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**ST. NOEL CHABANEL CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
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**OFFICE Schedule: Mon, Wed & Fri 9AM - 1PM**  
**Office: 705-428-2124 Fax: 705-428-3091**

**Pastor: Rev. Mounir EL-Rassi**  
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**& stnoelchabanelst.archtoronto.org**

**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)  
St. Noel Chabanel: Alfred Medakiewicz 647-385-5595

**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: Brenda Weel 705-828-3660

**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:** Tues. 1:00-2:00pm, Thurs: 10:30-11:30am  
**St. Patrick's Hall**  
**Good Food Bags –** Every 3rd Wed. of the month Ted: 705-428-5537  
From 9:00am - 1:00pm

**"Divine Mercy, Lectio Divina, Prayer-Group"**  
**Every Tuesday! 4:30PM.** We pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy; Reflection on St. Faustina's diary and One passage from Scripture. Our prayer group meeting is now VIRTUAL. All you have to do is send a request email to join, to the office email at: stpatrickstnoel@gmail.com  
You will receive regular updates on the meeting and its contents. Hope you will sign up. Thanks.

**DEVOTIONS**

**Pray the Rosary of our Lady at St. Patrick**  
You are invited to join praying the Rosary on 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

# FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

St. Noel Chabanel	5:00PM SAT MASS	-----	+Patricia Anne Tofferd	-----	By Lynda Feldpusch
			+Lillian Lopez	-----	By Orianna Lopez
St. Noel Chabanel	8:00AM SUN MASS	-----	Missa Pro Populo		
St. Noel Chabanel	9:15AM SUN MASS	-----	Private Intention		
St. Patrick	11:00AM SUN MASS	-----	+Bill Van Den Hurk, Elizabeth Van Den Hurk		- By Ted & Laurie Van Den Hurk
ST. Noel Chabanel	10:00AM MON MASS	-----	Ministers and Ministries	-----	By Anonymous
St. Patrick	6:30PM WED MASS	-----	Private Intention		
St. Noel Chabanel	10:00AM FRI MASS	-----	+Anna Mills	-----	By Elizabeth Albers
St. Patrick	6:30PM FRI MASS	-----	+Regina Weel	-----	By Peter Weel
St. Noel Chabanel	5:00PM SAT MASS	-----	Private Intention		
St. Noel Chabanel	8:00AM SUN MASS	-----	Missa Pro Populo		
St. Noel Chabanel	9:15AM SUN MASS	-----	Private Intention		
St. Patrick	11:00AM SUN MASS	-----	+Betty Straver	-----	By Brent & MaryAnn Carruthers

*If the office receives your request for a mass, for any day of the week, it will be posted online on our website & in this bulletin. Thank you.*

**Those not attending Church Mass may attend the live stream Mass on:**

[www.dailytvmass.com](http://www.dailytvmass.com), [www.youtube.com/dailytvmass](http://www.youtube.com/dailytvmass) OR

<b>Vision TV</b> Sunday - 8 AM Monday - Friday 8 AM, 12:00 PM Saturday - 8 AM & 9:30 AM	<b>Salt + Light</b> Sunday - 11:00 AM & 10:30 PM Monday - Saturday - 6:30 AM, 11:00 AM, 3:00 PM, 10:30 PM	<b>yesTV</b> Sunday - 10:30 AM Monday - Saturday - 1:00 PM
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**St. Alphonsus Liguori's Act of Spiritual Communion:** My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

\*PAG: pre-authorized automatic giving through the bank. If interested in giving in this manner, please pick up a form from the back of the Church or call the office. Thank you for your continual generosity, time, and talent.

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**PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Angelina Gudoto, Jenny Jordan, Krystyna Dzugala,  
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**PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS:** Doug Vitali, Nan Plater, Lucille Seguin, Betty Straver, William Coles.  
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**Mass Intentions and donations:** Please drop your info/envelope at the Church in the basket when attending Church or at the mail slot at the office in Stayner. Thank you.  
**1st Sunday of Advent: Mark 13:33-37**

MON Matthew 4.18-22 F. St. Andrew Apostle  
TUE Luke 10.21-24  
WED MATT 15.29-37  
THU MATT 7.21-27 M. St. Francis Xavier  
FRI MATT 9.27-31 OM. St. John Damascene  
SAT MATT 9.35-10.1, 5a, 6-8++  
SUN Mark 1.1-8 2nd Sunday of Advent

**For all daily Mass readings:** please press Ctrl on your keyboard and click with your mouse the link below:  
<https://readings.livingwithchrist.ca/>

## Parish Highlights

**Our P.O. Box mailing address at St. Patrick has Changed:**  
 Please change your records of our P.O. Box to 430.

**Churches are now open for Public Masses:**  
 As far as seating, it is first come first serve.

**Four Weekend Masses are:** 5pm Saturday, 8am and 9:15am Sunday at St. Noel Chabanel, and 11am Sunday at St. Patrick, Stayner.

**Four Weekday Masses are:** 10am Monday St. Noel Chabanel, 6:30pm Wednesday St. Patrick, 10am Friday St. Noel Chabanel, and 6:30pm St. Patrick.

