

# 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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**Rev. Vladimir Sobolewski, CR**  
Pastor

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## PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

**Mr. Bruce Fox**  
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St. Vincent de Paul Society  
Representative

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

Stewardship Chairperson

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

**Confirmation Class**  
(To be determined)

(FHC classes scheduled to begin 18 January 2022)

## 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 from 7:00 p.m. in the Church

## CCD

Every Saturday during the school year  
From 8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in Church Hall  
(Suspended until further notice due to Covid-19 restrictions)

21<sup>st</sup> November 2021  
Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of the Universe  
Year B

## Introduction

As the liturgical year draws to a close, the church includes a yearly warning that this life on earth is transient, a trial run for all eternity. We are reminded that Jesus is not the king of nation states, but a servant who comes to redeem and inspire all humanity. He is a shepherd, a ruler of human hearts, and a king of truth and justice. Is this the year we will finally pay attention, surrender our dependence on temporal success and respond with the witness of our faithful lives?

## Mass Intentions

- Sat. 20 6:00 p.m. † Rosa Amat  
† Helen Hands
- Sun. 21 9:00 a.m. † Helen Collins  
† Mickey & Marcia Adderley  
† Charles Tatem
- 11:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Patrick's
- Mon. 22 8:00 a.m. † All Souls in Purgatory
- Tues. 23 8:00 a.m. † Audrey Horseman
- Wed. 24 8:00 a.m. † Audrey Horseman
- Thurs. 25 8:00 a.m. † Noel Gonsalves
- Fri. 26 8:00 a.m. † Joseph Rebelo
- Sat. 27 6:00 p.m. Parishioners of St. Patrick's
- Sun. 28 9:00 a.m. † Joseph & Theresa R. Madeiros  
† Jeffrey Castro  
† Fatima Madeiros
- 11:00 a.m. † Maria Rodrigues



## STEWARDSHIP

*Managing God's Gifts To Us*

### Stewardship or Treasure

Sunday/November Appeal last week:	\$7,005.00
Sunday Offerings to date:	\$150,626.00
Target Offerings (Week 45):	\$157,300.00
Poor Box:	\$233.00

### Weekly Stewardship Thought

Stewardship of our time and talent and treasure is not limited only to the Church. Especially during this season of Thanksgiving, many people give time and money to other groups in the community as well.

### Sunday/Special Offerings with Online Banking

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. Thank you for your continued financial support.



### St. Patrick's Facebook

Have you 'liked' us on Facebook yet? Also check out [www.romancatholicbermuda.bm](http://www.romancatholicbermuda.bm) for up-to-date Diocesan information. Follow Bishop Wes' daily reflections and hear the live-streamed Mass from the Cathedral, Monday through Friday at 7:30 a.m. and on Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

## Pastor's Reflection

The concepts of *kings* and *kingdoms* do not hold much significance in our modern world. Yet, the pomp of royalty still holds an attraction for many people. When Queen Elizabeth or anyone from the royal family visits, the media get excited and many watch the coverage on television. People are fascinated by the ceremonial pageantry.

Today's celebration of the Feast of Christ the King has nothing to do with earthly kingdoms or worldly power; rather, it gives us contrasting visions of kingship. John tells of Jesus on his throne—the Cross. Jesus was truly a king but offered himself for his people. His Kingdom is not of this world, he tells Pilate, and facing the howling mob, Jesus is still a regal figure, still in command. *For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth.*

For the Israelites, God was to be their one true King and his covenant with his people was one of love and support. John's Gospel continues to give us insight into the kingship of Christ. As Jesus stands before Pilate, he wears the symbols of kingship, the *crown* of thorns, and a *purple cloak*. John passes lightly over the gruesome details of the passion and death of Christ. He sees Jesus as the King on the throne he has chosen—the Cross. The words placed above Jesus are emphasized by John—*Jesus the Nazorean, the King of the Jews* (19:19).

There is no escaping the fact that Jesus is truly King, reigning from the Cross. This is the great sign of Christ's messianic role: Jesus, the Light that came into the world to scatter the darkness, still is radiant, offering salvation to all who will come to him.



