



# ST PATRICK OF THE ISLAND

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 3 & 10, 2023

### MASSES

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 2, 2023

5 pm Blessed Virgin in Memory of Dick, Doris & Holy Souls  
Thanksgiving & Blessings for Wilson's Family  
Teofila & Juan Estimo from Family

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 3, 2023

10 am Maria Pontes from Family  
Clara Taveras & Jose Lopez from Esmirna

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SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 9, 2023

5 pm Roger & Mary Quenneville from Family  
Donald Demers from Family

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2023

10 am Jeremiah Leduc from Family  
Sacred Heart in Memory of Dick, Doris & Holy Souls

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WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2023

4 pm Priest's Intention

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SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2023

5 pm Pedro Leopold Callender from Grace Cozier  
Blas & Agueda Alcorido from Family

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 17, 2023

9 am Patricia Monteith from Karen Simon Rey from Leslie Rey  
11 am Henriel Mercier from Gaetanne

### COLLECTIONS

The collection for August 20<sup>th</sup> was \$1498, and for August 27<sup>th</sup> was \$1422.  
Thank you for your support.

### MINISTERS

Sat Sept 2 5 pm: Andrew  
Sun Sept 3 10 am: Brittany  
Sat Sept 9 5 pm: Heather  
Sun Sept 10 10 am: Erin  
Sat Sept 16 5 pm: Gerry  
Sun Sept 17 9 am: Rebecca  
11am: Frances

### SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS FOR:

Week Sept 2: Carlton Clive Callender  
Week Sept 9: All Returning to school  
Week Sep 16:

### FAITH ED REGISTRATION

New Registrations can be done through the office on Wednesdays. If you are returning and have not registered, please advise Anne ASAP

### PRAYER LIST

Caroline MacDonald, Jean MacDonald, Alec & Marjorie Patterson, Adam Moss, Lara Johnston Barron, Wayne Leduc, Sharon LeClair, Adele, Angie, Caiti Dore, Wally Eddington, Lucia Macro, Karen Descoeurs, Cynthia B., Thomas Walsh, Janice Enos, Pam Jordan, Audrey S., Jean Clifford, Matthew Tapp, Ronnie Laporte

# PARISH BULLETIN

22<sup>ND</sup> & 23<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

### MASS SCHEDULE

On September 13<sup>th</sup> we return to our regular Mass schedule:

Saturdays - 5pm  
Sundays - 9am & 11am  
Wednesdays - 4pm



### ST PAT'S PICNIC

The Annual St Pat's Parish Picnic is on Sunday September 10<sup>th</sup> after the 10am Mass!

Please join us for BBQ lunch, games and activities for the family and tasty treats. Volunteers are always needed, contact Tara Cheevers at 514.999.8003

### JOB OPENING

We have a job opening for a part-time janitor. If you are interested, please call the office.

### SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT...

Love is a choice. When we choose love, our spirit expands. When we choose not to love, our spirit shrivels.

– M. Kelly

### REFLECTION

The readings today make it clear we have a choice to make: follow the ways of God or follow the ways of the world. Jeremiah and St. Paul are giving us insight and advice to help us. We see the importance of living our truth in faith, and we hear the importance of including our minds, our *thinking* minds, with our whole being. We are living in the paradox of being in the world but not of the world. Jesus is telling us that our very lives depend on how we choose. Is it really an either/or situation, or rather a both/and? How do we follow God while being in the world?

Following God, generally, will fill us with feelings of peace: our sense of hope expands, our hearts become wider and deeper, and we are inspired to be even more generous. Following the world often leaves us feeling inadequate, insecure, fearful, desperate; competing for attention and material acquisition; hoarding success and our possessions.

Jesus is saying there is a sense of urgency about the choice we have to make. It is a choice we make daily. It is crucial we pay attention to what is in our hearts – the feelings that result from following God or the feelings that result from conforming to the world. For whose sake are we really living?