

ST. PATRICK PARISH, FALLOWFIELD



We are a vibrant and engaged faith community, growing together in Christ for 160 years.
Nourished by the sacraments, we serve with joy—within our parish and beyond.



First Reading

Wisdom 12.13, 16-19

Second Reading

Romans 8.26-27

Gospel

Matthew 13.24-43

Psalm 86

**LORD, YOU ARE
GOOD AND
FORGIVING.**

Please Keep Your Contact Information Up to Date

Have you recently moved or changed your email address? Please help us keep our parish records up to date. Current contact information ensures that you receive important parish communications and your year-end tax receipt. To update your information, please contact the parish office: office@stpatricksfallowfield.com or (613) 591-1135

Please Help Care for Our Pews

Our pews were refurbished less than a year ago, and we would like to keep them looking their best. Our custodian has noticed an increasing number of scratches and marks on the wood. Please be mindful of personal belongings and help prevent unnecessary damage. Thank you for helping preserve the beauty of our church.

Gospel Reflection

In the parable of the wheat and the weeds, Jesus or self-righteous.

speaks honestly about the mixed condition of the world and of the human heart. Good and evil are not always neatly separated before our eyes. Growth in grace often takes place beside temptation, weakness, disappointment, and confusion.

The servants want to pull up the weeds immediately. Their concern is understandable, but the master sees a danger they do not: in trying to remove the weeds too quickly, they may damage the wheat as well. Jesus teaches us that judgment belongs finally to God. We are called to be faithful, discerning, and courageous, but not rash

This parable also gives hope. The presence of weeds does not mean the field has failed. The wheat is still growing. God's Kingdom is not defeated by delay, hiddenness, or imperfection. The Lord is patient because he desires repentance, healing, and true fruitfulness.

This Gospel invites us to have a steady trust in God's work. In our families, our parish, and our personal struggles, we may not yet see the full harvest. But Christ is not absent from the field. He is teaching us to persevere, to grow quietly in holiness, and to leave final judgment in the hands of the merciful Lord.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	† Earl Burnett, by Ann Burnett. † Sid Smith and Jackie Goyette, by Pierre and Diane Boucher. † Tom King, by Karen Schlosser.
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	† Madeleine Morand, by Dianne & Pierre Boucher. † Aggie Burke, by Choir Friends. † Lesley Roche, by Choir Friends. † Ronald Wright, by the Wright family. † Olivia Bravo Stuart, by the Stuart family.
Tuesday	-	† Liam Connolly, by the Connolly-McRae family.
Wednesday	-	Fr. Paul Shepherd (birthday blessings), by the Legion of Mary.
Thursday	-	† All Souls Intention.
Friday	9:00 a.m.	† Infant Jordynn Deborah Chiarelli, by Julia Chiarelli.

Reconciliation: Saturdays 4-4:45 p.m. in the sacristy or by appointment



Let grace grow quietly.

July 25 Saint James: The Cost of Following Christ

Saint James is one of the Twelve Apostles, the brother of Saint John, and one of the first disciples called by the Lord. In the Gospel, James is zealous, but not yet fully purified. When he and John seek places of honour, Jesus teaches them that greatness in the Kingdom is not about status, but service. The disciple must be willing to drink the chalice of Christ: to follow him not only in glory, but also in humility, sacrifice, and love.

Saint James reminds us that discipleship means allowing Christ to reshape our desires. The Lord does not reject imperfect followers; he calls them deeper and makes them witnesses of his Kingdom.

May Saint James help us serve with courage, seek Christ above ourselves, and follow the Lord with generous hearts.

News & Events



Part-Time Cemetery Assistant Needed

Catholic Cemeteries of the Archdiocese, of which St. Patrick, Fallowfield is affiliated, is looking to hire a part-time, on-call Cemetery Assistant. Tasks would include cutting grass, assisting with burial site set-up and closing, and related work to ensure the cemetery is well maintained throughout the summer months. Currently, this position is for approximately 10 hours per week. If you are interested, please reach out to Marc Bisson, Director, at Hope Cemetery, 613-822-1212.

160th Anniversary Parish Golf Classic

Sunday, August 9, 1 p.m.



Join us at Manderley on the Green for our 160th Anniversary Parish Golf Classic, a fundraiser in support of our parish. The day includes golf, fellowship, prizes, dinner, a silent auction, and a \$10,000 hole-in-one prize at the 4th hole (see website for eligibility). Tickets are \$135 and include 18 holes, cart, and dinner. Dinner-only guests welcome for \$50. Register on our website.



