

ST. PATRICK PARISH, FALLOWFIELD



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.



FIRST READING

Jeremiah 31.7-9

SECOND READING

Hebrews 5.1-6

GOSPEL

Mark 10.46-52

Psalms 126

THE LORD HAS DONE
GREAT THINGS FOR US; WE
ARE FILLED WITH JOY

Gospel Reflection

In Mark 10:46-52, we encounter Bartimaeus, a blind beggar who calls out to Jesus as He passes by, boldly addressing Him as “Son of David,” a title of deep faith that acknowledges Jesus as the promised Messiah. Despite the crowd’s attempts to silence him, Bartimaeus cries out even louder, undeterred by rejection or judgment. His determination catches Jesus’ attention, and He stops, calling Bartimaeus forward. When Jesus asks, “What do you want me to do for you?” Bartimaeus responds with remarkable clarity: “Rabbi, I want to see.” Jesus recognizes his faith and grants his request, saying, “Your faith has healed you.” Immediately, Bartimaeus receives his sight and chooses to follow Jesus on the way.

This story speaks powerfully of faith, courage, and the transformative mercy of God. Bartimaeus teaches us that faith is more than belief; it is an active trust in God’s goodness, even in the face of obstacles. His persistence reminds us that we, too, are invited to approach Jesus with our deepest needs, undeterred by fear or doubt. Just as Jesus asked Bartimaeus, He asks us, “What do you want me to do for you?” May we answer with the same boldness and clarity, trusting that Jesus hears and responds to our prayers, ready to bring sight to the areas of our lives where we are blind and light to our paths as we follow Him.

Pope Francis’ Prayer Intention for October

For a shared mission

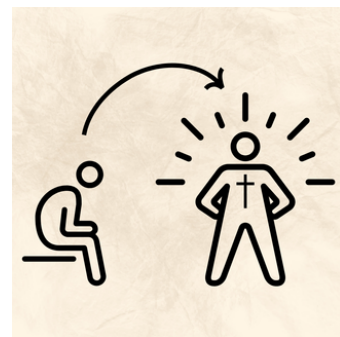
We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

Month of the Rosary

Full of Grace

October is a time to reflect on the life of Christ through the eyes of His Blessed Mother. The Rosary is a powerful prayer, inviting us into deeper meditation on the mysteries of our faith, from the Incarnation to the Resurrection. During this month, we are encouraged to pray the Rosary, seeking Mary’s intercession for peace, guidance, and a closer relationship with her Son, Jesus.

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • † Harper Kolyfher by Lowrey family • † Lisa Dineen by the Barrhaven Crescent Neighbours
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • People of the Parish
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • † Monique Roy by Pierre and Dianne Boucher • † David William Harris by the Harris family • † Mary and William Clark by Carmel, Janet and Angela • † Maurice Powers by Barry, Carrie, Len and Beth O'Sullivan • Wedding anniversary for Alicja & Leszek Arkuszewski (intention of) by Leszek Arkuszewski
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • † Parish All Souls Intention
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Thursday	9:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • † Joseph Byrne by Valerie Haggart
Friday	9:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • † Parish All Souls Intention
Reconciliation: Saturdays 4-4:45 p.m. in the sacristy or by appointment		



Reach out in faith to Jesus, rise up, and be embraced.



Events

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

November 6 - March 31



Our parish is embarking on a journey of faith and rebirth, RCIA, for those who wish to become full initiated members of the Roman Catholic Church. We are inviting members of our community who are not yet Catholic but wish to become full members of this Church to join our RCIA journey beginning Wednesday, November 6th at 7 pm, and continues weekly, in the Conference Room of the Msgr. Baxter Hall. The RCIA journey is open to all members of our parish (non-

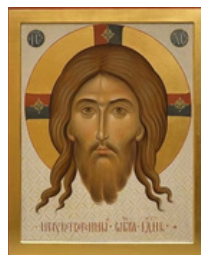


Catholic and Catholic) who wish to deepen their faith and gain in their understanding of the riches of our Church. Our journey will culminate with the celebration of the Sacraments of Initiation as we welcome new members into the Church at Easter next April. Please complete the registration form on the Parish Website or contact Fr. Paul at the parish office for more information.

