

# St. Patrick's Church

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**PASTOR:** *Fr. Vito Marziliano*

## OFFICE HOURS:

Monday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Wednesday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.  
Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

## BAPTISMS:

Please call the Rectory to make arrangements.

## MARRIAGES:

Couples must contact the Pastor one year in advance.

## ELEMENTARY SCHOOL:

St. Patrick's (905) 794-0411  
Holy Spirit (905) 794-8039  
Francis McSpirtt (905) 794-5031  
Our Lady of Lourdes (905) 913-1703  
St. André Bessette (905) 913-2567

## SECONDARY SCHOOL:

Cardinal Ambrozic (905) 913-2989

## SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. English  
Sunday 8:30 a.m. English  
10:00 a.m. English  
11:30 a.m. Italian  
1:00 p.m. English  
7:30 p.m. English

## WEEKDAY MASS:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday,  
Friday, Saturday 8:30 a.m.  
Tuesday 1:00 p.m.

## CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.

## SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

Anytime



## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS:

Finance Council, Ministers of the Eucharist,  
Lectors, Altar Servers, Seniors Group,  
Seniors Group - meets Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.,  
Catholic Women's League - 1st Monday of the month,  
Knights of Columbus - 3rd Thursday of the month,  
Prayer Group - Wednesday 7:30 p.m.,  
Choirs - English: Tuesday 8:00 p.m. - Italian: Thursday 8:00 p.m.

# SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2019

## Third Sunday of Advent

Mass  for  
Intentions  Week

### Saturday, December 14, 2019

8:30 am For all people  
10:00 am **First Reconciliation/First Communion  
Session 2-A**  
11:30 am **Confirmation - Session 2-A**  
5:00 pm Jack Swinimer / Toby Roppa

### Sunday, December 15, 2019

8:30 am Felix Rodrigues / Nella Sergo  
10:00 am Humberto & Manuel Benevides  
11:30 am Giuseppe Pietrangelo  
Teresa & Vincenzo Ristagno  
Antonio, Amelia & Eugenia Satino  
Francesco, Rosina, Costantina and  
Ida De Franco  
1:00 pm For Christmas blessings upon the community  
Leonardo Giampietro  
7:30 pm For all the people

### Monday, December 16, 2019

8:30 am Maria & Antonio Valerio  
7:00 pm Toby Roppa (1 year memorial)

### Tuesday, December 17, 2019

8:00 am Mass at Cardinal Ambrozic High School  
9:45 am Holy Spirit School Mass  
1:00 pm Per gli ammalati  
7:00 pm Asunta Rosati (1 year memorial)

### Wednesday, December 18, 2019

8:30 am Teresa & Francesco Anaclerio  
9 am-12 noon Confessions  
1:00 pm St. Andre Bessette School Mass

### Thursday, December 19, 2019

8:30 am Stefan Iassogna

### Friday, December 20, 2019

8:30 am Domenica & Vito Siciliano

### Saturday, December 21, 2019

8:30 am Giacomina Savino  
5:00 pm Gisella Attanasio  
Luigi Minna

### Sunday, December 22, 2019

8:30 am Luigi & Elvira Moretti  
Eugenio & Rosina Perri  
10:00 am Rosaria Lombardo & Domenico Raso  
11:30 am Eugenio & Rosa D'Uva  
Giacomo & Agnese Sestito  
Carmine & Ennio Nero  
Raffaele, Concetta & Angelina Rico  
Roberto & Antonio Staffieri  
Maria Magnione  
1:00 pm Nicola Pallotta  
7:30 pm Mary DiGregio

## FROM THE DESK OF FR. VITO

Greetings parishioners and dear friends  
of St. Patrick's Church



As I was displaying one of my Nativity Scenes in the Rectory Office, I unwrapped one of my favourite pieces: the sleeping shepherd. These particular figurines are extremely old, close to two centuries.

They are made of clay, and most of them have marks of the age. I have often spoken of the "sleeping shepherd", but it is important for me to remember and communicate to those who may not have heard my explanation previously. As a child I reflected on this image as the "tired" shepherd, resting from his labour. As an adult, and a priest, I see much more in this image. While the rest of the scene is focused upon the miracle of the Birth of the Saviour, this shepherd is "asleep", "unaware" of the marvels of God's grace surrounding him. I often think of myself and some of us who may remain unaware at times of God's work and blessings in our life. The Advent season invites us to "stay awake" and "be attentive"; "be ready" to recognize his presence and welcome him when grace knocks at our doors. May this be our Advent wish and prayer for each other: let us arise from our sleep and see, welcome and rejoice in the beauty, love and grace of God's presence within us and round us. HAPPY ADVENT.

