

News From The Pews This is my body which is being given up for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ~Luke 22:19 Love Others As Christ Loves Us.

CELEBRATE

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 parishoffice@stpatrickshamilton.ca

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WEEKEND READINGS



Sunday, MAY 7, 2023

1st Reading: Acts 6.1-7 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 2.4-9 Gospel: John 14.1-12

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@stpatrickshamilton.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 Your chosen donation amount will automatically be withdrawn from your bank account at your chosen frequency.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.

COLLECTION REPORT



April 29 & 30, 2023

Collected from Offertory Envelopes	\$3,948.00
E-transfers	\$ 230.00
Canada Helps	\$ 158.00
Pre-Authorized Collection	\$2,549.00
	TOTAL \$6,885.00

"What shall I return to the Lord for all His bounty to me?

MASS INTENTIONS



Tues, May 9 | 12:15 PM

- Special Int: Dennis Abraham
- Maria & Pasquale Cosco

Sat, May 13 | 5:00 PM

- Jose Faria & John Rodriguez
- Angelino Ferreira & Palmirade Jesus
- Emilio Dinoi

Sun, May 14 | 9:00 AM

• St. Patrick Parishioners

Wed, May 10 | 12:15 PM

Duarte Costa

11:30 AM

- Thurs, May 11 | 12:15 PM
- Antonio Bermandes
- · All Souls in Purgatory
- Special Int: Luc & Michael Di Giacomo
- Maria Roque & Maria da Gloria de Braga
- Maria do Rosario Roque
- Rose & Joseph Nakazi
- Alberto Cruz

Fri, May 12 | 12:15 PM

- Douglas Abbott
- Aniello & Anita Lombardi
 Anna Spinozzi

7:15 PM

- Elpidio Chiariello
- Gabriel Silveira
- Jose Silva
- Spec Int: Luningning Santiago

ST. PATRICK'S PASTORAL TEAM



Fr. Tony O'Dell, OMI | Pastor 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 Administration & Program Support Evelyn VanFleet | Assistant Facilities Operator 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 Steve Brennan | De Mazenod Door Outreach

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



De Mazenod Door Outreach

The Poor • The Marginalized • The Inner-City Youth



IT TAKES GREAT FAITH

Throughout the Easter Season we have heard the phrase "Be Not Afraid" several times. In fact, that particular phrase is used in the Bible 365 times. Interesting! You could make that phrase your morning prayer. In the past week alone we were invited to visit our neighbours at the historic First Pilgrim United Church, located nearby in the inner-city. Like De Mazenod Door, they serve people in need who come to their door. They have quite a bit of space to spare and perhaps share! We shared our thoughts, laughed a lot and had a wonderful tour with Marilyn and Martin, two members of their congregation. Community. How wonderful it is to all work together, united for the common good of others.

We also had the privilege to meet with Jeff Peters, Case Facilitator at Head Injury Rehabilitation Ontario, and took Jeff for a tour of the De Mazenod Door. They are looking for a possible volunteer opportunity for individuals who have suffered brain injuries. We discussed possibilities, especially in our new kitchen, which we will be moving into soon. Things look very promising.

On Saturday April 29, I was invited to the Baitun Nusrat Mosque for an interfaith gathering celebrating 100 years of Muslims in Canada. There were guest speakers from the Hindu, Sikh, Muslim and Christian communities. Afterwards, the group met and discussed opportunities to collaborate and serve our local community together. This particular faith community contributes to various agencies and initiatives in Hamilton and surrounding areas. They would like to know more about the De Mazenod Door and how they can get involved.

When God is at the forefront of all that is being done, He will bless and build some amazing opportunities for us to bridge. Through faith dialogue and our common purpose to serve, we will look at how our ministries can complement each other. Serving the needs of those in our community and doing

it together takes faith. Be not afraid!

~ Sherri Ramirez, Director of Outreach, Social Action & Guest Relations



FRIDAY BBQ

BBQ Sponsors - May 12
Abbott & Christmas Families
in memory of
Douglas Abbott



Sandwich Baggies

WAYS TO HELP

Volunteer: volunteer@stpatrickshamilton.ca

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

THANK YOU SPONSORS



















BEYOND THE WALLS

Welcome back students, teachers and staff to the brand new St. Patrick Catholic Elementary School!

Blessings on this new beginning!