News & Announcements

160th Anniversary Cookbook Submissions



 The CWL is preparing a special cookbook for St. Patrick's 160th

Anniversary and is asking parishioners to submit their favourite family recipes.

Homemade classics of all kinds are welcome, including ethnic and traditional family recipes. You may submit as many recipes as you like, and each published recipe will include the name of the person who submitted it.

Recipes may be submitted through the form on the website. 225 recipes will be included in the book, so please send yours in soon.

Support our Parish at Boston Pizza Barrhaven



During our 160th Anniversary Year, Boston Pizza Barrhaven will donate 5% of eligible sales to St. Patrick's Parish.

When dining in, write "St. Patrick's Church" on your receipt and place it in the yellow school bus at the front of the restaurant. For takeout or delivery, mention St. Patrick's when ordering. Thank you for your support.

Help Us Preserve Our Parish History



 As part of our 160th Anniversary History Committee Initiative, we invite parishioners and friends of the parish to share memories, stories, and historical facts from the life of our parish. A brief tidbit is just as welcome as a longer story, and you are welcome to submit more than once. Photos and documents are also welcome. Scan the QR code to learn more and submit your story.

Support our Parish At Bridlewood Home Hardware

Did you know that your purchases at Bridlewood Home Hardware (Michael Cowpland at Eagleson) can benefit St. Patrick Parish? Simply mention you're from St. Patrick Parish at checkout, and a percentage of the pretax sales will be donated back to the church. Thank you for supporting this initiative!

160th Anniversary: Save These Dates



Family BBQ and events for the children

Sunday, Sept 20, 12:00 p.m.



160th Anniversary Gala

Saturday, October 17, 2026



160th Anniversary Mass & Sunday Receptions

Sunday, October 18, 2026

July 22

Saint Mary Magdalene: First Witness to the Resurrection

The Church honours Saint Mary Magdalene as a faithful disciple of Christ and the first witness sent to announce the Resurrection.

The Gospels present her as a woman healed by the Lord, one who followed him, remained near the Cross, and went to the tomb while it was still dark. She comes in grief, not with easy confidence. At first, she does not recognize the Risen Christ. Then he speaks her name: "Mary." In that moment, sorrow becomes recognition, and recognition becomes mission.

Mary Magdalene is entrusted with the first proclamation of Easter: the Lord is risen. For this reason, the Church has long honoured her with the title "Apostle to the Apostles." She is sent to those who will themselves be sent.

Her witness reminds us that evangelization does not begin with having every answer. It begins with meeting Christ and being willing to speak truthfully from that encounter. Mary does not announce herself. She announces him.

Saint Mary Magdalene shows us that Christ calls real people, with real wounds and real histories, into his mission. As we celebrate her feast, may we ask for her courage: to seek the Lord faithfully, to recognize his voice, and to bear witness with humility and joy: "I have seen the Lord."

Sunday Smile

R.I.P. boiling water...
you will be mist.



This week's Sunday Smile is courtesy of Pat Liscum, who accepts full responsibility.

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With Gratitude for Our Outdoor Mass

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our recent Outdoor Mass and luncheon. It was a joy to gather as a parish family, to celebrate the Eucharist together, and to enjoy time with one another afterward. A special word of thanks goes to all who helped prepare, set up, serve, clean up, organize, and make the day welcoming. Parish life depends on many quiet acts of generosity, and events like this remind us how much good is done by people who simply offer their time, energy, and care. We are also grateful for the generous donations received. Your support

helps strengthen the life and mission of St. Patrick Parish and makes gatherings like this possible. An outdoor Mass has a particular beauty. It reminds us that the worship of God is not separate from ordinary life, but at the heart of it. Faith is lived in prayer, conversation, hospitality, shared meals, and the simple grace of being together. As we continue through the summer, may we remain grateful for the gift of our parish community. May the Lord bless all who gathered, all who served, and all who continue to build up St. Patrick Fallowfield through faith, generosity, and love.

Stay Engaged

Scan the QR code to stay connected with parish life—follow us on social media for updates and moments from our community, and subscribe to our mailing list so you never miss important news. If you share photos from parish events, we'd be glad to see them—please tag us.



Parish Contacts

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Parish Life — Regular Groups Resume in September

- The 11 a.m. Choir practices on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. in the church.
- The 9 a.m. Choir practices on Thursday evenings at 6:15 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 at 6:45 p.m. in the Parish Hall.
- The Knights of Columbus meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in 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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