

# 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, 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

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

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

**Mrs. Nancy da Silva**  
Parish Council Chair  
538-8424

**Mr. David Mutch**  
Parish Finance Committee Chair  
293-5506

**Mrs. Nelia Pimentel**  
Parish Catechetical Leader  
236-9481

**Rev. Dr. Matthew Arnold**  
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236-3171

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535-0002

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

**12<sup>th</sup> October 2025**  
**28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Year C**

**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

Today's readings feature people who are in extremely difficult circumstances finding hope and new life in their faith. Naaman is cleansed, Paul hopes in God in the face of trial, and desperate lepers are completely healed. In each of these examples, we see the transformative power of faith, and the abundant power and grace of God. May the Lord increase and sustain us in faith so as to be strident witnesses of His love and mercy to the world.

## Mass Intentions

|      |      |            |                                                            |
|------|------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sat. | 11th | 6:00 p.m.  | ✠ Natalie Sousa                                            |
| Sun. | 12th | 9:00 a.m.  | ✠ Manuel Pacheco deSilva, Germana deSilva & Leonor Pacheco |
|      |      |            | ✠ Anne Margaret Plowman                                    |
|      |      |            | ✠ Pat DeCosta                                              |
|      |      | 11:00 a.m. | ✠ Rose DeSilva & Eric DeSilva                              |
| Mon. | 13th | 8:00 a.m.  | Parishioners of St. Patrick's                              |
| Tue. | 14th | 8:00 a.m.  | ✠ Luis Rombeiro                                            |
| Wed. | 15th | 8:00 a.m.  | ✠ Charlie & Margaret Ray                                   |
| Thu. | 16th | 8:00 a.m.  | ✠ Luis DaPonte Jr.                                         |
| Fri. | 17th | 8:00 a.m.  | ✠ LaVerne Lau                                              |
| Sat. | 18th | 6:00 p.m.  | ✠ Adelina Bento                                            |
| Sun. | 19th | 9:00 a.m.  | ✠ José da Conceição Melo                                   |
|      |      |            | ✠ José & Maria Botelho                                     |
|      |      |            | ✠ Paul DeSousa                                             |
|      |      | 11:00 a.m. | Parishioners of St. Patrick's                              |



## Weekly Stewardship Thought

Most of us live relatively "easy" lives. We have food, shelter, clothing, and money. We own cars and go on vacations. Most of us take this for granted. Did you ever notice that people with the least amount of possessions are usually the most grateful? Remember to take time every day to thank God for all that He has given you, and discern how He is calling you to share your gifts.

## Stewardship of Treasure

|                             |              |
|-----------------------------|--------------|
| Offerings Last Weekend:     | \$3,093.00   |
| Offerings to Date:          | \$146,502.00 |
| Target Offerings (Week 40): | \$152,000.00 |
| Poor Box Last Weekend:      | \$88.00      |



## Notification of Online Transfers

Please be reminded whenever coordinating any online transfers to our **Butterfield Bank Account #20006060102074100**, we would be most grateful if you could please **send an email to the Rectory office to advise of the incoming funds and how they should be allocated.** Unfortunately, even when senders include a memo on their end, the transfer details do not always appear on our end, particularly for funds received from HSBC and Clarien Bank. Thank you!

## Pastoral Reflection by Deacon Matthew Arnold

Leprosy causes people to suffer twice. Firstly, from the disease, and secondly from being shunned by society. If untreated, leprosy causes disfigurement and immense disability. There is also a huge psychological and emotional toll for patients and their families.



John Bradburne is the man in the above photo wearing a Franciscan habit, attending to a lady with advanced leprosy, at Mutemwa Leprosy Centre in Zimbabwe. I met John several times during my childhood. He dedicated his life to the care of people with the illness. He was brutally murdered in 1979. The church has declared him a "Servant of God," and his cause is being investigated for sainthood.

