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RECONCILIATION:

Saturday:	4:00 - 4:45 p.m. or anytime by appointment
First Friday:	6:15 - 6:45 p.m.

BAPTISM:

Baptism kits are available from the church office. A kit **MUST** be picked up before attending a Baptism Preparation Class. Please note that, due to the large size of our parish, Baptism dates are booked 2 months in advance, at the Preparation Class.

MARRIAGE:

Contact parish office **ONE YEAR BEFORE.**

PREPARATION COURSES MANDATORY FOR BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE

MASS TIMES:

Saturday:	5:00 p.m.
Sunday:	8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 12:30 p.m. 4:30 p.m.
Monday - Friday:	8:30 a.m.
Wednesday evenings:	7:00 p.m. "Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions"
Saturday & Holidays:	8:30 a.m.
First Friday	7:00 p.m.

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday:	9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 2:00 p.m. to 8:45 p.m.
Saturday:	8:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.
Sunday:	8:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m.



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

As faithful stewards we, the people of St. Patrick's Parish are called to be a welcoming Catholic community.

We are nourished by the Word and Sacraments, and empowered by the Holy Spirit to follow the footsteps of Jesus.

We do so by using our gifts of time, talent and treasure to minister to the needs of all God's people.

OUR VISION

To be faithful servants walking God's talk.

Virtues of the Disciple & Christian Steward

Perseverance

"My life is like a drink offering being poured out on the altar. I have fought well. I have finished the race, and I have been faithful"

2 Timothy 4:6-7

Discipleship and stewardship is a way of life that is both joyful and rewarding, while at the same time being challenging and sometimes difficult. Be persistent, patient and persevere! It has its rewards both in this life and in the life to come.

Today is 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 9.13-18, Psalm 90,

Philemon 9-10, 12-17, Luke 14.25-33

Readings for next Sunday, the 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 32.7-11, 13-14, Psalm 51,

1 Timothy 1.12-17, Luke 15.1-32

Please remember the sick in your prayers:

Lucia Deluca, Julia Morreale, Giulia Marrelli, Marc Ruest, baby Kailyn Shamku, Josie Mora, Joe Geraci, Jim Lavelle, Doug Cameron, Willie Dizon, Zenaida Aviado, Raymond Li, Therisia Litschauer, Harold Tschachler, Sylvia de Jong, Emilio Pede, Luz Torre, Brian Swarbrick.

Baptisms

During the summer, the following children were baptized into the Catholic community. Each of us at this parish has an important role to play in these young children's lives: to support them and their families, to pray for them, to welcome them and to lead them by our example.

Join us in welcoming: *Alonzo David, Wesley Chong, Marlowe Bouwmeister, Austin Arenas, Emma Chung, Aubrey Aguirre, Joshua Jung, Julianna Metayer, Mandy Pongan, Jacob Quiras, Logan Capell, Tajeme Capell, Olivia Parent, Avery Spitz, Kaylee Street, Zoe Street, Jason Tsang, Javier Aherretera, Rhys Alvela, Selena Chu, Elena Chu, Joshua D'Elia, Ella Di Sanzo, Catherine Huang, Leslie Huang, Sarah Percy, Robert Chase, Connor Chase, Ambicka Alexander, Alyssa Chan, Isabella D'Alessandro, Evan Monzon, Brooklyn Noseworthy, Marcus Tan, Gabriella Young Pow, Ashley O'Dell, Logan Toth, Ethan de Souza, Alexander Chau, William Fang, Wei Tia Fang, David Fragale, Charles Murphy, Charlotte Sanchez, Deelia Spiteri, Michael Crocco, Kiran Dixon, Madison Duragos, James Karlovcec, Alex Marinelli, Valerie Young, Claire Gennaro, Claire Hwang, Mathias Jazyk, Nelson Navalta, Cole Salema, Kyla Thompson.*

OFFICE HOURS - Beginning in September

Monday – Friday: 9 am – 8.45 pm,

closed 12.30 -2 pm

Saturday: 8.30 am – 6.30 pm

Sunday: 8.15 am – 5.45 pm

COFFEE MORNING BOOK CLUB

This book club takes place every other Tuesday in the small hall from 10 – 11.30 am, beginning **Sept. 14th**. This fall the book they will be reading is "The Shack" by Wm. Paul Young, and the spring book will be "Our Lady of the Lost and Found" by Diane Schoemperlen.

New members are always welcome and if you need further info, call Mary at 416-414-8735 or 905-294-5230.

The next **Seniors' Social** will take place on **Mon. Sept. 20** beginning at 1.30 pm with a Communion Service, followed by a social in the large hall. All seniors are welcome!

