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ST. NOEL CHABANEL CATHOLIC CHURCH
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(St. Noel Chabanel is our Mission Church)

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St. Patrick's & St. Noel Chabanel's Hall Bookings:
Call the office 705-428-2124 or 705-315-2424

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St. Patrick: 11am, Karen Endicott 416-659-3337
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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, Don McDonald 705-429-6956
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. 2:45 - 3:45pm & 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 or place request in at church in prayer box.

Vocations & Archdiocesan Resources:
www.archtoronto.org

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Baptisms & 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

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Intentions: July 22 - 28, 2019

St. Noel Chabanel SAT. 5:00PM Amanda Fratianni & Dannel Osti ---- By Dave & Rigina Rozycki
 +Paola Marriott & Alan Timlock ----- By Mattachione Family
 +Adele Caicco ----- By Phylis Bartoletti

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

St. Noel Chabanel SUN. 9:15AM + Carmine & +Umberto Buccafurni --- By Marianna Bartella

St. Patrick SUN. 11:00AM +Ben Melenhorst & Toos Melenhorst --- By CWL
 +Bill & Margaret Korpatnicki ----- By Mike & Brenda Weel

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

St. Noel Chabanel MON. 10:00AM Liturgy of the Word
 (Rosary prayer is at 9:30am before Mass)

St. Noel Chabanel FRI. 10:00AM Liturgy of the Word
 (Rosary prayer is at 9:30am before Mass)

St. Patrick FRI. 6:30PM Ricker & Angela,
 Alex & Stacy Vandenhurk ----- By Ted & Laurie Vandenhurk

St. Noel Chabanel SAT. 5:00PM + Leo D'Angelo ----- By the Family

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

St. Noel Chabanel SUN. 9:15AM Anne & Rick Goverde ----- By Dave & Rigina Rozycki
 + Ergomino Onorato ----- Leonilde & Carla Onorato

St. Patrick SUN. 11:00AM Private Intentions

Offertory July 07: \$4.089 (+\$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: Georgette King, Bertha Grey, Judy Salvatori, Janice Gilroy.

PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS: Mimi Famulari, Vincenzo Marci.

Gospel readings for July 22 - 28, 2019

MON John 20.1,11-18
 TUES Matt 12.46, 48-50++
OM. St. Bridget
 WED Matt 13.1-9
 THURS Matt 20.20-28
 FRIDAY Matt 13.16-17
 SATUR Matt 13.24-30
OM. Our Lady's Saturday
 SUN Luke 11.1-13 17th SUN ORD. Time

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

↓ **Parish Highlights** ↓

ShareLife: Thank you for all who contributed. Our goal has been reached for this year \$35812.

Youth Retreat: St. Patrick's Phelpston
 Youth retreat Saturday July 20, 2019. It begins at 11:00am with lunch and a baseball game. Following lunch, Father Jerek Scherber L.C a recently ordained priest, will share his vocation story and his talk. There will be time for prayer and confessions. The retreat will end at 4:00pm. Parents are also welcome. Contact person is Nancy or David Wilson 705-322-9863, kindly register to prepare well.

Mission Co-op July 20/21: We welcome Rev. Abraham Lukose for his participation in the Mission Cooperative Program at our Parish. The 2nd Collection is sent to the diocese for disbursement.

St. Bridget, of Sweden

On July 23, the Catholic Church celebrates the long and fruitful life of St. Bridget of Sweden, who raised a large family before going on to found a religious order. In modern times, she has been named a patron saint of Europe.

Bridget was born in 1303, the daughter of a prince and legislator named Birger and his royally-descended wife Ingeburgis. Her parents were notable for their strong faith, and especially for their devotion to recalling Christ's suffering and death. Sadly, Ingeburgis died soon after Bridget's birth, and her aunt stepped in to assist in raising her.

The future saint had a serious temperament even as a child, and came to share her father's and her late mother's devotion to Christ's passion. At the age of 10, she had a vision of the Lord's agonizing death, in which he drew her attention to the wounds inflicted by "those who despise me, and are insensible to my love for them."

At age 16, Bridget married the Swedish prince Ulf of Nericia. The couple joined the Third Order of St. Francis, and made their home an admirable example of the "domestic Church." Out of their eight children, two died in infancy, and another two in the Crusades. Two of the surviving children married, and one of the two who entered religious life was canonized as St. Catherine of Sweden.

While bringing up their children, Bridget and Ulf also helped to care for the needs of the poor. They devoted their own resources to building a hospital, where they worked to care for patients themselves. After Ulf's resignation from the king's council, the couple undertook a long and arduous pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela in Spain.

