



SAINT PATRICK'S CHURCH
3977 Sydenham Road,
Railton, Ontario K0H 2T0

SAINT MARY'S CHURCH (MISSION)
131 Main Street
Odessa, Ontario K0H 2H0

PASTORAL TEAM

Pastor:

Most Rev. Michael Mulhall,
Archbishop of Kingston

Sunday Masses & Sacraments:

St. Patrick's: Fr. Sebastian Amato
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Parish Secretary:

Denise Ford
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Parish Website: www.stpat-stmary-railton-odessa.com

Parish Sacristan:

Anna Wilson

Welcome to New Parishioners

St. Patrick's and St. Mary's welcomes new members to our faith community. Please visit or email the Parish Office to register.

Second Sunday of Advent
December 10th, 2023

Mass Times:

St. Patrick's Sunday at 11:00 a.m.
St. Mary's Saturday at 4:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

St. Patrick's: Please see Fr. Amato after Mass on Sunday or call the parish office to make an appointment.
St. Mary's: Saturday 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Parish Ministries:

St. Patrick's:

Pastoral Council
Finance Council

Liturgical Ministries

Liturgy Committee

Altar Servers

Eucharistic Ministers

Eucharistic Outreach

Ushers/Greeters

Lectors

Choir

Funeral Receptions

St. Patrick's Cemetery

Screening Committee

Fred O'Keefe
Sherri Sagriff

Kimberly Dowling
Jean Myers
Bill Flynn
Don Murphy
Pauline Hogan

Catechetical Ministries:

Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation & R.C.I.A.
Fr. Amato

Service Ministries:

Catholic Women's League

Knights of Columbus

Prayer Group

Maryanne Takala
Jerome Clair

St. Mary's:

Liturgical Ministries

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Ushers/Greeters

Sacristan

Choir

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St. Mary's Cemetery

Please contact the parish office if you are interested in any of the parish ministries.

Parish bulletin sponsored by: Trousdale Funeral Home, 4374 Sydenham Mill, Sydenham, Ontario K0H 2T0
Office: 613-376-3022 Website: trousdalefuneralhome.com



MASS INTENTIONS

December 16th St. Mary's at 4:30 p.m.

People of the Parish

December 17th St. Patrick's at 11 a.m.

+ Father Liam Tallon

To book a Mass Intention please call or email the parish office.

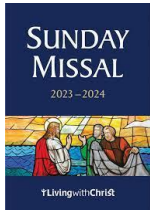
LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION

St. Patrick's Sunday Offertory \$1,765.00

St. Mary's Sunday Offertory \$276.00

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Snow Removal December 10th



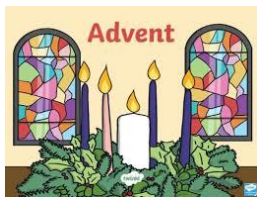
SUNDAY MISSALS 2023-2024

We have received our shipment of the Sunday Missals. Missals are \$7 each. See the box in the parish hall before or after Mass. The new missals started last weekend.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEGUE DINNER

This year's CWL Christmas potluck dinner will be held in the parish hall on **Tuesday, December 12th**. Appetizers at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6:00 p.m. All ladies are welcome.



ST. PATRICK'S SCHOOL MASS

St. Patrick's Elementary school will be celebrating Mass in the church on **Tuesday, December 19th at 10:00 a.m.** All are

welcome to join the teachers and students.

OUR NEW EMAIL ADDRESS

The Archdiocese of Kingston has a new domain name. As part of this change our parish now has a new email address: StPatrick.Railton@archkingston.ca Please update your email address book.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: Stephen Fink, Cathy Dunne, Janet Behm, Bev Huff, Carla Jackson, Tori Gemmill, Marlayne and Clem Roy, Leanne O'Connell, Charlie and Veronica Barry.

Find the latest event updates on the archdiocesan website at: romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/calendar



First Reconciliation
&
First Holy Communion



Parents Meeting for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Families who would like to have their child(ren) who are seven years of age (grade 2) or older prepare for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Eucharist are asked to contact the parish office or go to our website <https://www.stpat-stmary-railton-odessa.com> and download the **First Communion letter and Registration Form**. Please note that there are two links - one link for the students attending St. Patrick's Catholic School and the other for students attending a Public School or are Home-schooled.

