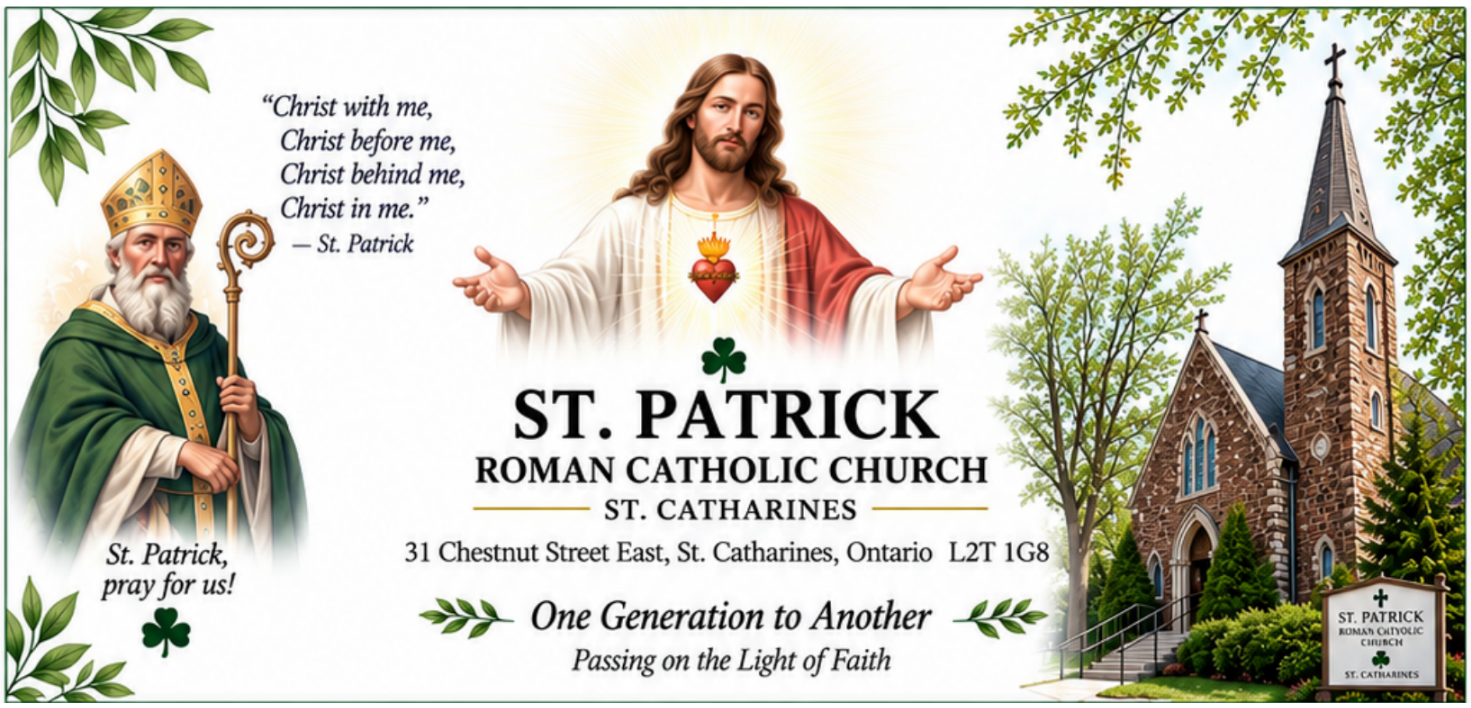


TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 17/18, 2026 • World Mission Sunday

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Pastor's Corner

Dear Parish Family,

This Sunday's readings invite us to give God our hearts. Isaiah proclaims that He alone is God; the psalm calls us to praise Him. Saint Paul speaks of faith, love and hope, and Jesus calls us to give God what belongs to Him.

I thank God that we have completed **60 days of Eucharistic Adoration!** Seeing you gather from **2:00-3:00 PM** to worship Jesus and pray the Rosary in honour of our Blessed Mother gives me hope. Thank you for taking time to be part of our praying parish community.

As you can see, we have removed the trees and bushes in front of our church. Their roots were already damaging our walkways and could endanger the building and increase moisture and mould. Parishioners and neighbours appreciate the clear view.

From **October 21 to November 22**, let us prepare our hearts to consecrate our parish to Christ the King. I have prepared a special prayer booklet for this journey. Are we ready to let Jesus renew us?

A parish becomes alive when we make room for Jesus. His grace gives life to our efforts. "I will build my church," He promises (Matthew 16:18). When we feel weak, remember: what is impossible for us is possible for God (Luke 18:27).