**Spiritual Resource:**  
<https://www.archtoronto.org/lectio>



**Masks In Public Places:**  
 Kindly everyone is asked to wear a mask and sanitize their hands at our worship services/Church. A person is excused from wearing a mask if they have a medical condition as prescribed by a doctor. For those who have signs of illness even if it is not Covid, please you are advised to stay home until you get well. We do this out of charity for our neighbours. Thank you.

**"Divine Mercy Lectio Divina" Virtual Prayer Group**

Every Tuesday at 4:30pm-5:30pm. Come and join this prayer group even if you are not going to contribute to the conversation. If interested to join this virtual prayer group, there is no commitment, only send your request to join by email to: [stpatrickstnoel@gmail.com](mailto:stpatrickstnoel@gmail.com)

**Saints Series Virtual Presentation every Wednesday:**

Led by Christopher Woodward, every 2nd Wednesday at 4:30pm-5:30pm. To enroll please send your email to Chris at [zibwerks@gmail.com](mailto:zibwerks@gmail.com)

The next saints series will be on Dec. 2, 4:30pm on St. Anselm of Canterbury. The seminar will address the saint's life, charismas, theology, and spirituality.

**Statement from Cardinal Thomas Collins re: Bill C-7 (Medical Assistance in Dying)**

Thursday, November 19, 2020

*Note: The statement below includes content from an earlier communication, released in February 2020, when Bill C-7 was introduced in an earlier session of Parliament.*

The current COVID-19 pandemic has taken the lives of more than 11,000 Canadians. During this health emergency, we have also identified a crisis of isolation and neglect for the elderly and marginalized. It is deeply troubling that at a time where we need, more than ever, to find innovative and thoughtful strategies to protect the lives of the most vulnerable among us, we are making it easier to hasten their deaths.

The federal government has, once again, introduced new legislation expanding the eligibility criteria for euthanasia. The inaccurate term, medical assistance in dying (MAiD), is currently used to describe what is more accurately called euthanasia or assisted suicide. Pain medication and other resources and procedures can be used effectively to medically assist people who are dying, but that is not what MAiD means. It means giving a lethal injection to people who are not dying, so that they will die.

Those who oppose euthanasia expressed concern in 2016, when it was first legalized, that once the state legally provided death for some, it would only be a matter of time before the criteria for that would be expanded. This was dismissed as a slippery slope argument; we were told that "safeguards" would protect the most vulnerable. Now, just four years later, we are far down the slope, and the criteria for euthanasia have been radically expanded.

In recent weeks, thoughtful statements asking for a pause or changes to the legislation have come from more than 70 religious leaders, 1,000 doctors, 150 lawyers and 100 disability rights' groups or advocates. One would hope that concerns from this cross section of Canadians would compel our legislators to recognize the profound impact expanded access to euthanasia will have on our country. Yet the sprint to allow greater access to lethal injection for more vulnerable Canadians continues.

There is no longer a requirement that the person receiving euthanasia be terminally ill. Under this legislation, any serious incurable illness, disease, or disability would render one eligible for euthanasia. Additionally, without any further study or direction from the courts, the new legislation would legalize euthanasia where consent is obtained by an advance directive. This is a new chapter of death on demand. Canada has cast aside restrictions at a far quicker pace than any other jurisdiction in the world that has legalized euthanasia.

As our legislators and country consider Bill C-7, we should be mindful of the following:

- Under the proposed legislation, disabled Canadians with no terminal illness will now be eligible for lethal injection. People with disabilities already face substantial challenges and discrimination relating to employment, housing, appropriate medical care and support. Their lives matter. They should never be seen as a burden to our society. We should be alarmed that those who have struggled for decades to be treated with equality may well be pressured, whether from family, friends or even their own health care professionals, to "ease their burden" and end their lives. These people need assisted living, not assisted death.
- In 2016, the government indicated that before any new legislation would be introduced, there would be a thorough five-year review of the impact of euthanasia in Canada – no such review has taken place. Yet the government moves forward without such critical analysis, even though it is reported that since 2016 at least 13,000 people have died from lethal injection.
- Where is the political will to push forward on palliative care for all Canadians? Only 30 per cent of Canadians have access to quality palliative care even though we know that pain and loneliness are among the biggest fears of those who are suffering. Palliative care can address these issues. If all Canadians had access to quality palliative care, fewer would seek lethal injection. Instead of developing an overall culture of care, we are rushing towards death on demand. The same doctors who are trying to care for their patients will now be called on to endorse euthanasia for them.

Those who feel that their life no longer has value must be assured by all of us that this is absolutely not the case – there is dignity within each human life, not just when we are young, healthy and able, but even more so, when we are fragile and vulnerable.

It is up to every Canadian to foster a culture of care and love for one another. The answer is not assisted death in its many forms; it is accompanying our family, our friends and even strangers to assist them in life, recognizing the inherent dignity of every person.

**Quote / Joke of the Day:**

It is better to love wisely, no doubt: but to love foolishly is better than not to be able to love at all. - William Makepeace Thackeray  
Why is Peter Pan always flying?  
Because he can never, never land. ☺

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