The trip took a heavy toll on Ulf's health, and he nearly died during the return trip. Against the odds, however, he recovered. By the time of his death, Bridget's husband had become a part of the Cisterian monastic order with his wife's consent. Even after his death in 1344, the Cistercians continued to regard him as an example of holiness.

Bridget then renounced her position as a princess. She divided her husband's property among her surviving children, and resolved to devote the rest of her life to penance. She began wearing a hair shirt, and ate only bread and water on Fridays. During 1344 she also founded a monastic community, which would eventually develop into the Bridgettine Order.

During her years as a widow, Bridget experienced many visions of Christ which were compiled into two books of "Revelations." Although the Church never gave a definitive judgment on their content, Blessed John Paul II wrote in 1999 that Church had "accepted the overall authenticity of her interior experience," which he described as a "profound union with Christ."

In 1349, Bridget made a pilgrimage to Rome to seek the Pope's approval for her community's rule of life. She ended up moving to the Eternal City, and never returned to Sweden during the remaining decades of her life. She did, however, leave her new home on pilgrimages to Assisi and the Holy Land.

St. Bridget of Sweden died in 1373. Two of her children brought her remains back to the headquarter of her religious order in Sweden the following year, and she was canonized by Pope Boniface IX in 1391. In 1999, Bl. John Paul II chose her as one of the three female co-patronesses of Europe, together with St. Catherine of Siena and St. Edith Stein.

St. Mary Magdalene, Disciple of the Lord

Vatican City, Jul 22, 2016 / 03:57 am ()- Faithful to the wish of Pope Francis, a new decree has bumped the liturgical celebration honoring St. Mary Magdalene from a memorial to a feast, putting her on par with the apostles. The reason, according to Archbishop Arthur Roche, is that she "has the honor to be the first witness of the Lord's resurrection."

"She is the witness to the risen Christ and announces the message of the Lord's resurrection just like the rest of the Apostles," he said, explaining that for this reason "it is right that the liturgical celebration of this woman should have the same rank of Feast as that given to the celebration of the Apostles in the General Roman Calendar."

Archbishop Roche is secretary of the Vatican's Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments. He issued a letter on the decision June 10, the same day as the decree officiating the decision was published.

Calling Mary Magdalene "an example and model for all women in the Church," the archbishop said she had a special mission, to which the new rank of feast does justice.

The decree, dated June 3 and published in Latin, was signed by both Archbishop Roche and the congregation's president, Cardinal Robert Sarah. It says Mary Magdalene can be seen as "the paradigm of the ministry of women in the Church."

On the Church's liturgical calendar, saints are honored with either a "memorial" a "feast," or a "solemnity." Solemnities rank the highest, with feasts coming in second and memorials in third.

While there are 15 other memorials on Mary Magdalene's July 22 feast, hers was the only obligatory one to celebrate. Now, after being elevated to the level of a feast, the celebration bears a more significant weight.

For example, when Mass is celebrated on her feast day, rather than using the normal formula for a daily Mass, as is done with memorials, the Gloria will be sung and special prayers dedicated specifically to Mary Magdalene will be offered, which only happens on feasts and solemnities.

In his letter, Archbishop Roche said that given the current ecclesial context, the decision to honor Mary Magdalene with a feast "seeks to reflect more deeply upon the dignity of women, on the new evangelization and on the greatness of the mystery of God's Mercy."

As the first person to see the empty tomb, to hear the truth about the Lord's resurrection from Jesus himself, and as the first person to announce this message to the apostles, Mary "is an example of a true and authentic evangelist. While some have imagined Mary Magdalene as either a prostitute or the wife of Jesus, Western Christianity since the time of St. Gregory the Great has traditionally identified her with three women in the New Testament: the sinful woman who anoints Jesus' feet with fragrant oils and washes them with her tears; Mary of Magdala; and Mary, the sister of Lazarus and Martha of Bethany.

While opinions vary on just exactly who she was, Archbishop Roche said that "what is certain is that Mary Magdalene was part of the group of Jesus' disciples, she accompanied him to the foot of the Cross and, in the garden where she met him at the tomb, was the first witness of Divine Mercy."

Pope Francis' decision to elevate her memorial to a feast during the Jubilee of Mercy, he said, was done in order to emphasize the importance of this woman, "who so loved Christ and was so greatly loved by Christ."

Noting how Mary Magdalene was the first eyewitness to the Risen Christ and the first to announce his resurrection to the apostles, Archbishop Roche hailed her as "the Apostle to the Apostles" – a phrase coined by St. Thomas Aquinas.

St. Mary Magdalene, the archbishop said, "announces to the apostles what in turn they will announce to the whole world."

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