ST. PATRICK'S & ST. NOEL CHABANEL

MARCH 10, 2019

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH

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

St. Patrick's Mass Schedule Wednesday 10:00 a.m. Friday 6:30 p.m. Sunday 11:00 a.m.

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DEACON: Rev. Mr. David Whall

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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

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President: Charlotte Casey 705-424-6797 Co President: **Dorothy Mittins** 705-429-4286

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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. 5:00 p.m. Saturday

8:00 a.m. & 9:15 a.m. **Sunday**

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

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

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.



Mass Intentions: Mar. 09 - 17, 2019

1st Sunday Of Lent

St. Noel Chabanel SAT. 5:00PM +Regina Weel By Peter Weel

DAY LIGHT SAVING TIME: TIME SPRINGS FORWARD ONE HOUR

St. Noel Chabanel SUN. 8:00AM Missa Pro Populo

St. Noel Chabanel SUN. 9:15AM Thanksgiving By Dave & Regina Rozycki

Elizabeth Kolotyluk By Paulette Sasco

St. Patrick SUN. 11:00AM Toos Melenhorst (80th B.day) By CWL

Intentions above are for this weekend & these below are for the coming week

St. Patrick MON. 10:00AM + Jovita DeSouza By Clare Branco

St. Patrick FRI. 10:00AM No Mass

St. Patrick FRI. 6:30PM Mary's Intentions / Stations of the Cross

2nd Sunday Of Lent

St. Noel Chabanel SAT. 5:00PM +Deceased members of Essig & Schweigart

By the Essig Family +John Haupt

St. Noel Chabanel SUN. 8:00AM Missa Pro Populo

St. Noel Chabanel SUN. 9:15AM Doreen Karasiuk (80th B.day) By CWL

+Molly Patricia Malone By Ashberry Family

St. Patrick SUN. 11:00AM Private Intention

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.

Offertory on March 03: \$2605 (+ \$300 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: Nick Kok, Colin Herring, John Vanniekerk.

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS: Jovita DeSouza.

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: Mar. 11-17, 2019

MONDAY Matt. 25.31-46
TUESDAY Matt. 6.7-15
WEDNESDAY Luke 11.29-32
THURSDAY Matt. 7.7-12
FRIDAY Matt. 5.20-26
SATURDAY Matt. 5.43-48

SUNDAY Luke 9.28b-36 2nd Sunday of Lent

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

NEW MINISTRIES

Pray the Rosary at St. Patrick:

You are invited to join praying the Rosary after the 10AM Mass on Wednesday and after the 11AM Mass on Sunday at St. Patrick.

1st Friday's adoration at St. Patrick's Church:

Divine Mercy hour 3 to 6pm, Chaplet of Mercy at 3pm & benediction 5:30 - 6pm.

<u>OFFICE Schedule: Mon, Wed, & Fri 9AM - 1PM</u> 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. Patrick's Hall.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: All women are invited.

President: Charlotte Casey (705) 424-6797; Co-President: Dorothy Mittins (705) 429-4286.

Next meeting is at 7pm April 01, 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

"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.

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



Opportunity to take part of our flooring project:

St. Noel Chabanel will get a much needed new flooring. This opportunity is open to all of us as disciples & stewards to take part in it. If you wish to sponsor one tile at a cost of \$15 dollars (you may choose another amount to suit you), please add it to your regular donation. It is tax deductable. This will be a project that all of us will have pride in it, once it is completed. Thank you for loving our parish.

CWL Lenten Reflection With Mary:

Saturday March 23rd 10am to 2:30am. All women of the parish are invited to join in this day of prayer with Our Mother. We are fortunate to have Margaret Ann Jacobs Immediate past National President of the CWL as leader and facilitator for the day. Our Parish CWL will host and provide Lunch so please sign the sheets at the back of each church to get an idea of numbers.

STEWARDSHIP "A steward is a servant entrusted for a time with the goods of the Master. The steward uses but does not own these goods, and must eventually give an account to the Master for the way in which they have been cared for and made fruitful."

"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied grace." 1 Peter 4:10

The full Letter on *Stewardship* promulgated by his eminence Cardinal Thomas Collins is available from this link:

https://www.grebterente.org/Decuments/Events/nectoral letter.

https://www.archtoronto.org/Documents/Events/pastoral-letter-stewardship.pdf

<u>Highlights from the letter on Stewardship</u>: Our parishes are our spiritual homes where we come to worship God, encounter Christ in the Holy Eucharist, pray, and meet with one another as a parish community. A vibrant parish is one that is filled with good stewards who seek to grow in holiness and become saints by serving God and one another.

A good steward, then, is someone who receives God's gifts gratefully, develops those gifts responsibly, shares those gifts lovingly in justice with others, and makes a return with interest to the Lord. In addition, a good steward encourages others to do the same.

This is the spirit of deep stewardship, the fruit of which is vibrant parishes.

