

Saint Patrick's Church

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Monday to Friday: 8:00 a.m.

Saturday: 6:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

By appointment one year in advance

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By appointment five weeks in advance

PRAYING OF THE ROSARY

Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

PORTUGUESE MASS

Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. preceded by the Rosary

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursdays at 7:00 p.m.

FILIPINO MASS

Second Friday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

CCD CLASSES

Saturdays during the school year from
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in the Church Hall
(*Grades 2, 5, 6, 7 & 8 only*)

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Wednesdays during the school year from
6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in the Church Hall

ACTIVELY AGING EXERCISE CLASS

Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
in the Church Hall

MAMA PLAYGROUP

Fridays from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
in the Church Hall

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON IN BERMUDA
Most Reverend Bishop Wieslaw (Wes) Spiewak, CR DD
www.romancatholicbermuda.bm

PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Fr. Vivien Nuera, CP
Parish Priest
292-0607 Ext 4

Nancy da Silva
Parish Council Chair
703-8424

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236-3171

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535-0002

Nicole Renaud
Parish Office Administrator
236-9866 Ext 0#

Office Hours:
Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

20th September 2026
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year A

If you or someone you know is struggling with mental health illness or suicidal thoughts, please call:
236-3770 weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (MWI)
911 or 239-1111 (24/7 crisis hotline)

Introduction

It is hard not to relate to the worker who toiled all day and then was jealous of the worker who was paid equally for his one hour of work. But if we unite ourselves to the heart of Christ, we can understand God's pleasure in the conversion of all souls, whether they were faithful their whole lives or came to Him right before death. God rewards all those who place their trust in Him. Let us thank God for the mercy shown to each of us.

Mass Intentions

Sat.	19th	6:00 p.m.	Parishioners of St. Patrick's
Sun.	20th	9:00 a.m.	✠ Daniel DeFrias
			✠ Bill Bilsland
			✠ Joseph, Theresa & Fatima R. Madeiros
			✠ Laureano & Jeffrey Castro
			✠ João Manuel Veloso
			✠ Maria da Estrela Veloso
		11:00 a.m.	✠ Edmund Faria
Mon.	21st	8:00 a.m.	✠ LaVerne Lau
Tue.	22nd	8:00 a.m.	✠ Eduino Frias
Wed.	23rd	8:00 a.m.	✠ João DaCosta & Deceased Family
Thu.	24th	8:00 a.m.	✠ José Rebelo
Fri.	25th	8:00 a.m.	
Sat.	26th	6:00 p.m.	✠ David Gutteridge
Sun.	27th	9:00 a.m.	✠ José & Maria Botelho
			✠ Charlie Ray
			✠ Manuel Pacheco deSilva
			✠ Germana deSilva
			✠ Leonor Pacheco
			✠ Maya Doppelreiter
			✠ Eduarda DaCosta
		11:00 a.m.	Parishioners of St. Patrick's
			Intentions of the Members & Volunteers
			of the St. Vincent de Paul Society



Weekly Stewardship Thought

"Thus, the last will be first, and the first will be last".

~ Matthew 20:16

You've heard the saying "it's not where you start, but how you finish." This certainly applies to this Bible passage. We have a responsibility not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. We are called to generously share our gifts with others, not hoard them for our own use. Our sincere gratitude and cheerful generosity will help us to live more "God-centered" lives and not "self-centered" lives.

Stewardship of Treasure

Offerings Last Weekend:	\$3,101.00
Offerings to Date:	\$137,757.50
Target Offerings (Week 37):	\$140,600.00
Poor Box Last Weekend:	\$243.00

*Pastoral Reflection by Miguel Dulick

"Next Up!"