John's prayerful life of service to people abandoned by society has been recognised by many. I have heard many wonderful testimonies to him at a recent meeting in London.

In our society today, there are many people who are regarded as outcasts and failures.



**Question:** Who are the people to whom I need to reach out and touch?



## Final Draw for 2025

The 100 Club's final monthly cash prize draw will be held at the end of October... don't miss out! If you haven't yet paid your annual membership fee, please do so ASAP. Thank you for your support of this initiative over the last decade!



### World Mission Sunday

Every October, the Church invites us to rediscover our missionary vocation. This year, Pope Leo XIV, following the inspiration of the late Pope Francis, calls us to become “Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples,” which was inspired by St. Paul’s words from Romans 5:5 – *“Hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.”* Through prayer, sacrifice, and giving, we become witnesses who bring the hope of Christ to those who long for love, justice, and peace. Let us respond with open hearts to the Church’s call to support the 1,124 mission territories around the world where the Church is young, growing, and often persecuted. Together, may we be bearers of hope where it is needed most! Next weekend, on **October 18 & 19**, we will take up this special annual collection in all parishes. Marked envelopes will be available for your donations. Please give generously!



### Our Lady of Fatima Mass

Join Bishop Wes for the celebration of Our Lady of Fatima here at **St. Patrick’s** on **Monday, October 13 at 7:00 p.m.** in honor of the “Miracle of the Sun” that occurred on this day in 1917 in Fatima, Portugal when an estimated crowd of 70,000 people witnessed the sun appear to spin, change colors, and plunge towards the Earth as foretold by three shepherd children following the appearance of the Virgin Mary to them on May 13. The evening will begin with a candlelight procession and recitation of the rosary in the parking lot (weather permitting), and then into the church for Mass in Portuguese. All are welcome!



### Mass for Widows, Widowers & Singles

There will be a Jubilee Mass celebrated on **Saturday, October 18 at 11:00 a.m. in Stella Maris Church** in St. George’s for all of the widows, widowers, and singles of our Diocese, followed by a light lunch in the Church Hall. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to the Chancery Office by calling 232-4414, or emailing: [orcc.bermuda@gmail.com](mailto:orcc.bermuda@gmail.com).



### Mass for All Souls – November 1

There will be a Mass celebrated for the souls of all those who faithfully departed in the past year on **Saturday, November 1 at 11:00 a.m. in St. Theresa’s Cathedral**. Please note that there will be NO Portuguese Mass at 9:00 a.m. that day nor Eucharistic Adoration which usually follows the Mass.



### Let’s Connect!

Have you found us on Facebook yet? Follow us at **St. Patrick’s Church, Bermuda** to read all of our weekly bulletins and notices electronically. You can also follow Fr. Vivien on Facebook... search for **SiYoyo Lugo Nuera** and send him a friend request!

### Prayer List for the Sick

Please help to ensure our weekly Prayer List is kept up to date. If you know someone on the current list who no longer requires immediate prayer, or if you would like to add a loved one’s name to the list, please call the Rectory during office hours, or send an email to: [stpats@logic.bm](mailto:stpats@logic.bm).

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:



Paula Madeiros  
Joe Pacheco  
Manuel Gonçalves  
Dorothy Gonsalves  
Karen Fleisher  
Denise Somerville  
Laurida Souza Bulhões  
Debbie Sampson  
Mickey Johnson

Jo Frith  
Carol Melanson  
Liz Weaver  
Bill Tatem  
Otis Ingham  
Melissa DaPonte  
Andrew Card  
Dylan Peart



### St. Patrick’s Christmas Market

Mark your calendars for the return of our Christmas Market which will be held in the Church Hall on **Saturday, December 6**. Stay tuned for more info coming soon!

### Jubilee International Potluck

The St. Patrick’s Parish Social Committee is pleased to announce our upcoming International Potluck event, inspired by the theme for this year’s Jubilee, which will take place in our Church Hall on **Sunday, November 2 from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** Please see the insert for more information, and share the flyer with your family and friends! Hope to see you there!