VOCATION REFLECTION

PREPARE A PLACE FOR OTHERS



"Like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house..." 1 Peter 2:5

"I go to prepare a place for you" John 14:2

From the beginning, the context of the apostolic community was at the heart of the Oblate identity and mission. "Community life, in its many forms, has always been essential to our Congregation." (Acts of the 37th General Chapter) From my experience I have noticed that while community life might be a blessing at times, it can often be a challenge too. Our Oblate communities bring together men of different ages, personalities, life experiences and cultures.

Throughout my Oblate life, I've always lived and ministered within the community. Sometimes it was in a very large community, such as over 100 members in my scholasticate time; other times, it was just with one other Oblate in the northern missions. I've experienced the blessings that community can be, such as support, encouragement and a place of healing and healthy friendships. I've also experienced the challenges that community can bring, such as misunderstandings, undermining the ministry of an individual, gossip and judgement. I've experienced broken humanity striving to embrace the ideal of the apostolic community.

The quality of our communities wasn't determined by the number of members, but rather by their efforts to build, cultivate and appreciate community life and mission. It's not about the community's "perfection" but rather about journeying together, supporting each other, and often carrying each other's crosses. I have so often witnessed wonderful things happening when members of the community offer their particular gifts and talents, share mutual respect, and hold each other accountable.

A life-giving community, with healthy relationships, as within a family, faith community or religious congregation doesn't happen on its own. It requires a conscious effort "to prepare a place" for each other, so every member feels at home. How can we do that?

"Community is a place for dialogue and healing, forgiveness and reconciliation. To live in communion and enrich our community life, especially in international and intercultural communities, it is essential to know ourselves as Oblates, to recognize each other as brothers, and to be open to values other than our own." (Acts of the 37th General Chapter).

By Jarek Pachocki OMI
OMI Lacombe Canada – Vocation Director

NEWS AND REMINDERS

May is the Month of Mary Prayer

Virgin Mary, you wondered how the angel's promise would come to pass.

You didn't question the mission given to you, but you sought to know how to do God's will.

Give us, too, the reflex not to shrink from what seems impossible to us but to go within ourselves to discern what we must do.

Source: Living With Christ, Novalis Publishing



Volunteers Needed: Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy, which is held during the 11:30 AM Mass each Sunday is in need of volunteers. There are two groups of children: kindergarten/pre-school and grade 1 and up. We want to ensure that each age-group of children get the leadership attention necessary for those age groups. Training will be provided for volunteer leaders. Please contact parishoffice@stpatrickshamilton.ca for more information.



De Mazenod Farm is still in need of volunteers! It's that time of year again, April showers are just about over and the Farm will soon be ready to begin the 2023 growing season. Volunteers are needed during both the Spring and Summer months, including anyone who has knowledge and/or experience with building and repair as well as with equipment servicing. If you have a green thumb or have some expertise in any or all of these areas and would like to help, please contact the office at demazenod@stpatrickshamilton.ca. Thank you!

REMINDERS - Save These Dates!

CWL Meeting - The St Patrick Catholic Women's League invites women of the parish to join us for our monthly meeting this Tuesday, May 9 at 6:30 PM in the chapel. You do not need to be a member to attend. If you would like to be added to our email list, please send a note to cwlstpatrickhamilton@gmail.com.

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

Have you made plans for Mother's Day weekend?

Prayer Warriors has got you covered! They are hosting a Pasta Dinner/Gala Fundraiser, with all proceeds going to Young Adult World Youth Day Pilgrims!



Starbucks Foundation Charitable Fund

Recently the Starbucks Foundation Charitable Fund through the Vancouver Foundation provided a very generous grant of \$1,350 to De Mazenod Door Outreach. Thank you so very much for your support of this vital program ministry! So many individuals in this inner-city community will benefit from this generous gift.

FROM THE DIOCESE

Serra Club Vocation Seeds Fifth Sunday of Easter - May 7, 2023

"The one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these..." Are you willing to do the work of the Lord as a priest, deacon, sister or brother or consecrated virgin? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. email vocations@hamiltondiocese.com hamiltondiocese.com/vocations/

LOOKING TO GO TO MARCH FOR LIFE THIS YEAR?

Hamilton Right to Life has you covered! This is a one day event being held on Thursday, May 11 and is a reminder to our government that we believe all life is sacred and should be protected.

Please reserve your spot on the bus to Ottawa by going to the website at: 2023 National March For Life (hamiltonrighttolife.org), or by calling 905-528-3065. Together we can send a message that life matters!

