



St. Patrick's Church 3977 Sydenham Rd, Sydenham, ON K0H 2W0

PASTORAL TEAM

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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 Website:

www.stpat-stmary-railton-odessa.com

Parish Ministries:

St. Patrick's:

Pastoral Council Finance Council

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.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 16th, 2025

MASS INTENTIONS February 22nd St. Mary's People of the Parish

February 23rd St. Patrick's People of the Parish

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS St. Patrick's Collection \$1,460.80 St. Mary's Collection \$270.00



TOQUES FOR TUK

Thank you to parishioners who generously filled the TUK donation basket with cozy, woolly

toques.

Although the postal strike delayed shipment to Tuktoyaktuk, Northwest Territories, twenty-five toques were sent in early January. Certainly, they will be received with warm appreciation by our Northern friends.

UPCOMING EVENTS Knights of Columbus

Hot Dog Sunday, February 16th This weekend

Knights of Columbus Bingo In the parish hall at 7:00 p.m. Monday, March 3rd





ST. PATRICK'S FEAST DAY POTLUCK DINNER Saturday, March 15th at 5:30 p.m. Sign-up sheets in the parish hall.

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Please remember in your prayers the following: Stephen Fink, Cathy Dunne, Janet Behm, Bev Huff, Carla Jackson, Marlayne Roy, Sally Fink, Jamie Myers, Trudie Thurlby, Connie and Mariano Arruda, Joan Griffiths, Mary Baker, Mary Lapratte, Ashley Thompson, Sharon Nolan-Conway, Francine Arsenault, John Beneteau, Patricia Grainger, Charlie and Veronica Barry.



CONFIRMATION PROGRAM

Attention parents of students enrolled for Confirmation this year please note that two emails

were sent earlier this week. Please ensure that you have received both emails from Father Amato as these emails contains the lessons plans and upcoming dates.



First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion



SCHEDULE of sessions

- 1) Tues. Jan. 14^{th} 6:30 8:00 p.m. completed
- 2) Tues. Feb. 18^{th} 6:30 8:00 p.m. this week
- 3) Tues. Feb. 25th 6:30 8:00 p.m. reception of First Reconciliation (Confession)
- 4) Tues. Mar. 18^{th} 6:30 8:00 p.m.
- 5) Tues. Apr. 29^{th} 6:30 8:00 p.m.
- 6) Tues. May 20th 6:30 8:00 p.m. **rehearsal for First Communion**
- 7) Sun. May 25th at 11:00 a.m. Mass **reception of First Communion**



2025 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

The 2025 offertory boxes are available for pickup at the back of the church. If you do not have an offertory box and would like a box for 2025 please contact the office.

OUR COMMUNITY

JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE 2025

JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA, LOURDES, ROME AND ASSISI

Please join Father Justin Pulikunnel and Father Shawn Hughes who will travel November 5 to November 17 to Europe to receive the great graces of pilgrimage in this Jubilee Year. For further information please do not hesitate to contact Ann Lyng at ann@stmaryscathedral.ca

Pick up a copy of the itinerary in the parish hall.



What is a Jubilee or Holy Year?

In the Catholic tradition, a Holy Year, or Jubilee is a great religious event. It is a year of forgiveness, of reconciliation between adversaries, of conversion, and consequently of solidarity, hope, justice, commitment to serve God with joy and in peace with our brothers and sisters. A Jubilee year is above all the year of Christ, who brings life and grace to humanity.

Biblical Background:

The origin of the Christian Jubilee goes back to Biblical times. The Law of Moses prescribed a special year for the Jewish people: "You shall hallow the fiftieth year and proclaim the liberty throughout the land, to all its inhabitants; it shall be a jubilee for you when each of you shall return to his property and each of you shall return to his family. This fiftieth year is to be a jubilee year for you..." (Leviticus 25, 10-13)

Catholic Background:

At Christmas in 1299, during a time of plagues, suffering and wars, so many Christians traveled to Rome to pray at the tombs of the Apostles Peter and Paul, receive the Pope's blessing, and obtain the strength to carry on, that Pope Boniface VII enquired about the reason for their coming. Admiring their faith he proclaimed 1300 a "year of forgiveness of all sins". This was the first Holy Year or Jubilee. At first the Jubilee was held every 50 years, but, proving to be so popular, in 1470 Pope Paul II fixed the Jubilee for every twenty-five years.

