

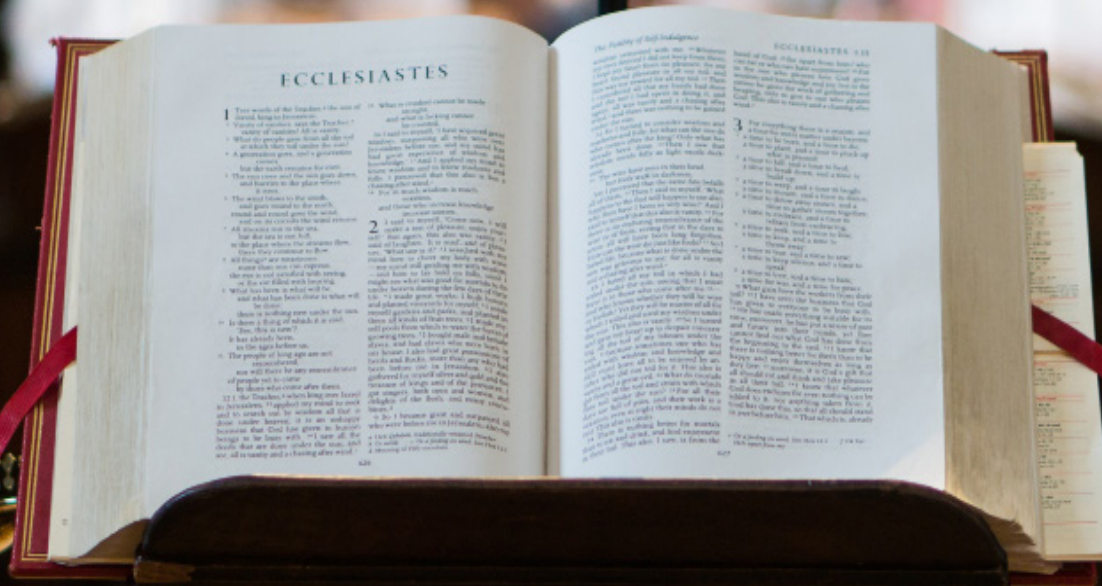


St. Patrick's Parish

HAMILTON, ONTARIO

News From The Pews

"On the sabbath he began to teach in the synogogue, and many who heard him were astounded"(Mark 6:2)



Love Others As Christ Loves Us!

July 4, 2021 - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

CELEBRATE OUR FAITH

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 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

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Sherri Ramirez | De Mazenod Door Outreach Coordinator

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Pastoral Team

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Arthur Kara | Facilities Operator

Br. Dan Dionne, OMI | Music Ministry

Diana Quildon | Volunteer Coordinator

Diane Downey | De Mazenod Door Outreach - Administrative Assistant

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BEYOND THE WALLS

What Happens Here Doesn't Stay Here

THIS CANADA DAY

Today, July 1st we celebrate Canada Day. The birthday of our great nation. Many of us are celebrating just a little bit quieter this year. We have had 15+ months of COVID and we've finally been given the green light to bust loose, as long as we did it safely, yet there are so many mixed feelings hovering over this great country like a shadow keeping us all in a subdued mood, especially today, on the birthday of this great country.



As Catholics we were taught early in life about the importance of reconciliation and the significance of forgiveness. We were taught about the power of healing. Many of us weren't around for the travesties that blackened our nation, 25, 50 or a hundred years ago. The atrocities of our past are there – in the past. But, they have been pulled up and brought right to the forefront for the entire world to see. The big Canadian window finally opened the curtains and although as a country we may not have wished

for that to happen, as a nation of kindness & diversity, it is necessary. If there is ever going to be a chance for healing, we have to let everyone see what's been kept inside. We need to own it. I know wholeheartedly that we are not perfect by any stretch, but I also know that we are not an evil nation. As Catholics, and certainly as a community, we too mourn those who have been hurt in the past and we are saddened for those who are broken, because of those hurts. We must learn from the mistakes of others and of those of the past in order to ensure that the mistakes of the past never, ever happen again. If we continue to draw dividing lines and add to the hate that divides us, our chances of healing become bleak. This nation is stitched together with love. Look around and see the diversity of this great country. That in itself is a true testament of that and will tell you of the goodness that illuminates, not darkens our days. We must ensure that the love we have for one another is shouted from the rooftops so that the world sees that too. This is Canada. We are the face of unity. We will only have a better future if we join hands in healing. Our religion is not the enemy.

