St. Patrick's Catholic Church

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National Shrine of our Mother of Perpetual Help Served by the Redemptorists since 1881

Mission Statement

"We are a welcoming, diverse, inner-city community of believers, united in the Catholic Faith. Through spirit-filled worship, education and outreach, we are called to live out the gospel in our contemporary world."

Pastoral Staff

Fr. Santo Arrigo, C.Ss.R - *Pastor* Fr. Edward Eherer, C.Ss.R. - *Associate Pastor* Irene Mihaljek - *Parish Administrator* Karen Keays - *Family and Children Coordinator* Loretta Conte - *Secretary* Maria Luxbacher - *German Community* John Pavao - *Maintenance/Caretaker* Nelson Franco - *Maintenance/Caretaker*



Pastoral Assistants

Fr. William Fitzgerald, C.Ss.R. Fr. Carl Schmidt, C.Ss.R. Fr. Joseph Ruta, C.Ss.R.

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 7:30 am & 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:30 am, 12:10 & 5:00 pm 10:00 am (German Mass) Mon. Tue. Thu. Fri.: 7:30 am & 12:10 pm

Charismatic Prayer Group

Thursdays at 7:00 pm (Entrance on St. Patrick Street)

St. Patrick's "Open Door"

Lunch Wednesdays will now be served once a month after the 12:00 noon devotions (Parish Hall)

Out of the Cold Sundays Nov. 19, 2017 to March 25, 2018

Meditation Group

Tuesdays 5:00pm – 6:00pm Choir Room in the Parish Hall (Entrance on St. Patrick Street)

Marriage

Engaged couples from St. Patrick's Parish should make an appointment with the Pastor one year prior to their wedding.

Fr. David Louch, C.Ss.R. Fr. Jacek Cydzik, C.Ss.R. Fr. Francis Nguyen, C.Ss.R

Mass and Devotions to our Mother of Perpetual Help

Wednesday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 12:00 pm 2:30 pm, 5:05 pm, 7:00 pm

PARISH ACTIVITIES

Legion of Mary Wednesdays at 1:30 pm

Rosary Prayer Ministry Monday to Friday after 7:30 am and Noon Mass Saturday after 7:30 am Mass

Justice and Service Group 3rd Sunday of the month, after the 12:10 Mass in the Neumann Hall.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism

Parents wishing to have a child baptized should contact the parish office at least 2 months prior to the baptism.

Office Hours

Monday - Friday9:00 am - 4:30 pmWednesday9:00 am - 7:00 pmSaturday & SundayCLOSEDClosed for Lunch12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

Confessions

Begin 45 minutes before Wed & Sun Masses except for 7:30am & 10am, and on 1st Fri of the month. No confessions Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri

Seniors Club 4th Saturday of the month, 2:30 to 4:30pm (Parish Hall)

Courage Group Tuesdays at 7:00 pm

Children's Liturgy Sundays during the 12:10 pm Mass in the Sacristy

R.C.I.A.

Adults wishing to be baptized or received into the Catholic Church should contact the parish office.

Wednesday: Open Door Lunch



Christmas Party with Santa Claus!

Please join us for a Christmas Festive Luncheon on **Wednesday December 6**th after the 12noon Novena Mass. There is no cost, however your Donations are appreciated to help defray the costs of food supplies.

German Men's Choir Harfentöne & St. Patrick's Contemporary Choir Experience the Traditions of Christmas!

With Guest Soloist: Susan Ryman. Join us on Sunday December 10th, 2:00 PM at St. Patrick's Church - 131 McCaul St. Admission: \$20.00, Students under 18: \$10.00, Children under 10: free. After the concert you are invited for coffee and cake in the Neumann Hall.

Getting on board with the ASHADEEP SCHOOL BUS! Ashadeep Giving Tree



With the beginning of Advent St. Patrick's Justice and Service Commission has once more set up the Giving Tree for Ashadeep by the St. Joseph's Altar. This year there is an urgent need to raise funds for a new school bus as we did in 2012. This bus, whose capacity is normally 18, now carries as many as 70 children on each of two pick up and delivery trips; the smaller car, which usually seats 10, is carrying 30. Some children have to get up at 5:00 AM in order to allow for the second pick up. At the end of the day, children are waiting for an hour at school before the trip home. The rented bus has broken down several times \ Advent, a time of hope and promise, to help the children of Ashadeep.

Give a gift from our Giving Tree this year. Simply take a gift and make a donation made using the envelope provided. The campaign will run until December 23rd.

