

LITURGICAL WEEK

WEEKEND MASSES:

5:00 PM Saturday
10:00 AM Sunday
12Noon Sunday

WEEKDAY MASSES:

7:00 PM Tuesday
9:00 AM Wed - Friday

CONFESSIONS:

6:30 PM Tuesday
4:15 PM Saturday

MARIAN DEVOTIONS:

7:00 P.M. Tuesday

PARISH STAFF

Parish Priest

Fr. Adam Gabriel
Michaelite Fathers

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Lynn Di Pinto

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Jack Minielly

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Ex Officio Members:

Lynn DiPinto
Brian Parsons

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Paul Tellier

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Paul Cuzzocrea
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SAINT PATRICK'S

THE COMING WEEK

Mass Intentions for the week of November 23 - 29, 2020

Monday, Nov 23		<i>NO Mass</i>
Tuesday, Nov 24	7:00pm	† Sergio Silveira † Lorna Antoine
		<i>St. Andrew Dung-Lac Novena Mass</i>
	9:00am	Int of Al & Corrie Foerster
Wednesday, Nov 25		† Eulene Ryder
		<i>St. Catherine of Alexandria</i>
		† Michael Downing
Thursday, Nov 26	9:00am	Int of Hubert & Adriana Vandenberg
		† Tom Vandenberg
		<i>USA Thanksgiving Day</i>
Friday, Nov 27	9:00am	† Chris & Ann & Corry deWit
		† Philip Casey
Saturday, Nov 28	5:00pm	Int of Our Parishioners - living & deceased
1st Sunday of Advent	10:00am	Int of Our Parishioners - living & deceased
Sunday, Nov 29	12 Noon	Int of St. Patrick & Hungarian Community

Last Week of the Liturgical Year

The last week of the Liturgical Year is devoted to eschatological themes: Christ the King will restore all creation and restore his kingdom to the Father. The risen people of God will rejoice in a new heaven and a new earth. "There, with the whole of creation, freed from the corruption of sin and death, may we glorify you through Christ our Lord."

Join us for Mass in person or virtually

Stay connected to the Catholic community - your parish during these troubling times. We are committed to caring for the physical and spiritual well being of the faithful, our parishioners during these difficult times. Catholics can come together in faith and prayer by joining with us on the weekend at 5pm, 10am and 12Noon for the Mass - streamed live from St. Patrick's Church parish. We invite you to join our live-streamed Mass every weekend, so together we can stay connected in our faith. **Connect via internet with our website: stpatrick.dol.ca** and then click on the icon Live-stream at the top of the page or scroll down to the bright blue icon St. Patrick's Church live-stream. **Stay connected with your home parish and community!**



Feast of Christ the King - November 21/22, 2020

The final Sunday of the church Year, the Feast of Christ the King, is the day when we are invited to commemorate His sovereignty over all men, women and children. Jesus Christ has come. Jesus Christ is coming. Jesus Christ will come again. Jesus Christ is Lord of All.

Jesus Christ is King. Jesus Christ is Lord of All.

*Jesus Christ is meant to become the Lord of our whole lives,
and inform the very pattern of how we live them.*

As we choose to actually live our lives liturgically, not just go through the motions, we can move through life in the flow of the liturgical calendar. We can experience the deeper mystery and meaning of life, now made New in Jesus Christ, the One who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. We do not really go to Church; we live in the Church and go into the world, to bring the world, through the waters of new birth, into the Church as a new home, a new family. There they will find the grace needed to begin a whole new way of living.

Our Catholic liturgical year follows a rhythmic cycle which points us toward beginnings and ends. In doing so, it emphasizes important truths that can only be grasped through faith. This Sunday, the Feast of Christ the King, is the last Sunday in the Church year.

Our Catholic faith and its Liturgical practices proclaim to a world hungry for meaning that Jesus Christ is the "Alpha", (the first letter of the Greek alphabet) and the "Omega" (the last letter), the beginning and the end.

As we progress through liturgical time we are invited to enter into the great events of faith. So, on this last week of the year, through our readings and liturgical prayer, we are invited to reflect on the "last things"- death, judgment, heaven and hell. We do so in order to change, to be converted; to enter more fully into the Divine plan.

**On the last week of the Church Year,
we are invited to remember that every end is a beginning!**

No sooner than we have celebrated the last Sunday of the Year, the feast of Christ the King, we will celebrate the First Sunday of Advent, and begin the time of preparation for the great Feast of the Nativity of Our Saviour.

