

St. Patrick's Catholic Church

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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. Thomas O'Rourke, C.Ss.R. - **Pastor**

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Pastoral Assistance

Fr. William Fitzgerald, C.Ss.R.

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Fr. Steve Morrissey, C.Ss.R.

Fr. Joy Thottamkara, C.Ss.R.

Fr. Joseph Khai, C.Ss.R.

Fr. William Comerford, C.Ss.R.

Fr. Charles Duval, C.Ss.R.

Temporary Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am, 11:00 am & 5:00 pm

Mon. Tue. Thu. Fri.: 12:10 pm

There will be no 7:30 am masses and no confessions on Wednesdays, or immediately prior to Sunday masses.

Mass and Devotions to our Mother of Perpetual Help

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

Office Hours

Monday: Closed

Tuesday-Friday: 9 am-4:00 pm by appointment only

Saturday & Sunday: CLOSED

Closed for Lunch: 12:00 pm-1:00 pm

Temporary Confession Schedule

Saturday 3:00 pm-4:00 pm

Tuesday 11:00 am-11:45 am

Thursday 11:00-11:45am

Adoration and Holy Hour

Every First Friday of the month following the
12:10 pm Mass. Confession available from
11:00 am-11:45 am

SACRAMENTS

Marriage

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

Baptism

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

R.C.I.A.

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

Dear parishioners,

I hope and pray that you are staying healthy – both physically and spiritually.

Since June, Catholic churches throughout the Archdiocese have been St. Patrick's Parish has been open for mass with on a daily basis with an opportunity for private prayer one hour before each mass and confessions three times each week. We continue to work diligently following guidance from public health authorities to make the environment safe for all.

As I'm sure you are aware, our parish relies on the support of our parishioners to operate – salaries, programs and ongoing operating costs (heating, water, electricity, snow-clearing, etc.). These are funded through the generosity of our parish community.

Since we were able to open the church last June, our mass attendance has decreased considerably due to capacity limits in the church, and also because of those who do not yet feel comfortable attending "in person". Up until recently, we have benefited greatly from the Canada Employment Wage Subsidy which has provided up to 75% of our staff's wages, but that support is scheduled to diminish this month.

Here are the ways that you can continue to support our parish at this time:

- **Drop off or mail** your regular weekly offertory contribution to the parish office (there is now a mail slot in the office door).
- We can now accept **credit card donations at the parish office**. Please call to make an appointment. Unfortunately are not able to take credit card donations over the phone.
- Visit our **Donate Now** page by [clicking here](#) and select the region for our parish from the map. You will be taken to a page that allows you to choose your parish, amount of your gift – one-time or recurring and payment method – credit card or chequing account.
- You can contribute to the offertory via **On-line banking** – similar to how you may be paying your utility bills. To do this, the Archdiocese will need to send you your unique account number. Please e-mail them at campaign@archtoronto.org. In the body of the email provide them with your name, address, parish name and municipality. They will email you your account information which you can use to set up the Archdiocese of Toronto as a payee in your on-line banking. Your gift will be forwarded to the parish. You can make a one-time or recurring gift to your offertory. This is the most cost-effective way to donate electronically

If you have any questions please contact St. Patrick's Parish Office at 416-598-3269 or secretary@stpatrickstoronto.ca, or, the Development Office at the Archdiocese of Toronto, [416-934-3400](tel:416-934-3400), [ext. 540](tel:416-934-5400) or development@archtoronto.org.

Thank you for your many contributions and generous support of our parish community.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Tom O'Rourke,

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Church Hours

The church will be open one hour prior to the beginning of mass. One exception will be for those who wish to go to Confession on Saturday afternoons between 3 and 4pm. The church may not be left open, unsupervised, at this time.

Parish Office

The parish office is open Tuesday – Friday 9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm **by appointment only!** The office will remain closed on Mondays. To make an appointment please call us at 416-598-3269 or email the parish office at secretary@stpatrickstoronto.ca Please do not come to the office without an appointment. Only one person would be allowed to enter in the office at one time because of social distancing. Due to municipal by-law, and the Archdiocese of Toronto masks or face coverings are **mandatory**. Please remember to visit our website at www.stpatrickstoronto.ca for updated information.

Church Capacity

Please note the maximum capacity at St Patrick's, after factoring in physical distancing, is 162 people. Parish will use "first come, first seated" seating system. Doors will open one hour before Mass begins. Once all spaces are full, the doors will have to be closed. The church cannot be left unattended. Doors will open one hour before Mass and close immediately after Mass for sanitizing. Parking lot is open for Mass/Confession only and the gate will be locked once Mass is over.

Mass Bookings

We are now booking Announced and Unannounced Masses on Wednesdays from 10am-12pm and 12:30pm-7pm in the Neumann Hall. Entrance to Neumann Hall is located at the side of the building same entrance as the relocated Religious Gift Shop.

Out of the Cold Program

St. Patrick's Out of the Cold has part of the cooperative Out of the Cold Program in downtown Toronto for approximately the past 30 years. Each winter many faith and community-based organizations have banded together to ensure that on any night of the week people can find shelter, a meal and a bed as an alternative to sleeping outdoors and going hungry. In recent years St. Patrick's has provided hot for approximately 250 people and offered overnight shelter for 80 people.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the program was shut down last March, as were the other Out of the Cold programs in the GTA. Since then, the circumstances with the virus have not changed. As a result, we will not be serving dinner and providing accommodations to our guests at St. Patrick's for the 2020-21 season. However, to help as many homeless guests and people facing food insecurity as possible, we will be preparing meals at St. Patrick's which will then be served by two agencies (Good Shepherd Ministries on Queen St. and the St. Felix Centre on Augusta) at their locations by local staff. It is estimated that we will need to provide meals to feed approximately 500 people each week.

St. Patrick's Out of the Cold operates through the kindness of generous donors. To make a financial contribution, envelopes for Out of the Cold are available in the church and may be deposited with the offertory collection at masses on Sundays or Wednesdays. Donations may also be placed in any the four Prayer Intention boxes along the counters at the back of the church or sent to the parish through the mail. **Please make cheques payable to "St. Patrick's Church – Out of the Cold Program"**. For your added convenience, you may now donate by credit card through the parish office. Please call first to arrange an appointment as we are not able to process credit cards over the phone.

Tax receipts are available for all donations at the end of the year.

For more information, please see the parish website under the heading "Ministries" or contact Julia Pelenyi, Director, at ootc@stpatrickstoronto.ca



MASSES OF THE WEEK

MONDAY OCTOBER 19, 2020

12:10pm Nelson & Carla Franco, Anniversary Blessing

TUESDAY OCTOBER 20, 2020

12:10pm Vera, Birthday Blessings

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 21, 2020

9:30am (Deceased) +Renato Camerino, +Maria Aczel

12:00pm Sol Legaspi, Special Intentions

2:30pm +Carolina Castro Santos

5:05pm (Deceased) +Romeo Paca, +Souls in Purgatory

7:00pm Salvacion Stuart

THURSDAY OCTOBER 22, 2020

12:10pm Teresa Tong & Cynthia Adolfo, Birthday Blessings

FRIDAY OCTOBER 23, 2020

12:10pm +For all Souls

SATURDAY OCTOBER 24, 2020

5:00pm Felix & Christina Uy & family

SUNDAY OCTOBER 25, 2020

8:30am Christopher LaCuesta, Birthday Blessings

11:00am For the Intentions of the Parishioners

5:00pm +Renato Camerino

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 October 21, 2020

Marian Talk: Joanne Chiasson

"Special Comfort"

Homilist: Carmen Moore

"Pew Research"

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