

Saint Patrick Basilica Parish

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Office Hours – Monday to Friday 10 am to 12:15 pm | 12:45 pm to 3 pm

Church Open – Sunday 7 am to 3 pm & 6 pm to 8 pm | Monday to Saturday 6 am to 6 pm

Book & Gift Shop – Please call for hours – 613 233-1125 ext 550 - stpgiftsandbooks.ca

Parish Clergy

Msgr. Kevin Beach, Rector; Fr. Stephen Amesse, Associate Rector; Fr. Larry McCormick, In Residence; Fr. Joseph Jacob, In Residence; Fr. Daryl Kennedy, Assisting; Fr. Martin Farrell, O.P., Assisting; Fr. Jerry Gauvreau, CC, assisting; Deacon Jim Scheer; Deacon Michel Pilon; Deacon Bob Farmer

Parish Staff

Irene Kibel, Parish Secretary; Francesca Bailey, Music Director; Andrée O'Donnell, Pastoral Worker; Carol Reaume, Book & Gift Shop Manager; Rob Renaud, Property Superintendent; Shawn Green, Custodian

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Alex Ayala, Paul Newcombe (Chair), Alba Pascual, Nathalie Watson, Msgr. Kevin Beach (Rector), Fr. Stephen Amesse (Associate Rector), Deacon Jim Scheer

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Parish Pastoral Council Priorities

1. Ensuring our church fully supports parishioners' spiritual journey
2. Offering strong doctrinal knowledge
3. Encouraging the joyful giving of volunteer time
4. Inspiring youth with truth in doctrine and virtues
5. Supporting parents' faith education of their children
6. Leading outreach to the needy
7. Building confidence in Catholic guidance to answer political and cultural issues

Sunday Eucharists

Saturday Vigil 4:30 pm
Sunday 8 am, 9:30 am, 11 am, 12:15 pm
& 7 pm

Daily Eucharists

Monday to Friday – 7 am, 8 am,
12:15 pm & 4:30 pm
Saturday Morning – 7 am & 8 am

Confessions

Monday to Saturday - 6:45 am & 7:45 am
Monday to Friday - 11:45 am & 4 pm
Saturday afternoon - 3:30 pm to 4:25 pm

Prayer & Devotions

- First Friday - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after the 12:15 pm Mass until Benediction before the 4:30 pm Mass
- First Saturday - Morning Prayer at 7:30 am
- Miraculous Medal Novena - Tuesday 4:30 pm
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena - Wednesday 4:30 pm

Lending Library

Consult the hours posted at the entrance in the Scavi

General Information

- For the celebration of baptisms, marriages and funerals, please contact the Parish Office
- Couples planning to marry should contact the Parish Office at least six months before their proposed date of marriage
- For baptism or marriage, a Catholic must be a registered parishioner or have the consent of their own pastor
- For a list of ministries, services and contacts, please visit the parish web site – www.basilica.ca



Catholic Cemeteries

Hope Cemetery

613 822-1212
Traditional – Mausoleum – Crypts
& Niches – Catholic Chapel –
Reception Hall

Notre-Dame Cemetery

613 746-4175
Traditional – Niches – Monuments

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The Baptism of the Lord



The Baptism of the Lord

Feast

January 10, 2021

† – For the repose of the soul of the person(s) indicated

Saturday 9th January

4:30 PM Sunday Vigil Mass: Deceased members of the O'Connor family by the family

Saturday 16th January

4:30 PM Sunday Vigil Mass: † Dr. John M. O'Brien by his daughter, Mary E. O'Brien.

Meditations on Holy Mass Baptism of the Lord (B)

First reading: Isaiah 42.1-4, 6-7 CCC 713; 580

Here is my chosen servant in whom my soul delights.

Second reading: Acts 10.34-38 CCC 761, 781; 1289

The Lord anointed him with the Holy Spirit.

Gospel: Matthew 3.13-17 CCC 1223; 608; 536; 1224

When Jesus had been baptized he saw the Spirit of God coming upon him.

In the *first reading*, the prophet foretells the universal mission of God's anointed. The Messiah is to be "a light to the nations". He is God's chosen, in whom the Lord delights. In the *Gospel*, St. Matthew tells us how Jesus fulfills this prophecy. St. Matthew writes of the voice from heaven that said, "This is my Son, the beloved." In the *second reading*, St. Luke stresses that Christ's mission is to save the whole world. "God shows no partiality"; "he is Lord of all".

Before Mass: *The Saviour came to be baptized. He, the second Adam, renewed our corrupted nature by the waters of baptism, and he clothed us in a garment that can never perish. (First Vespers)*

After Mass: *Christ is baptized and the whole world is made holy; he wipes out the debt of our sins; we will all be purified by water and the Holy Spirit. (Lauds)*

Later in the day: *Jesus Christ has loved us and has purified us from our sins in his blood. He has made us a kingdom and priesthood for God and his Father. To him be glory and kingly power for ever. (Second Vespers)*

SAINT PATRICK'S BOOK & GIFT SHOP CORNER

Please note that the Book and Gift Shop will remain closed until January 23.

The online webstore is accepting and fulfilling orders at <https://www.stpgiftsandbooks.ca/>.

RECENT SAINT PATRICK'S BASILICA CELEBRATIONS:

Our congratulations and prayers accompany the family of **Nola Maura McKay**, who was baptized in our Basilica.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Ecaterini Betsis**. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord!

Parish News

Please pray for the sick, infirm and hospitalized of our parish, especially **Fr. Peter Cody, Pearl Hunnisett, Ambrose Atkins, Stewart Cook, Raul Carvalho, and Zella Burt**, as well as for those recovering from the corona virus and for those who are caring for them.

