

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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Most Reverend Bishop: Wieslaw (Wesley) Spiewak, CR DD
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PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Mr. Bruce Fox
Music Director, Organist
236-8196

Mr. Andy Bento
Chairperson
300-5555

Mrs. Nelia Pimentel
Parish Catechetical Leader
236-9481

Mr. David Mutch
Parish Finance Chairperson
293-5506

Rev. Dr. Matthew Arnold
Deacon
236-3171

Mr. José Amaral
St. Vincent de Paul Society
535-0002

Mrs. Kimberley Güntl
Office Administrator
Hrs: Tues/ Wed/ Fri: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Mr. Andy Bento
Stewardship Chairperson
300-5555

Frontier Girls
Wednesdays in hall
6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

MAMA
Fridays in hall
9:00 – 11:00 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

Tuesday nights at 7:30 p.m. in Church hall

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

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Every Saturday during the school year
From 8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in Church hall

14th April 2019
Palm Sunday
of the Passion of the Lord
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Introduction

“Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord.” We know well the story of Jesus’ triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. While we proclaim these words with heartfelt sincerity, today, we must consider how we use our words and actions to crucify church and political leaders, others who are not like us, and even ourselves. Today, let us ask for the grace to enter into Holy Week with the desire to more intimately understand Jesus’ humanity and his journey to the cross.

Mass Intentions

- Sat. 13 6:00 p.m. † John & Rosa Rocha
† Ernest Mello
† Christopher Alves
† John Rocha, Jr.
- Palm Sun.** 9:00 a.m. † Eugene Cabral
† Lorraine Cabral Olivieri
† Deceased Members of the Piriquito Family
† Mary Vieira
† Natalie Sousa
- 11:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Patrick's
6:00 p.m. **Bishop’s Mass**
- Mon. 15 8:00 a.m. † Antonio Maduro
† Daniel & Evelina Leonardo
† Victor Leonardo
- Tues. 16 8:00 a.m. † José daConceição Melo
- Wed. 17 8:00 a.m. † Mary Vieira
- Holy Thur. 7:30 p.m.** † Mary DeSilva
8:30 – 9:30 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- Good Fri.**
11:00 a.m. **Stations of the Cross**
11:30 a.m. **Confessions**
7:30 p.m. **The Lord’s Passion**
- Holy Sat. 7:30 p.m.** Those Receiving Sacraments of Initiation This Year
- Easter Sun.** 9:00 a.m. † Those Remembered by Easter Flowers
11:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Patrick’s
6:00 p.m. **Bishop’s Mass**

Stewardship Treasure

Sunday Offering last weekend:	\$3,681.00
Sunday Offering to date:	\$47,315.50
Target Offerings (Week 14):	\$49,000.00
Poor Box:	\$344.00



Weekly Stewardship Thought

Stewardship opens an avenue of thought that allows us to give without always questioning what we will get in return.

Sunday Offerings Online

Please make direct payments to St. Patrick’s Church at the Bank of Butterfield A/C #20006060102074100 and include “Sunday Offering” in the memo field.

St. Patrick’s Facebook – ‘Like’ us today!

Pastor’s Reflection

The film, *The Bucket List*, is about two men who realize they are going to die and decide to make a pact, spending their last days doing all the things they wished they had accomplished all through their life. What would be on your *bucket list* if you knew you were going to die? We would like to think we would take the time to get our lives in order and make things right with God and our family and friends. Truth be told, many might be tempted to give in to sin and temptation. But what about Jesus? Palm Sunday allows us to see what has been written on Jesus’ *bucket list*.

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of a week unlike any other. Disciples, who are meant to follow their Master, will leave Him and go into hiding. Enemies like Herod and Pilate will become friends. A kiss and a warm embrace, signs of affection, will become signs of death. The innocent are found guilty while murderers like Barabbas go free. Simple bread and wine will become the Body and Blood of the Saviour. And when all seems lost, what appears to be a tragic failure crucified for blasphemy and treason becomes the triumphant Lord of lords, King of kings, and conqueror of death, for Himself and for us all!

There are many characters in the Passion play that begins to unfold for us today, some heroic, some despised. What role are you going to play? Perhaps we can all best relate to the so-called *good thief* who cries out *Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom*, in hopes that we, too, might hear our saviour say, *today you will be with me in paradise*.

