

October 16, 2022 - 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

# Celebrate <sup>our</sup> FAITH

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### 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.

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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

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### Parish Leadership Team

Fr. Tony O'Dell, OMI (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

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### **Oblate Vocation Office**

Fr. Jarek Pachocki, OMI Vocation Director vocations@omilacombe.ca

### WEEKEND READINGS



#### October 16, 2022 1st Reading: Exodus 17.8-13 2nd Reading: 2 Timothy 3.14 - 4.2 Gospel: Luke 18.1-8

"Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth"

### MORE WAYS TO GIVE



As a parish, we are stiving 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

#### Tues, Oct. 18 | 12:15 PM

- Aniello & Anita Lombardi
- Daniel Robinson
- Special Int.: St. Luke's Staff and students.
- Beverly Robles

#### Wed, Oct. 19 | 12:15 PM

- Joaquim Pedro Afonso
- Kata Mara & Ana Rataic

#### Thurs, Oct. 20 | 12:15 PM

- Special Int.: Luciano DiGiacomo & Family
- Special Int.: Angus MacPherson

#### Fri, Oct. 21 | 12:15 PM

- Special Int.: C. DiGiacomo & Family
- Special Int.: Paige Bonus & Family

#### Sat, Oct. 22 | 5:00 PM

- Domenico Versace & Leonardo Families
- Hubert Murphy

### Sun, Oct. 23

#### 9:00 AM

• St. Patrick's Parishioners

#### 11:30 AM

- Nicholas & Nathan Savard
- Joan Elliot
- Mookan Sembulingam

#### 7:15 PM

• Special Int.: Denise MJ Cormier & Family

### WEEKEND STATS: COLLECTION

#### October 8/9, 2022

Collected from Envelopes	\$5,448
E-Transfer	\$160
Canada Helps	\$674
Pre-Authorized Collection	\$3,170
TOTAL	\$9,452



# De Mazenod Door Outreach The Poor • The Marginalized • The Inner-City Youth





Gobble! Gobble! Another successful Thanksgiving day at the De Mazenod Door for our annual Thanksgiving Lunch has come and gone.

Unfortunately, since we remain unable to accommodate a 'sitdown' meal for our almost 400

guests who graced our De Mazenod Door, we still provided a succulent home cooked turkey with all the trimmings lunch and we packaged up each individual meal in the 'to go' style and it didn't make it any less appealing or delicious.



The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish Social Justice team has always been a big part of this meal. Not only providing financially towards the meal, but as in past years a number of them also came out to assist with much of the work that was needed and necessary to pull off such this

amazing day! Their volunteers showed up ready and willing to pitch in and make it happen, always with such infectious enthusiasm that is needed, even with our guests. Lots of laughter and happy comments truly bringing to light the true spirit of giving thanks for our wonderful inclusive community. Thank you IHM!!

We also want to mention just how grateful we are to the staff and students at Cathedral High School for showing us how much they support the community! We have been serving more & more guests as the



cost of living, especially food continues to rise and staff and students of CHS have stepped up and committed to making us up to 400 sandwiches per week to help us meet this need. Thank you! We thank everyone for their prayers, time, talents and treasures!

### Friday BBQ

October 21

• The Donald Family in Memory of Alex Donald and Mary Calamai.

\*correction re: October 14 sponsor was • Rosa Ribaudo & Joel Begin In Memory of Evan Hewitson

### 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** 



Crystals



Bananas



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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### For immediate release

De Mazenod Door Outreach deeply concerned with Mission Services relocation to 400 King Street East De Mazenod Door, already striving to meet the growing needs of the poor and marginalized in inner City Hamilton, caught off guard with Mission Services announcement Hamilton— October 6, 2022 — The De Mazenod Door Outreach program releases its response to the Mission Services announcement to relocate it Men's Shelter to 400 King St E with 58 beds of Housing-focused emergency shelter and the ability to introduce up to 50 additional transitional-styled spaces. "I am extremely concerned about Mission Services moving this shelter in a neighborhood where a number of shelters already exist". states Fr Tony O'Dell, the founder of the De Mazenod Door, "Our concerns are primarily based on density.

We already have a very high level of homelessness and rooming houses, shelters, and encampments in this neighborhood. To add another shelter, which will bring its own unique set of challenges to an already saturated area will put more stress and tension to an already overloaded problem." The De Mazenod Door Outreach, which serves food and drink to Hamilton's inner city hungry and homeless, is seeing the highest numbers of guests ever in its history, surpassing 500 meals a day, every day of the week.