Let us place our struggles in His hands. He can bring good from our difficulties and help us rebuild our church (Romans 8:28). For two thousand years, Christ has protected His Church. He will continue to build, rebuild and protect her. Let us trust Him and serve with faith and love.

God bless you and your families.
Fr. Aji Varghese | Parish Administrator

Christ the King • Parish Consecration

October 21-November 22 • Prayer booklets ready
Pray for parish renewal, healing, hope, repentance, and our families, school and parish.
November 22: Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. We will consecrate our parish to Christ the King.

Holy Mass & Pastoral Care

Monday-Saturday	**9:00 AM**
Saturday Vigil	**5:00 PM**
Sunday	**10:00 AM**

Stay & Pray: Adoration, Benediction and devotions, **9:30-10:00 AM.**

Confession: Mon.-Fri. **8:15-8:45 AM**; Sat. **4:00-4:30 PM**; or upon request.

Office: Mon.-Thu. **11:00 AM-3:00 PM.**
Pastoral team: Fr. Aji Varghese, Administrator; Deacon Frank Durbiano; Fr. Andy Goodwin, in residence.
Pastoral support: avarghese@saintcd.com

Music: Katryna Sacco (Sunday); Yolanda & Edward (Saturday). **CWL:** Donnell Lucien, President.
St. Vincent de Paul: Patricia Bartley, President.

Contact the office for sacraments, RCIA, home visits, Anointing of the Sick and funerals.

CLERGY STUDY DAYS: No Holy Mass on October 27 and 28.

CWL, Prayer & Sacraments

CWL bake sale: October 17 & 18. Please support the CWL with your purchases.
CWL meeting: October 17, after the **9:00 AM Mass and Adoration.**

October Sock Drive: bring sock donations to the bins by the church doors.

Rosary Month Special Adoration:
Monday-Friday • **2:00-3:00 PM.**

Sacramental registration is open: First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation. Parents, grandparents and guardians: please contact the Parish Office.

First Reconciliation • November 20, 7:00 PM
For St. Theresa School children at St. Patrick Church.

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PARISH LIFE & MISSION

St. Patrick Roman Catholic Church • October 17/18, 2026

Holy Mass Intentions | October 19-25

October 19, Monday • 9:00 AM
Sts. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Jogues & Companions, Martyrs - Memorial
Vanessa Patton & Joshua Lupo: blessings for their upcoming wedding. By Don & Cathy Havard.

October 20, Tuesday • 9:00 AM
Optional memorial: St. Paul of the Cross, Priest
William & Mary-Alice Ekunwe (RIP).
By Tessy Usuanlele.

October 21, Wednesday • 9:00 AM
Weekday • Parish consecration prayers begin.

October 22, Thursday • 9:00 AM
Optional memorial: St. John Paul II, Pope

October 23, Friday • 9:00 AM
Optional memorial: St. John of Capistrano, Priest
Thanksgiving in honour of St. Theresa. By Franca.

October 24, Saturday • 9:00 AM
Optional memorials: St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop; Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 PM • Sunday Vigil Mass

October 25, Sunday • 10:00 AM
Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sister Geraldine Handrahan. By Frank & Dorrein Tucker.

All Souls' Day & November

SPECIAL MASS • NOVEMBER 2 • 7:00 PM

We remember our departed loved ones at Mass throughout November. Return Remembrance envelopes from the church doors to the office or collection basket. Names will be entered in our Book of Remembrance before Blessed Mother Mary.

All Souls' Day Prayer • November 2, 11:00 AM
At the **Priests' Plot, Victoria Lawn Cemetery**, clergy and religious will gather to remember deceased priests, bishops and all the faithful. Let us unite with them in prayer.

World Mission Sunday | October 17/18

Our collection supports the **Evangelization of the Nations**: pastoral care, formation, education and essential needs in mission communities. Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

Called to the Priesthood?

Sunday, October 25 • 5:00 PM
Men aged 19+: explore a vocation to the priesthood at **St. Julia Parish**, 251 Glenridge Avenue, St. Catharines.
Interested? **rangervil@saintcd.com**

Offertory & E-transfer

October 4 & 11: $2,537.60 combined. Thank you for your generosity.
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Parish Registration & Information Update

☐ New parishioner ☐ Returning parishioner ☐ Information update ☐ Offertory envelopes required

Return to the Parish Office or collection basket. Attach a sheet for additional family members.

Family name: _____ Marital status: _____

Adult 1: _____ Adult 2: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Children (names & ages): _____