### Youth Mental Health Town Hall

There will be a **FREE** public Town Hall on the topic of Youth Mental Health, specifically focusing on self-harm and violence on social media, taking place on **Wednesday, October 15 from 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Bermuda College in Room G301**. This event will include sensitive discussions about self-harm and the impact of harmful content on social media which may be emotionally challenging for some attendees, and if at any point the content becomes distressing, it’s perfectly okay to step away or take a break – your wellbeing comes first. A licensed psychologist will be onsite throughout the event to provide support if needed. Attendees will also receive evidence-based guidelines adapted for Bermuda that offer practical tools for young people, parents, and educators to have safe and effective conversations about self-harm and mental health. As always, Bermuda’s 24/7 mental health crisis support line remains available at MWI. The telephone number is: 239-1111.

### Smile for the Day!

**Q:** Why did the pumpkin lose the boxing match?

**A:** He let his *gourd* down!



## The Bishop's Corner – Dilexi te

Dear Fellow-Catholics,

On the 9<sup>th</sup> of October, an apostolic exhortation, *Dilexi te* (“I have loved you”), was made public. This document, that is the first magisterial text of Pope Leo’s pontificate, focuses on love for the poor. The 9<sup>th</sup> of October is also the feast day of St. John Henry Newman, who Pope Leo has named as the doctor of the Church.

Pope Francis had been working on the text during the last months of his pontificate, placing this exhortation in the continuity of his last encyclical, *Dilexit nos* (“He loved us”). That last document focused on devotion to the human and divine love of the Heart of Jesus. The Argentine pontiff thus sought to highlight the link between spiritual roots and social commitment: From the experience of God’s love for us, to the awareness of God’s love for our neighbour, and how that must determine our behaviour toward them.

With *Dilexi te*, Leo XIV thus follows in the footsteps of Pope Francis, paying tribute to the man who never ceased to call for “a poor Church for the poor.” By publishing his last, unfinished words, he is, in a sense, delivering his predecessor’s magisterial testament.

Pope Leo XIV explained that he chose this name in order to “give more attention to social issues in the world, and to questions of justice, in a world radically changed by the development of artificial intelligence.”

While *Dilexi te* is an apostolic exhortation, Pope Leo XIV’s first encyclical, which is expected to focus on contemporary anthropological challenges, is due to be published in the coming months.

Link to the official text of the document: <https://tinyurl.com/4bt962fd>

May your weekend be calm and your week good!

*Bishop Wes*



### **Santo, Santo, Santo** (Holy, Holy, Holy) – 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)**

### **Cordeiro de Deus** (Lamb of God) – 9:00 a.m. Mass only

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**

#### **18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> October**

#### **29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

|                              | <b>6:00 p.m.</b>                      | <b>9:00 a.m.</b>                       | <b>11:00 a.m.</b>                    |
|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| <b>Communion Ministers</b>   | M.DaCosta, G.Zanol & <b>VOLUNTEER</b> | M.S-Matvey, C.Frias & <b>VOLUNTEER</b> | K.Garcia, Z.Moniz & <b>VOLUNTEER</b> |
| <b>Lector(s)</b>             | A. Lutkin                             | J. Blee & F. Medeiros                  | N. Pedro                             |
| <b>Song Leader</b>           | S. Abraham                            | R. Lopes                               | J. Mathias                           |
| <b>Mass Server(s)</b>        | A. Lutkin                             | R. Carreon                             | J. Lema & F. Virbert                 |
| <b>Hospitality Ministers</b> | R. & M. Simas                         | C. Moss & M.P. Silva                   | C. Veloso & O. de Frias              |
| <b>Gift Bearers</b>          | D. & K. Raymond                       | T. Botelho & Family                    | J. & L. Amaral                       |
| <b>Flowers Ministry:</b>     | Maria Luisa Pacheco                   |                                        |                                      |