

# The Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Masses this Week

### Tuesday, September 9

**5:00 p.m.** + Odilia de Vargas - *Liduína de Vargas*  
 + Cecilia O'Quinn – *Marg Perry*  
 + Giulio Fioretti – *Deacon Terry & Ann Osmar*  
 Intentions of Doris Johnson - *Norma Moore*

### Wednesday, September 10

**8:00 a.m.** + Jacinto & Luiza Lima – *Maria Branco*

### Thursday, September 11

**5:00 p.m.** + Loretta Byrne - *James Byrne*

### Friday, September 12

**8:00 a.m.** + Fr. Harry Schmuck – *St. Patrick's C.W.L.*

### Saturday, September 13

**5:00 p.m.** + Jack Furlong - *The Estate*  
 + Anna Braga & Manuel Pedro – *Maria Andrade*  
 + Filomena Resendes – *Elizabeth Miller*  
 + Giovanni Bellissimo– *The Resurrection Choir*  
 + Robert & Bridget St. John – *Ed & Marg Moore*

### Sunday, Sept 14 – EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

**8:00 a.m.** - Low Mass (Ordinariate Use – all welcome)

**9:00 & 11:00 a.m.** - All parishioners

In giving us his Son, his only and definitive Word,  
 God spoke everything to us at once in this sole Word,  
 and he has no more to say.  
 (Saint John of the Cross)

If you are visiting today,  
**St. Patrick's Parish welcomes you.**

## Registered?

If you would like to be registered at St. Patrick's Parish, please complete a registration form (in envelopes marked "*St. Patrick's Registration Form*") located by each of the church doors) and place the completed form in the offering basket or return it to the parish office during the week. Thank you.

## Interested in Becoming A Catholic?

Adults who have never been baptized and adults who would like to complete their Christian Initiation are invited to contact the parish office. Preparation sessions for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) will begin in the Fall. Those who are prepared will be baptized or will complete their Christian Initiation at the Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 4, 2015.

Those who have been baptized in another Christian tradition and who wish to enter into the full communion of the Catholic Church will be received individually, according to the preparation that may be needed. Children in grade 3 or higher who have never been baptized or, having been baptized elsewhere, now wish to become Catholics, should also begin a period of instruction and preparation. Please contact the parish office for more information.

## The Great Adventure Bible Study Series

As Catholics, we search for a deeper and richer understanding of God's Word as found in Holy Scripture. This Fall, St. Patrick's Parish will be offering a Bible study series entitled, *The Great Adventure*. Over the course of seven weeks, we will be looking at God's revelation, as found in the Catholic version of the Bible, and how this divine revelation fits into God's plan for all of humanity.

Please plan now to join us from 7 - 8:30 p.m. on Thursday evenings from Sept. 25 - Nov. 6. Participant materials will be provided, and while there is no formal charge for the course, a donation to offset the material costs will be welcome. Since study materials must be ordered in advance, please call or e-mail the church office if you are interested in participating. Thank you.

## This Week In Our Parish

### Monday, September 8

**5:30 p.m.** - OCDS Carmelite Meeting (Parish Hall)

### Tuesday, September 9

**7:00 p.m.** - CWL Meeting (Parish Hall)

**7:00 p.m.** - Holy Spirit Prayer Community (Church)

### Thursday, September 11

**12:00 p.m.** - Principal's Luncheon (Rectory)

### Friday, September 12

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

### Saturday, September 13

**4:00 – 4:30 p.m.** – Confessions

## Preparing For Next Week

Numbers 21: 4 - 9, Ps. 78,  
 Philippians 2: 6 - 11, John 3: 13 - 17

## Offertory

Envelope Contributions Last Week	\$3,482.70
Loose Collection	\$ 543.95
Total Collection – Thank you	\$4,026.65

## Liturgical Ministers - September 13th & 14th

	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
<b>Greeters</b>	G. Camara G. Thompson	T. Moniz A. Freer	C. Gregorasz D. Kennedy
<b>Lectors LI</b>	J. Kelly	D. Fitzgerald	L. Jenkins
<b>L2</b>	A. Kelly	C. Parry	E. Wyse
<b>Communion</b>	C. McArthur G. Thompson	B. Sousa A. Sousa	H. France R. France

