

Saint Patrick's Church

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Mass: 6:00 p.m.



Sunday Masses: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Weekday Masses: Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m.



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Pastor

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Hrs: Tues/ Wed/ Fri: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

First Holy Communion Class
Tuesdays in hall
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.

Confirmation Class
Wednesdays in hall
6:00 – 7:30 p.m.

MAMA
Fridays in Hall
9:00 – 11:30 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 5:00 - 5:30 p.m. or by appointment

BAPTISMS

By appointment five weeks in advance

WEDDINGS

By appointment one year in advance

BIBLE STUDY

Postponed until further notice

PORTUGUESE MASS

Tuesday nights at 7:30 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m.
in St. Patrick's Church

CCD

Every Saturday during the school year
From 8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in Church Hall
(Suspended until further notice)

15th May, 2022
5th Sunday of Easter
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Introduction

We hear again of the early church's struggle in spreading the Gospel. Though many were persecuted for their faith, the disciples pressed forward and rejoiced in their successes. We don't have to endure the same consequences they did, or those of persecuted Christians in some areas of the world today. But our challenge is to know how to live the Gospel in a secular age. We rely on the same Shepherd who has guided them.

Mass Intentions

Sat. 14 6:00 p.m. Intentions of Kim Güntl & Family
Sun. 15 9:00 a.m. † Leseur & Tatem Deceased Family
† José daConceição Melo
† Daniel Calouro
† Lucinda Sanchez Navarro
11:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Patrick's
Mon. 16 8:00 a.m. † Domingos, Hermano, José &
Antonio DaPonte Terceira
Tues. 17 8:00 a.m. † Hilary Pacheco
Wed. 18 8:00 a.m. † Jeffrey Castro
† Joseph & Theresa R. Madeiros
† Fatima R. Madeiros
Thurs. 19 8:00 a.m. † Luiza, Graça & Giberta
DaPonte Terceira
Fri. 20 8:00 a.m. † Frank Cabral
Sat. 21 6:00 p.m. † José Rebelo
Sun. 22 9:00 a.m. † Joseph Reis & Parents
† Gil Pereira Raposo &
Daughter Suzann
† Eugene Cabral
† Lorraine Cabral Olivieri
† Piriquito Deceased Family Members
11:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Patrick's

Stewardship Treasure

Sunday Offering Last Week: \$1,657.00
Sunday Offerings to Date: \$75,192.50
Target Offerings (Week 19): \$66,500.00
Poor Box: \$125.00



Weekly Stewardship Thought

God sends us out into the world with our own unique gifts and talents. How will I use my God-given gifts and talents to build the Kingdom?

Sunday Offerings with Online Banking

Please make direct payments to the Bank of Butterfield Account #20006060102074100 and include "Sunday Offering" in the memo field.



St. Patrick's Facebook

Have you 'liked' us on Facebook yet? Also check out www.romancatholicbermuda.bm to hear Bishop Wes' daily reflections and live-streamed Masses and for up-to-date Diocesan information from the Chancery and Parish churches.

Pastor's Reflection

In today's Gospel Jesus says, "Love one another as I have loved you". Love means sacrifice. Love is a very common word. In fact, we use it very loosely and we have the tendency to trivialize it. We seldom realize the meaning and the seriousness of its challenge. In the Gospel, Jesus made a very important qualification to the love he is talking about, Jesus is urging us to follow his kind of love, that is, self-sacrificing love, even to the point of offering oneself for the beloved. Saint Teresa of Calcutta said: "True love causes pain. Jesus, to give us the proof of his love, died on the cross. A mother, in order to give birth to her baby, has to suffer. If you really love one another, you will not be able to avoid making sacrifices."

That is why, from our experience we say true love hurts. But the hurt becomes bearable, and even meaningful and necessary because it is borne out of love. That is precisely the difference between a donation and a sacrifice. A donation is something that comes out of the pocket; a sacrifice comes out of the heart. And God is not asking for our donation; rather, He is asking for sacrifice, something painful because what we give from our hearts is filled with love.

Love makes faith real and unifying. Mother Teresa said: "If faith is scarce, it is because there is too much selfishness in the world, too much egoism. Faith, in order to be authentic, has to be generous and giving. Love and faith go hand in hand." This is the main problem among many Christians. We tend to separate faith from love. We pray and worship God, but our hearts are selfish. We are not generous enough. We are not willing and ready to make sacrifices. If ever we give, we oftentimes give grudgingly and we expect return. As people of God, very often we are divided. How can a people be united in worship, if they are so divided? We pray together, but we do not act together. And we enjoy spreading gossip and intrigue, and discord.