Iconography Master Class with Serhii Kolodka

November 7 - November 9

Our parish is blessed to welcome Serhii Kolodka, an iconographer trained in Lviv, Ukraine, to our parish in November. Serhii is an exceptional artist and iconographer;



he is a man of faith and prayer. While here in November doing preliminary work proposed for the church ceiling, Serhii is

offering a master class in writing the icon, "The Face of Jesus Not Painted by Hands." Participants in this class will learn about this ancient icon and will be guided in this prayerful art form as each participant writes his or her own icon. The master class is taking place Thursday, November 7th through Saturday, November 9th in the Boardroom of the Msgr. Baxter Hall from 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon. The cost for this master class is \$300/person including all materials needed to write the icon. There are only seven places available for this master class so I encourage you to register with Father Paul at the parish office as soon as possible. I look forward to sharing in this unique experience for our parish and learning from Serhii this beautiful art form.

Father Paul



Fall Dance November 2nd



Join us for an exciting evening at our Fall Dance! Enjoy live music by "Arc of Fire," and dance the night away. Tickets are \$5.

There will be snacks and a cash bar available for refreshments. Don't miss this opportunity to connect with friends and celebrate the season! Grab your tickets today!

October 28 Simon & Jude, Apostles

Unseen Fidelity, Enduring Witness

As we celebrate the feast of Saints Simon and Jude, we reflect on the quiet strength and resolute faith of these two apostles, whose missions took them to the far reaches of the known world, bearing witness to Christ even unto martyrdom. Their lives, marked by unassuming fidelity and tireless zeal, remind us that discipleship often unfolds in humble service, unseen yet profoundly impactful.

In honoring Simon, known as the Zealot, and Jude Thaddeus, patron of desperate causes, we are invited to seek their intercession for renewed faith, courage, and endurance in our own journey.

CWL Christmas Bazaar November 9th



Get into the holiday spirit at the St. Patrick's CWL Christmas Bazaar! Discover over 20 vendors offering handcrafted items and Christmas gifts. Kids can find special presents at the White Elephant Table, with gift wrapping available. Enjoy seasonal treats at the Christmas Café, and best of all, admission is free!

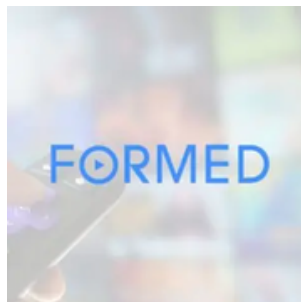
Teen Movie & Pizza Night November 15th



Calling all teens! Join us for a fantastic evening of movies, pizza, and fun with Journey to the Center of the Earth. It's a great opportunity to kick back, enjoy some pizza, and meet new friends. Don't miss out on this chance to relax and make memories. For more information see our website.

Upcoming Events: Save the Date

-  Kateri Ministry Workshop
November 16th (morning)
-  Coffee Sunday
November 17th
-  Breakfast with Santa
November 30th
-  Bake & Book Sale
December 14th and 15th



Enjoy a FREE subscription to formed.org – an incredible online gateway to quality Catholic content for both children and adults. To learn more or to register, visit the parish website for details.



News & Announcements

Join the 11 a.m. Choir!



We hear some wonderful voices in the pews, and the choir would love for you to join them! Our 11 a.m. choir is looking for new members to help fill the church with joyful song. No formal experience is needed—just bring your voice and enthusiasm to make our Sunday worship even more uplifting. Come sit with the choir and experience the joy of singing in harmony with our community. Register on our website, or speak to the music director after Mass.

Help Take Us Over the Finish Line – November 2nd / 3rd

You can find Indigenous Reconciliation Fund donation envelopes in the front of the church.

During the last two years, your generosity has helped the Archdiocese of Ottawa–Cornwall raise more than \$950,000 for the Indigenous Reconciliation Fund (IRF). This money has allowed many worthy projects in our community to receive grants from the IRF. They have included an ongoing Equine Assisted Learning program with Ojibwe Spirit Horses, a confirmation class visiting the tomb of

Saint Kateri, the translation of a Catholic hymnal into Mohawk, a Métis art exhibition, Algonquin and Mohawk languages revitalization and on it goes. Our goal is \$1.2 million, and with your support for the upcoming special collection the weekend of November 2nd and 3rd, we will reach our goal this year (2 years ahead of schedule) and allow many more exciting and important projects to be funded. Together, we, Non-Indigenous and Indigenous, can continue the journey toward healing. For more info about the IRF, the projects or to donate today go to journeyforhealing.ca

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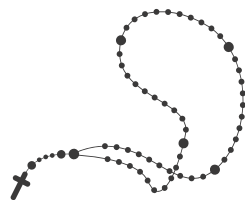
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Parish Life

- The Choir 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.

Get Involved



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