

# Saint Patrick Basilica Parish

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## Parish Office

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**Office Hours** – Monday to Friday 9 am to 12:15 pm | 12:45 pm to 4:30 pm

**Church Open** – Sunday 7 am to 3 pm & 6 pm to 8 pm | Monday to Saturday 6 am to 6 pm

## Parish Clergy

Msgr. Kevin Beach, Rector; Fr. Stephen Amesse, Associate Rector; Fr. Larry McCormick, In Residence; Fr. Francis Ndey, In Residence; Fr. John Adimula, C.S.Sp., In Residence; Fr. Daryl Kennedy, Assisting; Fr. Naveed Arif, O.P., Assisting; Fr. Joseph Yacob, Assisting; Deacon Jim Scheer; Deacon Michel Pilon

## Parish Staff

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## Parish Pastoral Council Priorities

1. Ensuring our church fully supports parishioners' spiritual journey
2. Offering strong doctrinal knowledge
3. Encouraging the joyful giving of volunteer time
4. Inspiring youth with truth in doctrine and virtues
5. Supporting parents' faith education of their children
6. Leading outreach to the needy
7. Building confidence in Catholic guidance to answer political and cultural issues

## Sunday Eucharists

Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm  
Sunday 8 am, 9:30 am, 11 am, 12:15 pm & 7 pm

## Daily Eucharists

Monday to Friday – 7 am, 8 am, 12:15 pm & 4:30 pm  
Saturday Morning – 7 am & 8 am

## Confessions

Monday to Saturday - 6:45 am & 7:45 am  
Monday to Friday - 11:45 am & 4 pm  
Saturday afternoon - 3:30 pm to 4:25 pm

## Book & Gift Shop

Monday to Friday 11 am to 5:30 pm; Saturday 2 pm to 5 pm; Sunday 9 am to 2 pm

## Prayer & Devotions

- First Friday - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 12:15 pm Mass until Benediction before the 4:30 pm Mass
- First Saturday - Morning Prayer at 7:30 am
- Miraculous Medal Novena - Tuesday 4:30 pm
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena - Wednesday 4:30 pm

## Lending Library

Consult the hours posted at the entrance

## General Information

- For the celebration of baptisms, marriages and funerals, please contact the Parish Office
- Couples planning to marry should contact the Parish Office at least six months before their proposed date of marriage
- For baptism and marriage, a Catholic must be a registered parishioner or have the consent of their own pastor
- For a list of ministries, services and contacts, please visit the parish web site – [www.basilica.ca](http://www.basilica.ca)



## Catholic Cemeteries

### Hope Cemetery

613 822-1222  
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## Second Sunday of Lent



### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent March 17, 2019

† – For the repose of the soul of the person(s) indicated  
**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March – Solemnity of Saint Patrick**

4:30 PM Sunday Vigil Mass: † James and Margaret Guilfoyle by the family

#### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March – Solemnity of Saint Patrick**

8:00 AM † Mr. and Mrs. John and family members, by Stella  
9:30 AM † Meg Dussault by Paddy Dussault  
11:00 AM Pro Populo – For Parishioners  
12:15 PM † Claire and Arthur McCracken by Liz McCracken  
Intentions of Jack McManus  
Intentions of Sarah Koussa on her birthday, by her parents  
Intentions of Gaetano Fiumidini by his daughter, Bianca  
† Romeo Mamaril by the family  
† Myrnah Steele by the Losier family  
7:00 PM † Willie McCaffrey by D. Moore

#### **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March**

7:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory by the estate of Marjorie Riopelle  
8:00 AM Intentions of Michael Bushnik by L.M.C.  
12:15 PM † Mary Gerarda Scheer by Janina Simigielski  
4:30 PM † Una Iona Vera John by her son, Christopher John

#### **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Solemnity of St. Joseph**

7:00 AM In honour of St. Joseph, by Ross  
8:00 AM † Brother Thomas Cruise, OMI  
12:15 PM † Carmel Amesse by her family  
4:30 PM In thanksgiving and in honour of St. Joseph

#### **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March**

7:00 AM † Charles Louis Dutaud by the Hodgins family  
8:00 AM † Valentina Recinos by Deysi  
12:15 PM Living and deceased members of the Ford, Ferriss and Wilson families  
4:30 PM † Henrietta Pound by John Pound

#### **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March**

7:00 AM Anniversary of Marceline Szkolny by her estate  
8:00 AM Holy souls of deceased parishioners, family members and friends by parishioners  
12:15 PM † J-P Lafontaine by his cousin, Bianca  
4:30 PM Intentions of Grace and Peter Furmanek by brother, Andrew

