



# St. Patrick Parish

HAMILTON, ONTARIO

## News From The Pews



Love Others As Christ Loves Us.

September 25, 2022 - 26th 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)

## Mass Schedule

The church is OPEN for in-person masses to full capacity.

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 from 4:00 to 4:45, prior to the Saturday 5:00 PM mass.
- 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)

### Like or Follow us

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

Twitter: @StPatsHamilton

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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

Community & Guest Relations Director

Christina Crawford | Music Director

### 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 Program Support Worker

Evelyn VanFleet | Assistant Facilities Operator

Hansel Fernandez | De Mazenod Door Outreach

Ian Ford | Director of Technology

Joseph Glassbourg | De Mazenod Door Kitchen

Team Lead

Katarzyna Dymkowski | De Mazenod Door

Outreach

Leon Blais | De Mazenod Door Outreach

Lynne Pollard | Sacristan

Rita Kara | Office Administrator

Steve Brennan | De Mazenod Door Outreach Driver

Sukh Singh | De Mazenod Door Outreach Farm

Manager

### Oblate Vocation Office

Fr. Jarek Pachocki, OMI

Vocation Director

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## WEEKEND READINGS



**September 25, 2022**

**1st Reading:** Amos 6.1a, 4-7

**2nd Reading:** 1 Timothy 6.11-16

**Gospel:** Luke 16.19-31

*"Praise the Lord, O my soul."*

## 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.

## MASS INTENTIONS



**Tues, Sept. 27 | 12:15 PM**

- Dianne Keasey
- Alice Bunty Kane
- Special Int: Edna & Al Mathias (60th Wedding Anniversary)
- Special Int: Myrtle Lobo & Derrick for return to good health
- Special Int.: Ted Bruin

**Wed, Sept. 28 | 12:15 PM**

- Special Int: Cathy & Gerry Mezzalira & Family
- Special Int: Ana Rataic

**Thurs, Sept. 29 | 12:15 PM**

- Jose Rodrigues & Maria Roposo
- Special Int: Pray of Thanksgiving

**Fri, Sept. 30 | 12:15 PM**

- Duarte Costa
- Special Int: Levi Moeskers & Family

**Sat, Oct. 1 | 5:00 PM**

- Fedele Vario
- Anna Belonavic
- Jose & Odilia Camara and Joe Camara RIP
- Eva Marranca - RIP

**Sun, Oct. 2**

**9:00 AM**

- St. Patrick's Parishioners

**11:30 AM**

- Adri Bubba
- Special Int: Priyanka Comfort

**7:15 PM**

- Ron Weiler
- Sharon Vamos

## WEEKEND STATS: COLLECTION



**September 17/18, 2022**

Collected from Envelopes	\$3,217
E-Transfer	\$0.00
Canada Helps	\$1,162
Pre-Authorized Collection	\$2,245
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$6,624</b>





# De Mazenod Door Outreach

The Poor • The Marginalized • The Inner-City Youth



A big shout out to the generous support of the Rattlesnake Point Golf Club in Milton. They graciously chose to support the De Mazenod Door this year with a cheque for \$10,000! Thank you for your amazing support. We would also like to say a special thank you to Greg Bright, team Captain who has worked tirelessly over the past 16 years to encourage and motivate team members to assist and support a variety of fundraising initiatives throughout those years that have generated hundreds of thousands of dollars to be distributed to a number of non-profit programs in Halton and the surrounding areas such as Hamilton-Wentworth.

It was such a blessing to meet other non-profit leaders who also benefited from their generosity.

Greg has decided to pass the baton, but his legacy will live on in the hearts of those who will continue to make a positive impact in their community.

We also wanted to share with you this week just how busy our Summer has been. During the Summer of 2021 (June, July & August) just over 31,000 meals were served at the Door. This past Summer of 2022 however saw a huge increase, bringing that total to just short of 37,000. That's a lot. Staff and volunteers work diligently every single day (literally 7 days a week) to ensure that the poor in our community get something to eat for breakfast and lunch knowing full well that for many, that is the only sustenance they have on any given day.

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

## Friday BBQ

September 30

- Justin & Marika Peter  
(In Celebration of their Wedding)
- Alin Chan
- Brian & Judy Lawlor



## 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



Prepared Muffins



Sugar



Bananas



Sandwich bags

## Thank You To Our Sponsors!



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# VOCATIONS REFLECTION

## IF I ONLY LISTEN

*"Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.'" Luke 16:29*

As we listen to the Gospel this weekend, we can hear that unspoken painful regret, "If only I had listened." The rich man hadn't listened to Moses and the prophets, and ended up being separated from God, "suffering torment in these flames". It's too late for him; but certainly, it's not too late for us. If we only listen!