Another great gift God has given us are our talents, fruitfully using them and encouraging others to do the same with theirs, for the common good. Joy in life comes from using our talents creatively and fruitfully for the glory of God and in the service of our neighbours, and from celebrating the differing gifts of the people around us.

Nancy Bodsworth is a Christian singer-songwriter
She is a high school music teacher and proud wife and mother of four children. With her family she provides the music for the annual Lift Jesus Higher Rally and some of the CTV Sunday morning masses. Nancy is currently raising funds for her NEW Christmas Album: A Celebration of Family, Friends and Faith, coming out in Advent of 2019. To pledge support for the production of her new album, and to pre-order your personal copy, please visit www.nancybodsworth.com. Thank You.

Ash Wednesday is the start of Lent:

It is the start of that great period that leads up the Paschal Tridiuum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil)...
I don't know about you, but there comes a point, almost every Lent, where I seem to forget the point, where prayer, fasting, and almsgiving become ends in themselves and not a means to something more important.

The Collect for Ash Wednesday provides an answer for what the end, what the point, of all of our prayer, fasting, and almsgiving should be: "Grant, O Lord, that we may begin with holy fasting this campaign of Christian service, so that, as we take up battle against spiritual evils, we may be armed with weapons of self-restraint..."

We do these things so that when we do battle against evil, we may be armed with self-restraint. Well, okay that sounds great, but how will self-restraint help us in the battle we do with evil? What does fasting and Christian service have to do with any of that? The answer is simple but often difficult: Fasting and Christian service give us the space to remember that this world is not all about us as individuals, it is not about selfish ambition, rather, this world is God's good creation and we are called to be caretakers of it & all the life in it.

Evil and sin happen when we, in our human brokenness, try to be like or better than God and our neighbor. We constantly have to battle the temptation to think we are better than those who, like us, are created good by God. Self-restraint, not acting out on those desires, is a way to refocus, to remind ourselves that we are not better than our neighbors, no matter who they are. Our Lenten sacrifices are not meant to make us miserable, they are not meant to be things we do "just because", they

are things we do to remind ourselves that we are privileged and that we have a duty to care for the created world. Fasting is a physical reminder that we have much more than we need. It is also a reminder that we are not God, we have needs and when they are not met we feel it. Christian service is the logical outgrowth of fasting.

Reminded of our humanness, we are also reminded of those around us who may be in need. We are called to action, we are called to battle the spiritual evil of thinking that the *other*, be it a person, plant, or animal, doesn't matter or matters less than we do.

Lent gives us a chance to better remember our broken, sinful tendencies. It gives us a chance to fight against those tendencies, it gives us a chance to do better, to be better, to be who God calls us to be. And Ash Wednesday is the start of that fight.

The wonderful think about Ash Wednesday and Lent is that they happen every year. That means that when we inevitably fall short, when we forget why we fast, when we fall back into sin, God gives us chance after chance, to start again, to reset and to grow more closely to Him.

Ash Wednesday is the starting gun for Lent, it is our chance to reflect more deeply on God's call to us to care for those around us, and it is a promise that we have, by the grace of God, the tools to do battle.

By Rebecca Spellacy - Associate Director of the Office of Formation in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

St. Patrick of Ireland March 17

St. Patrick, the fifth century bishop and patron of Ireland, whose life of holiness set the example for many of the Church's future saints.

St. Patrick is said to have been born around 389 AD in Britain. Captured by Irish raiders when he was about 16, St. Patrick was taken as a slave to Ireland where he lived for six years as a shepherd before escaping and returning to his home.

At home, he studied the Christian faith at monastic settlements in Italy and what is now modern-day France. He was ordained a deacon by the Bishop of Auxerre, France around the year 418 AD and ordained a bishop in 432 AD.

It was around this time when that he was assigned to minister to the small, Christian communities in Ireland who lacked a central authority and were isolated from one another.

When St. Patrick returned to Ireland, he was able to use his knowledge of Irish culture that he gained during his years of captivity. Using the traditions and symbols of the Celtic people, he explained Christianity in a way that made sense to the Irish and was thus very successful in converting the natives.

The shamrock, which St. Patrick used to explain the Holy Trinity, is a symbol that has become synonymous with Irish Catholic culture. Although St. Patrick's Day is widely known and celebrated every March the world over, various folklore and legend that surround the saint can make it difficult to determine fact from fiction. St. Patrick is most revered not for what he brought and the foundation he built for the generations of Christians who followed him.

Although not the first missionary to the country, he is widely regarded as the most successful. The life of sacrifice, prayer and fasting has laid the foundation for the many saints that the small island was home to following his missionary work. To this day, he continues to be revered as one of the most beloved saints of Ireland.

One prayer attributed to St. Patrick, which reads: "May it never befall me to be separated by my God from his people whom he has won in this most remote land. I pray God that he gives me perseverance, & that he will deign that I should be a faithful witness for his sake right up to the time of my passing. Amen." (Article/s on the saint/s above is taken from CNA catholic news agency)

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