#### **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> March**

7:00 AM Souls in Purgatory by the Hodgins family  
8:00 AM † Fr. Francis McEvoy  
12:15 PM † Jean Charles by Anne  
Living and deceased members of the Ford, Ferriss and Wilson families  
† Vladimir Esper by his daughter, Cecilia Bloch  
Special intentions  
† Rita Cameron by Doreen Larouche  
† Denise Daigle by Thomas and Joan Rooney  
4:30 PM Intentions of the Winogron family

#### **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March**

7:00 AM † Robert Tully by Monique Simard  
8:00 AM In honour of and in thanksgiving to St. Joseph, by F. Lafontaine  
4:30 PM Sunday Vigil Mass: † Ruth Stidwill by her daughter

#### **Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March**

8:00 AM Intentions of Aidan McCann by Carly  
9:30 AM In honour of St. Rita, by parishioners  
11:00 AM Intentions of Michael and Maureen Strimas  
12:15 PM † Carmel Amesse by her family  
† Mara Magnozzi by her daughter  
† J-P Lafontaine by his family  
In honour of St. Oscar Romero, Patron Saint of El Salvador by Deysi  
Living and deceased members of the Ford, Ferriss and Wilson families  
† Laura Miceli by Rob and Barb Miceli  
7:00 PM † Alberto Golcher by his daughter

**Archbishop's Lenten Message 2019:  
Focus on Family Prayer  
To read the full text, please go to our website, basilica.ca**

### Meditations on Holy Mass Second Sunday of Lent (C)

#### **Solemnity of Saint Patrick (Lenten Readings)**

**First reading:** Genesis 15.5-12, 17-18 CCC 762; 2571  
*The Lord made a covenant with Abraham, his faithful servant.*  
**Second reading:** Philippians 3.17-4.1 CCC 1003, 2796; 556, 793, 999  
*Christ will transform our humble bodies, conforming them to his glorious body.*

**Gospel:** Luke 9.28b-36 CCC 2583; 659, 697; 516, 554  
*While Jesus prayed, the appearance of his face changed.*  
In the *first reading*, we see a contrast between light and dark. The covenant with Abram was made in the darkness of night. In that night, the flaming torch of God accompanied Abram through the victims of sacrifice. In the *Gospel*, St. Luke shows Jesus, with Peter, John, and James, on the mountain, alone in prayer. Our Lord was transfigured, his clothing becoming dazzling white. The face of Jesus, of God incarnate, now became brighter than the sun. When Moses and Elijah talk to Jesus, however, it is not about his glory, but about Christ's passion and crucifixion. They spoke of what "he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem." Always, our way lies through suffering, spiritual no less than physical. In the *second reading*, St. Paul teaches that "our citizenship is in heaven". If we let him, Jesus will transform "the body of our humiliation" until it is "conformed to the body of his glory."

**Before Mass:** Jesus Christ our Lord brought an end to death; he has proclaimed life and immortality through his gospel. (*Lauds*)

**After Mass:** A voice came from the cloud saying, "This is my Son, the Chosen One. Listen to him." And after the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. (*Vespers*)

### Parish News

**Celebrants and Homilists Next Weekend: Saturday 4:30 p.m. – Fr. Stephen Amesse; Sunday 8:00 a.m. – Fr. Stephen Amesse; 9:30 a.m. – Msgr. Kevin Beach; 11:00 a.m. – Fr. Stephen Amesse; 12:15 p.m. – Msgr. Kevin Beach.; 7:00 p.m. – Spiritan Fr. John Adimula**

**We pray for the sick, infirm and hospitalized:** Bill Lunney, Fr. Francis Ndey, Manuel Ageitos, Elaine Scott, Joseph Desa, Jorge Ramos Soto, Nicolas Joveu, Gerardo Soto and Thi Do

**2018 Income Tax Receipts:** Receipts are now available in the Parish Office. Should you have any questions, please contact the parish accounting office — by phone at 613-233-1125, extension 589 (voicemail available 24/7), or by email at [TR@basilica.ca](mailto:TR@basilica.ca).

**Shamrocks:** On behalf of the residents of St. Patrick's Home, the Knights of Columbus will be selling shamrocks at the entrances to the Basilica after each morning Mass on Sunday **March 17<sup>th</sup>**. Shamrocks may also be purchased in the Book and Gift Shop.

**Music for the Ordinary of the Mass during Lent:** You are encouraged to join with the choirs in singing the Ordinary of the Mass. There are online resources, including sound files, available on our website ([basilica.ca](http://basilica.ca)) to assist us in learning the music. AH refers to the *Adoremus Hymnal*.

