

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.



Administered since 1953
under the guidance of the
Congregation of the Resurrection
www.resurrectionist.ca

Rev. Vladimir Sobolewski, CR
Pastor

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

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

CCD

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

8 September 2019
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
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Introduction

Being a disciple is not for the faint of heart or half-committed. Jesus is clear about requiring detachment — from people and things. We have heard this before in the Gospel. The Gospel makes clear what the demands are. It's up to us to search our own hearts honestly and trust that we will not be left to walk the path alone.

Mass Intentions

Sat.	7	6:00 p.m.	✠ Franz & Annie Lamers
Sun.	8	9:00 a.m.	✠ Antonio Maduro ✠ Daniel & Evelina Leonardo ✠ Victor Leonardo
		11:00 a.m.	✠ Parishioners of St. Patrick's
		6:00 p.m.	Bishop's Mass
Mon.	9	8:00 a.m.	✠ Daniel Calouro
Tues.	10	8:00 a.m.	Blessings on the Members of the Congregation of the Resurrection
Wed.	11	8:00 a.m.	✠ Deceased Members of the Arnold, Car & Reidy Families
Thur.	12	8:00 a.m.	✠
Fri.	13	8:00 a.m.	✠ Frank Cabral
Sat.	14	6:00 p.m.	✠ João daCosta & Deceased Family
Sun.	15	9:00 a.m.	✠ Bill Bilsland ✠ Manuel & Maria José Pacheco ✠ José daConceição Melo Intentions of Fernandina Amaral
		11:00 a.m.	Parishioners of St. Patrick's
		6:00 p.m.	Bishop's Mass

Stewardship Treasure

Sunday Offering last weekend:	\$2,797.50
Sunday Offering to date:	\$126,227.84
Target Offerings (Week 35):	\$122,500.00
Poor Box:	\$312.00



Weekly Stewardship Thought

Stewardship is not job-oriented or project-minded. It is a way of life for a lifetime.

Sunday Offerings and CCD Payments Online

Please make direct payments to St. Patrick's Church at the Bank of Butterfield A/C #20006060102074100 and include "Sunday Offering" or "CCD" and your child's name in the memo field.



St. Patrick's Facebook and Diocesan Website

Have you 'liked' us on Facebook yet? Also check out www.romancatholicbermuda.bm to follow Bishop Wes' Liturgical activities for the month and for Diocesan information from the Chancery, Parish churches, and Religious Education office.

Back-to-School Program

Thank you very much to the St. Patrick's parishioners who have donated **\$2,915** to assist 24 children and their families with back-to-school uniforms and supplies.

Pastor's Reflection

"If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, his wife and his children, his brothers and sisters, indeed his very self, he cannot be my disciple" (v. 26).

When we hear a gospel passage like this, we often find ourselves wondering whether Jesus really meant that we should turn our backs on our families. Or was he exaggerating? Is it really necessary to hate our parents, family, brothers and sisters and even ourselves in order to follow Him? If we do this, then, our loved ones get angry with us if we follow literally this word of Jesus and we have a problem.

Jesus was neither exaggerating nor literally. Rather, He was engaging to emphasize the kind of dedication He expected from His followers. These were sayings of Jesus collected by St. Luke about the theme of dedication.

So the phrase "hating" used in our gospel has no negative meaning but it has a positive implication. It means that if a certain person says, 'I like this more than that,' that he likes this thing as compared to that thing. It does not mean that because he doesn't like this, he hates this, no that is not the case. It so happened that there is something more than that. In other words, God must come first no matter what. God is above anyone else.

We must love God more than others, even more than our parents, family, brothers and sisters. This is a very serious matter. If we meet a conflict between our loved ones and Christ, what should our priority, our family or God?

Celebrating St. Patrick's 50th Anniversary

This weekend we celebrate the **Women's Association** as we recognize their hard work and dedication to St. Patrick's Parish fifty years ago.

Did You Know...?

In September 1966 Mark Doe, Joseph Lopes, John Pacheco Jr. and Hobart Stamper Jr. donated a Crucifier's Cross to St. Patrick's Parish. It had been suggested by Mr. Hobart Stamper Sr. that the church's first altar boys give something to the church as a remembrance of their service. The four boys took on small, odd jobs to raise sufficient funds to purchase the cross. A small plaque bearing their names and the date the gift was given was mounted on its reverse side. Today the cross stands at the rear of the "new" church near the north-western alcove bearing the statue of Our Lady along with a plaque bearing the four boys' names.