This is our big opportunity to learn from the mistakes of the past and to go forth and do much better. We need to share our 'sorries' out loud so that our Indigenous friends and neighbours here and around the world can hear just how truly sorry we are. They need to know that while it might not have been you or me that did those wrongs, we too need to be sorry so that healing can begin for everyone.

Let's love one another on this Canada Day. Let us all come together with love. Everyone needs it, yearns for it and deserves it. You can still love your country and be outraged about the wrongs that were done. I DO love my country. I can still say Happy Canada Day to all, while grieving and reflecting alongside our Indigenous brothers and sisters. The answer is healing through truth and reconciliation - we must come together, not stand apart.

By Diane Downey



De Mazenod Door Outreach

The Poor • The Marginalized • The Inner-City Youth



Our outreach ministry continues to be blessed in so many different ways. We are growing in leaps and bounds, both figuratively and literally!

We continue to grow at the Door through donations of food and our volunteer ministry. Our Friday BBQ Sponsorship program brings out new individuals, families and group organizations weekly, all wanting to do their part through service to our community. Our Housing ministry is alive and we are working diligently daily, to continue to work with other members of the social service sector community to house individuals who are living in far less than adequate situations. The Rest & Hygiene station in the church is still providing comfort to our homeless community, 5 days a week. Our Farm ministry is getting greener by the minute with first crops already being picked and used in meals at the Door. This newest venture is alive with interest and excitement. We can literally see the results of a hard day's work coming to fruition.



We pray that we will continue to grow financially so that all facets of De Mazenod Door Outreach maintain the level of service needed to leave this community far better than where we found it.

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

Friday BBQ

July 9, 2021

- Adele Rogano and Seweryn Woszczyk in honour & celebration of their wedding, July 10th, 2021



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



Coffee Whitener

Juice Crystals



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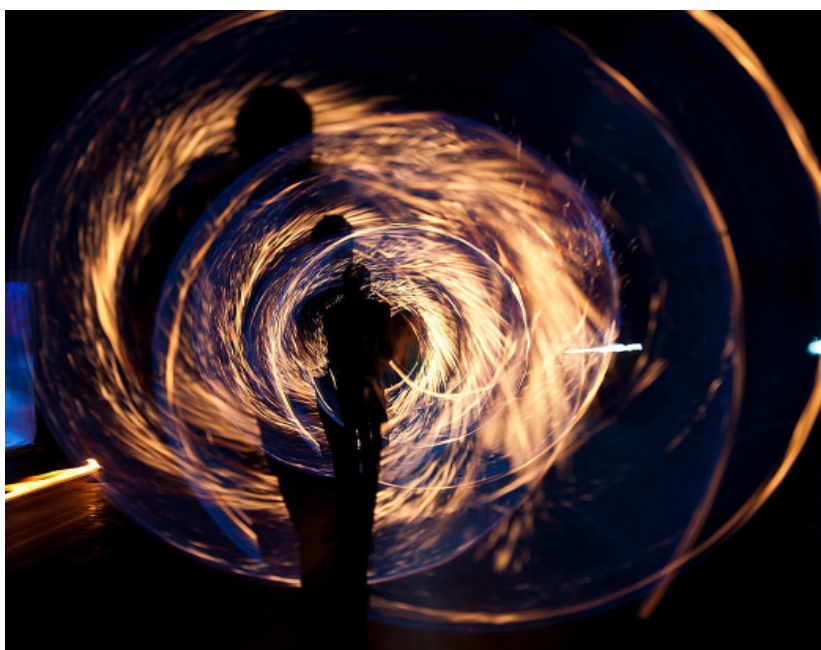


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VOCATIONS REFLECTION

PROPHETS? NO, THANKS!



The Word today portrays Ezekiel, Paul and Jesus as prophets. At first thought, we might be inclined to think that is a wonderful thing – to be called to be a prophet. After all, prophets speak God’s Word and call people into a relationship with God. Right? Not so simple or glamorous, as we recognize in the readings. Ezekiel is warned that his listeners are a “rebellious house”, not too inclined to hear a prophetic word that calls them to conversion. Paul bears a “thorn” to prevent him from becoming too proud of his role; he is challenged to recognize that God really only works through Paul’s weakness. And finally, Jesus is rejected by his hometown folks because, really, could a person known to everyone from birth be called by God to be a prophet?

At our baptism, we are anointed priest, prophet and ruler. Priest is something we can identify with, as we associate priesthood with prayer, celebrating God’s love, sharing God’s gifts with others. We can all fulfill that call. Ruler is a rather different matter for us today, as the idea of exercising power is not something that we can expect in our lives, for the most part, as we generally equate that with political power.