## Diocesan Prayer Calendar

Mon. Sept. 8	Rev. Jiri Macenauer
Tues., Sept. 9	Rev. Piotr Machnacki, S.A.C.
Wed., Sept. 10	Holy Ghost Congregation (Spiritans)
Thurs., Sept. 11	Rev. Czeslaw Kolasa, S.A.C.
Fri., Sept. 12	Rev. Robert Sims
Sat., Sept. 13	Rev. Leonard Strohmeier

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## Violence in the Middle East

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has asked Catholics throughout the world to be united in prayer for peace in the Middle East, particularly in Iraq. Please read the postings on our Diocesan website. Included is information regarding agencies responsible for collecting funds to assist refugees expelled from their homes in Iraq. Visit: [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com)

## Walk for Life

Everyone is invited to participate in the Cambridge Right to Life *Walk for Life* on Saturday, September 27th. Registration will take place at 9:30 a.m. at St. Patrick's Parish Hall. The walk will begin at 10:00 a.m. and end at noon. There will be refreshments and prizes. Sponsor sheets are available by calling 519.623.1850 or by emailing: [info@cambridgerighttolife.ca](mailto:info@cambridgerighttolife.ca)



## Ministers of Communion Formation Days

All new Extraordinary Ministers of Communion who have been invited to exercise this ministry of charity during the celebration of the Sunday Eucharist, or with the sick and elderly in hospitals or homes, are urged to participate in this workshop. The cost is \$10 per person (includes lunch). The workshops are being held on Saturday, September 20th in Burlington and on Saturday, October 4th in Kitchener. Registration forms are located in the Narthex of the church. For more information contact Jim Kelly from our parish or Anne Stevens from the Liturgy Office of the Hamilton Diocese: [astevens@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:astevens@hamiltondiocese.com)

## "Keys to Loving Relationships"

"Keys" is a **ten week programme** meant for anyone (**married, dating or single**) who is looking for a more meaningful relationship with a spouse, family member or friend. Learn how to become a better "me" in all of your relationships! This programme runs Tuesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 pm starting September 16 at St. Mark' Parish, 55 Driftwood Dr., Kitchener, 519-571-9200. The cost is \$45 per person. For more information or to register, call the Family Ministry Office at (905) 528-7988 ext. 2249, or on-line at <http://hamiltondiocese.com/offices/family-ministry/relationship-development.php>

## Catechetical Correspondence Courses

These programmes are available through the Hamilton Diocese for children from Kindergarten through to High School who are not currently receiving religious instruction. Preparation for First Communion and Confirmation for children not in Catholic Schools is also available. Families work through the programmes at home. Contact Monica in the Catechesis Office at 905-528-7988, ext. 2238 or check out the website at [www.hamiltondiocese.com](http://www.hamiltondiocese.com) and click on the Catechesis Office for more information and registration forms.



## Saint Vincent de Paul Collection September 20th & 21st

Our special quarterly collection for SVDP will take place on the weekend of September 20th and 21st at the conclusion of all Masses. Special SVDP offering envelopes are available in the pews and in the narthex of the church. The members of the SVDP would like to thank everyone for their continued and generous support.

### *The food pantry is almost depleted.*

Your donations of food each Sunday are greatly needed and most appreciated. Food donations may be placed in the SVDP box located in the narthex or may be dropped off at the parish office during weekday office hours. We continue to need: *cereal, canned fruit and canned vegetables, canned meats and fish, soup (with or without meat), peanut butter and pasta sauce.*



## Back to School

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 Laws 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.



O Holy Spirit, Source of truth and grace for those entrusted with the development of children; Enlighten our minds, strengthen our wills, and fill our hearts with generosity so that our homes, our parish and our schools may cooperate effectively with You, and with one another in the exalted mission of Catholic Education. We make our prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Saint Patrick, pray for us. Amen.