

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

Sirach 27:30–28:7

Second Reading

Romans 14:7–9

Gospel

Matthew 18:21–35

Psalm 103

THE LORD IS MERCIFUL AND
GRACIOUS; SLOW TO ANGER
AND ABOUNDING IN
STEADFAST LOVE.

BIG WEEK AHEAD !!

Our first Cor gathering for men takes place this Monday (Sept. 14), and Alpha begins this Wednesday (Sept. 16). Then, next Sunday (Sept. 20), we'll celebrate 160 years of parish life with our Family Fun Day & BBQ! Whether you're looking to grow in faith, explore your questions, or enjoy an afternoon with family and neighbours, there's a place to take part. See the details in this bulletin, mark your calendar, and consider inviting someone to join you.

Young Voices Wanted for Our 160th Anniversary!

As part of St. Patrick's 160th Anniversary celebrations, we are inviting children and youth from Grade 1 through high school to join together for a special choir performance this October. No previous musical experience is required. All young voices are welcome! Families who are interested can learn more and sign up using the form on our website. For questions, contact Renata Ayoub at 613-853-9800 or stpatyouthengage@gmail.com

Gospel Reflection

Peter asks Jesus how many times he must forgive. It is an understandable question: when someone repeatedly disappoints or hurts us, we want to know where our responsibility ends.

Jesus answers with a story that changes the question. A servant receives the cancellation of an overwhelming debt, then refuses patience to someone who owes him far less. The disturbing detail is how little the mercy he receives changes him. His circumstances are transformed; his heart remains closed. We can recognize that temptation whenever we ask for understanding about our own failures but allow another person no room to change. Remembering God's patience

with us can interrupt that pattern. Forgiveness does not mean pretending that wrongdoing was harmless, abandoning justice, or allowing someone to continue causing harm. Protecting people and seeking accountability remain necessary; forgiveness rejects revenge, not truth. For some wounds, the next step may be very small: bringing the hurt honestly to prayer, asking for help, or resisting the desire to retaliate. We need not disguise that struggle from God. This week, name one relationship in which you need his grace. Ask not only, "How can this person change?" but also, "Lord, what are you asking to change in me?"

Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	• People of the Parish.
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	• † Richard Kearns, by Maralyn Kearns.
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	• † Catherine O'Donnell, by Cathy, Nancy and Carolyn. • † John and Gerrie deKemp, by Choir Friends. • † Krista Kowalchuk, by Janet Clarke.
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	• † Olga Nagy, by Nancy Nagy.
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	• † Richard Lauinger, by the DeJesus, Facto and Seangio families.
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	• † All Souls Intention.
Friday	9:00 a.m.	• Barb and Hermann Kraus (50th wedding anniversary), by Anne and Alan Gordon.

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

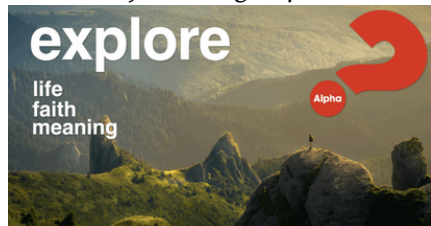


Love, forgive, and be generous, especially with those you'd rather not.

News & Events

Alpha 2026

Wednesdays starting Sept. 16th



 Come and experience Alpha — a welcoming series that explores life, faith, and meaning. Each evening includes a shared meal, an engaging video, and open conversation in a friendly, non-judgmental environment. Whether you're new to the parish, curious about faith, or simply looking to connect with others, Alpha is a great way to meet fellow parishioners and enjoy meaningful discussions. Scan the QR code to learn how to register, we hope to see you there!

Cor: Prayer, Formation, and Fraternity for Men

Mondays starting Sept. 14th



 **ATTENTION MEN OF ST. PATRICK'S PARISH**
Cor is a new initiative aimed to help men of this Parish grow in faith and virtue, deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ, and build meaningful fellowship with other Catholic men. This initiative kicks off Monday September 14th at 7pm in the Parish Hall. For more information please see the website or email cor@kofc11271.org.



