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Jonah 3.1-5, 10 Psalm 25 1 Corinthians 7.29-31 Mark 1.14-20

Prayer of the Faithful

For the people of St. Patrick's Church community that we may be instruments of renewal, change and transformation for those around us.

For all frontline workers, health care workers and first responders that they will receive the supports they need to stay safe during this pandemic.

For those who are sick and suffering mental distress and anxiety, especially due to COVID19, and for all caregivers. We pray for Sau Ling Soong, Vincent Campbell, Noreen Lowther, Tom White, Ernie Stepaniak, Isaac Lavallee and Wendy Rankin.

For those who have died, Camille Ripley, Jim Doherty and those died from COVID19. we pray for all family and friends who mourn them.

COVID 19 – Guideline Reminders

- Please call the church office to register for Mass at 902-429-1300 or please register at Mass at the back of the church. Pre-registration for Sunday Mass allows us to prepare a seating plan that allows for proper spacing requirements.
- Please arrive 10-15 minutes before Mass starts to allow for registration check-in and seating. This will help avoid a long line up for registration just as Mass is beginning.
- Please stay in the seats that are assigned to you, as others who have registered have been assigned seats.
- Please remember to wear your mask while in the church and be intentional about keep the necessary distancing between individuals and groups.

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Meals for Hope Cottage

Group 1 - Diane Sullivan Jan. 27 Group 2 TBA Feb. 10 Group 3 Mike Convey Mar. 29





3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time January 24, 2021

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OFFICE HOURS

Pat Belgrave, Admin. Assist.

St. Theresa's:

Monday 9:00 am—11:30 am
Tues. & Thurs. 9:00 am—Noon

St. Catherine's:

Wednesday 9:00am—5:00 pm

Cheryl Delaney, Admin. Assist.

St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata:

Tues. & Thurs. 9:00 am—2:00 pm

St. Patrick's:

Wed. & Fri. 9:00 am—2:00 pm



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Mass Times

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 11:15 am

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Parish Vision

To be a vibrant, welcoming faith community that invites others to share in our Joy in the Gospel of Jesus Christ

St. Patrick's Church Pastoral Staff and Leadership:

Fr. Francesco Pirisi, FoH, Pastor

Fr. Nathanael DesRoches, FoH, Associate Pastor

Michelle Baker, Chair of St. Patrick's Pastoral Executive

Holly Dacey-Joudrey, Chair of St. Patrick's Finance Committee

Harold MacNeil, Chair of St. Patrick's Property & Maintenance Committee

Christina Forgeron, Co-ordinator Religious Education

Michele O'Neill, St. Patrick's Leadership Representative, St. Francis & St. Clare of Assisi Parish

Rick Butler, Chair, St. Patrick's Church Restoration Society

Children's Weekly Bulletin

Beginning this week, we will be emailing a weekly children's bulletin to our St. Patrick's families. Hardcopies will also be available at Sunday mass. The children's bulletin is meant to be interactive and appealing to all of St. Patrick's youth. If you have children and have not received an email from me, please be sure to email me so that you can be in the parent list. I am also happy to announce that we have found two teachers for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Communion. A team of siblings, Theresa Graham and Rena MaGuire, will be beginning classes in the next few weeks. Classes will be conducted over Zoom and we will start with Reconciliation. If you would like to enrol your child, please email me. Also, our Confirmation candidates will resume lessons following Family Day holiday in February. Katrina Mentink will be in touch.

Christina.forgeron@gmail.com

January 24th – Sunday of the Word of God

Sunday of the Work of God has been designated by Pope Francis as a special day devoted to the celebration, study and dissemination of Scripture. It is intended to encourage the people of God to become more familiar with the Bible and to learn to pray with it. For more information please click on this link

https://www.vaticannews.va/en/vatican-city/news/2020-12/sunday-of-the-word-of-god-a-day-of-awakening.html







Financial Update for St. Patrick's Church Community

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for the many ways that you support St. Patrick's Church community. 2020 was a difficult year in so many ways for all of us. Today, Holly Dacey Joudrey, Chair of our St. Patrick's Finance Committee, will provide you with a financial update for the St. Patrick's community. The financial information for 2020 is not yet complete and a more accurate update will be provided once all expenses have been posted for 2020 Fiscal Year. We can share with you a comparison of our revenue for 2019 and 2020. Due to COVID-19 and the closure of our church, our ordinary revenue decreased by 41% in 2020. This significant decrease in revenue will be discussed in more detail after Mass today.

Total Revenue for 2019: \$186,918

Total Revenue for 2020: \$110,989

Decrease in Revenue for 2020: \$75,929

Percentage in Decrease: 41%

As we move ahead into 2021, we continue to need your regular Sunday financial offerings to support the pastoral and operational needs of our community and we appreciate whatever you can contribute.

Please consider signing up for **Pre-Authorized Deposit (PAD)** so that your contribution will come directly out of your account once a month. This method of giving ensures that St. Patrick's Church community can budget more accurately the ordinary revenue received through regular contributions. Michelle Baker, Chair of the Pastoral Executive, will be at the back of the church for the next two Sundays with PAR forms. PAR forms are also available through the Church Office. Boxes of Giving Envelopes are also available, if you prefer to give your contribution this way.

E-transfers: Donations can be made to St. Patrick's by **E-transfer** with no password requirement. The parish email address is <u>office@stfrancisandstclareparish.ca</u>. Please indicate your donation is for St. Patrick's in the "message area" when you make the transfer to insure your donation is accounted for at St. Patrick's. Include your envelope number if you have one.

Please make out all cheques to St. Francis & St. Clare of Assisi Parish and note that the cheque is for St. Patrick's. On your contribution envelope, please ensure you check the box for St. Patrick's.

We also ask that you please consider in your Estate Planning and Will Preparation generously bequesting a portion of your estate to St. Patrick's. Please ask how this could be done to suit your goals and to help St. Patrick's as well.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity and care for St. Patrick's Church.