Saint Patrick's Church

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Monday to Friday: 8:00 a.m. **Saturday:** 6:00 p.m. **Sunday:** 9:00 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.



DIOCESE OF HAMILTON IN BERMUDA

Most Reverend Bishop Wieslaw (Wesley) Spiewak, CR DD www.romancatholicbermuda.bm

PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Fr. Vivien Nuera, CP

Parish Priest 292-0607 Ext 4

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Parish Council Chair

538-8424

Mr. David Mutch

Parish Finance Committee Chair

293-5506

Mrs. Nelia Pimentel

Parish Catechetical Leader

236-9481

Rev. Dr. Matthew Arnold

Parish Deacon

236-3171

Mr. Bruce Fox

Music Director & Organist

236-8196

Mr. Joe Amaral

St. Vincent de Paul Society Rep

535-0002

Mrs. Nicole Renaud

Parish Office Administrator

236-9866 Ext 0#

Office Hours:

Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays from 5:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

By appointment one year in advance

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

By appointment five weeks in advance

PRAYING OF THE ROSARY

Wednesdays at 10:00 a.m.

PORTUGUESE MASS

Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. preceded by the Rosary

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Thursdays at 6:00 p.m.

FILIPINO MASS

Second Friday of every month at 7:00 p.m.

CCD CLASSES

Saturdays during the school year from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in the Church Hall (*Grades 1, 2, 6, 7 & 8 only*)

CONFIRMATION CLASSES

Wednesdays during the school year from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. in the Church Hall

ACTIVELY AGING EXERCISE CLASS

Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the Church Hall

MAMA PLAYGROUP

Fridays from 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. in the Church Hall

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Introduction

It is comforting to know that, within the Kingdom of God, all will be well in the end. Today, we hear Isaiah tell us of God's promise to Zion, which we know to be fulfilled in His Son, Jesus. And Jesus, whose ministry on earth was visible and transformative, takes care to ensure that the wedding feast at Cana is not spoiled, while demonstrating that what He offers us is superior to anything the world may ever offer. God's care for us knows no bounds, and the goodness we experience here is but a taste of what is to come.

Mass Intentions

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Sat.	18th	6:00 p.m.	♣ Deacon Edward Outerbridge	
Sun.	19th	9:00 a.m.	♣ José & Maria Botelho	
			♣ Deodato Rego	
			♣ Agnes Kelly	
			♣ Joseph Reis & Parents	
			🕆 Gil & Maria Luisa Pereira Raposo &	
			Daughter Suzann	
		11:00 a.m.	Parishioners of St. Patrick's	
Mon.	20th	8:00 a.m.	♣ Virginia Rombeiro	
Tue.	21st	8:00 a.m.		
Wed.	22nd	8:00 a.m.	♣ Agnes Kelly	
Thu.	23rd	8:00 a.m.	🕏 José Rebelo	
Fri.	24th	8:00 a.m.	♣ Raul Clementino & Deceased Family	
Sat.	25th	6:00 p.m.	Parishioners of St. Patrick's	
Sun.	26th	9:00 a.m.	🕏 João & Maria da Estrela Veloso	
			♣ Lorraine Cabral Olivieri	
			♣ Eugene Cabral	
			₱ Isabel Salgada	
			♣ Manuel Piriquito & Deceased Family	
		11:00 a.m.	♣ José Cabral Rodrigues	



STEWARDSHIP

Managing God's Gifts To Us

Weekly Stewardship Thought

God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to His plan? Take time this year to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit) and experience the supernatural peace and joy that God desires for us all.

Stewardship of Treasure

Offerings Last Weekend:	\$4,074.00
Offerings to Date:	\$7,521.00
Target Offerings (Week 2):	\$7,600.00
Poor Box Last Weekend:	\$12.00



Thank You for Your Support!

The St. Patrick's Parish Council would like to express their thanks to everyone who attended and supported our Christmas Market held on December 14. Your participation truly made this event a success, and we are incredibly grateful for

everyone's involvement. Thanks to the collective effort of our parish community, we are pleased to announce that we raised approximately \$3,300. Great job to all!

Pastoral Reflection

"Jesus' First Miracle"

The first miracle performed by Jesus which took place at a wedding banquet at Cana in Galilee is an important event in the Gospel of John. This miracle involved Jesus turning water into wine at the wedding after the host ran out of wine. There are several key aspects to reflect on about this miracle of Jesus:

First, Revelation of Jesus' Power and Glory: Through the miracle at the wedding in Cana, Jesus reveals His divine nature and glory to His disciples, strengthening their belief in HIM. It marks the beginning of His public ministry and sets the stage for further demonstration of His power and authority, leading people to believe and recognize HIM as the Son of God and Son of Man.