As Fr. Francis, the Director of Asha Deep, said in his talk in September while he was visiting St. Patrick's, the children of Ashadeep pray every day for the parishioners of St. Patrick's and give thanks for this ongoing support.

We Thank You for our new Lighting, Pews and Church Furnishings!

It has been a full first week with all of our new Lights, Pews and Church furniture in place, and we have appreciated hearing all the **<u>positive</u>** feedback. We want to express our gratitude for the generosity of so many who have contributed to the project, especially the work of Parish Council who gave consultation and worked hard to get the project moving. We are also grateful for the financial contributions from parishioners. Through your generosity, we have currently raised \$380,000.00 of our total of \$440,000.00. Parish Funds from the Family of Faith Campaign and the Gift Shop helped to offset the funds required. **The vast majority of funds raised for these projects were from parishioners.** THANK YOU, DANKE SCHÖN and SALAMAT PO for helping to see these projects come to fruition! Gee, what should we do next? Our Family of Faith wish list does include re-doing the flooring in the Church..... Carpet? Tile? We will see what the new year brings! Blessing and Thanks! Fr. Santo

A look ahead at St. Pat's!

December 2017

Dec 6th Open Door Lunch, following the 12:00noon Novena Mass Dec 10th Christmas Concert in the Church beginning at 2pm Dec 13th IGNITE! Young Adult visit to AGO 6pm

For more information on these upcoming events visit <u>www.stpatrickstoronto.ca</u> or the Parish Bulletin

Out of the Cold has begun

Out of the Cold is an opportunity for St. Patrick's community to welcome our brothers and sisters who call the streets their home for Sunday dinner, a warm place to share in fellowship, and for some, a warm place to sleep. We typically welcome up to 250 people for dinner and house 80 people for overnight. Support for our program is entirely through the generosity of donors that help to make our program one of welcome and compassion. One evening costs \$1500. Financial contributions to the program can be made to "*St. Patrick's Church – Out of the Cold Program.*" You can use the envelopes provided at the back of the Church.

St. Patrick's Church

131 McCaul St. Toronto - (416) 598-3269 Christmas & New Year's Mass Schedule

Note: All Masses are in English unless indicated otherwise

Saturday Dec. 23: 7:30 am, 5 pm (4th Sunday of Advent) Sunday Dec. 24: 8:30 am, 10 am (*German*), 12:10 pm (4th Sunday of Advent)

Sunday Dec. 24: CHRISTMAS EVE MASSES

5 pm, 8 pm, 10 pm (German), 12 am - Midnight Mass

Monday, Dec. 25: CHRISTMAS DAY 8:30 am, 10:00 am (German), 12:10 pm, (No evening Mass)

Tuesday, Dec. 26: BOXING DAY - 9:00 am

Wednesday, Dec. 27: Mother of Perpetual Help Novena Masses 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 12 pm, 2:30 pm, 5:05 pm, 7 pm Thursday Dec. 28: 7:30 am, 12:10 pm Friday Dec. 29: 7:30 am, 12:10 pm Saturday Dec. 30: 7:30 am, 5 pm (Feast of Holy Family) Sunday Dec. 31: 8:30 am 10 am (*German*), 12:10 pm, and 5 pm (Feast of Mary Mother of God)



Monday, Jan. 1, 2018: NEW YEARS DAY – Feast of Mary, Mother of God 8:30 am, 10 am (*German*), 12:10 pm (*No evening Mass*)

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Redevelopment of 131 McCaul St!

You may have seen the signs outside around the Church Office, by the Day Care entrance and on St. Patrick Street about the development of the lands at 131 McCaul Street. You might recall that a couple of years ago, the Redemptorists informed the parish that we were entering into dialogue with potential developers for the redevelopment of the property which is owned by the Redemptorist Community (not by the parish). Currently, the property is being used by the parish and by the Catholic Settlement House Day Care. As we look at the development of a condominium, we are still committed to the development of new space for our Parish Offices, new ministry facilities as well as space for a Day Care Centre. As the posters indicate, we are only at the phase of consultation with the local community. If you reside close by, you will be invited to those opportunities to learn about the project. We are grateful to Tribute Communities for their work with us to further this project along. As I'm sure you can appreciate, we are far from getting a shovel in the ground. But we wanted to update you on this project.

IGNITE! Young Adults (19-39) Inspired Art – AGO Tour Wednesday December 13th

Meet up in front of St. Patrick's Church at 6:00pm

What better way to spend a Wednesday night than to get a unique tour of one of the most important collections at the Art Gallery of Ontario for free. Enjoy an evening of discovery and discussion as we explore the sacred art and religious objects nestled within The Thompson Collection of Canadian and European works. IGNITE will be getting an exclusive tour of the collection to learn about some of its most significant pieces, from sacred Medieval enamel and ivory works to Medieval and Renaissance devotional diptychs. Forget Santa Claus and elves for a moment; we invite you to lead into the advent season inspired by veritable symbols of Christianity and faith.