The next **MULTIPLE INTENTIONS MASS** will be at **8.30 am on Sat. Sept. 11**. The intention of this mass is to remember loved ones who have recently died out of the country, or whose funeral was celebrated at a church other than St. Patrick's. These masses are held on the 2nd and 4th Saturday of each month. If you wish to have the names of a loved one remembered at this mass, contact the parish office on the Thursday before.

St. Patrick's Folk Ensemble will return to its regular rehearsal and mass schedule this month and new singers are welcome! Rehearsals resume on **Tues. Sept. 7th at 7.30 pm**. If you enjoy singing contemporary music, can attend Tuesday evening rehearsals and 11 am mass on Sundays, please join us. For more information, contact Jennifer or Len Churchill through the church office.

St. Patrick's 9.30 am Choir will return to its regular rehearsal and mass schedule this month and new singers are welcome! Rehearsals resume on **Thurs. Sept. 9th at 7.30 pm**. If you enjoy singing traditional music, can attend Thursday evening rehearsals and 9.30 am mass on Sundays, please join us.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST COMMUNION REGISTRATION

Parents of children preparing to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Communion are invited to attend an **information and registration meeting being held on Thurs. Sept. 16 or Fri. Sept. 17 between 7 – 8.30 pm**. Parents are required to attend only one meeting. **This is a parent-only evening.**

Children in Grade 2 attending Catholic schools within our parish boundaries will bring home a registration package the first week of school. For parents with older children or children attending public schools or Catholic schools outside of our parish boundaries, registration packages are available in our church office. Please contact Silvana Amantea 905-294-5955, ext. 226 or email silvana.amantea@stpatrick.on.ca if you have questions.

ST. PATRICK'S SCRIPTURE STUDY

Resumes **Tues. Sept. 14 at 7.15 pm**, every Tuesday until Nov. 15.

\$30 covers the text, commentary, study guide and binder for all handouts.

There are places still available for the prayerful study of Acts of the Apostles, the 5th book in the New Testament that chronicles the life of the early Church from Pentecost to the end of Paul's life in Rome. This is considered a foundation course and is suitable for newcomers.

A special invite is extended to Lectors whose proclamation of the Word of God will be greatly enhanced by this study. Be prepared to give 30 minutes daily to the study and reflection.

There will be facilitators of the program signing up parishioners for the 10 week course this weekend, and the weekend of Sept. 11/12.

For more info contact Paul at 905-471-1103.

Sunday Programs for Pre-Schoolers

Faith development begins at birth and continues throughout one's lifetime. As part of their ongoing religious growth, the children of our community are invited to meet Jesus in the Gospels at a level they can understand. There are several opportunities in which this can take place during the Sunday masses:

- ❖ **9.30 am:** children 4 – 7 years of age are called out after the opening prayer to participate in a Children's Liturgy. They return to the main assembly at the Offertory.
- ❖ **11.00 am and 12.30 pm:** babysitting (for children 0 – 3 years of age) and Sunday School (for children 4 – 6 years of age) are available for the entire mass. The Gospel message is shared with each group and the children are guided to understand how it relates to their own lives.

These programs are not available on long weekends or during school vacations. Questions: call Lois Shaw in the church office.

RCIA

RCIA sessions will begin again on **Tues. Sept. 14 at 7.30 – 9.30 pm** in the large hall. These adult classes are intended for non-Christians who have never been baptized, as well as baptized Christians of another denomination who seek to inquire about the Catholic faith. In addition, Catholics who seek Confirmation or anyone seeking to renew their Catholic faith are most welcome.

We are also looking for Catholic sponsors who would be willing to "walk the journey" with a candidate and at the same time renew their faith. It is most rewarding. Call Jean 905-471-1103.

CONFIRMATION REGISTRATION

In the Sacrament of Confirmation, young people affirm the faith commitment their parents made for them at Baptism. Youth in Grade 8 or older are eligible to begin the preparation process to receive the Sacrament.

Parent and Candidate information meetings will be held at 7 pm on Thurs. Sept. 23 and Fri. Sept. 24, as well as at 11 am on Sat. Sept. 25. Parents and candidates are required to attend only one meeting.