### St. Patrick's November Appeal

The November Appeal continues until the end of the month. Thank you to everyone who has given their support to this Appeal. Donation envelopes remain located at the entrance to the Church.

### Book of Names of the Dead

At the base of the statue of St. Patrick, you will see displayed a large book called *The Book of the Names of the Dead*. The names of parishioners who have died during the past year have been inscribed inside this book and you are invited to add names of relatives and friends who have died. We will pray for these people at the Masses during the month of November.

### Prepare for Advent!

Advent begins next weekend with the celebration of the Advent Wreath. At this time, the new Missals will be introduced for the next Liturgical year (Cycle C).





### St. Patrick's Parish Council Seeking New Members

Have you ever thought you would like to know more about the Parish Council? Do you have some great ideas for the Church and are willing to roll up your sleeves and get to work? Have you ever considered joining the Council but weren't sure how to go about it? It's easy! Simply reach out to Becky DaPonte, Chairperson, at bekydaponte@outlook.com or call her at 292-7589 and tell her you are interested. Alternatively, see Fr. Vladimir after Mass and fill in a Stewardship Form and tick the box for the Parish Council. New members who are excited about their Church and their faith and who want to become actively involved are always welcome.



### Angel Tree Gift Deadline December 1

Every year St. Patrick's parishioners assist Prison Fellowship Bermuda with buying gifts for the children of incarcerated men and women in Bermuda through the Angel Tree programme.

For anyone who has taken a tag and purchased a gift, please remember to wrap it and attach the tag to the outside of the gift and return it to the church no later than **Wednesday, December 1**. This deadline allows volunteers the time to deliver the gifts to the children before Christmas.

Thank you very much for your generosity in helping Prison Fellowship make the lives of 65 children a little happier this Christmas.



### St. Vincent de Paul Society Christmas Vouchers Deadline November 30

The St. Vincent de Paul Society will once again be distributing food vouchers to those in need at Christmas. If you or a parishioner you know require a food voucher for the holiday season, please e-mail [svdp@northrock.bm](mailto:svdp@northrock.bm) or call 732-2060 and provide the recipient's name and telephone number, along with your name and contact number. **Deadline to receive names is Tuesday, November 30.** Food vouchers will be distributed by a SVDP representative beginning Monday, December 13. Thank you for your assistance in helping SVDP reach those in need.

### St. Theresa's Gift Shop

Stop by and visit the St. Theresa's Gift Shop on Laffan Street for greeting cards, books and bibles, Portuguese books, rosaries and statues. Come in and see their new shipment of Advent candles, wreaths, Christmas cards and calendars and so much more! Open Tuesdays and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thank you for your continued patronage of the Gift Shop.

### Christmas Mass Schedule 2021

After consulting with Deacon Matthew and Bruce Fox, and assuming that Covid-19 requirements will not result in any changes, Fr. Vladimir has decided to celebrate the Christmas Masses for this year as follows:

Friday, Dec. 24	Family Mass I	6:00 p.m.
	Family Mass II	8:00 p.m.
	Midnight Mass	12:00 a.m.
Saturday, Dec. 25	Christmas Day Mass	10:00 a.m.
Sunday, Dec. 26	Holy Family Mass	9 & 11 a.m.

### Sign-Up Sheets for Christmas Masses

As we prepare for the First Sunday of Advent, we are reminded that Christmas is not far off. Sign-up sheets have been placed at the entrance to the Church for volunteers to help with the Christmas Masses. Assistance is needed in all areas of Christmas ministry.



### Christmas Flower Donations

Envelopes are available at the entrance to the church for donations for flowers in memory of loved ones. The flowers will be used to decorate the church during the Christmas season and the names of your loved ones will be printed in the Christmas bulletin.