Second, Abundance of Grace: The wedding at Cana, as described in the Gospel of John, showcases Jesus' ability to transform water into wine, symbolizing the abundance of grace and blessings that He brings into people's lives. This miracle signifies the overflowing nature of God's love and provision for His people.

Third, Importance of Faith and Obedience: When Mary, Jesus' mother, said to the servants, "Do whatever He tells you", it stresses the significance of obedience and faith in Jesus' words and actions. The obedience of the servants led to the witnessing of a miraculous transformation, emphasizing the power of trusting in and following Jesus' commands, even when they may seem unconventional in our lives.

Therefore, the first miracle of Jesus at Cana serves as a powerful example of Jesus' divine power, His abundant graces and blessings in our lives, and the importance of faith and obedience in following HIM. It invites us to reflect on how Jesus can transform the ordinary aspects of our lives into something extraordinary and meaningful.

Blessings,

Fr. Vivien L. Nuera, CP Parish Priest

Holy See Collection

This weekend, we will be taking up the Holy See Collection during all Masses. Canon Law 1271 requires bishops in all dioceses to financially



help the apostolic works of the Holy See through this special annual collection as a bond of unity and charity with all churches throughout the world. Envelopes have been provided for your donations at the end of each pew, as well as at the entrance to the Church. If you prefer to contribute online, transfers can be made to St. Patrick's at **Butterfield Bank Account #20006060102074100**, and remember to include a note in the memo field such as "Holy See" to ensure that your donation is allocated for this collection. Thank you for your kind stewardship!



Reverse Advent Calendar Food Drive

The organizers of the 2024 Reverse Advent Calendar Food Drive initiative would like to share the below note with our parishioners who may have missed it last weekend:

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Advent Food Drive. It was a great success and we are very grateful for your generosity. Across the Diocese, we delivered approximately 100 bags/boxes of groceries to The Eliza DoLittle Society for their food pantry, which is amazing. This will go a long way to help those in need. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

"One Life" Movie Event

Monday, January 27 marks the 80th Anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau, the Nazi extermination camp. This camp has become a symbol of the Holocaust. On **Tuesday, January 28 at 3:00 p.m.** in **St. Theresa's Hall**, you are invited to attend a presentation of a recent film called "One Life", starring Anthony Hopkins, Johnny Flynn and Jonathan Pryce, which tells the true story of Sir Nicholas Winton who organized the rescue of hundreds of predominantly Jewish children from the Nazis on the verge of World War II. There will be coffee, tea and cake served during the intermission. The film's runtime is 109 minutes.



Jubilee Mass for the Sick

The Catholic Diocese in Bermuda will be launching our 2025 Jubilee celebrations with a special Mass for the intentions of those who are sick.

This Mass will be celebrated at **St. Patrick's Church** on **Saturday**, **February 8** at **11:00** a.m. It will start with the Anointing of the Sick, followed by the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and individual benediction, then a social will follow afterwards downstairs in the Church Hall. If you are in need of transportation for this event, or if you would like to volunteer to drive people to/from the Church, or assist with the various ministries of this special Mass, please advise Fr. Vivien or contact the Rectory Office. Please also let us know if you or your loved one is sick and either homebound or bedbound and would like to receive a visit from the priest with the Sacraments.

Actively Aging BDA

Are you a senior who has made health and fitness a New Year's resolution for 2025? If so, come and check out the gentle exercise classes held in our Church Hall with Frances Smith of Actively Aging on Wednesdays from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. The cost is \$20.00 per session and discounts are offered if you purchase a "package deal." To reserve your spot, send an email to Frances at: activelyagingbda@gmail.com, or feel free to just drop in. The first class is FREE for all newbies – what a perfect opportunity to give something new a try for the new year!

Prayer List

Almighty God, giver of life and health,
We ask you to send forth your blessings of comfort and strength to
those who are sick and suffering, and their caregivers, in particular:



Genevieve DeSouza
Paula Madeiros
Joe Pacheco
Charlie Ray
Manuel Gonçalves
Dorothy Gonsalves
Karen Fleisher

Dina Simas
Pat Rego
Denise Somerville
Laurida Souza Bulhões
Debbie Sampson
Mickey Johnson



Information Session – February 6

Mount Saint Agnes Academy will be hosting its next Information Session for all grades from their

Early Learning Program through to Grade 12 on **Thursday, February 6 at 5:30 p.m.** Come and see what our island's only Catholic school has to offer your child. There will be a school tour as well as the opportunity to chat with some faculty members. Please RSVP via email to admissions@msa.bm, or call the office at 292-4134 for more information.