True love does not need to be extraordinary. We do not need to be heroic in our acts of love. We do not need to do spectacular acts of apostolate. What is only needed is to do things with sincere love, devoid of any selfish motivation.



Our Lady of Fatima Celebration: Thank You

On a warm and muggy Friday night, the appearance of Our Lady to the three children at Fatima was observed with a candlelight procession, recitation of the Rosary and a special Mass concelebrated by Bishop Wes and Fr. Julio. We thank them and all the parishioners who made this a memorable occasion: **Mr. Manuel DeSilva, Sr.** who donated flowers in memory of his wife, Mary; the **Vieira Family** who contributed Easter lilies; the **ladies of our Parish** who prepared and decorated both inside the Church and the Fatima grotto; and to all who gave their monetary support for this special celebration.



St. Patrick's Parish Scholarship Fund
Application forms for the 2022-2023 academic year must be submitted – in full – to the Selection Committee by the **deadline of Wednesday, June 1, 2022.**

'Thank You' for a Successful Bingo!

The Parish Council would like to recognize and thank the following local businesses who kindly donated prizes and goods for the 'Sweet Treat' Bingo held on May 1:

**Amaral Farms Bda. Ornamental Concrete Products
BELCO Collector's Hill Apothecary DEMCO Florist
Green Thumb Nurseries (Brighton Hill) Lindo's Market
Mobile Tech Ltd. Noah's Ark Party Plus Swizzle Inn
Premier Distributors Rotisserie Grill The Retreat Spa
Rustico Speciality Inn The MarketPlace Red Laser**

Also, a special 'thank you' for the numerous donations from individual members of our parish community and for the support of those who bought tickets and attended this first Bingo event of the year.



KBB Community Cleanup – May 21
Join KBB for this month's Community Cleanup on **Saturday, May 21, from 9 – 11:00 a.m.** at Southside, St. David's. Click on the link below to volunteer:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScLbsGuz250fOP6p6ib6fijxzNyEJNYVexuQReQChCwxmyuTA/vi ewform>

KBB will provide gloves, trash and recycling bags, litter grabbers and neon safety vests for volunteers. Please call, text or WhatsApp 799-5142 to contact a KBB representative.

KBB: Earth Month Update

More than 800 volunteers participated in 36 cleanups for Earth Month in April. They removed approximately **eleven thousand pounds** of trash, recyclables and bulk waste from Bermuda's roadsides, parks and beaches. Please e-mail: director@kbb.bm or visit: www.kbb.bm to become a member or to volunteer.



Feast of Senhor Santo Cristo dos Milagres – May 22

Apologies – the Feast of Senhor Santo Cristo will take place on **Sunday, May 22,** (and not the date incorrectly mentioned in

the bulletin last weekend). Bishop Wes Spiewak and Fr. Julio Blazejewski, CR, Portuguese Episcopal Vicar, will concelebrate a Solemn Mass in Portuguese at **1:30 p.m. at St. Theresa's Cathedral.** A procession from the Cathedral to BAA field and back will follow after the Mass. Everyone is invited to the celebration of this special feast.



100 Club Membership for 2022

The first draw for the year has taken place with three lucky winners receiving cash prizes. Have **YOU** remembered to renew or to sign-up for membership in the St. Patrick's 100 Club for 2022? **Newcomers are very welcome!** Contact David Mutch at 293-5506 or e-mail: davidgamutch@gmail.com to sign-up or for more information.

Ukraine/Russia War: Find Solutions First

(Excerpt: by Salvatore Cernuzio, *Vatican News* online, 13 May, 2022)

Quoting a comment on the Russia-Ukraine conflict, which he heard on Thursday and with which he agrees, the Cardinal [Parolin, Secretary of State] said: "Eventually they will have to find a solution, because geography forces them to live not together but close to one another, they share many thousands of kilometres of border."

He said, "It is a pity that we still have not understood the lesson that instead of committing all this slaughter and producing all this rubble, solutions could have been found sooner," which, he continued, "the Holy See has always hoped for."

According to Cardinal Parolin, the problem is that "in recent decades the theme of multilateralism has eroded." So, he said, "it is logical that when everyone focuses on their own interests, on their own point of view, and does not know how to share and find common answers, in the end these are the outcomes."

Smile for the Day!

