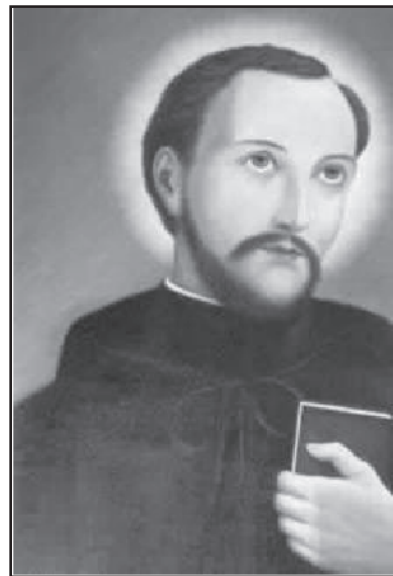


ST. PATRICK'S & ST. NOEL CHABANEL

DECEMBER 2, 2018

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

215 Pine St., Box 640, Stayner, ON L0M 1S0

St. Patrick's Mass Schedule

Wednesday 10:00 a.m.
Friday 6:30 p.m.
Sunday 11:00 a.m.

PASTOR: Rev. Mounir El-Rassi
DEACON: Rev. Mr. David Whall

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Office Hours: Mon, Wed, & Fri: 9:00a.m - 2:00 p.m.

OFFICE ASSISTANT: Mary Ann Carruthers

SCHOOL: St. Noel Chabanel 705-429-1081
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St. Noel Chabanel HALL and St. Patrick's
HALL Bookings: 705-315-2424

CHOIR DIRECTORS:

St. Noel: 9:30am, Alfred Medakiewicz, 1-647-385-5595

St. Patrick: 11am, Karen Endicott: 416-659-3337 (choir director)
& Karen Bany: 705-428-0592 (choir director, organist)

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:

Grand Knight: Brian MacDonnell 705-429-0499

CATHOLIC WOMENS' LEAGUE:

President: Charlotte Casey 705-424-6797

Co President: Dorothy Mittins 705-429-4286

CEMETERIES: Harry 705-429-4744

or Peter 705-428-5783

GOOD FOOD BAGS: Ted 705-428-5537

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VOCATIONS & ARCHDIOCESAN RESOURCES:

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ST. NOEL CHABANEL MISSION

133 Dunkerron Ave at 20th St. N., Wasaga Beach, ON

St. Noel Chabanel Mass Schedule

Monday 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday 6:30 p.m.
Friday 10:00 a.m.
Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00 a.m. & 9:15 a.m.

Pastors emergency and direct land-line 705-315-2424

Email: stpatrickstnoel@gmail.com

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First Friday's:

St. Noel Chabanel - 10a.m. Mass followed by Adoration & Benediction till 8pm.

St. Patrick - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 3:00p.m. - 6:00p.m., followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet, and meditation. Benediction at 5:30p.m. and Mass at 6:30pm.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION:

Baptisms, First Communion & RCIA

call Fr. Mounir 705-315-2424

MARRIAGE: Please contact us one year in advance to arrange.

RECONCILIATION: (Confession)

St. Patrick Every Friday 6:00p.m. - 6:20p.m.

St. Noel Chabanel Every Saturday 4:30p.m. - 4:50p.m.

Or before every Mass at Request.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK:

In emergencies call 705-315-2424 anytime.

HOLY COMMUNION TO SICK and SHUT IN'S:

Co-Ordinators: Ken & Dorothy Mittins 705-429-4286 (St. Noel)

Denis Farley 705-428-3540 (St. Patrick's)

PRAYER REQUESTS: Regina 705-428-3151

regi.roz@hotmail.com or place Prayer Requests in the Prayer Boxes in the Churches.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Mass Intentions: DEC 03 - 09, 2018

OFFICE Schedule: Mon, Wed, & Fri 9AM - 1PM 705-428-2124.
For urgent after hours, please call 705-315-2424

↓ **Scheduled Events & Contacts** ↓

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:
All Catholic men are invited. Council #15162 St. André Bessette. GRAND KNIGHT, Brian MacDonnell 705-429-0499. The Executive meeting is the 4th Thursday of each month, & the General Meeting is the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7PM at St. Noel Chabanel Church. Next meeting Dec. the 13th.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: All women are invited. President: Charlotte Casey (705) 424-6797; Co-President: Dorothy Mittins (705) 429-4286. Next meeting is 7pm, Jan 07, 2018 at St. Noel Chabanel.