"We are struggling to keep up with the need, and the need keeps growing" shares Fr Tony. In its September 14, 2022 statement, Mission Services shared that the new more central location provides access to a variety of existing services and supports that aid in our community's 2 shared efforts to end homelessness. Being such an important provider and support to the homeless population we would have expected and appreciated the courtesy of an invitation to provide input into such an important decision. To add to this concern, Mission Services have recently cancelled day services which means this new population will be on the streets during the day.

"We are seeing an increase in drug use and escalation of violent behaviours in our neighbourhood and this move will no doubt intensify issues" states Fr Tony. "People in the neighbourhood are anxious and afraid." Fr Tony is calling on the city, local politicians, the police and those that work with the homeless to address these challenges and put in place concrete plans for safety and security of everyone. "At the very least there should be conversations about how the neighbourhood will work together to deal with this new influx of the homeless population." says Fr O'Dell.

"No one cares about the poor and marginalized more than our team at the De Mazenod Door... but we can't manage this alone." Background The De Mazenod Door offers sustenance to the poor and marginalized in inner-city Hamilton, providing food for the hungry and drink for the thirsty. The Door serves approximately 400 guests daily, 365 days a year. The Outreach Program was started by Father Tony O'Dell and Father Jarek Pachocki, Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate (OMI), soon after arriving in Hamilton in 2012 and setting up home at St. Patrick Church. The ministry was named De Mazenod Door after St. Eugene de Mazenod, the founder of the Oblates and the patron saint and intercessor for the poor. 3 "The door is the symbol of openness, welcome and hospitality," said Fr. Tony. "where all are welcomed and valued, and no one is ever turned away".

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# **VOCATIONS REFLECTION**

# JUSTICE IS AVAILABLE TO ALL OF US THROUGH PRAYER AND NEVER LOSING HEART.



"Jesus told the disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart." Luke 18.1. This Sunday we hear about the widow unwavering in her appeal to a judge to grant her justice. However, justice is determined by God, as only He knows what is truly best for us. This can be easily lost on us, as we often feel like we are in control of everything. It can be very difficult to relinquish this control. Yet, like the widow who is relentless in her petition, we too should be persistent in prayer. Jesus is letting us know that by praying continually we can be assured of justice as well. The judge in the parable eventually gives in to the woman because he got tired of her coming to him with the request; God never tires of us coming to him. He wants us to be praying to him, to be communication with Him about everything. The judge has no respect for people, God does, and even more than that, He has his love for us. Though God knows our wants and our desires, it is through bringing them to him that we can understand those wants and desires better, why we have them and where they come from, and then we understand ourselves better. Through prayer, we may find out we need to change something in ourselves; this too is an answer to our prayer, and a way to justice.

But we must do more than pray, Jesus also tells us to not lose heart, and the way we can do that is by being of service to those in our community. We should always remember that we are not alone. In the second reading, we have Paul reminding Timothy and his community that they should "continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writing that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus." Certainly, yes, we have faith in Christ Jesus; however, we also have faith in our Church. And who is the Church? We the people in the congregation are; the baptised are the church. It is in this Church that we have learned to pray, and in this Church that we have come to know Jesus and His Father and the Holy Spirit, and in this Church through sacred writing we know about salvation. And because we have received all of this through our community, we have responsibility back to the Church. This we do through service. Justice is available to all of us through prayer and never losing heart.

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# **BEYOND THE WALLS**

### What Happens Here Doesn't Stay Here

# SO MANY BLESSINGS TO COUNT



With the recent celebration of thanksgiving still fresh in my mind, I am called to talk about the many things that we can give thanks for, not just on Thanksgiving, but no matter what is happening in our everyday lives.

'Gratitude' isn't just something we feel on Thanksgiving or following something good happening to us. It is rather a whole thought process and mindset. It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to maintain and keep that attitude as part of our daily behaviour. We so often forget the BIG little things that we have to be thankful for in our lives and it's so important not to take those little things for granted.

We've all seen movies or TV shows - or maybe we have even incorporated it into our own annual Thanksgiving dinners, sitting around the dining room table with family or friends, going from one person to the next asking the question, 'what are you thankful for' today? Personally, I am pretty introverted and not a very good sharer, but listening to everyone else's response is sometimes a great reminder of just how many good things we have in our lives to be thankful for. Especially during times when it feels like nothing is going right and life is topsy-turvy.

Sometimes the things we are grateful for aren't listed in the same specific order that we might list them.

*Like being grateful for your job or your home – your* family and good friends. Others might be grateful for their partner or for the money they have in the bank. Many of us have pets, me included and most days I am really grateful that I have them. I'm thankful for the roof over my head (and I think about this one a lot!) I'm thankful that I live in a part of Canada that enables me to see and share in the beauty of the changing seasons. What about being thankful that God made sure you woke up this morning or how He blessed you with good health or about His part in your surviving some devastating illness. Having said that, what a great reminder to be thankful for our amazing modern healthcare system! I'm especially grateful for those things! One of the biggest things we all should be thankful for and that is 'time'. Having the time to spend reading a good book. The time we get to spend with our loved ones, our children. Our time here on earth.