A few years ago, I ran a race, the "Fast and Furriest 5K" with my dog Sutton, a joyful running companion for many years. Sutton absolutely loved running! Running a race had always brought out his competitive nature. He was going to win that race! However, he didn't realize that being an older dog, running in relatively warm weather, that he should take it easy. Half way through the race, Sutton started showing some signs of exhaustion. He began slowing down and eventually he collapsed on the sidelines of the route. We still had one kilometer or so to go; so, I thought I would carry him through the finish line in my arms. What a 'heroic story' that would be to tell! Thankfully, someone else was watching us from the side and had more sense than I did. The poor dog needed to cool down. He was overheated with the signs of a heatstroke. We laid him in the shade under a tree and poured cold water over him. That saved his life.

If I had listened to my ego-filled heroic thoughts, most likely I would have lost him that day. Can you imagine the pain of a broken heart, laden with the guilt of stupidity on my part? I'm so grateful I listened to the voice of a stranger on the sidewalk. His was the humble and caring voice of reason. It would have been so difficult to bear the pain of not listening. 'If I only have listened.' Sutton never regained the same level of fitness after this inci-



dent, but he continued to enjoy shorter and slower runs. He died a few years later of old age.

Listening is an essential part of discernment. We need to listen when making decisions, when embracing the purpose and meaning of our lives and when discerning our own vocation. God speaks to us in many ways. Sometimes it happens in a silent prayer, or when reading Scripture or through insight that we've never had before. Sometimes God speaks to us through events, or circumstances or encounters that we experience in our daily lives.

Sometimes the voice of God can be heard through a spiritual director, a trusted friend or even a stranger. All we have to do, is to LISTEN and we'll hear it.

By Jarek Pachocki OMI  
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# ST. PATRICK'S HAMILTON



Photo by: Tim Mossholder

**Would you like to join our team in making a difference in inner-city Hamilton? We are hiring!**

Mission With Youth Coordinator: [tinyurl.com/MissionWithYouthCoordinator](https://tinyurl.com/MissionWithYouthCoordinator)

Pastoral Assistant: [tinyurl.com/PastoralAssistant](https://tinyurl.com/PastoralAssistant)

Parish Director of Communications: [tinyurl.com/ParishDirectorOfCommunications](https://tinyurl.com/ParishDirectorOfCommunications)

For full job descriptions please see Job Postings on our website:

<https://www.stpatrickshamilton.ca/>

Interested applicants can respond with Resume and Cover Letter to: [opportunities@stpatrickshamilton.ca](mailto:opportunities@stpatrickshamilton.ca) by end of day, September 30th, 2022.

# **TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK**

# BEYOND THE WALLS

What Happens Here Doesn't Stay Here

*How important is support?*

*It's crucially and critically important!*

In the midst of all that is happening here at both the Parish and at the De Mazenod Door Outreach ministries, one cannot even fathom how we could do all that we do without a good support system. As important as support is in respect to the financial support we need and rely on, it's about the kind of support that comes in the form of encouragement and reassurance.

Studies have shown that having a strong support system has great positive benefits. Advantages such as higher levels of well-being, better coping skills, good health and longevity. Research has also shown that social support can reduce anxiety and depression. A strong support system can often assist with the reduction of stress.

There is an abundance of ways to show support. Assisting someone with normal everyday tasks when they aren't feeling well or offering some financial assistance when they are in need. By offering advice to a friend when they are facing a difficult situation or trying to make a challenging decision. Sometimes just by providing caring, empathy, and concern for your loved ones in need is a huge support.

Just as importantly, emotional support in dealing with life's difficulties is vitally significant. Both personal and work related pressures have been associated with a wide variety of health problems that include high blood pressure, mental health vulnerability, cardiovascular disease and cognitive decline.

How important is support? It's crucially and critically important.

Listening to someone vent or being there for someone when they need an ear or a shoulder is simply human kindness and it's really fundamental to their well-being. How many times have you felt better simply because

you got something off of your chest or shared a burden that seemed just too heavy for you to carry alone?

When we ask someone 'how are you' or 'how are things', are we really prepared to listen to their answer? Or are we just hoping to hear 'I'm fine'? If you care enough to ask the question, you should be prepared to listen to the answer with a compassionate ear.

Having faith in God is supportive as well. Faith in God helps us receive both spiritual and physical healing. During troubling times and times of conflict or discord, our faith can give us the strength we need to press forward as well as the ability to face our hardships with courage. Like, shoring us up.

Whatever the reason is that you're the one needing support, be sure to reach out to someone. If not for some tangible assistance that a friend or family or work teammate can help with, then for that listening ear. When the burden gets too heavy, consider asking Jesus to help carry that weight. Prayer can be fundamentally healing in itself.

Submitted by: Diane Downey



Photo by: Dio Hasbi Saniskoro

## IN OTHER NEWS



### FAREWELL GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT

We regret to inform you that long time St. Patrick Parish parishioner and CWL member, Joan Elliott passed away recently and was laid to rest this past Thursday. May she rest in eternal peace. Godspeed.

## ANNOUNCEMENT

Our Lady of All Souls Church (21 Barton St. West, Hamilton) 100th Anniversary will be celebrated on Sunday October 23 at 3:00pm by his Excellency Bishop Douglas Crosby, followed by a Gala Dinner and Dance at Michelangelo's Banquet Centre. For tickets and information please call the parish office at 905 528-1513.

