

We are a vibrant and engaged faith community committed to building up one another in Christ.

We are nourished by the sacraments, and our shared service to one another and the wider community.

SEPTEMBER 1, 2024 TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME						
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	 † Frank Chiarelli † Helen Anne Smith † Agnes, † Douglas, † Francis, and † Roseline Wijesekera 				
Sunday	9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	 Parish All Souls Intention People of the Parish				
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Birthday blessing for Daniel and Barry				
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	• † Bernard Chan				
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	• † Marta Dudley				
Friday	9:00 a.m.	• † Parish All Souls Intention				
Reconciliation	<u>1</u> - Saturdays 4 – 4	4:45 p.m. in the sacristy or by appointment				

Let your heart reflect God's love, beyond mere appearances.

PSALM

The one who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord. - Psalm 15

READINGS

First Reading – Deuteronomy 4: 1-2, 6-8 Second Reading – James 1: 17-18, 21-22, 27

Gospel – Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23

September 3
Saint
Gregory the
Great, Pope
and Doctor



GOSPEL REFLECTION

In this gospel reading, Jesus confronts the Pharisees for prioritizing rituals over the true condition of the heart. He teaches that true purity comes not from external actions but from within. Jesus challenges us to look beyond mere appearances and traditions, urging us to examine the state of our hearts.

The gospel reading reminds us that evil thoughts and actions originate from within, and it's our hearts that need cleansing, not just our hands. True holiness isn't about outward conformity but about aligning our hearts with God's will. Jesus calls us to a deeper transformation, one that begins inside, where God's love can shape our thoughts, words, and actions.

In our lives, let us focus on cultivating a heart that reflects God's love, seeking sincerity and purity in our relationship with Him and others.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER

For the cry of the Earth

We pray that each one of us will hear and take to heart the cry of the Earth and of victims of natural disasters and climactic change, and that all will undertake to personally care for the world in which we live.

THE SEASON OF CREATION 2024

The Season of Creation 2024 begins on September 1, the Feast of Creation, and ends 4 October, the Feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, the patron Saint of ecology beloved by many Christian denominations. The theme for Season of Creation this year is "To hope and act with Creation", and the symbol is "The firstfruits of hope", inspired by Romans 8:19-2.

GRATITUDE FOR YOUR GENEROSITY



Dear Parishioners: A heartfelt Thank you for your generosity in helping our area School Children with School supplies and Backpacks etc.

The smiles on the faces of those children who receive these items will be heartwarming! Thank you so very much,

The Ladies of St. Patrick's CWL

A WORD OF THANKS AND FAREWELL, AND A WORD OF WELCOME

It is with heartfelt gratitude that I, the office staff, and parishioners extend our thanks to Leah Moore who has been a member of the parish staff since the spring of 2017. Leah is retiring after seven years as our Administrative Assistant and valued colleague in pastoral work. Taking on new and challenging responsibilities from her first days in the office, Leah worked tirelessly and effectively creating and sustaining ministries and outreach, assisting parishioners in person, on the phone, and by email. Ever cheerful and always helpful, Leah has been a welcoming presence to those who came to the office requesting Mass intentions, were preparing for sacraments, or looking for information of all kinds (parish history, the cemetery, baptism certificates, etc.).

Leah has been a tremendous source of encouragement and help to me and to the parish and parishioners throughout her time in our office, but especially during the pandemic and the gradual re-opening of the church and all that that entailed. We have been blessed to have Leah in the office and as a member of our parish team. On behalf of the staff and parishioners of St. Patrick Parish, I wish Leah a wonderful, happy, and fulfilling retirement.

With Leah's retirement, we are now welcoming Anita MacNeil, a long-time member of our parish, who will be taking on the role of Sacraments and Parish Life Coordinator. With this title, Anita will be overseeing the many aspects of sacramental preparation (baptism, reconciliation, eucharist, confirmation, and marriage) that take place in our parish. As Parish Life Coordinator, Anita will oversee the day-to-day administration of the office ensuring that the needs and requests of parishioners are addressed and met. And while we are sad to say farewell to Leah, we are happy to welcome Anita to the office team. I know you, the parishioners of this great community, will extend to Anita your own words of welcome as she takes up her new role in our parish.

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Join the Knights of Columbus and fellow parishioners for the first community breakfast of the season on Sunday, September 15, following the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Admission at the door is \$8 per adult, \$4 per child, with children 3 years and under eating free. Families can enjoy a maximum rate of \$25. Expect a delicious meal, as always. We look forward to seeing you there!