It is far too easy to overlook and forget all of the things we should be thankful for and even easier to complain about the few things we can't or don't have.

We need to take those moments daily to give thanks for the love that God has for us, because even when we can't find another reason to be grateful for the many blessings He offers us each day and even when you're struggling to count your blessings, you can still be grateful for the grace and love of God. Thank you, Lord, for the blessings you have bestowed on my life. Thank you for never leaving me. Thank you for your incredible sacrifice.

*We have so many blessings to count – over and over again.* 

Written by: ~Diane Downey

# CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE



# **ST PATRICK CWL**

The Catholic Women's League is an organization rooted in "Gospel Values"; they share the faith by serving in their parishes and around the country. St. Patrick League # H88 began 60 years ago and is having a membership drive this weekend, hoping that many of the ladies in this Parish will join this worthwhile organization to be leaders in this community.

We invite all women 16 years of age and older to share their gifts and make a difference in their Parish and Community. The League is interested in Social Justice, Education, Family Issues and many other topics of interest. Dedicated to "Our Lady of Good Counsel" they continue to enhance the lives of many in our community, through prayer and good works.

Please consider joining this worthwhile organization serving Canadians for 100+ years.

### THIS WEEKEND (OCTOBER 15TH & 16TH) THE CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE WILL BE HOLDING A MEMBERSHIP DRIVE AND WILL BE SPEAKING TO THE CONGREGATION AFTER EACH MASS

# IN OTHER NEWS

# 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.

# REMINDERS

Altar Servers Workshop - An Altar Servers workshop will be held on Saturday October 22nd at 2.00 PM in the Chapel. There will be a sign up sheet at the back of the church after each mass this weekend. Thanks!

There will be a CWL meeting this Tuesday, October 11th at 6:30pm in the Chapel

Sunday Missals are now available at the back of the church beginning this weekend and are \$5.00 each.

# **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!

# WHY WE DO WHAT WE DO

GenuFlect: two words meaning: to bend a knee.

Why do we genuflect when we enter a Catholic Church?

We bend one knee and bow facing the Tabernacle, (because the Body of Christ, is in repose within the Tabernacle). Christ is our King, and we, as His loyal subjects, afford Him the respect of kneeling whenever we come into His presence or when we are leaving His presence.

Kneeling is a sign of humility and respect, this venerable custom of genuflecting before the Blessed Sacrament, whether it is enclosed in the Tabernacle or Exposed for Veneration, is a sign of adoration for our Lord.

It allows us "the worshiper" to engage their entire being, in acknowledging the presence of God and to honour Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, reserved in the Tabernacle. It is the reason we also kneel during the Eucharistic prayer and Communion time, to show our reverence for Christ in the Eucharist.

# **ALL SOULS DAY**

ALL SOULS DAY MASS AT HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY

The annual All Souls Day Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery will take place in Our Lady of Victory Mausoleum on Sunday, October 30, 2022 at 2:00pm.

The principal celebrant will be Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton. All are welcome!

# **IN OTHER NEWS**

# HAMILTON POLICE SERVICE 2022 COAT DRIVE

For the past 4-years De Mazenod Door Outreach has played a crucial part in assisting with the HPS Coat Drive by providing volunteers, collecting purses and filling them with feminine hygiene products, as well as hot drinks and snacks, all to be given away during the coat drive.

This year, the coat 'collection' runs from September 26th through November 21st. Winter coats and winter accessories (no clothing) can be dropped off at any of the three police stations. The HPS asks that the items be bagged.

Donations of coats cannot be dropped off at the Parish, the Administrative Centre or at the De Mazenod Door.

Central Station - 155 King Williams St. East End Station - 2825 King St E. Mountain Station 400 Rymal Rd E.

This year's Coat Giveaway will be held November 22nd & 29th at Philpott Church (84 York Blvd.) from 5pm-7pm.



in support of DeMazenod Door Outreach

Thank you to everyone who continues to help us get this show on the road! The Gift Shop in support of De Mazenod Door Outreach ministries should be ready to open in November thanks to the assistance of everyone who has come out to lend a hand.

There are still a few things that need to be done, so if you have some time, please drop by at 398 Main St E. at Tisdale, or give us a call at 905-522-9828. Thank you!!

# **ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?**

# Starting Soon!

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) classes will be beginning soon. If you (or someone you know) might be interested in becoming a Catholic, we would love to have you join us! Please contact the office at 905-522-9828 and let us know you're interested!