St. Parick Parish

News From The Pews

Love Others As Christ Loves Us.

"Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you". ~Matthew 5:44

Celebrate ^{our} FAITH

MASS SCHEDULE

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

Website: www.stpatrickshamilton.ca

SACRAMENTS

The sacrament of reconciliation is available from 4 to 4:45 PM, prior to the Saturday 5 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

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February 19, 2023 - 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

WEEKEND READINGS



February 19, 2023

1st Reading: Leviticus 19.1-2, 17-182nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 3.16-23Gospel: Matthew 5.38-48

February 26, 2023

1st Reading: Genesis 2.7-9,16-18,25;3.1-7 **2nd Reading:** Romans 5.12-19 **Gospel:** Matthew 4.1-11

MORE WAYS TO GIVE



As a parish, we strive 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 secure mailbox at the:

Pastoral Center: 440 King St. East, Hamilton ON, L8N 1C6 Administration Offices: 20 Emerald St. South, Hamilton ON, L8N 2V2

2. E-Transfer

You can transfer your donation right from your bank account to the parish. Please transfer to parishoffice@stpatrickshamilton.ca

3. Canada Helps

Please visit stpatrickshamilton.ca- at the top right hand corner of the page, hover on "Give". Select "Donate Now"- this links you to the Canada Helps website. Choose to give to the "General" fund. This will go towards supporting the parish.

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 Your chosen donation amount will automatically be withdrawn from your account at your chosen frequency.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 Rita at our office 905-522-9828 or pick up a form at our Administration Office or when you are here for mass.

WEEKEND STATS: COLLECTION

February 11/12, 2023

Collected from Envelopes	\$3 <i>,</i> 687
E-Transfer	\$0
Canada Helps	\$154
Pre-Authorized Collection	\$3,348
TOTAL	\$7,189

MASS INTENTIONS

Tues, Feb. 21 | 12:15 PM

- Nelson Lao
- Special Int: Fischer,
- Paladino & Szrajber Families
- Arunas Antanitis

Ash Wednesday | Feb 22 9:30 AM

- St. Patrick's School Mass
- 12:15 PM
- Domenico Versace & Leonardo Families
- Aaron Garcia Rojas
- Special Int: Sionnie Villanueva

7:00 PM

• All Deceased Members of St. Patrick's Parish

Thurs, Feb. 23 | 12:15 PM

- Reg & Mary Hennebery
- Special Int: Joanna M.
- Consuelo Alejandria
- Armando Silva Sr.

Fri, Feb. 24 | 12:15 PM

• Sr. Mary Raymond, CSSF

Stations Of The Cross 6:00 PM

Sat, Feb. 25 | 5:00 PM

- All Souls in Purgatory
- Msgr. Bill O'Brien

• Special Int: Val & Mike McKillop (60th Wedding Anniversary)

Sun, Feb. 26

9:00 AM

• St. Patrick Parishioners

11:30 AM

- Maria do Rosario Roque
- Daniel Cullen

7:15 PM

• Bernadette Campbell

ST. PATRICK'S PASTORAL TEAM

Fr. Tony O'Dell, OMI (todell@hamiltondiocese.com)

Sr. Andrea Kowalczyk | Communications Team Arthur Kara | Facilities Operator Bridget Saulnier | Director of Communications Christina Crawford | Music Director Br. Dan Dionne, OMI | Music Ministry Diana Quildon | Volunteer Coordinator Diane Downey | DMDO Admin. 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 Manager Katarzyna Dymkowski | De Mazenod Door Outreach Leon Blais | De Mazenod Door Outreach Lynne Pollard | Sacristan Rita Kara | Office Administrator Sherri Ramirez | DMDO Community & Outreach Director Steve Brennan | De Mazenod Door Outreach Driver

Oblate Vocation Office

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



NEWS AND REMINDERS

Children's Liturgy - Sundays at 11:30AM Mass

Children's Liturgy had a fantastic beginning last Sunday. There were 19 children who attended, and they were all excited and enjoyed the activities. It was a wonderful experience for all involved! Children ages 3-9 are encouraged to join us.

Monday, February 20th is **Family Day** and a Statutory Holiday here in Ontario. The Administrative Office will be closed, and will re-open Tuesday at 8:30AM.

St. Patrick Elementary School students will be celebrating their **School Mass** here at St. Pat's on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 22 at 9:30 AM.

A Week of Guided Prayer and Spiritual Exploration Feb. 26 - Mar. 4. If you are interested, please sign up before Feb. 20th at, www.guidedprayer.webs.com

Tax Receipts - Please pick up your Tax Receipts and save the parish the cost of stamps for mailing. Thank you!

St. Vincent de Paul, Hamilton West Particular

Representatives from St. Vincent de Paul will be at all of the masses this weekend. They will be available to speak to parishioners at the end of each mass, and will share information about all that they are doing in our local communities. If you're interested in volunteering for this amazing organization, this is the perfect opportunity to learn more about SSVP.

Thank you to **Wendy Yip**, President SSVP, Hamilton West Particular and to **Frances Curto**, President, SSVP St. Patrick's for all you do.

ST. PATRICK'S PARISH



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: Are You ready to put your faith into action?

We invite you to get involved in our vibrant parish community!