ALPHA PROGRAM

Alpha is back! Join us for this exciting faith series that explores the big questions of life. It's an opportunity to meet new people, share a meal and discover more about the Christian faith. We will be offering this program in the Parish Hall, starting on Thursday, September 19 at 6:00 p.m., and continuing until the last Thursday of November. To register, e-mail Anne-Marie



Goodman at: mailto:malphastpatricksfallowfield@gmail.com, or fill out the registration form on the website.

PARISH FALL FESTIVAL

The Pastoral Council, in collaboration with the Knights of Columbus and the CWL, invites all parishioners to our first annual Fall Festival on Sunday, September 22nd. The day will begin with coffee and a Ministry Fair in the church hall at 10 a.m., followed by an outdoor Mass at 11 a.m., which will replace the usual Sunday 11 a.m. Mass. Please bring your own lawn chairs, and feel free to bring extras as well. After Mass, join us for a BBQ and fun



outdoor activities for the children, including a mobile zoo, bouncy castle, and more! This festival marks the start of our new Pastoral Year. We look forward to celebrating this special parish day with all of you. See our website for more details.

CHURCH GROUNDS RESTORATION FUNDRAISER



This summer, we started a fundraising campaign to replace the trees we've lost on our church property over the past few years. Your continued support will help renew our church grounds and create a serene environment for everyone. If you'd like to donate to our tree replacement fund, please contact the office. Every contribution is appreciated.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME WITH FATHER PAUL

This coming March, join Fr. Paul for a week-long pilgrimage to Rome to celebrate the year of Jubilee. Pray in the Seven Pilgrimage Churches; enter the four Papal Basilicas through the Holy Doors (opened only during Jubilee Years); and visit Assisi, to see the holy sites of St. Francis' life and the church of his burial. Join us from **March 12 – 20, 2025**. Cost is \$4,799 pp./double. Early bird pricing until September 13! For more information, please visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1277737.



ST. PATRICK, FALLOWFIELD CEMETERY GROTTO



Construction of our grotto honouring the Blessed Virgin is ongoing. Once completed, it will become the centerpiece of our expanded cemetery - a source of pride for our parish faith community. We are hoping to create a volunteer group, who will care for, maintain, and fundraise for the grotto. One volunteer has already come on board. We are seeking a second volunteer to assume the role of coleader to provide "liftoff" and direction going forward. Please contact Rob Stamper at docshaman23@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering with this group.

COME WALK WITH US!



Celebrate the 9 a.m. Mass at St. Patrick's Fallowfield and pilgrimage to St. Mary's Parish, Ottawa. Pilgrims who have joined us in the past are Fr. Mark Goring, the Servants of the Cross and the Queenship of Mary Community and people from around Ottawa.

The 24 km walk will take approximately 7 hours, leaving 9:45am and concluding with a potluck reception at St. Mary's Parish.

Follow the link or visit our website for Pilgrimage details and signup: route, shuttle need or volunteer, optional start/finish points, potluck dish/volunteer cleanup. https://tinyurl.com/y3upd9nm

OKTOBERFEST - OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION

Enjoy a delicious Pork Schnitzel Dinner with red cabbage, potato salad and apple strudel dessert at Our Lady of the Visitation Banquet Hall 5338 Bank Street. **Saturday Sept 14.** Doors open at 5:30. There will be a licensed bar available. Dinner is at 6:30 and dancing starts at 7:30. Round tables seating 8 to 10. Tickets \$35 pp. For prepaid orders, please call 613-822-2007 or office@olvottawa.ca. Limited takeout @ \$25 pp. Proceeds will go to church restoration.

HELP TO GROW OUR PARISH

Do you share our passion for this parish? When people seek to join a parish, they often begin their search on Google. By enhancing our parish's Google rating, you can play a pivotal role in drawing in new parishioners. Join us in spreading the love for our community! Click here and leave us a positive review.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

We are expanding our social media presence! <u>Click here for easy access to all our social accounts</u>. Your support means the world to us—let's grow our faith community together, this is just beginning!

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The Choir (which sings during the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass) practices on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the church.

The Legion of Mary meets Wednesday mornings in the McGivney Lounge (after the 9:00 a.m. Mass).

The Catholic Women's League meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month in the Monsignor Baxter Hall.

The **Knights of Columbus** meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month in the Monsignor Baxter Parish Hall.

Children's Liturgy, for ages 4 through 9, is offered during the 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass. Registration is not required.

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults begins in November and ends with the reception of the sacraments at the Easter vigil. Our First Communion and Confirmation programs begin in January, and end with the reception of the sacraments in April and May.