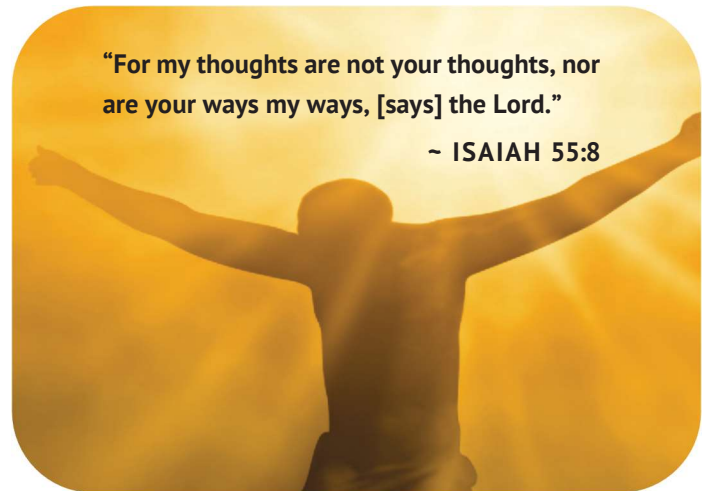
I keep hearing preachers say this is their least favorite gospel, because it makes people so mad! All the workers in a vineyard get a full day's pay – which folks interpret as heaven – even the ones who came at the last hour of the afternoon. "You mean, I work hard my whole life, and some nobody from nowhere just waltzes into heaven ahead of me?" But wait a minute! You think you *deserve* your "pay"? None of us is anywhere or anything, even breathing, without God's grace. It's not a competition; it's our only hope! We should be dancing in the street to celebrate God's generosity. Matthew himself must have chuckled at this parable, since he was also a latecomer, having spent his life grinding his own brothers and sisters into poverty to feed the tax maw of the Roman Empire. Then, Jesus called him! I love the twist in the parable: the owner not only pays the last ones equally, but he pays them *first*! If you don't like standing in line, you could be like Paul, who wants to just skip to the end: "I long to depart this life and be with Christ" (Philippians 1:23). As he says, "To me life is Christ, and death is gain" (Philippians 1:21). We should all be so eager. Just concentrate on the "fruitful labor" of service to others. Put everyone else ahead of you, and don't be afraid of some hard work. Any vineyard is a challenge, even when that vineyard is the Church.

Reflect

Do I sometimes feel more deserving than others, or struggle with envy?

"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, [says] the Lord."

~ ISAIAH 55:8



About the Author: Michael Dulick earned post-graduate degrees in English, Spanish, and Philosophy, as well as a Master of Divinity. Since 2003, he has been known as "Hermano Miguel" to those in the Honduras village of Las Vegas where he now lives. His donation-supported work keeps families together rather than risking their lives to migrate to the United States.

*During the absence of Fr. Vivien and Deacon Matthew, please note that our weekly Pastoral Reflections will be sourced from the Ligouri Publications bulletins.



Notification of Online Transfers

Please be reminded that whenever coordinating electronic transfers to our **Butterfield Bank Account #20006060102074100**, we would be grateful if you could please **send a notification email to the Rectory office advising of the incoming funds and how they should be allocated.** Thank you!



Virtual Lectio Divina

Lectio Divina sessions led by Bishop Wes via Zoom on **Mondays at 7:00 p.m.** have now resumed. If you are interested in joining, please email Franz Wohlmuth at fgwohlmuth@logic.bm to receive the Zoom link along with the readings.

Portuguese & Mid-day Masses

Please be reminded that the weekly Portuguese Masses at St. Theresa's and St. Patrick's have resumed from summer break, as well as the 12:10 p.m. Masses at St. Theresa's.

Cathedral Gift Shop

Please also be reminded that the St. Theresa's Cathedral Gift Shop has resumed their normal operating hours of 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Saturdays.

First Holy Communion Classes

CCD classes will begin again on **Saturday mornings in the Church Hall from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. starting November 7.** If your child was born in 2019 and you have not yet been contacted by the diocese to register them for First Holy Communion, please email our Parish CCD Mentors at ccdstpatsbda@gmail.com prior to the **deadline of September 30.**

Confirmation Classes

Registration is now open for 2027 Confirmation. If your child was **born in 2012 or prior**, please contact the Chancery Office at 232-4414 / orcc.bermuda@gmail.com to sign up for CCD classes in preparation of receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday, May 16.



St. Theresa's Feast & Fr. Dandy's Farewell

You are invited to a joint celebration dinner on **Saturday, October 3 in St. Theresa's Hall at 7:30 p.m.** for St. Thérèse of Lisieux's Feast, our diocese's patron saint, and to bid farewell to Fr. Dandy as he prepares to depart Bermuda next month. The tickets are \$45 for adults, and \$25 for children 13 and under. They can be purchased from Fr. Dandy, members of the St. Theresa's Parish Council, or the St. Theresa's Rectory during office hours.

Reminder: Parish Registration Forms

If any of your family/contact details changed over the summer months, or if you are new to St. Patrick's Church, please complete a Parish Registration Form which can be found on the counter at the church entrance. **If you are not a registered parishioner, the church may be limited in its ability to act on your behalf.**

Prayer List

Almighty God, giver of life and health, we ask you to send forth your blessings of comfort and strength to those who are sick and suffering, and their caregivers, in particular:



Manuel Gonçalves
Denise Somerville
Debbie Sampson
Carol Melanson
Liz Weaver
Bill Tatem
Dylan Peart
Trish Walsh

Carole Scraders
Shirley Love
Carol Maitland
Ken MacNeil
Sylvan Lindo
Marianne Anderson
Shirley Sousa



MSA Raffle Tickets

It's that time of year again for MSA's Bazaar which will take place on **Friday, October 9 & Saturday, October 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.** Raffle tickets can be purchased from any MSA student – be sure to buy them in advance to be entered into the weekly "early bird" draws for extra prizes! You can also purchase them from the Rectory during office hours, or by emailing: stpats@logic.bm. Let's support our community's only Catholic school with their biggest annual fundraiser. Get your tickets today!