If you missed our first parent's meeting it will be repeated **on Monday, 11 December at 7:00pm at St. Patrick Parish Hall, Railton, 3977 Sydenham Rd.**

The meeting will consist of an outline of the program that will be used as well as encouraging you to be supportive of your child and to try your best to be interested in what she or he is doing by participating in preparation for Reconciliation and Eucharist. I will also outline a component of parish participation. Parents must be involved with their child's preparation for these two Sacraments.

You are asked to fill out the required information and include a copy your child's **Catholic Baptismal Certificate**. **Please bring them to the Parent meeting. Do not return the registration form to school.**

Father Sebastian Amato

Christmas Concert
Sponsored by the
Entertainment Committee
of St. Joseph's Parish Pastoral Council

You are invited to
enjoy an afternoon of
musical entertainment, with
Chris Murphy, Jon McLurg,
Noah St. Amand, (of Turpin's Trail),
and Jess Wedden

on
Thursday, 14 December 2023
in St. Joseph's Church,
392 Palace Road, Kingston
from 1:00-3:00 p.m.

A free-will offering would be greatly appreciated.
Proceeds will be donated to Dawn House.

Advent Confession Schedule

ADVENT CONFESSION DATES

St. Patrick's Parish

Monday, December 18th 6:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, December 19th 1:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.

St. Mary's Parish

Thursday, December 21st 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 23rd from 2:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S SCHEDULE

St. Patrick's Christmas Masses - Railton

Sunday, December 24th at 5 p.m.

Monday, December 25th at 11 a.m.

St. Patrick's Solemnity of Mary Masses - Railton

Sunday, December 31st at 5 p.m.

Monday, January 1st, 2024 at 11 a.m.

St. Mary's Christmas Mass – Odessa

Monday, December 25th at 10:00 a.m.

St. Mary's Solemnity of Mary Mass – Odessa

Sunday, December 31st at 4:30 p.m.

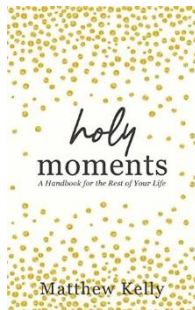
SUNDAY AND CHRISTMAS MASS OBLIGATIONS

Greetings.

The following explanation is offered for parishioners inquiring about their Sunday and Christmas Mass obligations.

Christmas is always a holy day of obligation and this year it falls on a Monday, immediately following the Fourth Sunday of Advent. The two separate obligations to attend Mass (Sunday and one for Christmas) are both important and are met by attending two separate Masses. The Sunday obligation can be fulfilled by attending Mass on Saturday evening or any time on Sunday. The Christmas obligation can be fulfilled at Mass on Sunday evening or any time on Monday. However, the same Mass cannot meet both obligations.

(Rev.) James Quirk, JCL
Chancellor of Spiritual Affair



HOLY MOMENTS WILL MAKE YOU INSANELY HAPPY

Holy Moments will flood your life with meaning and divine purpose. They will also make you insanely happy. Moment by moment, they will turn the nagging dissatisfaction in your soul into enduring and overflowing joy. In a world full of distractions where we are encouraged to fill our lives with meaningless things and trivial activities, Holy Moments have the power to unleash the greatness of the human spirit.

We have acquired 60 copies of Holy Moments by Matthew Kelly of Dynamic Catholic. The book will be distributed next weekend – one per family.



THE ADVENT WREATH

The Advent Wreath symbolizes the roughly 4,000 years between Adam and Jesus, as the world waited longingly for its Redeemer. The wreath is a circle of evergreen branches, symbolizing the eternity of God, with four candles that stand for the four weeks of Advent. Three candles are a penitential purple, reminding us to pray and offer little sacrifices to help prepare the way for Jesus. The candle for the third Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Sunday – is rose-coloured. “Gaudete” is Latin for “Rejoice,” encouraging us to be joyful as the birth of Jesus draws near.

2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The 2024 Offertory boxes are labelled and ready to be picked up in the parish hall. If you do not have an offertory box assigned to your family and would like a box please contact the parish office at 613-376-6695.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Envelopes are in the pews if you would like to donate, please take home an envelope and return it next Sunday.