But the idea of being anointed prophet is one well beyond our notion of probability. Who of us feels competent to speak God’s Word in a way that calls and challenges others to conversion? Of course, as Paul would remind us, our

baptismal call to be prophetic is not something that we can do on our own. Rather than offering a life of comfort and safety, this baptismal call puts great expectations on us; expectations that can only be met when we recognize our individual weakness and open ourselves to the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and the power of Christ dwelling in us and personified in the Christian community.

As prophets, we are called to proclaim that the reign of God is at hand and to co-create a just and loving society. As we hear the call as individuals and community to live out our baptismal call to be prophets, our response, rather than being “who am I to do this”, should be a resounding “sign me up!”

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WEEKEND READINGS



July 4, 2021

1st Reading: Ezekiel 2: 3-5

2nd Reading: 2 Corinthians 12: 7-10

Gospel: Mark 6: 1-6

"My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness"

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 | Jul 6
12:15 PM

- Special Int: Stefanie Piatek

Wednesday | Jul 7
12:15 PM

- All Souls in Purgatory
- Evelina Grilli
- Ed Piatek

Thursday | Jul 8
12:15 PM

- Joe Miranda Cordeiro
- Fred Susi

Friday | Jul 9
12:15 PM

- Arthur & Conceicao Pereira
- Justin De Tullio

Saturday | Jul 10
5:00 PM

- Mary Bonus
- Guisepina Ferrera & Maria Sabetti
- Richard Spidel

Sunday | Jul 11
9:00 AM

- St. Patrick's Parishioners
- 11:30 AM
- Special Int: Alyssa Mae Hernandez
- Special Int: Tyler and Becky
- Matt Jazvac
- 7:15 PM
- Walter Lopata

Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, a heart to seek you, wisdom to find you, conduct pleasing to you, faithful perseverance in waiting for you, and hope of finally embracing you.
Amen.

- St. Thomas Aquinas

WEEKEND STATS: ATTENDANCE



Jun 26-27, 2021

MASS	In-Person	Facebook	Website
Sat, 5 PM	47	-	-
Sun, 9 AM	44	-	-
Sun, 11:30 AM	68	87	47
Sun, 7:15 PM	72	67	30

WEEKEND STATS: COLLECTION



Jun 27, 2021

Collected from Envelopes	\$2,425
E-Transfer	\$159
Canada Helps	\$465
Pre-Authorized Giving	\$2,603
TOTAL	\$5,652

IN OTHER NEWS



There is no new update for the One Heart, One Soul campaign this weekend.

We are so grateful for the outpouring of support from parishioners and friends to make this campaign such a success. We are building our church and our community, and more importantly, we are building it together.

If you haven't yet responded to the appeal for support of this campaign, we urge that you prayerfully consider doing so - whether it is a pledged amount over 3 years or a one time donation.

GRANT APPROVALS FOR THE DE MAZENOD FARM

This past month we were blessed to be on the receiving end of the generosity of several groups in Hamilton that wanted to support the Farm:



Thank you to the Kiwanis Club of Hamilton who approved a grant of \$25,000 for a greenhouse to be built on the Farm. This greenhouse will be used to start seedlings that will be planted during the planting season. The grant was presented to a very grateful and humbled Fr. Tony via Zoom.

We also extend our deepest gratitude to the Rotary Club of Hamilton AM for their grant of \$5,000 that will go towards covering the cost of water for the fields this season. Again, this grant was joyfully received by Fr. Tony via Zoom.



One of the purposes of the Farm is to bring together and build community. It is so amazing to see this already happening at the Farm!

SURPRISE, FR. TONY!

On Wednesday, July 30th, 2021, Fr. Tony turned 60 years old! To mark this very special birthday, the St. Patrick Parish Pastoral Team threw him a SURPRISE PARTY at the De Mazenod Farm (within the Phase 2 reopening guidelines, ofcourse). Keeping this a surprise took a lot of effort - Fr. Tony certainly didn't make it easy with how often he frequents the Farm - but we pulled it off! All had a wonderful time celebrating the blessing that Fr. Tony is to our parish and our community! Happy Birthday, Fr. Tony!!



WELCOME TO THE PARISH!

In June, we welcomed a few new parishioners to our parish family! A very warm welcome goes out to:

- Andrew Carabine & Danyel McLachlan
- Uchenna Ohochie

We hope that you can grow in faith and community with us. We look forward to seeing you around!