St. Noel Chabanel Hall
St. Vincent De Paul- By appointment Mon. & Thur. 705-428-3396
St. Vincent De Paul Council last Wed. of the month at 9:30am
VON Smart Program Exercise Group: Mon. 2:30 - 3:30 & Tue. 1:00-2:00pm
St. Patrick's Hall
Good Food Bags – Every 3rd Wed. of the month 9:00am -- 1:00pm
VON Smart Program Exercise Group: Tue. & Thurs. 10:00 – 11am

Saint and hero of the month for Jan 25: TBA
Last Friday of the month at St. Patrick's Hall, 7:15pm. Free pass & popcorn. Bring a friend with you. Any suggestions about what movie or the event please send an email to the office found on the cover page. Thank you.

"Divine Mercy, Lectio Divina, Prayer-Group"
Every Wednesday! Reflection on St. Faustina's diary, praying the Chaplet, & Scripture meditation after the 6:30pm Mass; starting at 7:15PM - 8:30PM at St. Noel Chabanel. Coordinators Lynda & Norman Trimble. Notes from the diary are found on our website, under News & Events. All are welcome to join. Contact 705-429-3402

If You Want Help: When you don't know where to turn. Call 211. Website: www.211Ontario.ca

↓ **Parish Highlights** ↓

1st. Sunday: the 2nd collection is for our Building Fund.

1st. Sunday is our Social Sunday: 10:15am and 12pm
Complimentary drinks and snacks at both Churches.

Dec 10: St. Noel Chabanel Feast Day Celebration:
Refreshments and cake for our patron saint right after Mass.

*** Christmas Parish Dinner at St. Patrick Dec 16, 5pm ***
Bring your wine bottle to dinner and please drink responsibly. No hard alcohol allowed. Our dinner is Spiral Ham. Kindly have transportation arranged in advance for safe traveling. Thank you.
Advent and Christmas Schedule: Available for pickup

St. Noel Chabanel MON. 10:00AM +Carlo Aletto By Teresa Aletto
Glen Simpson By Aileen Simpson
St. Patrick WED. 10:00AM Private Intention
St. Noel Chabanel WED. 6:30PM Darryl Simpson (B.day) By Aileen Simpson
Dmytro Sadlovskyy & Family (Int)
By Dave and Regina Rozycki
St. Noel Chabanel FRI. 10:00AM Special Intention By Flojean Ferrey
Deceased Of Dacosta Members
By Dacosta Family
St. Patrick FRI. 6:30PM Private Intention
St. Noel Chabanel SAT. 5:00PM Dave Rozycki (B.day)
By Dave & Regina Rozycki

St. Noel Chabanel SUN. 8:00AM Missa Pro Populo
St. Noel Chabanel SUN. 9:15AM +Regina Weel By Peter Weel
St. Patrick SUN. 11:00AM +Ann Ivits-Aarden By the Fmaily
Only Announced Masses are printed and announced.

BOOKING MASS INTENTIONS: Mass offering envelopes are found in the rack at the back of the Church. Drop off your donation & filled envelope in the collection basket.

Announced Mass is \$20 & private intention is \$10.
Or call the office with your details 705-428-2124

Offertory on Nov 25: \$3170 (+ \$390 PAG).
*PAG: pre-authorized automatic giving through the bank.
If interested in giving in this manner, please call the office.
Thank you for your continual generosity, time, and talent.

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Claire Branco.

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS: Giovanni Giacomodonato, Enrico Coco.

Baptisms: John Peddie, & Gaetano Zaniolo - Congratulations.

Our Local St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery:
8342 County Road 91, Stayner. For service or for acquiring a plot. Please Contact Peter at: 705-734-4089 or call the office.

Gospel readings for week: DEC 03 - 09, 2018
MONDAY **Matt 8.5-11, 13++ M. St. Francis Xavier**
TUESDAY **Luke 10.21-24 OM. St. John Damascene**
WEDNESDAY **Matt 15.29-37**
THURSDAY **Matt 7.21, 24-27 OM. St. Nicholas**
FRIDAY **Matt 9.27-31 M. St. Ambrose**
SATURDAY **Luke 1.26-38 SOL. Immaculate Conception**
SUNDAY **Luke 3.1-6 2nd Sunday of Advent**

SOL=Solemn F=Feast M=Memorial OM=Optional Memorial

NEW MINISTRIES
Our Lady of the Rosary (Fatima) Visiting Statue:
If interested in having the statue pls. call 705-428-2124
1st Friday's adoration at St. Patrick's Church:
Divine Mercy hour 3 to 6pm including benediction.
Chaplet of Mercy at 3pm & benediction 5:30 - 6pm.

