. It's what we do here, regularly. I for one am glad not to be stuck in yesterday and am always looking forward to what tomorrow might bring.

By Diane Downey



De Mazenod Door Outreach

The Poor • The Marginalized • The Inner-City Youth



These past few weeks have been very rewarding at De Mazenod Door Outreach. We have been very fortunate to receive a \$5,000 grant from the Rotary Club of Hamilton AM to cover the cost of water for the crops at the De Mazenod Farm. We can't count on rain every day to provide the land with a good enough soaking to ensure growth, so we must have it delivered regularly. We are grateful to the Rotarians for their generosity. Thank you!

Also, we were blessed to have received a very generous donation of \$25,000 from the Kiwanis Club of Hamilton East, so that we can build a greenhouse for the Farm! This funding will enable us to provide favorable growing conditions and will protect crops from adverse weather. This organization truly does walk the walk when it comes to helping their community. Thank you so much for your amazing support, time and time again! And...



SSVP St. Francis Xavier Parish Conference donated \$6,000 from their Pandemic Grant to be utilized by De Mazenod Housing for the purchase of items necessary. Thank you for your ongoing generosity & support!

It is through the charity of our community partners that we are able to do what we do. As Mother Teresa reminds us, 'together we can do great things'!

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

Friday BBQ

July 30, 2021

- Alyson Lockett
- Anonymous

August 6, 2021

- Pat Migliarini, in memory of all deceased members of the Murphy Family
- Patricia Serafini, in memory of Raymond Serafini
- Anonymous



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 Items



Ziplock Sandwich Bags

Banana Sponsor



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WHAT ARE WE IN NEED OF TODAY?



This Sunday we read what is probably one of the most famous parables. 5,000 people and no food to feed them. These people have gathered to hear from Jesus as he is starting to gain a reputation for healing the sick. People are expecting a lot from Jesus.

They realize quickly that there is not enough food for all, yet Jesus doesn't immediately tell the disciples what to do. He does let them try to figure it out for themselves. He knows that they have everything they need to solve the problem. The disciples know that they don't have the money necessary to buy food for all. I find this interesting as often we think if we only had more money we could solve our problems.

Andrew then points out there is young boy with some food. Why is it a boy that has the food? Jesus often points out that we need to be more childlike. Are children more willing to share what they have? Are our gifts more obvious as children? We often start to doubt ourselves as adults, we worry about what others think about us, we compare ourselves to each other rather than concentrating on the unique gifts that we bring to the group. Or is it to remind us that we all have something to offer to the community, no matter our place within that community?

The community had everything that it needed. All Jesus needed to do was point them in the right direction. When

they started to take care of each other and work together, they realized they had more than they needed. Even when they were satisfied, there was enough to share. There were leftovers; and He told the disciples to gather them up. Fragments as they were called, morsels that didn't seem to amount to much on their own, added up to more than they appeared to have had in the beginning. Once they had figured out what they needed, all they had to do was work towards something as a community. That day what they needed was the food.

What is it that we are in need of today? All of us have needs, whether they be personal or communal. How do we work together when our needs are so diverse? Or are they? What is the motivation, the moral imperative? If we can all agree that we are working for one purpose, then we can accomplish anything. And then we will realize our full potential. "I beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called." Ephesians 4.1-6

We need to take the time to find out what our contribution to the community is. What are we called to by Jesus? Are we thinking in terms of community, or only ourselves? We will all be provided for if we start to think in terms of all. As with the food, we have everything we need to sustain ourselves, we need only to listen to Jesus and work together for the community.

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WEEKEND READINGS



July 25, 2021

1st Reading: 2 Kings
4:42-22

2nd Reading:

Ephesians 4:1-4

Gospel: John 6: 1-5

August 1, 2021

1st Reading: Exodus
16: 2-4, 12-15, 31a

2nd Reading:

Ephesians 4: 17, 20-24

Gospel: John 6: 24-35

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 - 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

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 27 | 12:15 PM

- Baltazar Fernandez
- Special Int: Deo Castillo

Wed, Jul 28 | 12:15 PM

- Conceicao Pereira
- Larry Mattina

Thurs, Jul 29 | 12:15 PM

- Mary Calamai & Peter
- Joseph Nakazi

Fri, Jul 30 | 12:15 PM

- Special Int: Vito Colella
- Jed Anger Jr.