There are many areas that are always in need of volunteers:

- Hospitality & Masses funerals, weddings, sacraments etc
- Online Mass Hosts & Onsite Livestream Team
- De Mazenod Door Outreach
- Catholic Women's League
- humankind: Gifts That Matter store
- De Mazenod Farm

If you have specific skills or areas of interest, and would like to put your faith into action at St. Patrick Parish, please contact the office at 905-522-9828 or email <u>volunteer@stpatrickshamilton.ca</u> We look forward to welcoming you to the volunteer team!

FROM THE DIOCESE

The 2023 Diocesan Wedding Anniversary - Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, April 16, 2023 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring 1 guest if you require assistance). Register at www. hamiltondiocese.com, or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

SERRA CLUB VOCATION SEEDS SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME FEBRUARY 19, 2023

"Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

Do you feel called to help people get closer to God? If you think God is calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email: vocations@hamiltondiocese.com hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

Working Together: Thank You Mr. McMillan & Cathedral High School

A number of months ago we were blessed to have David (Chuck) McMillan, Cathedral High School teacher, musician

and carpenter extraordinaire, build the beautiful wooden cabinet in the back of the church at the donation station. Chuck built the cabinet in the CHS Construction Shop using material that they had on hand, while providing the students with hands-on experience. He is also working on encasing the wires. Cathedral High School and St. Patrick Parish have a long history of working together and this project reaffirms that long standing, strong cooperative relationship.

Thank you Cathedral High School,

Mr. McMillan and CHS students for your beautiful & talented workmanship, this amazing accomplishment and for your continued carpentry work at St. Pat's!





WE THANK EVERYONE FOR THEIR PRAYERS, TIME, TALENTS AND TREASURES!

PARTNER PROFILE: SYSCO CANADA

This week, De Mazenod Door Outreach received an unexpected donation of \$8,702.63 from Sysco Canada through their Ontario South Corporate Social Responsibility Committee.

Sysco is a global leader in distributing food, equipment and supplies for the foodservice and hospitality industries. De Mazenod Door Outreach was selected as a partner during their November "Pause for Purpose" month where Sysco employee teams across Canada were encouraged to volunteer with local community organizations. Sysco Milton sponsored and volunteered at two Friday BBQs during this time.

As a part of their appreciation, they invited De Mazenod Door to the cheque presentation this past Thursday, along with two other food security programs. Tim Cameron, Regional President, presented the cheque to Sherri!



Sysco also donated some much needed supplies, which Steve unloaded from the truck last week! This included about 1000 lbs of beverages to be used for Friday BBQs and about 6 months worth of napkins as well as several boxes of paper towels.



THANK YOU SYSCO CANADA FOR YOUR GENEROUS **DONATIONS!**

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BBQ Sponsors - February 24th

 Valerie & Michael McKillop In Celebration of Their 60th Wedding Anniversary





WAYS TO HELP

Volunteer: Email volunteer@stpatrickshamilton.ca Donate: https://demazenod-door.ca/make-a-donation

If you would like to participate in a Famous Friday BBQ, please contact us: demazenod@stpatrickshamilton.ca or 905-522-9828

BASMATI RICE

JUICE CRYSTALS

VOCATIONS REFLECTION

BE HOLY...

Two injunctions are repeated in Leviticus and Mathew's Gospel this weekend: "*Be holy (perfect) as God is holy (perfect)*" and "*Love your neighbour as yourself*". Both readings challenge us to reflect on relationships and the quality of our relationships.

In the first instance, we are challenged to base our relationships on God's relationship with us. The reading from Leviticus equates being holy (as God is) with relating to others and Jesus does the same in the gospel reading. If being holy seems to be an impossible bar, we are reminded that holiness is within our capability. Psalm 103 describes the divine attributes we are to apply to our relationships: forgiving, merciful, compassionate, abounding in steadfast love, gracious, slow to anger. These qualities or attributes are to be the normal way of relating to others for God's people, for anyone who professes to be a disciple of Jesus. Thus, *"holiness"* applies to everyone not just a special few.

One comment that I have heard often when the topic of religious vocations comes up is "*I'm not holy enough to be a priest, brother, sister*". Often people have a false sense of what holiness means. We can hold an image of holiness that is unrealistic and unattainable. Even the greatest saints were ordinary people who lived their lives simply imitating God's love in their relationships with others. Yes, some had extraordinary experiences, but at the heart of their holiness was their commitment to live as disciples, following God's invitation. God would not call us to be "holy as God is holy" if this were an impossible thing.

The readings this weekend remind us that holiness lies in the quality of our relationships and those



qualities are spelled out in the Psalm response. Thus, we are called to a life of holiness – in every moment of life, in every action, relationship, vocation. And, some are called to live lives of holiness as priests and religious, loving our neighbour as ourself.

Richard Beaudette, OMI Vocation Team - East 613-806-3435 Vicar1@omilacombe.ca



ASH WEDNESDAY

February 22nd is Ash Wednesday, a solemn reminder of human mortality and the need for reconciliation with God and marks the beginning of the penitential Lenten season.

Ashes will be distributed at both the 12:15PM and 7:00PM masses.

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STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Together we pray the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 6:00PM during Lent, beginning on Friday, February 24th. Several groups from within the Parish will take turns presenting different reflections each Friday. This is an excellent opportunity to walk with Christ as He proclaimed His love for us through a great sacrifice of Himself. Come pray with us!



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STORE HOURS OPEN WEEKLY, YEAR ROUND

THURSDAY & FRIDAY 1 PM - 5 PM

SATURDAY & SUNDAY 10 AM - 3 PM



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