Campaign Life Coalition's most important fundraiser:

Christmas Cakes will be available after all the Masses on this weekend of Dec. 1/2. The cakes are made by the Monks of Notre Dame Abbey. This is Campaign Life Coalition's most important fundraiser. Your support and generosity will help in important pro-life work. Thank you.

St. Francis Xavier: December 03

On Dec. 3, the Roman Catholic Church honors St. Francis Xavier, one of the first Jesuits who went on to evangelize vast portions of Asia.

Francis Xavier was born during 1506 in the Kingdom of Navarre, a region now divided between Spain and France. His mother was an esteemed heiress, and his father an adviser to King John III. While his brothers entered the military, Francis followed an intellectual path to a college in Paris. There he studied philosophy, and later taught it after earning his masters degree.

In Paris, the young man would discover his destiny with the help of his long-time friend Peter Faber, and an older student named Ignatius Loyola – who came to Paris in 1528 to finish a degree, and brought together a group of men looking to glorify God with their lives.

At first, personal ambition kept Francis from heeding God's call. Ignatius' humble and austere lifestyle did not appeal to him. But the older student, who had undergone a dramatic conversion, often posed Christ's question to Francis: "What will it profit a man to gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?"

Gradually, Ignatius convinced the young man to give up his own plans and open his mind to God's will. In 1534, Francis Xavier, Peter Faber, and four other men joined Ignatius in making a vow of poverty, chastity, and dedication to the spread of the Gospel through personal obedience to the Pope.

Francis became a priest in 1537. Three years later, Pope Paul III confirmed Ignatius and his companions as a religious order, the Jesuits. During that year, the king of Portugal asked the Pope to send missionaries to his newly-acquired territories in India.

Together with another Jesuit, Simon Rodriguez, Francis first spent time in Portugal caring for the sick and giving instruction in the faith. On his 35th birthday, he set sail for Goa on India's west coast. There, however, he found the Portuguese colonists causing disgrace to the Church through their bad behavior.

This situation spurred the Jesuit to action. He spent his days visiting prisoners and the sick, gathering groups of children together to teach them about God, and preaching to both Portuguese and Indians. Adopting the lifestyle of the common people, he lived on rice and water in a hut with a dirt floor. Xavier's missionary efforts among them often succeeded, though he had more difficulty converting the upper classes, and encountered opposition from both Hindus and Muslims.

In 1545 he extended his efforts to Malaysia, before moving on to Japan in 1549.

Becoming fluent in Japanese, Francis instructed the first generation of Japanese Catholic converts. Many said that they were willing to suffer martyrdom, rather than renounce the faith brought by the far-flung Jesuit.

St. Francis Xavier became ill and died on Dec. 3, 1552, while seeking a way to enter the closely-guarded kingdom of China. In 1622, both St. Francis Xavier and St. Ignatius Loyola were canonized on the same day.

St. Nicholas of Myra: December 06

On Dec. 6, the faithful commemorate a bishop in the early church who was known for generosity and love of children. Born in Lycia in Asia Minor around the late third or fourth century, St. Nicholas of Myra is more than just the inspiration for the modern day Santa.

As a young man he is said to have made a pilgrimage to Palestine and Egypt in order to study in the school of the Desert Fathers. On returning some years later he was almost immediately ordained Bishop of Myra, which is now Demre, on the coast of modern day Turkey.

The bishop was imprisoned during the Diocletian persecution and only released when Constantine the Great came to power and made Christianity the official religion of the Roman Empire.

One of the most famous stories of the generosity of St. Nicholas says that he threw bags of gold through an open window in the house of a poor man to serve as dowry for the man's daughters, who otherwise would have been sold into slavery.

The gold is said to have landed in the family's shoes, which were drying near the fire. This is why children leave their shoes out by the door, or hang their stockings by the fireplace in the hopes of receiving a gift on the eve of his feast.

St. Nicholas is associated with Christmas because of the tradition that he had the custom of giving secret gifts to children. It is also conjectured that the saint, who was known to wear red robes and have a long white beard, was culturally converted into the large man with a reindeer-drawn sled full of toys because in German, his name is "San Nikolaus" which almost sounds like "Santa Claus."

In the East, he is known as St. Nicholas of Myra for the town in which he was bishop. But in the West he is called St. Nicholas of Bari because, during the Muslim conquest of Turkey in 1087, his relics were taken to Bari by the Italians.

St Nicholas is the patron of children and of sailors. His intercession is sought by the shipwrecked, by those in difficult economic circumstances, and for those affected by fires. He died on December 6, 346.

(Articles on the saints above are taken from CNA catholic news agency)

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