### PALS 2021 Annual Fair and Raffle Sales

It's that time of year again and PALS needs your help as they continue their mission to care for anyone in Bermuda living with a cancer diagnosis. Purchase your raffle tickets (\$10 each) by clicking "Donate" on the PALS website: <https://pals.bm/pals-raffle-tickets-10-each-amazing-prizes-copy-copy/>. Buy extra tickets and sell them to your family and friends. There are many great prizes to win! The draw will take place at the PALS 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Holiday Fair. Contact them at 236-PALS (7257) or e-mail: [info@pals.bm](mailto:info@pals.bm) for more information.

Smile for the Day! *Happy Thanksgiving!*



## The Bishop's Corner – Save the Children Report

My Dear Fellow-Catholics:

Save The Children has published a shocking report on poor children in Europe. Although Europe is considered to be one of the richest and most socially ambitious regions in the world, it turns out that it is unable to feed its own children. Twenty million young Europeans live in poverty. In Italy, the number of poor children has increased by 200,000 in comparison to last year. Large families and migrants are the most vulnerable.

According to Antonella Inverno from the Italian branch of Save The Children, the pandemic has visibly demonstrated that governments are ineffective in helping the most endangered environments. It is also worrying that child poverty is becoming a widespread problem in Europe. Also, in a country as prosperous as Germany, every fourth child is at risk of poverty. In Spain and Romania, every third child lives below the poverty line.

Even work is no longer safe from poverty. "In countries such as Spain or the Netherlands, forty percent of children at risk of poverty live in families where both parents have jobs. This shows that the class of so-called poor workers is still growing. Thus, problematic is both the quality of work and family policy, especially in relation to large or immigrant families. Moreover, material poverty is closely related to educational poverty. The rule that those who were not born into a privileged environment will have more and more problems with obtaining an appropriate education that would enable them to get out of poverty, is becoming more and more evident. It is related to the quality of education, health care, housing and food. The problem of food poverty has returned in Europe. Again, there are children who do not have at least one complete meal a day. In other words, children who are poor in childhood are most likely to be poor as adults as well."

Have a restful weekend and a blessed week!

*Bishop Wes*



## Responsorial Psalm – Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



### 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)**

### Caritas Poland Promises to Assist Migrants as Belarus Clears Camps on Border (Devin Watkins, *Vatican News*, 19 Nov 2021)

Belarus on Thursday cleared several migrant camps along its border with Poland, where thousands of people had huddled for weeks in the cold in hopes of entering the European Union nation. The first repatriation flight took off from Minsk airport on Thursday, taking hundreds of would-be migrants back to Iraq.

The move came after weeks of tensions along the Poland-Belarus border, and as the European Commission rejected a Belarus proposal that EU nations take in up to 2,000 migrants. Despite Belarus clearing the camps, Polish authorities announced Friday that around 250 people tried to cross the border into Poland over the previous 24 hours, down by half from the day before. Several EU countries and the United States have accused Belarus of flying the migrants to Minsk and shunting them to the border to put pressure on the EU. At least 10 migrants have died in the freezing temperatures, including a 1-year-old child...

In response to the crisis, the Catholic Church has been working to assist migrants, and promised to continue efforts on Thursday... The Church in Poland plans to hold a collection at this Sunday's Masses for migrants and refugees. Caritas has set up "Tents of Hope" in seven parishes in the Archdiocese of Białystok, near the border, to collect food, clothing, blankets, and anything that the needy might require.

(To read the full article, visit: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/church/news/2021-11/caritas-poland-help-migrants-belarus-border-crisis.html>)

### Ministry Schedule for Next Weekend

**27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> November 2021**      **1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent**

	<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>		<b>11:00 a.m.</b>
<u>Lector(s)</u>	C. Berlo	J. Blee	L. Frias	J. Amaral, Jr.
<u>Song Leader(s)</u>	J. Roberts	R. Lopes		D. Mutch
<u>Mass Server(s)</u>	N. Every      J. Every	T. Furtado	H. Furtado	C. Easton
<u>Hospitality Min(s)</u>	A. Bento      M. McAvoy	J. Furtado	T. Botelho	C. Faria
<u>Church Flowers</u>	Angelina Calouro			

**VOLUNTEER**