Offerings Envelopes For 2021: The box sets are now available for 2021. If you had a set in 2020, you can retrieve the new set by one of 3 ways: **1.** They are arranged in alphabetical order for pickup in the baptistery – please remember to keep social distance; **2.** Come to the Parish Office during the week and someone will retrieve your box for you; or, **3.** The box can be sent to you by Canada Post – please contact the Parish Office by email at info@basilica.ca, or by telephone at 613-233-1125. If you did not have a set for 2020 and would like a set for 2021, please contact the Parish Office.

First Confession & First Communion 2021: This is an initial request to families who may have a child who plans to celebrate First Confession and First Communion in 2021, and is in Grade 2 or 7 years of age and older. Due to continuing pandemic restrictions, we anticipate that there will be remote preparation. Resources and material will be provided for parents who will need to teach their child, with the assistance of our catechists. If families plan to celebrate the sacraments in 2021, please send an email to the parish office – info@basilica.ca. Please note that your family must be registered parishioners in order to participate in our program.

Confirmation 2021: Classes will begin on **Saturday, January 23, 2021** and will continue into May 2021. These classes are required for children of registered parents in our parish who wish to be confirmed. If you wish to have your child, who is at least in Grade 6, prepared for Confirmation in 2021, please contact Saint Patrick's parish office by email at info@basilica.ca or phone at 613-233-1125.

Under the current circumstances, in-person classes at Saint Patrick's Basilica are not planned for 2021. The hope is that candidates will have electronic means to participate in classes. Further details will be provided as interest and circumstances are reviewed.

TAX RECEIPTS 2020: Our plan is to produce tax receipts for donations made during the year 2020, by the end of January or first week in February. Given the limitations imposed by public health orders, we will be mailing tax receipts. To ensure that you receive your receipt, if you moved over the past year, please advise the Parish Office of your new coordinates – info@basilica.ca, or by phone to 613 233-1125 extension 519.

Seniors Corner

Our goal is to stay connected and create a community where we can share in our thoughts, feelings and experiences when having some fun and learning about important aspects of our lives that are real today.

If you wish to participate, we would ask you to register with the parish. To do so, please register on our parish web site – <https://www.basilica.ca/seniors-corner> – or by calling the Parish Office at 613 233-1125.

Message from the Rector

Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ,

This Sunday celebrating the Baptism of the Lord, with the Second Vespers of Sunday, we conclude the Christmas Season. On Monday, we will return to weeks of Ordinary Time until the celebration of Ash Wednesday on February 17, which begins the Season of Lent. On behalf of our parish community, I want to extend thanks to the many members of our community who contributed their talents and time for our Christmas celebrations. Even though we did not have choirs (usually a highlight of our Christmas liturgies), our soloists at the Christmas Masses did a splendid job, under the direction of our Music Director Francesca Bailey. The Christmas decor was organized and installed by Carolyne and Michael Ferrigan, with the assistance of Elizabeth Fortin. As they faithfully do each Sunday, a team of sacristans, ushers, altar servers, lectors and Eucharistic ministers attended to the good order and beauty of the church and Masses.

On behalf of our parish clergy, I note our appreciation for the many Christmas kindnesses that we received. I extend my personal thanks to the parishioners who offered Christmas wishes and gifts. Your kindness and generosity are most of all gestures of encouragement and support – always appreciated by a pastor.

In the light of controversy connected with the sources of the vaccine now being offered as protection against the COVID virus pandemic, a note from the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, which was approved by Pope Francis, gives approval to the use of vaccines produced with cell lines derived from two fetuses aborted in the 1960s. The note from the Congregation is consistent with the moral reasoning of our Catholic tradition: "All vaccinations recognized as clinically safe and effective can be used in good conscience with the certain knowledge that the use of such vaccines does not constitute formal cooperation with the abortion from which the cells used in production of the vaccines derive ... the morally licit use of these types of vaccines, in the particular conditions that make it so, does not in itself constitute a legitimation, even indirect, of the practice of abortion, and necessarily assumes the opposition to this practice by those who make use of these vaccines." (Source: Vatican News – December 21/20)

On March 19, the fifth anniversary of Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris laetitia*, on the joy and beauty of familial love, Pope Francis will inaugurate the Year "Amoris Laetitia Family," which will conclude on June 26, 2022 on the occasion of the Tenth World Meeting of Families in Rome. The Year "Amoris Laetitia Family" is intended to spread the message of *Amoris laetitia*, and it is in that exhortation that the objectives of the Year can be found. The first is to share the content of the exhortation more widely, in order to help people "experience the Gospel of the family as a joy that fills hearts and lives (*Amoris laetitia*, 200)."

A second objective is to announce the precious value of the sacrament of marriage, which has "in itself a transforming power of human love." Further objectives include enabling "families to become active agents of the family apostolate," and making "young people aware of the importance of formation in the truth of love and in the gift of self." Lastly, there is an invitation to broaden the vision and action of pastoral care for the family during the Year ... including married couples, children and young people, the elderly, and those in difficult family situations. (Source: Vatican News – December 27/20)

Fr. Kevin

Stewardship — 2020 Summary			
For the period of December 7 to December 31, 2020			
Fund	Operations	Restoration	Poor
Offerings	105,136	17,189	4,241
Budget 2020	67,760	16,940	3,981

Thank you for your faithful and generous support throughout 2020!

PRAYER OF POPE FRANCIS ON THE 150th ANNIVERSARY OF THE PROCLAMATION OF SAINT JOSEPH AS PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH

Pope Francis has decreed a special year dedicated to Saint Joseph on the occasion of the 150th anniversary of the proclamation of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. It began December 8, 2020 and will end on December 8, 2021.

PATRIS CORDE: WITH A FATHER'S HEART

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.



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