

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30

(followed by Novena to St. Anthony)

5:00 pm

+ Ida Ezekeil

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

(ST. JOHN BOSCO)

8:00 am

+ Bill Normore

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

5:00 pm

(followed by Miraculous Medal Novena)

+ Joe Baptista

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2

(PRESENTATION OF THE LORD)

8:00 am (8:30 - 9:30 am adoration & recitation of Divine Mercy Novena)

+ Natal Baptista

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

9:00 am - First Saturday Mass

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5:00 pm

+ Audrey Shannon

+ Rose & Luigi Raccine

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

9:00 am

+ Lucy Da Rosa

11:00 am

- for the People - *pro populo*

OFFERTORY

JANUARY 21, 2024

Envelope Contributions	\$2,194.05
Loose Collection	\$ 572.75
EFT Donations	\$ 968.00
Total Collection – Thank you!	\$3,734.80



If you are visiting today,

St. Patrick Parish welcomes you.

FIRST SATURDAY MASS



The First Saturdays Devotion, also known as the “Five First Saturdays” is a special request by Our Lord and Our Lady to make reparation for all the sins against the Immaculate Heart of Mary. Our Lady promised personal salvation if we fulfill the five consecutive First Saturdays. At St. Patrick Church we will continue to honour the First Saturdays Devotion from January - May 2024 to console the Hearts of Jesus and Mary and make reparation for the sins of others. The continued practice of the First Saturdays will help bring about a period of peace and the salvation of many souls as Our Lady promised (Fatima, July 13, 1917). The next first Saturday Mass will be celebrated at St. Patrick Church next **Saturday, February 3 at 9 am**. The blessing of throats will take place after Mass. Please join us.

BLESSING OF THROATS

For centuries it has been a tradition for Catholics to have their throats blessed on or about the Feast of St. Blaise, the patron saint against throat ailments. This year, the Blessing of Throats will take place at St. Patrick's Parish following the **5 pm Mass on Saturday, February 3**.

LAMP OFFERING

January 28 - February 3

February 4 - 10

SANCTUARY LAMP

+ Reid Thomson

+ Audrey Shannon

LADY ALTAR LAMP

+ Mr. & Mrs. Moeller

+ Dervilla Dunn

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

FEBRUARY 3 & 4

	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Lectors	M. Henry P. Cooper	A. Jamieson B. Sousa	W. Francis J. Frias
Communion	C. McArthur C. Cooper	J. Bui A. Sousa	R. O'Brien D. Corbeil

JANUARY 28, 2024



CANDLEMAS -

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

On Candlemas Day, Catholics around the world will celebrate the presentation of Jesus in the Temple and the Virgin Mary being purified, with many faithful bringing candles to their churches to be blessed. Please join us at 8 am on **Friday, February 2** as we celebrate Candlemas with a short candle lit procession followed by Mass at the Lady Altar. You are invited to bring your own candles that will be blessed and then burned in your home.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

The next Knights of Columbus Galt Council # 2184 meeting will be held at **7 pm on Monday, January 29** at St. Patrick Church in the parish hall. All men over 18 years are welcome to attend.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEMBERSHIP DUES

The Knights of Columbus Council 2184 would like to request all its members to submit your yearly dues for 2024. Cheques should be made payable to 'Knights of Columbus Council 2184' with your membership # and Cash payments should include your name and membership #. Thank you for your support.

CWL MEETING & RETREAT NIGHT

All ladies of the church are invited to attend a CWL special retreat presentation and meeting in the parish hall on **Tuesday, February 13**. The meeting will begin at 6:15 pm and the retreat will begin at 7pm. Please join us for a presentation by Teresa Hartnett, Director of the Diocesan Family Ministry Office, which will help you to learn to F.L.Y. – *Love Yourself First*. When we love ourselves, we are happier, healthier and stronger, which makes us a better person for all the other special loves in our lives. Join us and bring a friend!

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Monday	Rev. Michael Bennett
Tuesday	Rev. James Curtin
Wednesday	Hospitaller Order of St. John of God
Thursday	Rev. Ralph Diodati
Friday	The Presentation of the Lord / World Day of Consecrated Life
Saturday	Rev. David Lewis

HEARING THE CALL TO A VOCATION TO SERVE THE CHURCH?

Contact Fr. Mark Morley at: mmorley@hamiltondiocese.com

VOLUNTEERS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED FOR OUR MONTHLY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

A coffee fellowship sign-up sheet can be found on the table in the narthex. We are looking for volunteers to host our monthly coffee fellowship from January to June 2024.

Volunteers should work in groups. As a volunteer for the coffee fellowship your group should be prepared to set up the tables and chairs, plate the food, make the coffee and tea, put out the treats and then clean up afterwards, including the cleaning and putting away of the coffee maker, dishes, etc. as well as the taking down all of the tables and chairs.

COFFEE SOCIAL

We invite you to stay after the 9 a.m. mass this **Sunday, January 28** for our coffee social in the Parish Hall. This is an ideal time to come together to renew existing friendships and to form new ones. A special invitation is extended to new parishioners who would like to get better acquainted with St. Patrick's Parish community. All are welcome to join us.

HOW ALL SIN IS A FORM OF LYING

Bearing false witness against our neighbour means lying to our neighbour, deceiving our neighbour. But lying to our neighbour always begins with lying to ourselves. All sin does. The pattern for all sin is shown in the first sin, in Genesis 3, the eating of the forbidden fruit. This sin began by listening to the devil's lie, sin's false advertisement, the lie that this sin would bring joy and delight while obedience to God's command would bring misery or boredom.

The first step in barring the door to sin is refusing to listen to any false witness that contradicts God's revealed truth. Faith is this bar against sin. Therefore Scripture says, "Whatever does not proceed from faith is sin" (c.f. Romans 14:23). St. Paul contrasts sin with faith, not just with virtue, and contrasts faith with sin, not just with doubt. Believing the darkness of Satan's lie rather than the light of God's commandment was the beginning of the Fall and continues to be the beginning of every fall. We eat the forbidden fruit of falsehood with our minds before we eat any other forbidden fruit with our bodies and our deeds (Source: Peter Kreeft's, *Catholic Christianity*).

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL COLLECTION

SVDP's special quarterly collection takes place on the weekend of **February 17 and 18** at the conclusion of all Masses. Special offering envelopes will be available in the pews and in the narthex of the church. Envelopes should be placed in the baskets at the doors **after** mass and not in the regular collection basket. Anyone wanting a tax receipt for their donation to the SVDP Quarterly Collection should be certain to write their name and address on the envelope. All cheques should be made payable to St. Vincent de Paul Society. SVDP also accepts Interac e-transfer to SVDPStPatrick.T@gmail.com. As always, SVDP thanks you for your generous and continued support!

Families who pray together, stay together!