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**ST. NOEL CHABANEL CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
133 Dunkerron Ave, Wasaga Beach  
(St. Noel Chabanel is our Mission Church)

**OFFICE Schedule: Mon, Wed & Fri 9AM - 1PM**  
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**School:** St. Noel Chabanel 705-429-1081  
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**St. Patrick's & St. Noel Chabanel's Hall Bookings:**  
Call the office 705-428-2124 or 705-315-2424

**Choir Directors:**  
St. Patrick: 11am, Karen Endicott 416-659-3337  
& Karen Bany 705-428-0592 (& Organist)  
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**Our Local St. Patrick's Catholic Cemetery**  
8342 County Road 91, Stayner. For service / acquiring a plot.  
Contact Peter 705-734-4089 or Harry 705-429-4744

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** All Catholic men are invited. Council #15162 St. André Bessette  
GRAND KNIGHT, Brian MacDonnell 705-429-0499  
The General Meeting is the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7PM at St. Noel Chabanel Hall.

**CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE:**  
All women are invited.  
President: Charlotte Casey 705-424-6797  
Co-President: Dorothy Mittins 705-429-4286.

**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 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 Ted: 705-428-5537  
From 9:00am - 1:00pm  
**VON Smart 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.

### DEVOTIONS

**Pray the Rosary of our Lady at St. Patrick**  
You are invited to join praying the Rosary after the 10AM Mass on Wednesday as well as the 2nd & 4th Sunday after the 11AM Mass.

**1st Friday's Adoration and Exposition**  
**St. Noel Chabanel** - 10am Mass followed by Adoration and Benediction till 6 or 8pm.

**St. Patrick** - 3pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Divine Mercy Chaplet; Benediction 5:30pm followed by 6:30pm Mass.

**Prayer Requests:** Call Regina 705-428-3151 or email: [regi.roz@hotmail.com](mailto:regi.roz@hotmail.com) or place request in at church in prayer box.

**Vocations & Archdiocesan Resources:**  
[www.archtoronto.org](http://www.archtoronto.org)

### SACRAMENTAL PREPERATION

**Batisms & RCIA**  
Please call and leave a message to the Pastor.  
Marriage: Please contact us one year in advance.

**Reconciliation: (Confession)**  
**St. Patrick** - every Friday 6pm - 6:20pm  
**St. Noel Chabanel** - every Saturday 4:30 - 4:50pm or before any Mass at request.  
**Sacrament of the Sick:** Please call 705-315-2424

**Holy Communion to the Sick and Shut in:**  
Ken & Dorothy Mittins 705-429-4286 (St. Noel)  
Denis Farley 705-428-3540 (St. Patrick)  
Laurie Van Den Hurk 705-428-5537 (St. Patrick)

**If You Want Help:** When you don't know where to turn. Call 211. Website: [www.211Ontario.ca](http://www.211Ontario.ca)

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**Mass Intentions: May 26 – June 02, 2019 - 6th Sunday of Easter**

St. Noel Chabanel SAT. 5:00PM +Linda Potter By Terry & George Glaver

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

St. Noel Chabanel SUN. 9:15AM +Rosina Policelli By Bonnie Brown & Jenny Jordan  
+Mary McDonell By Cathy & Robert Barry

St. Patrick 11:00AM +Antonina Janczura By Anna Zammit

**Intentions above are for this weekend & these below are for the coming Week**

St. Noel Chabanel MON. 10:00AM +Rita Crowe ----- By Robert & Cathy Barry  
(Rosary at 9:30am before Mass) Maisie Santamina (B.Day) ----- By George & Rebecca Wedge

St. Patrick WED. 10:00AM Private Intention

St. Noel Chabanel WED. 6:30PM Private Intention

St. Noel Chabanel FRI. 10:00AM +Regina Weel ----- By Peter Weel  
(Rosary at 9:30am before Mass)

St. Patrick FRI. 6:30PM Oliver Wedge ----- By George & Rebecca Wedge

St. Noel Chabanel SAT. 5:00PM +Rose Carter & +Roy Carter ----- By Carter Family  
+Barry Ditto ----- By Wendy & Steve Bodsworth

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

St. Noel Chabanel SUN. 9:15AM +Bob Stoangi ----- By Angelina Goduto

St. Patrick SUN. 11:00AM + Regina Weel ----- By Mike & Brenda Weel  
Peter Weel (Int)

**Offertory May 19: \$3649 (+ \$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.

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PRAY FOR THE SICK: Margeuritte Stone, Betty Straver.

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PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS: Peter O'Conner, Mary McDonell.

