



St. Patrick Parish

HAMILTON, ONTARIO

News From The Pews

Love Others As Christ Loves Us.



"The disciples recognized the Lord
when he broke bread with them." Luke 24: 13-35

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
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April 23, 2023 - Third Sunday of Easter

WEEKEND READINGS



Sunday, April 23, 2023

1st Reading: Acts 2.14, 22b-28

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1.17-21

Gospel: Luke 24.13-35

WAYS TO GIVE



1. Parish Envelopes

Please mail your donation envelopes to the Parish Office: 20 Emerald St. S., Hamilton ON L8N 2V2

2. E-Transfer

Please send an e-transfer to:
parishoffice@stpatrikshamilton.ca
Your donation will be auto deposited

3. Parish Website (via Canada Helps)

You can donate online via the secure Canada Helps form on the "Give" section of our website below:
<https://www.stpatrickshamilton.ca/why-we-give/>

4. Pre-Authorized Giving

This is the easiest method. Your chosen donation amount will automatically be withdrawn from your bank account at your chosen frequency. To set this up, pick up a form at the church, at the Parish Office: 20 Emerald St. S. or call 905-522-9828.

5. Donation Kiosk at the Church

The donation kiosk is set up at the back of the church for onsite debit or credit card donations.

The people rejoiced over the free-will offerings, for they had been contributed to the LORD wholeheartedly.

- 1 Chronicles 29:9

Collection Report: Will be reported next week.

MASS INTENTIONS



Fri, Apr. 28 | 12:15 PM

- Special Int: Sr. Eileen Brunton (Birthday)
- All Souls in Purgatory

Sat, Apr. 29 | 5:00 PM

- Antonio Novo

Sun, Apr. 30 | 9:00 AM

- St. Patrick Parishioners

11:30 AM

- Heron Smith
- Duarte Costa
- Maria do Rosario Roque

7:15 PM

Elpidio Chiariello

- Special Int: Jennifer Tinson
- Special Int: Gaudencia Gapasin



REMINDER

April 25, 26 & 27

Liturgy of the Word

Father Jarek and Father

Tony will be away on

retreat April 25-27.

Brother Dan will be

leading a lay-led liturgy at

12:15 PM. There will not

be a weekday mass on

these three days.

ST. PATRICK'S PASTORAL TEAM

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

Sr. Andrea Kowalczyk | Communications Team

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Leon Blais | De Mazenod Door Outreach

Lynne Pollard | Sacristan

Rita Kara | Office Administrator

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De Mazenod Door Outreach

The Poor • The Marginalized • The Inner-City Youth



Faith in Action!



Thank you

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CATHOLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



Toothbrushes: 196	Sanitizer: 9
Bar Soap: 205	Cloth: 9
Face Wash: 9	Cotton Swabs/Micro: 17
Deodorant: 72	Feminine Hygiene: 18
Hair Brushes: 24	
Hand Soap: 7	
Shampoo/Conditioner: 83	
Hairspray: 3	
Bath Bombs: 3	
Nail Clippers: 2	
Shaving: 32	
Lotion: 29	
Dental Hygiene: 130	
Body Wash: 29	
TOTAL 1079	

"The St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Elementary School community (West Mountain), headed by the school's Student Council, ran a toiletries drive in their school during the Lenten season. In the past, St. Vincent de Paul School had a Sock Drive where donations were given to the DeMazenod Door. However, this year they brainstormed different needs that the disadvantaged community would require for healthy living. They came up with the idea that toiletries are essential to people's physical health and generated a list of items to recommend as donations. The response was overwhelming!

The students from Kindergarten to Grade 8, donated over 1000 items. The main items donated were: toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental hygiene products, bar soap, deodorant and shampoo and conditioner. The Grade 8 students sorted and packaged the items with care for delivery. Student Council President, Janette Endraous, said "We were surprised at the incredible amount of donations we received. We know these donations will greatly impact our needy community in a positive way."

St. Vincent de Paul, the patron saint of charities and volunteers, has once again inspired the youth at the school to recognize the true beauty of giving to those in need without expecting anything in return."

~ Melissa Ilievski, Teacher, St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Elementary School

FRIDAY BBQ

BBQ Sponsors - April 28

- Christine Carbotte
- Katherine Borthwick
- Guilaine Webb - In memory of Scott Law



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

MOST WANTED ITEMS

Deli meats for sandwiches

THANK YOU SPONSORS



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DIocese of Hamilton



Good Shepherd
Faith in people.



BEYOND THE WALLS

SHARING THE D.R.E.A.M.S. EXPERIENCE

During the mass on Saturday, April 22 at 5 PM we are welcoming a group of students from St. Mary's High School with their chaperones who participated in the D.R.E.A.M.S. Mission Trip in March. The D.R.E.A.M.S. (Dominican Republic Education and Medical Support) program is an immersion project in the Ocoa region and is coordinated by ADESJO (Organization for the Development of the People of San José de Ocoa). The missionary groups live in the remote villages in the mountains, helping out with various projects, such as building a house, a school, or laying down pipes to bring water to the community. In reality, this is about much more than just building a house. It's mostly about building relationships with the local people, and within the group itself. Young people live, eat, and work together, and share their experience with others. For many it is an eye-opening encounter where they see happiness and joy in the midst of physical poverty. This mission experience helps them to touch the core of what it means to be human.

