THE EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



If you are visiting today,

St. Patrick's Parish welcomes you.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

TUESDAY, MARCH 4

(followed by Novena to St. Anthony)

5:00 pm

- + Angelo Llorin
- + Osvaldo Cabral
- + Antonio & Maria do Carmo Tavares

ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5

8:00 am

+ Walter & Geraldine Galway

7:00 pm

+ Paul & Mike Hedderson

THURSDAY, MARCH 6 5:00 pm

(followed by Miraculous Medal Novena)

+ Ruedi & Rosemarie Huber

FRIDAY, MARCH 7

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

+ Walter & Geraldine Galway

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

SATURDAY, MARCH 8 5:00 pm

- + Palmira Melo
- + Olga Dorez
- + Holy Souls in Purgatory
- + Zachary Braga
- + Richard & Renée Ireland

SUNDAY, MARCH 9

8:00 am

9:00 am - + Teresa Moniz

11:00 am - for the People - pro populo

Please observe a reverent silence -

talk to God before Mass and to each other after Mass - and please ensure that all mobile devices are switched off or silenced to avoid distracting others in prayer. Children are most welcome. The narthex or the parish hall should be used as a crying room if needed. Please do not allow any children to run about the church at any time. Thank you.

CWL MEETING

The next Catholic Women's League meeting will be held on **Tuesday, March II**. The meeting will begin with the celebration of Mass at 5 pm and continue in the parish hall. Before the meeting begins a traditional supper of Irish beef stew and soda bread will be served. The meeting will follow. Please share this news among league members.

LAMP OFFERING				
March 2 - 8		March 9 - 15		
SANCTUARY LAMP				
+ Eddy Barros		+ Manuel Cunha		
LADY ALTAR LAMP				
Ints. of Avry Thawar		Ints. of Annette C.		
LITURGICAL MINISTERS MARCH 8 & 9				
	5:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.	
Lectors	A. Kelly	J. Streppel	M. Deska	
Communion	H. Nearing	J. Bui	T. Cabral	

OFFERTORY FEBRUARY 23, 2025		
Sunday Envelope Contributions	\$2,898.00	
Loose Collection	\$ 584.20	
EFT Donations	\$1,025.50	
Total Collection – Thank you!	\$4,507.70	

MARCH 2, 2025

ASH WEDNESDAY



Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection and fasting which prepares us to join ourselves to Christ in and through his Passion, Death and Resurrection, through which we attain redemption. Ashes are a symbol of penance made sacramental by the blessing of the Church, and they help

us to develop a spirit of humility and sacrifice. Mass with the Imposition of Ashes will be offered at 8 am and at 7 pm on Ash Wednesday, March 5.

Please note, this is a universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat. To sum up the requirements, Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. In addition, all Catholics 14 years and older must abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. Fasting means partaking of only one full meal. Some food (not equaling another full meal) is permitted at breakfast and around midday or in the evening - depending on when a person chooses to eat the main or full meal. Abstinence forbids the use of meat, but not of eggs, milk products or condiments made of animal fat.

Stations of the Cross

Through prayer, music and scripture, the Way of the Cross allows us to join Our Lord on His journey to Calvary - each Friday evening during Lent at 7 pm in the Church followed by Mass.



THE APOSTLES' CREED

During Lent we will be professing the Apostles' Creed instead of the Nicene Creed. The origins of the Apostles' Creed are believed to predate the Nicene Creed. It is universally recognized by most

Western Christians as a shared statement of our faith in God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. The Apostles' Creed may be used at any Sunday Mass, but the Church particularly recommends its use during Lent and Easter time. Why? Because the words of this ancient Creed have been used for centuries as the basis of our baptismal promises, and the seasons of Lent and Easter put a strong focus on baptism. During Lent we prepare those who will be baptized at Easter while readying ourselves to renew our own baptismal promises. As we recite the Apostles' Creed, it will stir up in our hearts our commitment to Christ which was first made at our own baptism. It also helps to prepare us to renew our promises once again this Easter.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Dance

Everyone is invited to attend our second annual St. Patrick's Day Dinner & Dance to be held on **Saturday, March 15** at The Royal Canadian Legion - Galt Branch # 121 located at 4 Veterans Way, Cambridge.

Tickets for Admission:

\$30 per adult, children under 5 years \$10

Tickets are now on sale at St. Patrick Parish Office or in the narthex of the church after most Masses. Tickets must be purchased **NO LATER THAN TODAY, MARCH 2**. Get yours today!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Admission Includes:



- Doors open to ticket holders @ 5:30 pm
- Buffet style chicken dinner @ 6:30 pm
- Music & Dancing 7 11 pm

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL QUARTERLY COLLECTION

SVDP's special quarterly collection takes place on the weekend of March 8 & 9 at the conclusion of all Masses. Special green offering envelopes will be available in the narthex of the church. Please pick one up before or after Mass. Envelopes should be placed in the baskets at the doors after mass and not in the regular collection basket. All tax receipts for donations made to SVDP Collection come directly from SVDP. Anyone wanting a tax receipt for their donation to the SVDP Quarterly Collection should be certain to clearly 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-transfers to SVDPStPatrick.T@gmail.com. For further information please contact SVDP directly at 519-623-0173. As always, SVDP thanks you for your continued and generous support!

OUR PATRONAL FESTIVAL

On **Saturday, March 15** we will observe the Feast of St. Patrick and celebrate a Solemn Mass at 10 am. Incense will be used. Mass will be followed by a reception in the parish hall, featuring some traditional Irish treats. Please plan now to join us for this special celebration in the life of our parish.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR		
Monday	Rev. Joseph Akanbi	
Tuesday	Rev. Charles Jordan	
Wednesday	Ash Wednesday	
Thursday	Rev. Lourdy Dorismond, O.M.I.	
Friday	Parish Staff / World Day of Prayer	
Saturday	Rev. Hanh Van Tran, O.M.I.	

HEARING THE CALL TO A VOCATION TO SERVE THE CHURCH?

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