Musical Bridges

Are you a senior interested in making new friends while learning to play an instrument? Come and join Musical Bridges, a **FREE** intergenerational music program that brings seniors and local students together through music, friendship, and connection. Whether you are looking to meet people, try something new, or simply enjoy a fun weekly activity, this program is for you! Sessions will take place on Tuesday afternoons throughout the school year from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Bermuda Centre for Creative Learning (BCCL) located on Cedar Avenue in Hamilton. Spaces are limited so reserve yours today by calling 232-0859, or emailing: development@hospice.bm.



2026 Coastal Clean-Up

Local environmental charity KBB is calling for volunteers to roll up their sleeves and help remove litter and marine debris from Bermuda's coastlines during their annual island-wide Coastal Clean-Up event taking place from **Friday, September 25 – Sunday, October 4.** Gather your friends, family, co-workers, and classmates to form a clean-up team and choose a location (they are in particular need of help in the areas of St. David's and St. George's) and KBB will provide all supplies needed. Together, let's keep Bermuda beautiful! Register online at www.kbb.bm.

Smile for the Day!

Q: If a blue house has blue bricks, and a yellow house has yellow bricks, what is a green house made of?
A: Glass

The Bishop's Corner – Lunch & Movie Programme

Dear Fellow-Catholics,

When we were finishing the Summer Lunch & Movie Programme, several people approached me and asked if there was a chance to continue this project, as it was for many a great experience of socialising and spending some time in community.

I am happy to announce that the Lunch & Movie Programme will resume and continue throughout the year with a frequency of one gathering a month. We will not be able to have it on Thursdays as there is the 12:10 p.m. Mass at our Cathedral and no event should compete with Holy Eucharist.

The Lunch & Movie gatherings will take place on the first Tuesday of every month, beginning in October, with the exception of March as it is Lent. The precise dates are: October 6th, November 3rd, December 1st, January 5th, February 2nd, April 6th, May 4th, and June 1st.

We will begin at 12:00 p.m. with lunch and then we will watch a movie with an intermission for ice-cream and eventually desserts. The movies will be announced each month.

I hope that this will allow us to continue to enjoy these moments of good food and good company and inspire us to grow together as a community of Jesus' disciples.

Have a peaceful weekend and a good week!

Bishop Wes



A WORD FROM POPE LEO XIV

It is a great sign of hope – especially in our times, traversed by so many conflicts and wars – to know that the Church is a people in which women and men of different nationalities, languages, and cultures live together in faith: it is... a reminder and prophecy of that unity and peace to which God the Father calls all his children.

GENERAL AUDIENCE, ROME – MARCH 11, 2026

Portuguese Lyrics for Sunday Masses at 9:00 a.m.

Santo, Santo, Santo (Holy, Holy, Holy)

Santo, Santo, Santo é o Senhor, Deus do Universo.
Cheios estão os céus e a terra,
Da Tua glória, Hossana!
Hossana, Hossana, Hossana nos céus. (2x)

Bendito o que vem em nome do Senhor.
Hossana nas alturas, Hossana!
Hossana, Hossana, Hossana nos céus. (2x)

Misterio da Fé (Mystery of Faith)

Anunciamos, Senhor, a Vossa Morte, proclamamos a Vossa Ressurreição: Vinde, Senhor Jesus.

Cordeiro de Deus (Lamb of God)

Cordeiro de Deus, que tirais o pecado do mundo.
Tende piedade de nós!

Cordeiro de Deus, que tirais o pecado do mundo.
Tende piedade de nós!

Cordeiro de Deus, que tirais o pecado do mundo.
Dai-nos a paz, dai-nos a paz, dai-nos a vossa paz!

Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule

26th & 27th September 2026

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	6:00 p.m.	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Communion Ministers	M. DaCosta, A. Bento & VOLUNTEER	J. Blee, J. Chisnall & VOLUNTEER	Z. Moniz & VOLUNTEERS
Lector(s)	H. Burnett-Herkes	A. Rodrigues & D. Gaspar	N. Pimentel
Song Leader	J. Mathias	R. Lopes	J. Cassidy
Mass Server(s)	VOLUNTEER	H. Furtado	C. Sta Maria & C. Sta Maria
Hospitality Ministers	D. & S. Mutch	J. Furtado & C. Moss	O. de Frias & K. Onen
Gift Bearers	Gutteridge Family	C. Frias & Family	K. Garcia & VOLUNTEER
Flowers Ministry:	Connie Frias		