The highest weekend collection received in June 1967 (in the "old" church) was in the amount of £92 (\$220). The lowest was £73 (\$174). The approximate equivalents in 2019 dollars are \$1,679.98 and \$1,328.71 respectively.

--Information provided by Bruce Fox

Registration for the CCD Program K – 9

Children who will be 5 years old by December 31, 2018, and not attending Mount Saint Agnes Academy, are expected to enroll in the Parish Catechetical Program beginning September 22, 2018. Application forms are available from the Sacristy and the Rectory office.

All Kindergarten applications must include a copy of the child's Baptism certificate and the fee of \$140. Families of all children entering the CCD program for the first time or transferring into St. Patrick's Parish from another parish, will need to meet with the Pastor.



CCD classes are set to begin on Saturday, September 21, at 8:45 a.m.

CCD Fees for 2019-2020 Year are Due!

Parents are urged to stop by the Rectory office to pay the \$140 per child CCD fee before the start of the new CCD year. Cash, cheque (payable to St. Patrick's Church) or payment online to: St. Patrick's Church Butterfield A/C #20006060102074100 are all happily accepted. **Please include 'CCD' and your child's name in the memo field when paying by direct deposit.** Registration forms for the 2019-2020 catechetical program are also available from the Rectory office.

***No child will be turned away due to a family's inability to pay. Families in financial need should make an appointment with Fr. Vladimir to discuss an appeal for assistance or special consideration.**



CCD Saturday Morning Volunteer Opportunity

With the start of the CCD Program around the corner, we are looking for people to help set up the tables for the CCD classes on Saturday mornings. Please contact

Nelia Pimentel, the CCD Leader, at benn@northrock.bm if you are able to spare 30 minutes or so to help.

Caritas House of Prayer (236-5877)

♦ **"Quiet Wednesday"** continues on **September 11** with recitation of the Rosary at 10:30 a.m. followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until **11:40 a.m.**

♦ **Evening Prayer:** The Sisters of Charity have been holding Evening Prayer on Wednesdays at 5:45 p.m. with the invitation for people to stop in for prayer on their way home from work; however; attendance at Evening Prayer has been poor. Going forward, the Sisters are interested in your ideas regarding Evening Prayer and how to make this prayer helpful. Mass will continue to be celebrated at 6 p.m. on scheduled Wednesdays.

♦ **A Reminder:** There will be a very special meeting of all Associates of the Sisters of Charity on **Sunday, September 15, at 3 p.m.** The Sisters of Charity look forward to 100% attendance.

Lectio Divina will resume on **Monday, September 9, at 7 p.m. at St. Theresa's Cathedral Hall.**



Introducing 50 FOR 50 Fundraising Appeal

Now that the summer renovation projects have reached an end; the St. Patrick's Finance Committee are introducing a new fundraising appeal to help defray the costs incurred. For the 50th Anniversary of the Church, the Committee is hoping to raise \$50,000 for the renovation. The Finance Committee is extremely grateful to the many people who gave of their time, talent and treasure this summer and their stewardship helped to dramatically contain the overall expenditure; however, St. Patrick's needs your financial help. Special envelopes are available in the pews if you would like to make a donation or you may contribute directly online. Please be sure to add "50 FOR 50" in the memo field when paying by direct deposit. Thank you for your generosity and for helping to beautify St. Patrick's Church for its 50th Anniversary celebration.

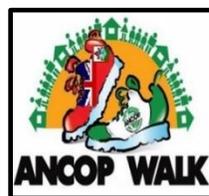
Stella Maris Annual Dinner Bingo

On **Saturday, September 21, 2019**, Stella Maris Parish will host a Dinner Bingo in the MSA Auditorium from 7:30 – 11:00 p.m. Tickets are \$35 for adults; \$15 for children (12 years and under). To purchase your tickets, contact Susanna Almeida at 535-3195 or mlandscaping@northrock.bm. All proceeds go towards Stella Maris Church.



Ecumenical Social and Tea – Saturday, Sept 14

The first Ecumenical Social and Tea after the summer break will be held at St. Phillip's on **Saturday, September 14, from 2 – 5 p.m.** All Smith's Parish area residents are invited to attend.