Check out the full story by Fr Jarek Pachocki OMI "DREAMS: Accompanying Young People on Their Journey of Faith and Human Development" along with pictures capturing the experience: <https://omilacombe.ca/dreams2023>



VOCATION REFLECTION

BROKEN HEARTS AND BROKEN BREAD

The Emmaus story shifts from the major Gospel figures such as Peter, John and Mary Magdalene to two very ordinary people like us, as the Risen Lord comes to them. This clearly shows that the Risen Christ is available, not just to saints and spiritual heroes, but to millions of ordinary people like us. This appearance happened on the road to Emmaus, a small town that was neither a spiritual centre nor an important historical place. Rather, it was just a small, unremarkable village and Christ appears there. This shows that the Risen Christ is accessible anywhere in the world.

It was not so long ago that the hopes of these two disciples had been burning brightly, but then the darkness of Good Friday and the burial in the tomb caused them to lose all their hopes and gladness. Of course, no subject was more important in the minds of the disciples that particular day than the Person of Christ. They were very sad and very anxious over the awful incidents of the last two days. Suddenly, a stranger drew near to them and asked them what they were discussing as they walked along. They did not recognise that it was Jesus who walked with them. They thought he was an ordinary man going in that same direction. As the story unfolds, it is very clear that what blinded them was their unbelief. If they had expected to see Him, they may have recognised Him. Though they did not know it was Our Lord, they nevertheless were ready to enter into discussion with the stranger concerning the person of Jesus.

Generally, sorrow afflicts women's hearts when they lose their beloved, but men generally become perplexed in mind rather than hearts at a similar loss. Theirs was the sorrow of a shattered career. Jesus, being fully aware of their situation, slowly draws them out to speak out everything that they need to express. A sorrowful heart is best consoled when it relieves itself. Jesus allowed them to share everything that was on their minds and patiently listened to them until the end. In fact, the cure for their sorrow was in the very thing that disturbed them, by seeing it in a new light.



The apostles and disciples thought they had found the Redeemer before Jesus was crucified, but to their amazement, discovered a Redeemer crucified. They had hoped for a Saviour of Israel but were not expecting a Saviour of the Gentiles. They could believe in Him as a Teacher, as a political Messiah, as an ethical reformer, as a saviour of the country, a deliverer from the Romans but they could not believe in the foolishness of the Cross. Therefore, they refused to believe the evidence of the woman who told them that He is risen and is alive.

These two disciples were accused of being foolish and slow of heart just because they had never examined what the prophets had said about the Messiah, that He would be led like a lamb to slaughter. Our Blessed Lord had said that He was the Good Shepherd; that He came to lay down His life for the redemption of many. Our Risen Lord showed and proved them all the prophecies, all the rituals and all the ceremonies were fulfilled in Him. At last, they arrived at Emmaus and invited Him to stay with them. They still did not recognise Him but there was a light about Him which promised to lead to a fuller revelation opened.

Spiritual writer Paul D'Arcy coined the phrase, "God comes to us disguised as our life." Encountering Jesus at Emmaus led to the hearts of these disciples burning within them, overcame their fear, and empowered them to go back to the community in Jerusalem, where their experience was validated, and a new vocation or call presented itself to them, to share that good news with the world.

May we all be open to how Jesus might be appearing to us, especially through a call to serve him as a priest, sister, consecrated lay person, single life or marriage, through the voices and support of those around us, causing our hearts to burn within us.

The message of the Emmaus story is that whoever you are and wherever you are in life, the Risen Lord is near you. We come to recognise His presence in the "breaking of the bread" in the Eucharist throughout our life.

Fr. Susai Jesu, OMI

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Vocation Team

A green sash with the letters "O.M.I." in gold, tied with a black cord and a gold cross.

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NEWS AND REMINDERS

Welcome

Congratulations to all those who journeyed through the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) process and were received into full communion with the Church at our Easter Vigil! Please join us in praying for all involved with our RCIA process; catechumen, candidates, sponsors and facilitators, that they will grow to know Jesus more personally and be filled with the Holy Spirit.



It's that time of year again! With Spring comes hope & newness and the promise of warmer weather; which at the De Mazenod Farm means new growth. It also means healthy fresh vegetables to use in meal making at the De Mazenod Door. We are almost ready for early planting, and are in need of a number of items to get us on our way! Items such as:

- Garden gloves
- Gardening hand tools
- Vegetable collection baskets
- Gardening tools such as hoes, heavy duty rakes and trellises
- Perennial Flowers (welcomed from your own garden, so that we can build our flower garden)

We are also in need of volunteers during both the Spring and Summer months, including anyone with knowledge & experience with building and repair as well as with equipment servicing i.e. lawnmowers, tillers, bush hogs etc. If you are able to assist with any of the items listed, please contact the office at demazenod@stpatrickshamilton.ca. Thank you!