## ST. VINCENT de PAUL COLLECTION

This weekend is the 4th weekend of the month and that means that at St. Patrick's Parish, it is the St. Vincent de Paul 'Collection'. Please be as generous as you are able!

## 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Noble Volunteers, we need you!

The unborn baby humans that could be your sister or nephew, need you more than ever! 40 Days For Life is starting September 28th- November 6th!

Sign up on <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/hamilton> or call 905-962-2864!

## FALL CLASSES

Please note that the following Fall classes and workshops will begin later in the Fall Semester. RCIA, Children's Liturgy, Bible Study These classes will begin at a later date, to be determined, as they are important to our Catholic Life and to our Parish Development. St. Patrick's will keep you all posted as we go forward. Keep watching for more info!

For Baptism, First Holy Communion and Matrimony, please call the Parish Office for times and dates.

Thank you.



## WORKING TOWARDS RECONCILIATION

The annual Orange Shirt Day on September 30th opens the door to global conversation on all aspects of Residential Schools.

It is an opportunity to create meaningful discussion about the effects of Residential Schools and the legacy they have left behind. A discussion all Canadians can tune into and create bridges with each other for reconciliation.

A day for survivors to be reaffirmed that they matter, and so do those that have been affected. Every Child Matters, even if they are an adult, from now on.

## VOLUNTEER CORNER

We have spoken about the guidelines for volunteering at St. Patrick's, now let's see where you can best help within the Ministries we offer.

Parish Liturgical Ministries and Activities:  
Minister of the Word (Lector)  
Minister of the Cup (Eucharistic Minister)  
Children's Liturgy  
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)  
Youth Group  
Young Adult Group (Age 18-35ish)  
Taking Communion to shut-ins.  
Live Stream Hosts  
Music Ministry  
De Mazenod Farm  
De Mazenod Door Outreach  
Humankind Gifts  
Greeter/Hospitality

Many volunteers have transferable skills and enthusiasm for helping nurture others. We look forward to working with you, and to helping to enable you to be of service with the St. Patrick Community. Thank You.



# 11th ANNUAL BLESSING OF ANIMALS



It's not hard to notice some friendly dogs wondering around the Church inner court yard and De Mazenod Door, visiting schools, the wagging tails welcoming at the office door... Our parish pets are providing very unique ministry. Around the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, they invite their animal friends, along with their owners, for a special blessing ceremony.

Join us on Sunday, October 2 at 3pm just outside the church in the "Beyond the Walls" garden.

Please pass an invitation to your pets (dogs, cats, gold fish etc.) to come for this special blessing ceremony... You can come along with them! Please keep your pets on the leash or in the crate, (if your four-legged friend is aggressive please use a muzzle) and don't forget to bring along a "litter bag"... just in case.

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ARTISAN GIFTS AND DECOR

De Mazenod Door Outreach has a brand new project in the works! Our new Gift Shop called Humankind is set to open in the late Fall of this year. The shop will be filled with distinctive and diverse, handmade one-of-a kind items in support of the De Mazenod Door.

We are looking for donations of unique artisan crafts to sell. All proceeds from the sale of these goods will support our Outreach Ministry, and all donors will be given an in-kind receipt for the value of donated items.

If you would like to contribute by sharing your talents & your creative artisan gifts or décor, please contact us at the Administrative Centre for a donation form!

Be a part of this great new initiative!

## IN OTHER NEWS

### Pick your Own Vegetables



And give **Help and Hope** to Hamilton's Hungry and Homeless.

The De Mazenod Farm has produced a bountiful harvest of fresh local produce. We are making some of it available to our community to raise funds for our Ministry. We need your support and welcome you to Pay what You Can.

Please join us for **Pick your Own** Farm Days

Every **Tuesday & Thursday** throughout the month of September at the De Mazenod Farm. Pick your Own Hours – 9 am to Noon

Tomato – Beans – Cucumber – Zucchini – Squash

Carrots – Cabbage – Broccoli – Eggplant – Pepper and more

204 Glancaster Road, Hamilton (Just south of Rymal Rd)

Please help spread the word with family and friends  
[www.demazenod-door.ca](http://www.demazenod-door.ca)

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WHEN: OCTOBER 7 - 9, 2022

WHERE: AT THE NATIONAL SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE SNOWS, BELLEVILLE, IL

WHO: SINGLE MEN, AGE 18-38, DISCERNING A RELIGIOUS LIFE

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TEL: 1-800-358-4394; 210-349-1475; 618-394-6454

Register here

## ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

### RCIA CLASSES BEGIN IN THE FALL!



RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) classes will begin in the fall. If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a Catholic, we welcome you! Please call the office (905-522-9828) to express your interest and if you have any questions. The RCIA journey is one that is beautiful, challenging and fruitful. We invite and encourage you to take a leap of faith!