Prayer for Christian Unity

The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an international ecumenical Christian observance from **January 18 – 25** when all



Christians are invited to pray for the unity of churches throughout the world. You are encouraged to draw on our shared heritage and common faith and set aside some time this week to pray for the unification of all who follow Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior!

God. Our Father.

We humble ourselves as your church universal in celebrating and bringing to memory that you gave yourself up for the whole world. Grant that people of every race and nation may understand one another, and as one, proclaim your holy praises. Join our hearts together that it may be known we are your children, that your presence will be among us always, and that we may keep unity in the bonds of peace, which you prepare in the covenant we have with your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Smile for the Day!



The Bishop's Corner – Diocesan Events for 2025

Dear Fellow-Catholics,

I would like to share with you some events that are to take place in our Catholic community in Bermuda in 2025. I am not including the main Christian solemnities nor Government public holidays.

18th to 25th January – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

26th January, Sunday – Word of God Sunday

5th March. Wednesday – Ash Wednesday

17th March, Monday – St. Patrick's Parish Liturgical Feast

19th March, Wednesday – St. Joseph's Parish Liturgical Feast

26th March, Wednesday – 4:00pm to 6:00pm – Lenten Reconciliation Service at St. Patrick's

27th March, Thursday – 6:00pm to 8:00pm – Lenten Reconciliation Service at St. Theresa's

15th April, Tuesday - 7:30pm - Chrism Mass at St. Theresa's

26th April, Saturday - 11:00am - Annual Mass for the Deceased at Holy Calvary Cemetery

27th April, Sunday – 3:00pm – Divine Mercy Devotion at St. Patrick's

13th May, Tuesday – 7:30pm – Our Lady of Fatima Feast at St. Patrick's

1st June, Sunday – 1:30pm – Senhor Santo Cristo Feast at St. Theresa's

8th June, Sunday – 2:00pm – Confirmation Mass at St. Theresa's

12th June, Thursday – 58th Anniversary of the Establishment of our Diocese

13th June, Friday – St. Anthony's Parish Liturgical Feast

15th June, Sunday – 2:00pm – Divino Espirito Santo Feast at Stella Maris

29th September, Monday – St. Michael's Parish Liturgical Feast

1st October, Wednesday - St. Theresa's Feast, Patroness of the Parish & Diocese

4th October, Saturday – St. Theresa's Celebration & 10th Anniversary of Bishop Wes' Ordination

13th October, Monday - 7:00pm - Our Lady of Fatima Feast at St. Patrick's

1st November, Saturday – 11:00am – All Souls' Mass at St. Theresa's

12th December, Friday – 7:00pm – Stella Maris Parish Liturgical Feast

Jubilee 2025 Events:

8th February, Saturday – Jubilee of the Sick at St. Patrick's

22nd March, Saturday – Jubilee of the Married Couples at St. Joseph's

21st June, Saturday - Jubilee of the CCD Children at St. Anthony's

26th July, Saturday - Jubilee of the Grandparents & Elderly at St. Michael's

27th September, Saturday – Jubilee of the Migrants & Foreign Labourers at St. Theresa's

18th October, Saturday – Jubilee of the Widows, Widowers & Singles at Stella Maris

Have a restful weekend and a blessed week!

Bishop Wes





THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise forever.

Amen

Franciscus

Santo, Santo, Santo (Holy, Holy, Holy) - 9:00 a.m. Mass only

Santo, Santo, Santo é o Senhor, Deus do Universo.

Cheios estão os céus e a terra,

Da Tua glória, Hossana!

Hossana, Hossana, Hossana nos céus. (2x)

Bendito o que vem em nome do Senhor. Hossana nas alturas, Hossana!

Hossana, Hossana nos céus. (2x)

Cordeiro de Deus (Lamb of God) - 9:00 a.m. Mass only

Cordeiro de Deus, que tirais o pecado do mundo.

Tende piedade de nós!

Cordeiro de Deus, que tirais o pecado do mundo. Tende piedade de nós!

N. Pedro

J. Cassidy

Cordeiro de Deus, que tirais o pecado do mundo. Dai-nos a paz, dai-nos a paz, dai-nos a vossa paz!

Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule

25th & 26th January 2025 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

6:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.

Communion Min(s) M. DeSilva & G. Zanol M. Suschak-Matvey & A. Rodrigues K. Garcia & M. Falcao

Lector(s)S. SousaN. da Silva & M. dos Anjos AraujoSong LeaderJ. RobertsR. Lopes

Mass Server(s)A. LutkinH. FurtadoC. Sta Maria & C. Sta MariaHospitality Min(s)M. Sinclair & C. SinclairJ. Furtado & T. MedeirosO. de Frias & A. Tomaz

Gift Bearers Bento Family D. DeFrias & Family J. & L. Amaral

Flowers Ministry: Ashley Bento