Bishop’s Appeal 2019 Begins This Weekend

The Bishop’s Appeal starts this weekend, April 13/14 and will continue until the end of June. Please use the special envelope provided in your bulletin last weekend and drop your contribution into the collection basket with your usual Sunday offering. Additional envelopes are available at the end of the pews or at the entrance to the church. You are welcome to make a donation online either directly to the Chancery (where credit and debit cards are also accepted) or to the St. Patrick’s bank account and include “Bishop’s Appeal” in the memo field. Please be generous in supporting Bishop Wes’ future plans for the Diocese. Thank you.



St. Theresa’s Cathedral – April 16

Each year during Holy Week a special Mass is celebrated at Cathedrals worldwide at which oil (chrism) is blessed and priests renew their commitment. The Mass of the Chrism will take place on **Tuesday, April 16, at 7:30 p.m. in St. Theresa’s Cathedral**. Please come out and you’re your support for our Bishop and clergy.

Reminder: Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.



Ecumenical Stations of the Cross – April 19

The Catholic community is invited to join with our Anglican brothers and sisters at a special Ecumenical Service on Good Friday, April 19, at 1:30 p.m. in Victoria Park. Anglican Bishop Nicholas Dill and our own Bishop Wes will lead the gathering in prayers and through the Stations of the Cross. Please come out in support.

Caritas House of Prayer (236-5877)

♦ ‘Quiet Wednesday’ – at Caritas on **April 17**, begins with recitation of the Rosary at 10:30 a.m. followed by exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 3 p.m.

♦ The Lenten Program - begins with soup and rolls at 12 noon with the **Lenten presentation at 12:45 p.m.**, ending at 2 p.m. There will be **no evening presentation**.

The topic for **April 17** is: *“The God who is Love.”* The whole mystery of God is summed up in these words: God is Love. This day, known as **Spv Wednesday**, is the prelude to the celebration of the Paschal Mysteries.

Make the Sacred Triduum a time of special grace for you and your family. May God bless each and every one of you with a new awareness of what Resurrection truly means. Happy Easter! --Sisters Dolores and Judith

♦ Lectio Divina –The study of Scripture takes place each **Monday evening at 7 p.m.** in St. Theresa’s Hall.

The Feast of Divine Mercy Service – April 28



Jesus requested through St. Faustina, a Polish nun who was canonized by Pope John Paul II on April 30, 2000, that the first Sunday after Easter be officially established in the Church as the Feast of Mercy. Bishop Wes will celebrate a service for the Feast of Divine Mercy here on **Sunday, April 28, at 3:00 p.m.**

St. Patrick’s Church Scholarship Fund

Application forms for the 2019-2020 academic year are available from the Sacristy this weekend. Please write your name and contact number on the attached sheet before taking an



application. Both first-time and repeat applicants must complete the application form – **in full** – before submitting to the Selection Committee by the deadline of **Saturday, June 1, 2019**.



All parish children under 14 years of age are invited to participate in an Easter Egg Hunt on the Rectory premises after the Easter Sunday Morning Masses next weekend. Many thanks to **Andy and Andrea Bento** for organizing and hosting this 3rd annual event.

No Diocesan Youth Group Next Thursday

Due to Holy Week and Easter, the Diocesan Youth Group have postponed their weekly gathering until **Thursday, April 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the MSA gym**, at which time teens are invited to meet for fun, fellowship and scripture.



Last Weekend for Easter Flower Donations

Envelopes are at the entrance to the Church for Easter flower donations in memory of loved ones. The deadline for inclusion of names in the Easter bulletin is **12 noon on Wednesday, April 17**.

A Successful Lenten Fish Fry

We are grateful to the DaCosta family for their work in organizing the two Lenten Fish Fry and to the parishioners who helped them.



Thank you, too, to the Parish Pastoral Council for their hard work in selling tickets. Your stewardship is a blessing.



Coffee Socials – More Help Needed

Thank you to Andy and Andrea Bento for hosting the Coffee Social last weekend and to everyone who brought in baked goods. If you would like to host one or more Coffee Socials (at **either** the Saturday night Mass **or** the Sunday morning Masses), please contact **Andy Bento** at 300-5555. Set-up for the Socials will be organized by members of the Parish Council. As host, you will need to arrange for family and friends to bring in the goodies! It’s fun...please volunteer!

Easter Sunday Coffee Social

Andy and Andrea Bento have volunteered to host a second Coffee Social after the Easter Sunday morning Masses. If you would like to help, please drop off your baked goodies on the tables provided on your way into church. Happy Easter!

100 Club Membership for 2019

Have **YOU** remembered to renew or to sign-up for membership in the St. Patrick’s 100 Club for 2019? The first draw will take place on **Tuesday, April 30, at a Wine and Cheese Reception from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.** in the church hall. Newcomers are welcome! Complete a membership form available at the entrance to the church or contact David Mutch at 293-5506 or e-mail: davidgamutch@gmail.com for more information.



