



SAINT PATRICK'S CHURCH
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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.

Twenty-Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time
October 8th, 2023

Mass Times:

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Please see Fr. Amato after Mass on Sunday or call the parish office to make an appointment.

Parish Ministries:

St. Patrick's:

Pastoral Council
Finance Council

Liturgical Ministries

Liturgy Committee
Altar Servers
Eucharistic Ministers
Eucharistic Outreach Fred O'Keefe
Ushers/Greeters
Lectors
Choir Kimberly Dowling
Funeral Receptions Jean Myers
St. Patrick's Cemetery Bill Flynn
Don Murphy
Screening Committee Pauline Hogan

Catechetical Ministries:

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

Service Ministries:

Catholic Women's League Maryanne Takala
Knights of Columbus Jerome Clair
Prayer Group

St. Mary's:

Liturgical Ministries

Altar Servers
Eucharistic Ministers
Eucharistic Outreach
Ushers/Greeters
Sacristan
Choir
Funeral Receptions
St. Mary's Cemetery

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

MASS INTENTIONS

October 14th St. Mary's at 4:30 p.m.

People of the Parish

October 15th St. Patrick's at 11 a.m.

+ Andrew Stasko

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

LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTION

St. Patrick's Sunday Offertory \$1,460.00

St. Mary's Sunday Offertory \$222.00



Happy Thanksgiving to you and your family.

Blessings from: Fr. Amato, Fr. Quenneville, and the parish staff.

BIBLE STUDY

Save the date – The next Bible Study class will be held on Monday, October 16th **from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.** in the parish hall.

ST. PATRICK'S CEMETERY

Thank you to the many folks who came out on a beautiful day last Saturday to the Cemetery Mass to remember our deceased family members and friends. Thanks to Father Amato for presiding, sacristan Anna Wilson, altar server Tommy Baker and readers Barb Baird and Sharon Smith. Thanks to Denise Ford, Pauline Hogan and Stephanie Wight for programs, planning and advertising, Alice Tippin, Jean Myers and all the CWL ladies for decorations and luncheon and Bill Flynn for history of cemetery display.

Thanks to our music director Kim Dowling and to Chris Murphy for sound equipment. Thanks to Mike Myers for leading the closing hymn. (The Myers and Keeley families donated the land in 4 separate parcels to have the cemetery as we have it today.)

Thanks to the weekly mowers and trimmers Bill and Emily Flynn, Gary and Mary Jean Hudson and Don Murphy for keeping the cemetery grounds in good shape.

Visitors may have noticed the many truckloads of fill in the lower west side. This project is to continue the contour of the hill to allow full cemetery use there in the future.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: Father Liam Tallon, Stephen Fink, Cathy Dunne, Janet Behm, Bev Huff, Carla Jackson, Joe Dillon, Doug Young, Marlayne Roy, Charlie and Veronica Barry.

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Office: 613-376-3022 Website: trousdalefuneralhome.com

Message from Fr. Michel Quenneville

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Thanksgiving is a wonderful holiday! It offers us an opportunity to take stock of the Lord's blessings in our life: family, friendship, health, security, etc.

As Christians, as disciples of the Lord in His Holy Catholic Church, we know that this is not and should not remain a once-a-year thing activity! In fact from the very beginnings of the Church, Christians would gather around the Apostles once a week - on a Sunday - to pray, to hear their Apostolic teaching and to break bread (Acts 2:42). They were commemorating the Lord's Supper in celebrating the Holy Eucharist. The word 'Eucharist', derives from the Greek (*eucharistein*) meaning 'to give thanks'. When we gather for Mass, we offer up the Holy Eucharist, we *give thanks* to the heavenly Father! Every week at Mass, we recall that we are a 'thanksgiving' people: giving thanks to God for all of the week's blessings and looking ahead to the week to come.

As Christians - especially as Catholics who have the gift of the Holy Mass! - gratitude is already built-in! It's already part of our weekly habit. Thanks be to God! Simply, let us not forget it.

May we never cease to give thanks to God for the many gifts received. May God bless each and every one of you and your families.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Michel Quenneville

Message from Fr. Sebastain Amato

North America is the only place in the world that sets aside a day for thanksgiving. In Canada, we celebrate this national feast day this weekend. As a country we have a lot to be thankful for. We may find ourselves in times of division and uncertainty. However, the root of this weekend is to pause and reflect upon the gift of the people we interact with as well as being mindful of how we are blessed. In the midst of this we must remember those who do not share in a time of thanksgiving, particularly those who are homeless and those who may be on the verge of losing what they have or are in poor health.

As followers of Jesus, we continually give thanks for the opportunity to have a purpose in life. Jesus teaches us to not only look at ourselves but to serve one another. He gave the ultimate sacrifice for us. In light of this, every small effort that we make to be a caring neighbour builds upon our union with Christ. Offer a prayer for someone who has no one to pray for them. God bless you on this Thanksgiving weekend.

Fr. Amato

PLEASE REMEMBER TUK

The CWL is collecting items for Tuk during the month of October.