Join us for this new, special activity as we prepare for Christmas celebration.

Please RSVP ignite@stpatrickstoronto.ca or on Meet Up!

PRAY FOR THE SICK, ESPECIALLY: Lynn Wise, Maynard Farrol, Jo-Lynn Grimaldi, George Koss, Lita de Guzman, Robert Jose Bayani, Claire Scott, Salvacion Stuart, Beth Reyes, Joji Quimbao, Lily Ovejas, Antonio Lim, Patricia Man, Divine Marasigan, Alfred Pardinez, Marie Melo, Nol Tejada, Nonita Deocades, Jesus Duque, Tony Pilien, Amy Pe Benito, Mark Castillo, Camille Datiles, Efren Laserna, Rina Deocades, Vivian See, Tony, Joe Caira, Wayne Pinney, Filomena Pulsinelli, Anna Maria, Coco Tarape Diaz, Luigi Bartelone, Jacqueline Palermo, Nattie Gibson, Loreta Tempesta, Lannie Bartolome, Giovanna Tersigni, Gona Kotsopoulos, Sol Almaria, Jun Macabulos, Sigrid Plamenco, Oliphant D'Souza, Veri Rico, Shalini Expedith, Lucy Fletcher, Mieldan Macayan Vergara, Gabrielle Montaigneld, Amelia Roque, Jolly Jayag, Eddie Jayag, Joe Jayag, Jocelyn Tierra, Norma Caballero, Myrna Modomo, Maria Hontanar, Eileen Modomo, Ma. Christina Bruno, Esmenia Modomo, Mila Capati, Maria Estela Preciosa, Elaisa Cepe, Dominica Trentadue, Fr. Tamerlane Lana, Mrs. P. Pavao, Jackie Pavao, Erik Mandapat, Ligaya Kelly, Emily de la Cruz, Grace Aquino, Michelle MacKenzie, Armenia Garcia, Jill Lucas, Linda Tormon, Florentina Palma, Joel Palma, Lorna & Romeo Bello, Rosa Guiam, Krystel Agnone, Gladys Lucas.

FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED, ESPECIALLY: Kuya Bert Tan, Gregoria Reyes, Mrs. Maron, Anna Glejdura, Monica Bohunchar, Tobias Enverga, Erlinda Capao, Denise Plamenco, Pedro de Guzman, Zocimo de Vina, Jim Strikwerda, Rosemary Carating, Velasio De Paolis, Bill Pastushak,



MONDAY DEC 4, 2017

7:30am +Wilfred Wolfe 12:10pm +Agrinoalda Couto

TUESDAY DEC 5, 2017

7:30am Rosemary Piacentini, 80th Birthday Blessings 12:10pm +Santana Rosario Fernandes

WEDNESDAY DEC 6, 2017

7:30am Francis D'Silva, Thanksgiving 9:30am **(Deceased)** +Procopio & +Sofia Parazo & +Jose Ambatali, +All Souls in Purgatory, +Cunsuelo Rivero, +Paul Frendo-Cumbo, +Rene Camerino 12:00pm +Deceased members of St. Patrick's German

Congregation. 2:30pm +John Amaral

5:05pm (**Deceased)** +Theresa McGowan, +Chow Yiu Ho, +Lakomcik Family, +Beysovec Family, +Jin Ren Liu 7:00pm +Chow Yiu Ho

THURSDAY DEC 7, 2017

7:30am Lilia Riva 12:10pm James Garrity, Intentions

FRIDAY DEC 8, 2017

7:30am Andreina Arayatha, Thanksgiving 12:10pm +Rose Coffey

SATURDAY DEC 9, 2017

7:30am +Ann Thakur 5:00pm Felix & Christina Uy & Family

SUNDAY DEC 10, 2017

8:30am +Deceased members of the Pulumbarit & +Carijutan Families.

12:10pm For the Intentions of the Parishioners of St. Patrick's Church

5:00pm +Living & Deceased members of the Kiley & McLaughlin families.

ON VISION TV - DAILY MASS at 8:00am & 12:00noon Devotions to Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Wednesdays at 8:30 am and 12:30 pm This Week:

> Wednesday Dec 6, 2017 Marian Talk: Amber Zolk "Mary as my Guide" Homilist: Fr. Mark Miller, C.Ss.R. "Loving God"

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