Informative letters will be distributed to the children attending Catholic schools in our area. For those attending public/private schools, or a Catholic school outside our parish boundaries, please pick up an information letter in the parish office. Contact Lois Shaw 905-294-5955, ext. 225 or email lois.shaw@stpatrick.on.ca if you have questions.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

There is an immediate need for Lectors at the following mass times: Sat. 5 pm mass and Sun. 4.30 pm mass. Orientation and training will be provided. Contact Silvana Amantea 905-294-5955, ext. 226 or email silvana.amantea@stpatrick.on.ca

ST. PATRICK'S CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We welcome back all Children's Choir members on **Sun. Sept. 12** at 3.20pm in the church. Children will stay for the 4.30 pm mass. New members are also invited to join us. Registration forms are located in the parish office.

PAKISTAN FLOOD RELIEF

ShareLife

Floods in northern Pakistan have killed thousands of people and displaced millions. Houses, bridges and roads have been washed away leaving people without food, shelter and drinking water. Conditions remain so extreme that authorities have not been able to fully assess the extent of the crises.

If you wish to help through a financial contribution, you may do so online through ShareLife's website www.sharelife.org, by phone 416-934-3411, or through the parish, making cheques payable to "**ShareLife - St. Patrick's Markham – floods – Pakistan**".

LIFE CHAIN 2010

Mother Teresa said: "Any country that accepts abortion is not teaching its people to love but to use violence to get what they want. This is why the greatest destroyer of love and peace is abortion." Many forget that the status quo in Canada is any abortion, at any time, for any reason, at taxpayer expense. Many don't know that over a third (37.4%) of abortions are done on women who have already had one or more abortions. Many don't realize that as a Catholic Christian we need to defend life and publicly oppose abortion.

Life Chain is a simple and prayerful way to give public witness to the Truth that abortion is a violent destruction of human life. It takes only 1 hour to stand quietly holding a sign saying "Abortion kills children", "Abortion hurts women" and "Jesus forgives and heals". You can quietly say the rosary for the conversion of our leaders.

This year's Life Chain is on Sun. Oct. 3, 2-3 pm, at the corner of McCowan and Hwy. 7.

This week at St. Patrick's

Mon, Sept. 6 - 8:30 a.m. Mass for Deceased William Bowers

Time	Event/Meeting	Location
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LABOR DAY - CHURCH AND OFFICE CLOSED AFTER MASS

Tues, Sept. 7 - 8:30 a.m. Mass for Deceased William Bowers

Time	Event/Meeting	Location
7:00 p.m.	Folk Ensemble Practice	Church

Wed, Sept. 8 - 8:30 a.m. Mass: Happy Birthday to our Blessed Mother

Time	Event/Meeting	Location
5:30 p.m.	Wedding Rehearsal	Church
7:00 p.m.	Evening Mass: Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions	Church
7:30 p.m.	Prayer Group	Large Hall

Thurs, Sept. 9 - 8:30 a.m. Mass for Deceased Fred & Betty Pring

Time	Event/Meeting	Location
10:00 a.m.	Al-Anon	St. Brendan
6:00 p.m.	Wedding Rehearsal	Church
7:00 p.m.	Memorial Mass	Church
7:00 p.m.	Faith and Light	St. Brendan
7:00 p.m.	Families of Nazareth Movement	St. Aidan
7:30 p.m.	St. Patrick's Choir Practice	Church
8:00 p.m.	St. Patrick's Choir	Large Hall

Fri, Sept. 10 - 8:30 a.m. Mass for Deceased Gerard Hanks

Time	Event/Meeting	Location
12:00 p.m.	Principal's Luncheon	St. Brendan
7:00 p.m.	Charismatic Healing Mass	Church

Sat, Sept. 11 - 8:30 a.m. Multiple Intentions Mass

5:00 p.m. Mass for Deceased Inocencia Ignacio

Time	Event/Meeting	Location
8:30 a.m.	Multiple Intentions Mass	Church
9:15 a.m.	Memorial Mass	Church
1:00 p.m.	Wedding	Church
2:00 p.m.	CLP General Assembly	Large Hall
3:00 p.m.	Wedding	Church

Sun, Sept. 12 - 8:00 a.m. Mass for Deceased Howard Corcoran

12:30 p.m. Mass for the Intentions of Sister Raffaella on the occasion of her 50th anniversary of her religious profession

4:30 p.m. Mass for Deceased Cirilo Romero


Time	Event/Meeting	Location
9:30 a.m.	Children's Liturgy	St. Brendan
10:30 a.m.	St. Patrick's Choir Executives	St. Kevin
11:00 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.	Children's Sunday Program	St. Brendan
2:00 p.m.	Baptisms	Church
2:00 p.m.	Couples for Christ Handmaids of the Lord	St. Brendan
3:00 p.m.	Children's Choir Practice	Church

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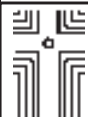


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