Smile for the Day!

It was Palm Sunday but because of a sore throat, 5-year-old Sammy stayed home from church with a babysitter. When the family returned home, they were carrying several palm fronds. Sammy asked what they were for. “People held them over Jesus’ head as he walked by,” his father responded. “Wouldn’t you just know it?” Sammy complained, “The one Sunday I don’t go and he shows up.”

The Bishop's Corner – The Donkey

My Dear Fellow-Catholics:

Last year I promised the parishioners of St. Theresa's Parish that I would dedicate this year's Palm Sunday sermon to the role of the donkey in the history of salvation. I think others might enjoy this particular reflection as well, so here it is.

The donkey seems to be inscribed in the history of salvation. The Old Testament mentions it one hundred and thirty-eight times, and the New Testament five. The donkey appears in the most critical moments of Christ's life, always humbly staying by his side. His back serves Mary and Baby Jesus, while fleeing to Egypt. It should not be surprising, then, when legends and fairy tales were created that the characteristic cross-shaped fur on the back of an animal is seen as a gift from God Himself.

The sign of the cross fell on the back of the donkey and remained on his skin. What's more, this dark mark on the back, protecting from all dangers, has been inherited by donkeys in all subsequent generations. At all times, the donkey remained patient and modest. As he wandered through the desert, he learned to feed on thistles and dry food (Walloon legend).

The donkey is one of the first to worship the Most High: *On the third day, after the birth of the Lord, Mary left the cave and went to the stable. There she placed the Baby in a manger and an ox and a donkey, kneeling, worshiped him (Apocryph of the Second Gospel of Pseudo-Matthew).* The donkey is a persistent and tireless companion on which Jesus entered Jerusalem, as prophesied by the prophet Zechariah: *Behold, your King is coming to you, just and victorious. Humble goes on a donkey.*

So why the donkey? Donkeys are herd animals, but will pair off with a best friend donkey buddy for life. They are used to hard labour; are clever and consistent in action and always strive for a set goal only expecting in return, food, respect and the opportunity to rest. Disregarded or unduly reprimanded, they will show their donkey's stubbornness. Humans can only envy them for their prudent stubbornness. They have a logical, flexible approach to problem-solving able to efficiently overcome the difficult road. At the same time, under the influence of too much pressure, they know when to lie down. They always defend their territory and members of their herd. If one falls under the weight of a load, the others will remain in solidarity with him. They have excellent memories, remembering places, people and their kin even up to 25 years. They like to be with humans; hence they are used in Onotherapy as a form of Hippotherapy. They work perfectly because they are affectionate, sensitive, loyal, sociable and curious. At the same time more submissive and less timid than a horse. Donkeys should never be underestimated. That is the reason the donkey is the perfect hero of children's stories, and a faithful companion of Jesus.

Easter traditions are usually associated with chickens, rabbits or lambs. It seems that there should be more space for the good donkey. Have a good Palm Sunday and a blessed Holy Week!

Bishop Wes



Responsorial Psalm – Palm Sunday

Capo 3: (Bm) Dm (Em) Gm (Bm) Dm (Em7) Gm7 (D) F [(F#m7) Am7] (Em7) Gm7 (Bm) Dm

My God, _____ my God, _____ why have you a - ban - doned _ me?

Santo (by José Paulo Abreu)

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

Bendito o que vem em nome do Senhor.
Hossana nas alturas, Hossana!

Hossana, Hossana, Hossana nos céus. (2x)

Hossana, Hossana, Hossana nos céus. (2x)

Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule

20th & 21st April, 2019

Easter Sunday and the Resurrection of the Lord

	7:30 p.m. Easter Vigil	9:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
<u>Communion Mins.</u>	A. Bento M. DaCosta	A. Rodrigues S. Mutch	M. Squire L. Arnold
<u>Lector(s)</u>	S. Sousa J. Blee VOLUNTEERS NEEDED	J. Blee C. Frias	N. Arnold
<u>Song Leader(s)</u>	D. Raat J. Cassidy J. Madeiros D. Mutch	D. Mutch F. Medeiros	D. Mutch
<u>Mass Servers</u>	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED	N. daSilva Z. daSilva	Z. Moniz C. Easton
<u>Hospitality Mins.</u>	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED	M. P. Silva A. M. Silva	C. Faria Y. Squire
<u>Gift Bearers</u>	A. & A. Bento	T. Botelho & Family	Todd Family