#### **Sunday 9:30 + 11:30 a.m. Masses** (Mass of St. Francis)

AH 200 - Lord Have Mercy  
AH 202 - Holy, Holy, Holy  
AH 207 - Lamb of God

#### **Sunday 12:15 p.m. Mass** (Chant Mass XVII)

AH 126 Kyrie  
AH 127 Sanctus  
AH 128 Agnus Dei

**Laetare Sunday Concert – Sacred Music of the Renaissance.**  
 Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup> at 3:00 p.m., Schola Basilicae will offer an hour of sacred music during this Lenten season. Free admission – All are welcome. For more information call (613) 233-1126 x 561



**Share the Journey – Week 2: March 17**

**Share the journey with members of the Umuechem community in Nigeria:** In 1990, a peaceful community in the south of Nigeria became the victim of what has been recognized as the first crime committed by an oil company. Traumatized by a massacre of unparalleled violence, a large majority of the members of this community fled to neighbouring communities, never to return home again. To make sure that their story is never forgotten and to combat impunity, Development and Peace's partner Social Action is supporting the Umuechem community in their legal action against the oil company. Discover the story of people forced to flee their homes and ways for each one of us to act in solidarity with them: [devp.org/lent](http://devp.org/lent).

**Stations of the Cross**

**Way of the Cross:** A weekly **Stations of the Cross** (based on the text of St. Alphonsus Liguori) will be held each Friday during Lent, in the Basilica, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

**SAINT PATRICK'S BOOK & GIFT SHOP CORNER**

**Our Sunday hours have changed! We will now be open 8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**NEW BOOK IN STOCK**

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**Stewardship — 2019 Summary  
 For the week ending March 10, 2019**

	Operations	Restoration	Poor Fund
Offerings	19,583*	2,312	893
Budget	16,129	3,836	901
2019 Offerings	142,906	37,903	7,903
2019 Budget	158,984	37,808	8,885

\* Includes \$4,278 for the Ash Wednesday collection  
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**Message from the Rector**

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

As we celebrate our Holy Patron St. Patrick (†461), the Apostle of Ireland, let us make the petition of our Novena Prayer our continuing petition: a lively faith, constant hope and a firm will to build God's Kingdom in our time and place. We are grateful to Archbishop Prendergast who accepted our invitation to preside and preach at the Sunday 12:15 PM Eucharist.

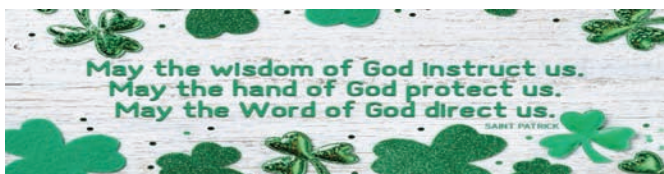
Next Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>, we will celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph who is the Principal Patron of Canada, Patron of the Universal Church and, with Patrick, a Patron of our Archdiocese. As is our practice for celebrations of first order, we will celebrate the 12:15 PM with greater liturgical solemnity.

Given this season of grace when many people will be going to confession – some after a long absence, I wanted to offer some comments on the celebration of the sacrament. What can be said in the context of a bulletin message is limited but it is important to offer some counsel.

Firstly, what is the focus of confession? After an examination of conscience, the penitent should indicate to the confessor the time since their last confession and then in concise fashion, identify by name and number of occurrences, the sins that they have committed since their last confession. One should not confess sins which have already been confessed and for which absolution has been given. If a person wishes to do a "general confession of life", the proper context would be during a retreat of some days in a retreat centre or religious house. As confession should be concise, it is not necessary – nor helpful unless asked by the confessor – to give your history of the sin, nor examples.

Secondly, what should be the frequency of regular confession? It is my considered view that one should not be going to confession more than weekly. The Church requires that we go to confession at least once a year. The traditional practice has been monthly confession. As for the frequent confessions of the saints, the example that is helpful from modern times is that of Pope St. John Paul II. He went to confession weekly. Going to confession more than once per week creates a number of concerns: 1° the danger of scrupulosity is evident, which leads us to look only at ourselves, and at our faults, and not rely on God's mercy; 2° too frequent confession begins to put the emphasis on what "I" do and my practices – a sort of semi-pelagianism – and not on the mercy of God, which is the focus of the sacrament; 3° if we are too busy preparing to go to confession and going to confession, we run the danger of not taking the time to see the mercy of God working in our lives. What should we do, then, if we are aware of serious sin before our next weekly confession? This may be the situation in which one should attend Mass, receiving the graces that come from praying with the faith community and listening to the Word of God but abstaining from receiving the host. It would be best to celebrate the weekly confession so as to receive communion on Sunday (or the Saturday Vigil Mass of Sunday), which is the primary feast day of Catholics. What if I am in danger of death and am aware of unforgiven serious sin? Call a priest. If a priest is not available, then make a perfect act of contrition relying on God's mercy. The Church through the Sacrament of Confession is at the service of God's mercy. God's mercy is greater than the Church whose mission is to make known, celebrate and be a minister of His Mercy.

Finally, it is not necessary to confess venial (minor) sins, although it is a good practice to confess them in a monthly confession. With respect to our minor sins, we can rely on the penitential rite at the beginning of Mass where we ask God for pardon and peace before we celebrate the sacred mysteries. Father Kevin





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