MARRIAGE TIP OF THE MONTH - Marriage Tip 130 - "United We Stand"

is the title of a 1970's song by the Brotherhood of Man. The song may be old, but the lyrics contain words that every married couple would do well to look at and memorize. The song is really a reminder that couples should always support each other, have each other's backs and stand by each other in times of trial. We often forget to keep this context at the heart of our marriages and can antagonize each other instead of support; move apart rather than together. So, remember the words from the song and repeat them to each other often: "For united we stand, divided we fall, And if our backs should ever be against the wall, We'll be together, together, you and I." From: Family Ministry Office, 905-528-7988 ext. 2250.

LOOKING FOR SOME LEARNING, SUPPORT AND FUN ON A FRIDAY EVENINGS? Join our RESTART: Refresh, Renew, Revive Group.

Held the 2nd and 3rd Fridays of each month. These gettogethers offer continual support and insights for people as they journey through the divorce/separation process and beyond. Join in-person (700 King St. West, Hamilton), or by ZOOM. No registration required, but for ZOOM link please contact Sarah at familyministry@hamiltondiocese.com, or 905-528-7988 ext. 2249. We look forward to seeing you!

NATIONAL FAMILY & LIFE WEEK: MAY 7-14, 2023

The Hamilton Diocese joins Dioceses across Canada in celebrating the National Week of Family and Life from May 7-14th. The theme, Love One Another, is chosen from Jesus' words, "Love one another. Just as I have loved you, love one another" (John 13:34). The CCCB encourages all of us, throughout this week, to be united in prayer, reflection, and action, demonstrating our active support for family and life. Indeed, families are "guardians of life" when we love one another within our families, and when, within the wider society we show kindness toward and care for the vulnerable and marginalized. Check out the link to the page on the Diocesan website for more information. https://hamiltondiocese.com/news/2023/May/national-family-life-week-br-em-may-7-14-2023-em-

ACCCESS TO FORMED - FOR FAMILIES

FORMED provides the very best Catholic content from more than 60 organizations to help parishes, families and individuals explore their faith anywhere. Supporting thousands of movies, children's programs, e-books, audio and more, it is an excellent resource for families, especially to ensure the content their children are watching is safe. The Family Ministry Office has entered into a partnership with FORMED to allow families access to this resource and invite you to an on line session for an opportunity to have a quick overview look at the content. Join us on Wednesday, May 24 at 7 p.m. by Zoom, whether you are already a subscriber or would like to learn more about the site. You must register to receive the link at hamiltondiocese.com, under Upcoming Events on the home page.

"SPEAKING LIFE AND TRUTH INTO OUR CULTURE" CONFERENCE DAY

The Family Ministry Office is partnering with Alliance for Life Ontario and Hamilton Right to Life to offer a one-day conference looking at some of the facts surrounding the life issues which are not often spoken or read about. Dr. Lile will speak on the known facts about the abortion pill, Alex Schadenberg will discuss the ever-growing concerns regarding euthanasia, Teresa Hartnett will present on the importance of pregnancy support and abortion recovery counselling and Jakki Jeffs will look at how we speak life and truth into our culture. A day of learning for all in attendance. Join us Saturday June 17, 2023 from 9 – 4 pm. Adult Tickets: \$75.00 and Student Tickets: \$45.00 – both include lunch and beverages throughout the day. For more information go to: https://allianceforlifeontario.ca/event/2023-conference A Gala Dinner will take place on Friday, June 16, 2023 where all are welcome. See the same link above for more information.

SPONSOR HIGHLIGHT

St. Patrick Parish is delighted to sponsor this week's News From the Pews bulletin in honour of the opening of St. Patrick's Elementary School. Welcome back students, teachers and staff!



Would you like to sponsor News From The Pews?

You may want to highlight your business, or recognize a family member or special event. Individuals may wish to consider sponsoring an issue in memory or in honour of a special person, in gratitude for a celebration, or in thanksgiving for blessings received. Sponsorship is \$500 per issue, which includes customized recognition in both the printed copy and in the digital version, which is distributed by email, on our website and via our social media. For more information, please call the Parish Office at 905-522-9828, or email us at hello@stpatrickshamilton.ca

Volunteer Spotlight

Today we shine our spotlight on the St. Patrick Parish Livestream Team! This important team allows us to share the mass online with parishioners and guests near and afar, many of whom are out of town or unable to attend in person. If you are interested in joining this team, training is provided. We livestream our masses Tuesday-Friday at 12:15 PM and Sundays at 11:30 AM and 7:15 PM.

Pictured here from left to right: Simon, Lex, Sebastian, Fernando, Kyle & Stacy Bottom: Ian Ford & Brother Dan Dionne





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