**Gospel readings for May 27 – June 02, 2019**

- MONDAY John 15.26-16.4a**  
**St. Augustine of Cant.**
- TUESDAY John 16.5-11**
- WEDNESDAY John 16.12-15**
- THURSDAY John 16.16-20**
- FRIDAY Luke 1.39-56**  
**Visitation of B.V. Mary**
- SATURDAY John 16.23b-28 St. Justin**
- SUNDAY Luke 24.44-53 7th SUN of Easter**  
**Ascension of the Lord**

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

**Parish Highlights**

**Baptism: Congratulations to Ashton Bannon**

**Pope's Pastoral Works collection:**  
May 25 & 26th

**CWL Next meeting:** It is at St. Noel Chabanel at 7pm, Monday June 3rd, 2019.

**Parish Picnic: June 23rd**  
After the 11am Mass at St. Patrick.

**Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup>:** 1<sup>st</sup> Communion celebration at 2pm at St. Noel Chabanel, Wasaga Beach.

**Sunday June 9th:** Confirmation Celebration at 2pm at St. Patrick, Stayner.

**July 6th Yard Sale:** Saturday 8am to 3pm. The setup for our yard sale is Friday July 5th. We welcome and are grateful to receive your donated items on this Friday. There will be Coffee/Tea & Hot Dogs for food. Call Ted for Help: 705-428-5537

## Patron Saints 101: Tuesday, May 21, 2019

The Catholic veneration of saints is a distinctive and frequently misunderstood aspect of the Church. Why does Catholicism have such an attachment to the saints? How does a particular saint become connected to a place, vocation or situation? John Paul Meenan, assistant professor of theology at Our Lady Seat of Wisdom College, explains.

The Church canonizes some of her faithful as 'saints' — those who lived a Christian life more perfectly, practising charity in a 'heroic' way. This is done for two reasons. First, so they may act as exemplars for the rest of us on how to live a Christian life more perfectly, above and beyond the bare minimum. Second, the saints also act as intercessors, so that we may pray to — or more properly through them — to the Triune God, so that "Christ may be glorified in His saints" (2 Thessalonians 1:10).



Every canonized saint may also act as a 'patron' of some aspect of the Christian life, whether this be for particular places, dioceses, parishes, needs, purposes, vocations or anything else that may be required for salvation.

For more official purposes, such as for the patron of a diocese, these patrons are chosen through the Holy See — specifically the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments — in dialogue with the diocese and the local church. The saint decided upon is usually in accord with its people and history. For example, my own diocese of Pembroke, in eastern Ontario, was first populated by Irish immigrants; hence, the choice of Saint Columbkille, the great missionary who brought the Faith from Ireland into Scotland via the isle of Iona (a small island that was once the burial ground of kings but is today a popular Catholic retreat location).

The Holy Father may also choose patrons, such as: Our Lady of Guadalupe as patroness of the Americas, as well as the unborn; Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati as the

patron of youth; Saint Thomas Aquinas of Catholic schools and education; and so on.

Then there are the not really formally approved patrons who are adopted by custom and tradition, such as, Saint Veronica, as the patron of photographers, for the perfect 'icon' left on her veil. There is also Joseph of Cupertino, patron of test-takers, a struggling seminarian ... etc.!

Parents choose a patron for their children, in the name they bestow at baptism, which should laudably be the name of a saint, or at least not "foreign to Christian sentiment," and, years later, the same young people choose their own confirmation sponsor to help guide them through life. I would add the custom of adopting the saint on one's baptismal day — our spiritual birthday, along with our natural one — as fitting intercessors and exemplars. Of course, we should add our guardian angel, whose names, as Samson's parents were told, are 'mysterious,' for powerful they are indeed.

Then we may choose our own patrons saints for all that life entails, for our houses, our schools, our sports teams. Quebec, the most historically Catholic of our provinces, is filled with towns, cities, villages and streets named after saints. These are now often, ironically, decided by secular municipal councils across Canada; hence, why there are fewer saints connected to recently-named Canadian places. Although there is a back road I know of, which, by vote, was not long ago named after the Sacred Heart.

We may even choose patron saints for a particular occasion, such as: a journey; a marriage; expectant mothers (Saint Gerard!); a funeral; a hike; a get-together; or a pilgrimage. There are the popular go-to saints, such as: Anthony for lost objects; Jude for desperate causes; Peregrine for cancer patients; Joseph for the universal Church and a happy death; Our Lady, well, for just about everything!

In this fair dominion, we should develop a devotion to Saint Joseph as the patron of Canada. We should also recognize the eight Jesuit martyrs — Jean de Brébeuf and his companions — as our nation's secondary patrons. Then there is, of course, the mighty Saint Michael looking over the Archdiocese of Toronto, its cathedral and all of its apostolic work.

In this time of grace, we should adopt patron saints for all our needs, for the whole panoply of saints are waiting to hear from and intercede for us. For the kingdom of God is not far off, but all around us, in our very midst. And, I might add, a blessed Easter season to one and all. *Christus surrexit vere, alleluia!*

by Santilli-Raimondo, Vanessa

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