Baptisms

This past Sunday several children were welcomed into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism. Please join us in welcoming all of these children to our community of faith. Welcome Jesse Addae, Aubree Correia Sedore, Theodore Eugenio, Joseph Santuyo, Benjamin Kachere, Owen Kiel, Paul Ucha and Micah Uche.

**HAMILTON
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION**

Losani Family Foundation Fund

Recently the Losani Family Foundation Fund through the Hamilton Community Foundation provided a very generous supporting grant of \$9,000 to De Mazenod Door Outreach. Thank you so very much for your support!

Volunteers Needed: Children's Liturgy

The Children's Liturgy is held during the 11:30 am Mass on Sundays. There are two groups: kindergarten/pre-school and grade 1 and up. Training is provided for volunteer leaders. Contact parishoffice@stpatrickshamilton.ca for more info.

REMINDERS - Save These Dates!

The St. Patrick's Parish St. Vincent de Paul Society
The next meeting is April 25 at 6:30 PM here at St. Patrick's, (440 King St. E. (Pastoral Centre door)

First Holy Communion - will be held on Sun., May 7 at 2:00PM.

Confirmation - will be held on Tues., May 30 at 6:00 PM. For more info, please contact the parish office at 905-522-9828.

Serra Club Vocation Seeds

Do you recognize Christ in your life? Does your heart burn in his presence? How are you being called - as a priest, deacon, brother or sister or consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. vocations@hamiltondiocese.com

The Serra Club of Hamilton is holding their annual Vocations Recognition Dinner on Tuesday, May 2 at Liuna Station. Tickets are \$90.00. Please contact: serrahamilton1965@gmail.com or leave a message at 905-628-5682

FROM THE DIOCESE

Bishop Crosby's Letter for the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund

The Diocesan Indigenous Reconciliation Fund collection will be taken across the Diocese on Sunday, April 23. Bishop Crosby's letter is below. Please consider supporting the collection this week.



BISHOP OF HAMILTON

April 16, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in the Risen Christ,

Next Sunday (the Third Sunday of Easter, April 23,) each Parish in our Diocese will hold a collection in support of the **Indigenous Reconciliation Fund**. This collection supports local initiatives of healing and reconciliation with our Indigenous brothers and sisters and forms part of the larger \$30 million national commitment made by dioceses across Canada.

In May of 2022, we held our first diocese-wide collection, asking for support that would add to the Diocese's original **\$4 million commitment**. Though the fund was new and had neither projects nor committee members, parishioners responded generously - contributing in excess of \$170,000.

Since this time, the Diocese has formed our local Indigenous Reconciliation Fund advisory council, whose members are tasked with the ultimate funding decisions for local reconciliation projects. This advisory council, comprised of four Indigenous and three Diocesan representatives, will be the main point of contact with those local Indigenous groups who will work toward the fund's four priorities: healing and reconciliation for communities and families; culture and language revitalization; education and community building; and dialogues for promoting Indigenous spirituality and culture. Information about our local efforts can be found by visiting hamiltondiocese.com/reconciliationfund

When the Holy Father met with Canadian Indigenous representatives last year, he remarked that, "any truly effective process of healing requires concrete actions." Your generous support does exactly this: it makes real the Church's deep desire for authentic reconciliation and serves as a tangible sign of the Church's closeness and fraternity with all Indigenous peoples. While the steps we take on this journey of reconciliation may feel small, they move nonetheless in the right direction. May the Risen Lord Jesus, whose resurrection triumphed over sin and death, guide us on this journey from pain to the hope of new life.

Yours in Christ and Our Lady of Guadalupe,

+ *Douglas Crosby*, OMI
(Most Rev.) Douglas Crosby, OMI
Bishop of Hamilton.

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SPONSOR HIGHLIGHT



St. John Ambulance

St. John Ambulance has been the leading and trusted authority on first aid in Ontario since 1884. Today St. John trains over 125,000 Ontarians annually in first aid and applied health and safety courses, including mental health awareness, harm reduction and opioid response training.

St. John remains dedicated to saving lives at work, home and play and with over 5,000 volunteers contributing more than half a million hours of community service a year, St. John Ambulance is an integral part of the community, offering such unique and innovative volunteer programs as; medical first response, disaster response, child car seat education, health and safety related adult and youth programs and therapy dog services.

As a charitable, humanitarian organization, proceeds from St. John Ambulance's first aid, health and safety courses directly support these vital community services.

For more information on St. John Ambulance training courses, volunteer and charitable opportunities in the Halton and Hamilton Regions, please contact our local branch at (905) 387-1880, email at Hamilton@sjambulance.ca, or visit us online at: sjambulance.ca

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