

The Twenty Third Sunday of Ordinary Time

Masses this Week

Tuesday, September 6

- 5:00 p.m. + Manuel & Maria Chaves - *Maria Sousa*
 + Deacon Patrick Morin - *Deacon Terry Osmar & Ann Osmar*
 + Rosemarie Bevan - *Carl & Donna Anderton*
 + Rose Sutton - *Donna & Denise Darcy*

Wednesday, September 7

- 8:00 a.m. + Rosemarie Bevan - *Theresa Hayden*

Thursday, September 8 - Nativity of The Blessed Virgin

- 5:00 p.m. + Rosemarie Bevan - *A. Mormino & Family*

Friday, September 9

- 8:00 a.m. + Gilles Mercier - *Louise Dal Bello*

Saturday, September 10

- 5:00 p.m. - Sung Mass
 + Odilio de Vargas - *Liduína de Vargas*
 + Stephen Gibson - *Jean Czuczman*
 + Mary Mauser - *Louise Dal Bello*
 + Gilles Mercier - *Diana Dal Bello*
 + Frank Thompson - *His Daughters*

Sunday, September 11 – 24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

- 8:00 a.m. - Said Mass at the Altar of Our Lady
 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. - Sung Mass

This Week In Our Parish

Tuesday, September 6

- 5:30 p.m. - Holy Spirit Prayer Community (Church)

Friday, September 9

- 8:30 a.m. - Adoration (Benediction 9:30 a.m.)

Saturday, September 10

- 4 - 4:30 p.m. – Confessions (Church)

Sunday, September 11

- 12 noon - Parish BBQ (front patio)
 7:00 p.m. - Euchre (Parish Hall)

Preparing For Next Week

Exodus 32: 7 - 11, 13 - 14; Psalm 51;
 I Timothy 1: 12 - 17 ; Luke 15: 1 - 32

Offertory

Envelope Contributions Last Week	\$3,683.85
Loose Collection	\$ 476.60
Total Collection – Thank you	\$4,160.45

Liturgical Ministers - September 10 & 11

	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Greeters	G. Camara G. Thompson	T. Monis <i>Vol. Needed</i>	C. Gregorasz D. Kennedy
Lectors L1	J. Kelly	D. Fitzgerald	R. St. Cartier
Lectors L2	A. Kelly	C. Parry	J. St. Cartier
Communion	T. Nearing H. Nearing	J. Streppel A. Sousa	B. O'Brien R. O'Brien

If you are visiting today,

St. Patrick's Parish welcomes you.

Please take your bulletins home with you. We request that you do not leave bulletins and other items in the pews. Many thanks.

Parish Barbeque

Please plan now to attend the parish barbeque that is scheduled for **Sunday, September 11th** following the 11 a.m. Mass. Whether you choose to attend Mass on Saturday evening or Sunday morning, the BBQ begins serving at 12 noon on the front patio and lawn of the church. Some tables and chairs will be available, but please feel free to bring a lawn chair. All food and beverages will be provided without charge, together with prizes for the children.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy will resume on **Sunday, September 11th** during the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Children ages JK to Grade 2 are encouraged to attend. Location: *Parish Hall*. If you would like to be a volunteer and help with the Children's Liturgy, please call Bonnie O'Brien at 519-740-2735.

Canadian Food for Children

Throughout the month of September the CWL will be collecting **school supplies** (*paper, pencils, erasers, rulers, etc.*) for CFFC. All donations may be placed in the Canadian Food for Children box located in the narthex of the church. Thank you for your continued and generous support.



Saint Vincent de Paul Society Looking for Volunteers

Satisfying several corporal works of mercy, the St. Patrick's Parish conference of St. Vincent de Paul provides assistance with food and other household necessities to residents in need who live within our parish boundaries. Any parish member over the age of 16 may join the conference. No formal training is required, but new members will receive some informal hands-on training through participation in initial visits with another experienced Society member. Visits require a commitment of one to two hours per week depending on the number of requests for assistance received. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Dick Wildeman at 519-267-1348.

Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Mon. Sept 5	Rev. Todd Arseneault, L.C.
Tues., Sept 6	Very Rev. John Van Hees
Wed., Sept 7	Holy Ghost Congregation (Spiritans) (C.S.Sp.)
Thurs., Sept 8	Rev. Tomislav Pek, O.F.M.
Fri., Sept 9	Rev. Marko Puljic, O.F.M.
Sat., Sept 10	Rev. Fulbert Jonas Ahouansou

Back To School September 6th

Official Church teaching has repeatedly and consistently reaffirmed the vital importance of Catholic schools and school choice. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches, "Parents have the right to choose a school for them which corresponds to their own personal convictions. This right is fundamental," and "public authorities have the duty of guaranteeing this parental right and ensuring concrete conditions for its exercise," (CCC 2229). Additionally, the Code of Canon Law emphasizes, "The Christian faithful have the right to a Christian education by which they are to be instructed properly to strive for the maturity of the human person and at the same time to know and live the mystery of salvation" (No. 217).

Ontario's Catholic Education system is not a duplicate of other school systems. While it adheres to Ministry of Education requirements, it strives to do so from a Catholic perspective. The curriculum is enhanced by Gospel values. Teachers are professionally trained and should be committed to serving in Catholic schools. At the heart of Catholic education is the person of Jesus. Faith development is integral to every part of Catholic education, as students are called to respect the dignity of all human persons in a caring community. In the Catholic education system, home, school and parish form a vital partnership. Through participation in the community and involvement with the parish, students are guided by Gospel values, principles and standards that reach into every facet of school life.

Let us pray that our students, families and parish will have a year filled with the grace of God bearing witness to Christ by a life of service.

The Bible and the Virgin Mary

St. Patrick's CWL will be sponsoring a DVD study series by Scott Hahn that seeks to unveil the mystery of Our Lady that is woven into Sacred Scripture. Based on Hahn's book *Hail, Holy Queen*, the DVD study series presents a new look at the Marian doctrines: Her Immaculate Conception, Perpetual Virginity, Assumption, and Coronation. As Hahn guides modern-day readers through passages filled with mysteries and poetry, he helps them rediscover the ancient art and science of reading the Scriptures to gain a more profound understanding of their truthfulness and relevance to faith and the practice of religion in the contemporary world. The twelve study sessions will be held in the parish hall on the second Tuesday of each month beginning September 13 from 6:30 - 7 pm. All parishioners are welcome to attend (including men).



Welcome to Our Christian Community

Holy Baptism is...the gateway to life in the Spirit..., and the door which gives access to all the other sacraments (CCC 1213). We welcome the following children to the household of faith through the waters of Baptism: *Katherine Mooser, Elena Trovao and Joseph Stanford*. Let us pray that they will continue to grow in faith, bearing witness to Christ by a life of holiness and service.

Euchre Night

All are invited to attend Euchre Night on **Sunday, September 11th** at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The cost is \$5.00 per person which includes sandwiches, dessert, and beverages. All proceeds go to St. Patrick's Parish.

"Announcing The Mercy of God"

"Announcing the Mercy of God" is a catechetical retreat day sponsored by Hamilton Diocese. Those persons responsible for teaching the Catholic faith in sacramental preparation programmes, family life, adult faith groups, the Catholic education system, correspondence courses or other parish groups are considered catechists. The retreat will be held on **Saturday, September 17th** from 2 - 4:30 pm at

Notre Dame Convent, 1921 Snake Road, Waterdown. Bishop Daniel Miehm will be the keynote speaker. There is no cost to attend but registration is required. Please call Monica Verin at 905-528-7988 for more information or to register. All are welcome.

The Red Mass

The annual **Red Mass** will be celebrated at St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, 146 Park St. North, Hamilton on **Wednesday, September 7 at 9:30 a.m.** The St. Thomas More Lawyer's Guild sponsors this annual Mass. The tradition of the Red Mass dates back to the 13th century. The faithful come together to invoke the wisdom of the Holy Spirit upon all those who work in the court system, law enforcement and protective services.

The celebrant of the Mass will be the Most Reverend Douglas Crosby, Bishop of Hamilton. Fr. Michael King, Diocesan Director of Vocations and Formation, will be the homilist. All are cordially welcomed to participate in this Eucharistic celebration.

An Invitation to Prayer

The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Canada invite prayers for the General Chapter to be held on September 11-16, 2016. A General Chapter is a grace-filled event in the life of the Congregation and the Church. A General Chapter reviews the life and ministry of the Congregation and its fidelity to its charism and mission; elects the Congregational leadership; makes decisions necessary for the continuing spiritual and apostolic vitality of the Congregation. Your prayerful support is greatly appreciated.