Sat, Jul 31 | 5:00 PM

- Timothy Andrew McLaughlin

Sun, Aug 1

9:00 AM

- St. Patrick's Parishioners

11:30 AM

- Special Int: Priyanka
- Elvie T. Ona

7:15 PM

- Special Int: Margaret Kulchickyj
- Walter Lopata
- Teresita Salapare

Tues, Aug 3 20 | 12:15 PM

- Special Int
- Special Int: Lindsey, Luke & Family

Wed, Aug 4 | 12:15 PM

- Costanza & Filippo Sabatino

Thurs, Aug 5 | 12:15 PM

- Derrick Correa

Fri, Aug 6 | 12:15 PM

- Theresa Ostrowski
- Deceased members of the Murphy Family

Sat, Aug 7 | 5:00 PM

- John Turpin

Sun, Aug 8

9:00 AM

- St. Patrick's Parishioners

11:30 AM

- Special Int: Deo Castillo

7:15 PM

- Special Int: Anoumedem Family
- All deceased members of the Balenovic & Butkovic Families
- Joan McDaniel

WEEKEND STATS: ATTENDANCE



Jul 17-18, 2021

MASS	In-Person	Facebook	Website
Sat, 5 PM	72	-	-
Sun, 9 AM	63	-	-
Sun, 11:30 AM	93	85	37
Sun, 7:15 PM	120	63	27

WEEKEND STATS: COLLECTION



Jul 11 & 18 2021

Collected from Envelopes	\$7,194
E-Transfer	\$590
Canada Helps	\$1,152
Pre-Authorized Giving	\$5,763
TOTAL	\$14,699

IN OTHER NEWS



There are no new One Heart, One Soul campaign updates. Here are the current campaigning details:

- Target Goal: \$500,000
- Amount Pledged: \$655,865 (131.2% of our target)
- 157 pledges received to date (37.7% parishioner participation)

Thank you! Let us continue to pray for the success of the campaign for the Diocese and its shared ministries - may we see growth and fruitfulness!



A local Rotary club is supporting St. Patrick's De Mazenod Farm program as part of a focus on food security. Tonic: Rotary After Five is Hamilton's newest club, formed in 2016. The Tonic club is encouraging its members to volunteer at the Farm or support the food ministry with monetary donations. Other food security projects undertaken by the club include purchasing an industrial refrigerator for First Place Community Housing and supporting Community Refrigerator Hamilton with regular donations. Tonic: Rotary After Five also offers a pro-bono consulting program called Rotary Advisers for local not-for-profit organizations. You can find Tonic: Rotary After Five on Facebook for more information about this club.

WELCOME TO THE PARISH!

We welcome the following new parishioners to the St. Patrick Parish family:

- Patricia & Daniel Dubovan
- Marcus & Gloria Terfloth

There are lots of ministries here at the parish that you can get involved in and make you feel more at home.



CONGRATULATIONS & GOD BLESS!



The Tokyo 2021 Olympics have begun and one of our very own parishioners is sending off her grandson to participate in the games! Janet Masters is sending off her grandson, Trevor Jones, to compete in the Olympic rowing events! Trevor is 23 years old and this will be his first Olympic games.

Trevor has just recently advanced into the quarter-finals for the men's single sculls!

Please pray for Trevor's safety and continued success!

GRANDPARENTS, WHERE WOULD WE BE WITHOUT THEM?

Pope Francis has established July 25 as World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly!

They are our his-tory and her-itage, they share with us the stories told of our family tree for generations back, they remember the old times while bridging the years filled with more modern conveniences and new ideas.

Grandparents remember when there were probably two or three vehicles in the whole neighbourhood, and not on one driveway. When stores were closed at 6.00 every evening except Fridays and Saturdays. When the milk and pop were delivered to the door, and you only got chips as a treat on Sunday evenings.

Grandparents love you like no one else could and always slipped in a treat when your parents were not looking. They taught you to be strong and to live a God- fearing life. They had standards of living and behaving, where cleanliness was next to Godliness and not attending Church was not an option. They told you that there was grace in poverty and making do, and how they managed their little finances without credit. Yes, grandparents have the most important role in society, they set an example for you to strive for, and succeed.

Grandparents have a wealth of knowledge and experience raising families, they are aware of the pitfalls and sacrifices necessary. They know that the simplicity of a hug or a kind word, is more beneficial than many material things which devalue upon use. Their gentleness makes their word or opinion more acceptable, because it came from Nana and Papa, rather than from Mom and Dad, just because.

Grandparents are the glue that binds the generations together, making families stronger and long lasting, without them we would be pods of people, not families. So be patient when they cannot remember the words or your name or they repeat the same story or ask the same questions over and over again. They are grandparents and they love you like no other.

Happy World Day of Grandparents and elderly!

WELL KNOWN CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS



St. Joachim and St. Ann, parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary and grandparents of Jesus.