I was in my car driving back from work. A police officer pulled me over and knocked on my window. I said, "One minute. I'm on the phone."
-Alan Carr



PALS Needs Your Help

The Mission of PALS is to provide cancer patients with quality care and support, mainly in the home, regardless of the

ability of the patient to pay. The organization does this through the work of volunteers, fundraising, and donations from the community.

PALS needs your help. Please contact them at 236-7257 or visit their website at <https://pals.bm> if you are willing to donate your time in the following areas:

- To work in the Thrift shop on sales days - Saturday and Sundays in 2-to-3-hour shifts
- To drive patients to appointments (own car required, gas not provided)
- To volunteer in the office to assist with ongoing upkeep of database and various administrative tasks

PALS also reminds you that May is their Tag Day month and they are looking for volunteers to sell tags on May 20 or May 21. Please help.

The Bishop's Corner – Pope Francis: Pharmacists are Invaluable

My Dear Fellow-Catholics:

In an address to the representatives of the leadership of the International Federation of Catholic Pharmacists, Pope Francis told them that "Patients value the atmosphere of closeness and family life very much. It gives the human dimension to healthcare." As the Pope said, the COVID-19 Pandemic has put pharmacists on the front lines. They have provided help and advice, as well as efficiently and quickly performed tests and analyses necessary in everyday life.

The Pontiff noticed that this crisis situation has caused a need for unity and mutual support in the professional environment. Pharmacists provide an important "bridge" between citizens and the healthcare system. This system is often bureaucratic and the Pandemic has put it to the test by slowing down and sometimes even paralyzing procedures. In practice, this has meant greater inconvenience and suffering, and unfortunately, further damage to the health of the sick. In this context, pharmacists make a double contribution to the common good; they relieve the health care system and ease social tensions. Pope Francis noted that the contribution that pharmacists can make to the conversion to integral ecology is very important.

The Pope emphasized that "We are all called to learn a lifestyle that expresses greater respect for the environment in which God has placed us, for our common home. This lifestyle also includes a healthy diet and life in general. I think that pharmacists can also "create culture" in this area, promoting greater wisdom in leading a healthy lifestyle. In this regard, one can draw inspiration from a thousand-year tradition that reaches back to ancient monastic pharmacies in Europe. However, today, thank God, these roots can be enriched with the knowledge and practices of other cultures, such as Far East or First Nations of both Americas. I would say that you pharmacists can help us expose the frauds of false prosperity and educate us to the true "good life" so that it is not the privilege of a few, but within the reach of all."

Enjoy your weekend and have a great week!

Bishop Wes



Responsorial Psalm – 5th Sunday of Easter



Santo (by José Paulo Abreu) 9:00 a.m. Mass only

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)

Haunting Audio from a Black Hole (Excerpt: By Li Cohen, CBS News, Updated on: May 12, 2022)

(<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/black-hole-audio-perseus-galaxy-cluster/>)

Is there sound in space? New audio released from NASA provides some insight – and the answer is haunting. The audio, released on May 4, is that of a black hole from the center of the Perseus galaxy cluster, a massive space structure that's 11 million light-years across and located about 240 million light-years away from Earth. Astronomers created the audible sound by recording the pressure waves that the black hole sent through the cluster's hot gas. In their original form, those waves cannot be heard by the human ear, so scientists extracted the sound waves and scaled them up by 57 and 58 octaves.

"In some ways, this sonification is unlike any other done before," NASA said in a release. "...[The sound waves] are being heard 144 quadrillion and 288 quadrillion times higher than their original frequency." When bumped up to human frequencies, the sounds of the black hole are almost akin to the wails of a haunting ghost or the deep ocean calls of a pod of whales.

(To hear the NASA audio visit: <https://news.sky.com/video/nasa-releases-audio-of-black-hole-from-perseus-galaxy-cluster-12606650>)

Next Week's Ministry Schedule

21st & 22nd May, 2022 Sixth Sunday of Easter

| | <u>6:00 p.m.</u> | | <u>9:00 a.m.</u> | | <u>11:00 a.m.</u> | |
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| <u>Lector(s)</u> | S. Sousa | | J. Blee | M. dosAAraujo | J. Amaral, Jr. | |
| <u>Leader(s) of Song</u> | E. Wicks | | R. Lopes | | J. Roberts | |
| <u>Mass Server(s)</u> | N. Every | J. Every | Z. daSilva | | J. Lema | |
| <u>Hospitality Min(s)</u> | R. Simas | M. Simas | D. DeFrias | J. Smith | C. Faria | K. Garcia |