Purpose of the Jubilee:

The Jubilee is also called Holy Year because its purpose is to encourage and intensify a holy way of life. It is convoked to strengthen faith, encourage works of charity and communion within the Church and in society. It calls Christians to be more sincere and coherent in their faith in Christ, the only Saviour. Two traditional features of a Jubilee are a pilgrimage to Rome to pray at the tombs of Saints Peter and Paul and the opening of a Holy Door with the ability to obtain a plenary indulgence.

Theme of Jubilee 2025:

In addition to calling the Church to renewed vigor through repentance and acts of faith, hope and charity, each Jubilee Year has a particular focus. Pope Francis has designated this Jubilee with its motto: Pilgrims of Hope. After the effects of the pandemic and unsettled condition throughout the world, he writes: "We must fan the flame of hope that has been given us, and help everyone to gain new strength and certainty by looking to the future with an open spirit, a trusting heart and farsighted vision. ... This will indeed be the case if we are capable of recovering a sense of universal fraternity and refuse to turn a blind eye to the tragedy of rampant poverty that prevents millions of men, women, young people and children from living in a manner worthy of our human dignity. Here I think in particular of the many refugees forced to abandon their native lands. May the voices of the poor be heard throughout this time of preparation for the Jubilee, which is meant to restore access to the fruits of the earth to everyone."

[Letter of Pope Francis]

The Jubilee began in Rome with the Opening of the Holy Door on Christmas Day 2024, and then in the dioceses of the world, the Jubilee began on Holy Family Sunday, December 29, 2024.



DAILY ROSARY STREAM

The Rosary is Prayed and Livestreamed daily at 8:30pm from Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Kingston. Prayed in Portuguese & English:

https://www.youtube.com/@fatimakingston8483/streams

Trust in the Lord forever, for in the Lord God you have an everlasting rock. Isaiah 26.4

BIRTHRIGHT



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT BIRTHRIGHT

NEEDS

VOLUNTEERS - If you have a loving and compassionate heart and would like to join us in our work to assist pregnant women and their babies, please consider getting more

information. The time commitment is only two and a half hours per week. We have been exceptionally busy and need more volunteers to assist us. Training is provided. For more information, please visit our website www.kingstonbirthright.ca. Please contact us at 613-546-5433 or email us at info@kingstonbirthright.ca



VERONICA'S VEIL OVERNIGHT WINTER SHELTER FOR HOMELESS MEN

winter overnight winter shelter that is a ministry of St. Mary's Cathedral but open to all men of the city and area. It provides homeless men with a dry warm place to spend the winter nights. Veronica's Veil now has sufficient volunteers and is now open for the 2025 season which will run **from January 2 to April 30, 2025**. If you would like to volunteer as a substitute for any of the shifts, please contact Ann Lyng at 613-546-5521 Ext 5 or ann@stmaryscathedral.ca



ST. RITA'S DROP-IN CENTRE

St. Mary's Cathedral Outreach to the homeless and poor of the city. 1:00-3:30 pm, Monday to

Friday. Providing safety, great food, showers, and good Christian hospitality and dignity. Inquiries: paty@stmaryscathedral.ca



SPIRITUAL REFLECTIONS WITH ARCHBISHOP MULHALL

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. St. Mary's Cathedral, 279 Johnson St. Kingston

I propose to reflect with you on the Beatitudes of St. Matthew's Gospel Chapter 5 as well as a series of Psalms of the Old Testament which we pray each

day at Mass. As usual, we will also give time to the liturgical celebrations of Lent/Easter as we pass through the year.

It is good to remember that there is no starting point or end point as in a series of lectures or an academic course. Though we refer to previous reflections, we repeat our thoughts frequently so that anyone can join at any stage or miss weeks without losing any necessary points or developments.



How precious to me are Your thoughts, O God! How vast is the sum of them! Were I to count them, they would outnumber the grains of sand. PSALM 139:17.18

St. Patrick's:

Parish Sacristan Anna Wilson

Liturgical Ministries

Liturgy Committee

Altar Servers Fr. Sebastian Amato Eucharistic Ministers Fr. Sebastian Amato

Eucharistic Outreach Ushers/Greeters Sherri Sagriff Lectors Denise Ford

Choir Kimberly Dowling

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Murphy

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

Service Ministries:

Catholic Women's League Maryanne Takala Knights of Columbus Chris Thurgood Rosary Group

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Sacristan Nancy Hamilton

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Funeral Receptions

St. Mary's Cemetery Maureen Lavigne

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

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Find the latest event updates on the archdiocesan website at:

romancatholic.kingston.on.ca/calendar