**With prayerful best wishes.....Fr. Vito**

## CONFESSIONS DURING ADVENT



Jesus exhorts us to "keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming." One tremendous way we can keep awake is to receive God's merciful love in the sacrament of reconciliation especially this Advent. Let us take this season on preparation to become better stewards by properly preparing our own souls for the coming of Christ in our lives.

We will be hearing confessions during Advent as follows:

Every Saturday	4 pm - 5 pm
Wednesday, December 18	9 am - 12 noon
	6 pm - 9 pm
Saturday, December 21	3 pm - 5 pm
Christmas Eve	10 am - Noon



## BOXES OF SUNDAY ENVELOPES

Thank you to those who have already picked up their boxes of envelopes for next year. There are still 220 boxes to be picked up from the church hall. **If you are using a set of envelopes and have not yet been able to pick up your box, PLEASE DO NOT WAIT ANY LONGER.** There are a number of activities taking place and the church hall is the only room available for us to use. ALSO, if you have any remaining envelopes from this year at the beginning of the next, PLEASE DO NOT USE THEM. Discard and recycle. If you do not intend to use your assigned envelope box, please notify the office so that your number may be assigned to some other family. Let us be attentive to use paper wisely, and protect and safeguard the environment.



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**Emma Hanif**

**Isaac Fabre**

## CHRISTMAS BASKETS



We thank the sponsors who have agreed to provide a Christmas Basket for needy families. You have been invited by our coordinator, Anna Maria Rutigliano, to bring your donation to the church hall on **Monday, December 16, any time during the day.** WE ARE NOW LOOKING FOR SOME VOLUNTEER DRIVERS TO DELIVER THESE BASKETS THE BEGINNING OF THE WEEK. Please call the office and leave your name and phone number with Fr. Vito. Thank you and God bless you. This would be a wonderful project for some Confirmation sponsors and their candidates, in an act of outreach to those in need. Thank you and blessings.

## "KEEP CHRIST IN CHRISTMAS" POSTER CONTEST



Knights of Columbus Council 10283 is sponsoring the "Keep Christ in Christmas" Poster Contest. Open to children between the ages of 5 and 14, prizes will be awarded to the winners in each of three age categories.

Posters must be 11 X 17 inches in size and reflect the "Keep Christ in Christmas" theme with a visual image. Drawing paper can be picked up in the sacristy and each poster must include the child's name, age and contact information for the child's family. **The deadline for submissions of posters to the sacristy is Monday, December 16.** Winners will be announced in the bulletin before Christmas. Winning posters will advance to regional and state competitions. **Good Luck!**

## CHRISTMAS MASSES AT A GLANCE



### CHRISTMAS EVE (Dec. 24)

4:00 pm (English)  
6:00 pm (English)  
10:00 pm (Italian)  
12 midnight (English)

### CHRISTMAS DAY (Dec. 25)

8:30 am (English)  
10:00 am (English)  
11:30 am (Italian)  
1:00 pm (English)



NOTE:

NO 7:30 pm Mass on Christmas Day

## WINNERS OF THE ST. PATRICK'S LOAVES AND FISHES RAFFLE 2019



Last Sunday, December 8th, at 2:30 p.m., in the presence of five witnesses, the following individuals were the grand-prize winners:

1<sup>ST</sup> PRIZE: 86 inch 4K HDR Led Smart TV  
**Winning Number 0159**

2<sup>ND</sup> PRIZE Trip for 2 to the Italian Riviera  
**Winning Number 0140**

3<sup>RD</sup> PRIZE: 3-piece Kitchen Appliance Set  
**Winning Number 0095**

4<sup>TH</sup> PRIZE Woman Luxury Wrist Watch  
**Winning Number 0603**

**CWL Nativity Draw winner**

NADIA TOTO

**Congratulations all winners and all participants !**

## JOIN US FOR AN EVENING OF CAROLS & FELLOWSHIP



**MONDAY, DECEMBER 30**

**7:30 pm**

SING CAROLS. ENJOY A WARM DRINK, PANETTONE AND ROASTED CHESTNUTS. Yes, in our church hall. Everyone is welcome. Come and enjoy some Christmas Cheer with community and neighbours.

## GAUDETE SUNDAY



THIRD SUNDAY  
OF  
Advent

The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete is the Latin word meaning "rejoice." This Sunday is so named because "Rejoice" is the first word in the entrance antiphon for today's Mass taken from Philippians 4:4,5: **"Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, rejoice! The Lord is near."** Some people mark this Sunday on their Advent wreath with a pink candle instead of a purple candle. This Sunday is a joyful reminder that our salvation is near.

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