FAMOUS PEOPLE RAISED BY THEIR GRANDPARENTS

Oprah Winfrey



Barack Obama



Bill Clinton



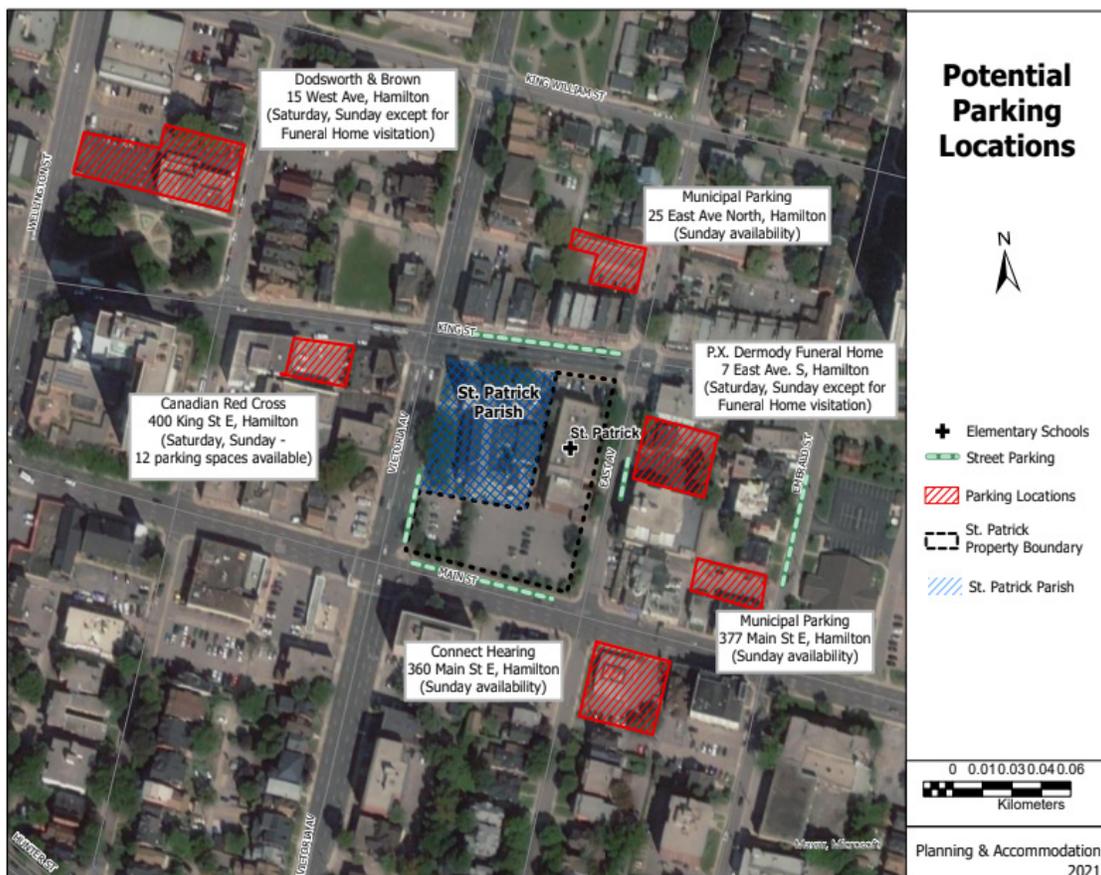
Jack Nicholson



PARKING DURING SCHOOL DEMOLITION & CONSTRUCTION

The old St. Patrick School has almost completely come down; its continued demolition and subsequent construction progress means that we will be losing all of the parking spaces at the church. Not to worry though because we have contacted some of our neighbours and they have so generously allowed us to park in their lots during this time of change.

You will find the official detailed memo regarding this change as well as the map of available spaces to park on our website (www.stpatrickshamilton.ca). As a quick snapshot, here are the details:



- Municipal Parking (377 Main St. East) - Sunday Availability
- Municipal Parking (25 East Ave. North) - Sunday Availability
- Connect Hearing (360 Main St. East) – Saturday and Sunday Availability
- Canadian Red Cross (400 King St. East) - Saturday and Sunday Availability (certain spots only, please see picture to the right)
- P.X. Dermody Funeral Home (7 East Ave. South) - Weekdays, Saturday and Sunday Availability, except for Funeral Home Visitations
- Dodsworth & Brown Funeral Home (15 West Ave. North) - Saturday and Sunday Availability, except for Funeral Home Visitations



This is yet another time of change for our parish. It may be a difficult change for now, but the end result means growth for the parish and the De Mazenod Door Ministry.

IN OTHER NEWS

DE MAZENOD FARM: HERE WE GROW!

You wouldn't believe how much has happened at the De Mazenod Farm in the past couple of months! God has not stopped showering this initiative with his blessings - be it through the amazing and dedicated volunteers, the yields of fruits and vegetables being harvested and cooked up and given away to our guests at the Door, the fresh flowers that will be used to beautify our church, the generous monetary grants and donations given by several community groups, and so much more. We continue to be humbled by how the Farm has truly become a community effort - we are building and strengthening our community!

Thank you for all of your prayers and support! We can only grow from here!