Community Breakfast

Sunday, Sept. 27, 10am & 12pm



 Join the Knights of Columbus for our second 160th Anniversary Community Breakfast on Sunday, September 27, in the Parish Hall after the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses. Enjoy homemade anniversary pancakes, scrambled eggs, hash browns, sausage, ham, fruit cups, coffee, and more while sharing a meal with fellow parishioners. There is no set cost; free-will donations supporting parish activities are gratefully accepted. All are welcome!



News & Announcements

160th Anniversary Family Fun Day & BBQ
 Sunday, Sept. 20th, 12:00 p.m.



Enjoy live music, good food, and an afternoon with our parish community.

Children's activities include a bouncy castle, obstacle course, games, face painting, arts and crafts, and more—but this celebration is for all ages. Thanks to our generous sponsor, CoolHeat Comfort Systems, admission, food, and activities are all free!

We'll also be raising funds to replace our leaking parish hall roof. Patches are no longer a lasting solution, and your support will help protect this well-used gathering place. Donations are welcome but entirely optional.

CoolHeat will also offer a prize valued at \$10,000, with the winner choosing from three home-comfort equipment options, installation included. Full prize and entry details will be announced soon.

Bring your family, invite your neighbours, and celebrate 160 years of parish life!



160th Anniversary Gala — Tickets Now On Sale
 Saturday, Oct. 17, 6:00 p.m.



Join us on Saturday, October 17, 2026, for St. Patrick Parish's 160th

Anniversary Gala. It promises to be a memorable evening of celebration, with dinner, dancing, a cash bar, and plenty of opportunity to gather as a community as we mark this historic milestone together.

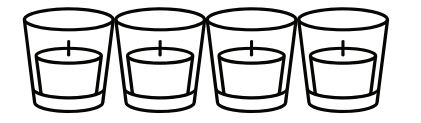
Tickets are \$80 per person and are available through the parish office or online by e-transfer.

Gather a few friends, purchase your tickets, and make plans to join us as we celebrate 160 years of faith and community.

Votive Candle Offering Update

After careful consideration, the Parish Finance Council has approved an increase in the suggested offering for votive candles to \$2.00 per candle, effective immediately.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support of our parish.



September 14-15 The Holy Cross & Our Lady of Sorrows

This Monday, the Church celebrates the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, followed on Tuesday by the memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows. These observances draw our attention to Christ's saving love and to Mary, who remains beside her Son in his suffering. When we look at a crucifix, we see not only what human sin has done, but what divine mercy is willing to give. The Cross calls us to receive that mercy with gratitude and let it change how we live.

The following day, we turn our attention to Mary. John's Gospel places her near the Cross, where Jesus entrusts her and the beloved disciple to one another's care (John 19:25-27). She is not spared the anguish of watching her Son suffer. Yet she remains present in love and faithfulness. Her sorrow reminds us that grief is not a failure of faith: trusting God does not mean that we will never weep.

Together, these days invite us to bring our own burdens to Christ and to remain attentive to the burdens of others. We need not find a perfect explanation for someone's suffering before offering compassion. A visit, a meal, a listening ear, or a quiet offer to pray together can be a meaningful act of love. Rather than explaining away another person's pain, we can help ensure they do not carry it alone.

This week, spend a few moments before a crucifix. Entrust someone who is suffering to the Lord, and ask how you might support them.

Lord Jesus, deepen our trust in your saving love. Our Lady of Sorrows, pray for us and teach us to remain faithful beside those who suffer.

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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.

Coffee Social Host Scheduling Is Open

If you hosted a Coffee Social last year, or if you are interested in hosting one for the first time this year, we would be glad to hear from you. Parish

groups, ministries, families, and individuals are all welcome to host.

To reserve a date or learn more, please email coffee@stpatricksfallowfield.com



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.



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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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