



SAINT PATRICK'S CHURCH
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SAINT MARY'S CHURCH (MISSION)
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PASTORAL TEAM

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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.

Easter Sunday
March 31st, 2024

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:

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Sacristan

Choir

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

MASS INTENTIONS

April 6th St. Mary's at 4:30 p.m.

People of the Parish

April 7th St. Patrick's at 11 a.m.

People of the Parish

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION

St. Patrick's Sunday Offertory \$2,081.00

St. Mary's Sunday Offertory \$585.00

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed!

"O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?" [1 Corinthians 15:55]

Easter is the central mystery of our Catholic-Christian Faith. Oddly, it is also the least understood of all our celebrations. Christmas we all know and love: there is something beautiful, sentimental and straightforward about the birth of a baby, who is Christ the Saviour. Easter, on the other hand, appeals much less to our Western sensitivities! The Passion, Death, and Resurrection of this same Saviour at worst repulses us and at best leaves us with mixed-emotions. And yet, Christmas was for the sake of Easter! The birth of our Saviour was for the sake of His Passion, Death, and Resurrection!

At Easter, we celebrate the fact (historical fact!) that the God who entered His creation, as the God-Man Jesus Christ, has by His Passion and Death taken onto Himself all of the brokenness of this world and all of our sins, so that Sin & Death can be conquered. At Easter, we celebrate how our Saviour, by His Resurrection, has freed us so that we can live fully the life God has willed for us: a life of friendship with Him, a life helped with His grace, a life lived to love fully. At Easter, ultimately, we celebrate how God has also saved us from the worst of outcomes for us: the tragedy of not loving enough. His resurrection allows Him to be God-Loving-With-Us.

May these Easter celebrations, which will continue now for 50 days, grant us to be more united to Jesus Christ such that we can be transformed to be more like Him and to love more like Him the people that God has placed in our life: spouse, children, parents, friends, neighbours, coworkers and even the strangers we meet. Easter blessings to you and your families!

Gratefully yours in the Risen Lord,

Fr. Michel Quenneville

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following:

Stephen Fink, Cathy Dunne, Janet Behm, Bev Huff, Carla Jackson, Marlayne and Clem Roy, Leanne O'Connell, Sally Fink, Jamie Myers, Connie and Mariano Arruda, Trudie Thurlby, Darien Rosa, Charlie and Veronica Barry.



Happy Easter! The Lord has Risen Alleluia!

We have navigated through this year's Lenten Season, Holy Week, and the Triduum with a sense of being reminded of the great love that God has shown his people. Hopefully we have realized the richness of our faith, and as we grow toward being fulfilled in Jesus, we can reflect him in the way we live our life. We are assured that our preparation for today's great day of Resurrection brings us a sense of peace, hope and joy. There is no limit to God's gracious gift of new life. A few weeks ago, on the fourth Sunday of Lent, Jesus told Nicodemus that *"God so loved the world, that he sent his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life."* (John 3:16) Not only, does Jesus point to that day when we are called to be with our God for eternity, we are also encouraged or moved to celebrate Easter over and over again!

Did you notice that the forty days of Lent did not include Sundays? That's because every Sunday is a mini-Easter. No matter what time of the year, we celebrate Easter! Every time we participate in the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we celebrate Easter! Every time we put our faith into practice by our works of mercy, we celebrate Easter!

Jesus' rising from the dead is a physical manifestation that when we believe in him and follow his way, the possibilities are endless. My prayer for all of you is that this Easter time be a time of grace and blessing for you. Not one that is passing by, rather let it be a time for you to know that your faith is a "lovely gift" from God. That is the meaning of Grace, a lovely gift from God. God bless you and raise you up! Alleluia!

Fr. Sebastian Amato

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Mark your calendars - upcoming bingo dates are as follows:

April 8th (date changed), May 6th and June 3rd in the parish hall starting at 7 p.m. Bring a friend. All are welcome.