ANCOP 5K Walk – Sept 29

ANCOP International Bermuda is inviting everyone to join the **2019 5K ANCOP Walk** on Sunday, September 29, 2019, at 8:00 a.m. with assembly point at Botanical Gardens in Paget. The event aims to raise funds for ANCOP's shelter and child sponsorship program. Registration fee is \$35 for adult; \$25 for students (13-18 years of age). Five dollars of the registration fee is automatically allocated to the benefit of the St. Vincent de Paul Society – outreach to the poor. To register, please call 703-2961 or 535-8777 or send an e-mail to ancopbermuda@gmail.com or register online at www.racedayworld.com. For more information visit: www.ancopbermuda.com.

Annual Tag Days – Friends of Hospice

The annual Tag Day for Friends of Hospice will be spread over two days on October 9 and October 18. If you would like to donate a couple of hours to assist in selling tags, please call 232-0859 or sign up online at: info@hospice.bm.

Smile for the Day!

I started out with nothing and I still have most of it.

The Bishop's Corner – Christians in North Korea

My Dear Fellow-Catholics:

Over the past year, the persecution of Christians in North Korea has increased significantly. This is the report from dissidents who have managed to escape from this country. Professing any religion other than the cult of Supreme Leader and Chairman of the Workers' Party of Korea, Kim Jong Un, is treated as a political crime. It is estimated that up to 70,000 Christians of various denominations are detained in communist gulags.

Actions recently undertaken by the Korean authorities suggest that a massive hunt for Christians is underway. Raids are carried out on the homes of people suspected of being Christ's disciples. Special police forces are looking for Bibles, crosses and other signs of faith. Finding any of these items can result in death, or at best being sent to a labour camp. This is also the result when someone is caught in a private prayer.

Information has been received from Korean Christians who recently escaped from North Korea of the arrests of entire families, about people who disappear without a trace and about bribes paid of several thousand dollars for freedom to corrupt civil servants who live in poverty like most of society.

There is no accurate information, but according to cautious surveys, it is estimated that there are about 400,000 Christians in North Korea who live their faith in secret. Also in the gulags, people organize themselves in different ways to encourage each other. "It was known that Catholics pray together. At dawn, we lined up to the restrooms and prayed together in silence," says another person who managed to escape. He emphasizes that underground evangelization and catechization is being done in the gulags. "Even if one lives in such hellish places as labour camps, one can still share the Gospel," says a Korean dissident, pointing out that, paradoxically, persecution continues to strengthen the faith of many Christians.

As we continue to enjoy our freedom of religion, let us constantly remember our sisters and brothers in North Korea and other countries who suffer persecution for their belonging and witnessing to Christ.

Have a restful weekend and a blessed week!

Bishop Wes



Responsorial Psalm – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

NO ALTAR DO SENHOR – 68 (Offertory Hymn at 9:00 a.m. Mass)

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| 1. No altar do Senhor apresentamos
Pão e vinho para o sacrifício. | 2. Pão e vinho depois se tornarão
Corpo e Sangue de nosso Senhor. |
| Aceitai, Senhor,
os dons do nosso amor. | 3. Como eles também a nossa vida
se transforme em Sua própria vida. |
| | 4. Nossa oferta fazemos com alegria
pois a Deus nós tudo entregamos. |

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!

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

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

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

Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule

14th & 15th September 2019 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	<u>6:00 p.m.</u>		<u>9:00 a.m.</u>		<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
<u>Communion Mins.</u>	G. Zanol		E. Kelly		M. Di Giacomo
	K. Wicks		J. Blee		H. Concepcion
<u>Lector(s)</u>	S. Sousa		A. Rodrigues	C. Frias	J. Amaral Jr.
<u>Song Leader(s)</u>	E. Wicks		F. Medeiros		G. Concepcion
<u>Mass Server(s)</u>	J. Pimentel	S. DaPonte	T. Furtado	W. Silvester	G. Concepcion
<u>Hospitality Mins.</u>	M. McAvoy	A. McAvoy	J. Furtado	J. Rebelo	Ed. Cabral Y. Squire
<u>Gift Bearers</u>	Simas Family		N. daSilva & Family		Frith Family