Parish Pastoral Council Retreats

In November 2019, we met together in Chatham for a Parish Pastoral Council Retreat which was led by Bishop Fabbro and Bishop Dabrowski. On that day we held workshops for all – with those who were in activated Families of Parishes meeting together in one place and those who were anticipating activation of their Family of Parishes meeting in another.

We were encouraged by the enthusiasm and energy in the rooms. It was good for us to gather. One thing we heard that day is that it would be good to meet again. What we would like to do today is to support Parish Pastoral Councils as they endeavour to bring mission and vision to life within their local communities. To do that we will need to spend some time talking about mission, vision, and their integral connection to the Pastoral Plan.

We will also try to look at techniques and opportunities to "bring the words [like 'mission', 'vision', 'goals'] off the pages" and draw them into the hearts and minds of those entrusted to our service.

With the activation of 9 Families in 2020, we now have 17 Families of Parishes. We plan to have all Families activated by July 2022. It is important that we note that the adoption of the Families of Parishes model throughout the Diocese was meant to ensure that we had the structure and stability needed to continue to grow as a mission-oriented Church that forms Disciples of Jesus. The decision to move to Families was rooted in mission and was made to ensure we can focus on mission. What we do and how we do things should be and are rooted in our Mission. Our mission forms and informs all our decisions and discussions.

The Diocese of London is planning another retreat which will be held in January 2021. Our Diocese is guided by the Pastoral Plan: Embracing a Future Full of Hope and directed by the vision: "Being a mission-oriented church that forms disciples of Jesus."

On January 23, 2021, a workshop hosted by Bishop Dabrowski and the Pastoral Services Office will offer a time of shared prayer, present a discernment model to assist Parish Pastoral Councils identify objectives and strategies for local pastoral plans, address how culture and leadership impact the vitality of parish life.

Pastoral Plan - Mission and vision for all of us...Between mission and vision, we need to promote culture of co-responsibility and a leadership that, discerning, promotes this co-responsibility. We also need to tend to the goals and come up with a process that makes our pastoral plan actionable.

To move from mission to realizing the vision one needs to have a plan. A plan allows us to pay attention to the details, the little steps; it becomes the guide and helps us to develop strategies to see our goals realized. At the same time, a Pastoral Plan should be based on and open to God's plans. This includes an understanding of the people of your parish – their needs spiritually and physically, emotionally and the way we have been called to serve them.

ADVENT SEASON UPON US - THE NEW LITURGICAL YEAR

What a year it has been! We would have never imagined a year ago that we would face a world wide pandemic that would change our lives so dramatically. But we all would cry out "O come, O come, Emmanuel!" During this Advent Season, we ask Jesus to come into our lives just as he came to earth on Christmas to live among us. Happy Advent Season.

2021 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

As every year at this time we are preparing the sets of envelopes to be used in the next calendar year starting January 1, 2021. Parishioners who are not currently using our Sunday envelopes & would like to start – please call the parish office and a set for the upcoming year will be prepared. We encourage our parishioners to use the envelopes when giving donations and then you will receive a yearly income tax receipt for all your offerings. At this time of Covid-19 some of our parishioners who attend our church (and it is only 30%) bring their envelopes, some send them by mail and some come to the office and deliver them personally. The sets of the envelopes for next year will be available for pick up in December.

PRE-AUTHORIZED DONATING

At the present time we are working on setting up the pre-authorized offerings and all you have to do is to fill out the form, attach your "Void" cheque and direct our office about the amount that you want to give to the church. Any questions call the office, and we can email you the form or you can pick up at the back of the church.

Take advantage of the convenience of automatic withdrawals in supporting your church.

Live-streaming at St. Patrick's Church

The Covid-19 pandemic is changing our way of thinking and doing things. We are using computers with different programs to communicate with each other. As you know we are only allowed to have 30% of our parishioners at our church each time we celebrate Mass. We want to connect with the 70% that are not with us physically. We have installed the new equipment with a special camera that can live-stream our Masses and other celebrations. The live-streaming system will allow people to connect via internet and participate with us by watching the Mass on screen at home. The Masses are not being recorded so that you can watch later but you can join us by watching the live-stream at the regular scheduled Masses on the weekend: 5pm Saturday, 10am & 12Noon Sunday and during the week: 7pm Tuesday and 9am Wednesday, Thursday & Friday. **Below find the instructions how to connect with us virtually.**

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