

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

Isaiah 55:6–9

Second Reading

Philippians 1:20c–24, 27a

Gospel

Matthew 20:1–16

Psalm 145

THE LORD IS NEAR TO
ALL WHO CALL ON HIM.

Gospel Reflection

Who is still waiting to be invited?

One small sentence in today's Gospel deserves our attention. When the landowner asks the last workers why they are still standing in the marketplace, they answer, "Because no one has hired us." They are not described as refusing an invitation. They are still waiting for one.

It is easy to notice who has not joined in, volunteered, or found a place in parish life. It is harder to ask whether anyone has approached them personally, learned their name, or made the first step less intimidating.

The landowner keeps going out. He does not assume that everyone who belongs in the

vineyard has already arrived.

Meanwhile, those who worked all day face another invitation: to receive their own good without resenting the good given to others. Their work matters, but it does not make them owners of the landowner's generosity.

Both invitations can meet us this week. Perhaps we need courage to respond after a long absence. Perhaps we need freedom from keeping score. Perhaps someone near us needs a welcome that is more concrete than an open door.

Before asking why someone has done so little, consider whether they have been invited.

This week, make that invitation personal.

Thank You, CoolHeat Comfort Systems

As we look forward to our Family Fun Day & BBQ this Sunday, September 20, we extend our sincere thanks to CoolHeat Comfort Systems for hosting this celebration of our 160th anniversary.

Their team has given generously of its time, energy and resources to make this day special for our parish, our families and our neighbours. We are grateful for the care, planning and hard work behind the celebration. Thanks to their support, admission, the barbecue and all activities are free of charge.

Alongside the festivities, CoolHeat is also helping us raise funds to replace the Monsignor Paul Baxter Hall roof. Their support reaches beyond a single day, helping us preserve a much-used gathering place for years to come.

Bring your family, invite a neighbour and join us for the celebration! Thank you to the CoolHeat team for helping us mark this milestone with such generosity.

Mass Intentions

Saturday	5:00 p.m.	† Frank Spalding, by Sheila Spalding. † Frank Chiarelli, by the family.
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish.
Sunday	11:00 a.m.	† Monroe, by Brian Donovan.
Tuesday	9:00 a.m.	Megan and John Graham (wedding anniversary), by Anne and Alan Gordon.
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	† All Souls Intention.
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	† Raymond Coté, by Anne and Alan Gordon.
Friday	9:00 a.m.	† All Souls Intention.

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



Be genuinely happy
to see other people
succeed.

News & Events

Sunday Smile

The Pope is in his limousine and tells his chauffeur he's always wanted to drive, but never gets the chance. After some hesitation, the chauffeur agrees and lets the Pope take the wheel.

As the Pope is driving, he starts speeding—really pushing the limits—and soon enough, a police officer pulls him over. The officer takes one look at who's driving and immediately radios his supervisor.

"Uh, we have a situation here," the officer says. The supervisor asks, "What's the problem? Did you pull someone over?" "Yes, but I think it's someone really important." "Like... the mayor?" "No, bigger." "The governor?" "No, bigger." "The president?" "No, even bigger!" "Well, who is it?"

"Sir, he's got the *Pope* driving him. I think *He's* back... and *He's* running late!



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!



Pies and Crisps Fundraiser: Requesting Donations

Oct. 3rd/4th following all Masses



The CWL will be holding their annual Pie and Crisp Sale on Saturday, October 3 and Sunday, October 4 following all Masses. Pick up delicious pies and homemade desserts just in time for Thanksgiving! There will also be a coffee social that Sunday, so come and enjoy a warm drink and connect with fellow parishioners.

The CWL is also seeking donations for the sale, so if you would like to donate a homemade pie or crisp, bring it to the hall prior to any of the Masses on the weekend of October 3rd/4th.

News & Announcements

Pre-Order Your 160th Anniversary Cookbook

The CWL would like to thank all the parishioners who took time to send in their Family Favourite Recipes to be included in the St. Patrick Fallowfield 160th Anniversary Edition Cookbook. The cookbook is \$25 and is available for pre-order this weekend, starting on Sept 20th, in the Church Hall, by cash or cheque. You can also reserve your copy (copies) by sending an e-transfer to stpatrickcwlvents@gmail.com. No password required. Please say Cookbook, and phone number in the subject line before sending. This will be used to let you know when the cookbook will be available for pickup. Your copy (copies) will be reserved as soon as payment is received. Thank you.



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. Photos and documents are also welcome. Scan the QR code to learn more.



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. They are selling quickly, do not delay in getting yours. 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 21

St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

When Jesus called Matthew from the tax collector's table, Matthew got up and followed him (Matthew 9:9). The Church honours him as an Apostle and Evangelist—a witness to the power of God's mercy to change a life.

Matthew's feast reminds us that our past does not place us beyond Christ's call. His mercy offers both forgiveness and an invitation to live differently. Let us ask St. Matthew's intercession for the courage to turn from sin, respond generously to Christ, and share the Gospel through our words and actions.

“For I have come to call not the righteous but sinners.”
—Matthew 9:13

September 26

Canadian Martyrs

The Church in Canada honours Saints Jean de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues and their six companions, who gave their lives for Christ between 1642 and 1649. These six Jesuit priests and two lay companions shared the Gospel among Indigenous peoples in what is now Canada and the United States.

Their stories reveal more than courage at the moment of death. St. Noël Chabanel struggled to learn the language and adapt to missionary life, yet committed himself to remaining in the mission. His perseverance invites us to consider our own faithfulness when serving God is difficult and the results are hard to see.

As we celebrate their feast, let us ask their intercession for the Church in Canada: that we may share Christ with courage and humility, remain faithful in the work entrusted to us.



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October 5th—Boston Pizza Parish Fundraiser

Join us at Boston Pizza, Barrhaven, on Monday, October 5, from 5–8 p.m. Enjoy a meal together while supporting our 160th Anniversary Gala on October 17. The parish will receive 10% of our group's spending that evening.

To reserve, call 613-825-1414 and mention that you are with St. Patrick Parish, Fallowfield, so you can be seated with our group.

You can also support the parish on other visits through the end of October. For dine-in or takeout orders, write "St. Patrick Parish" on the back of your receipt and leave it with restaurant staff. The parish will receive 5% of your purchase total.

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



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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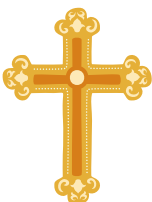
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Parish Life — Regular Groups Resume in September

- 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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