

WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2026



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MASS TIMES

Saturday	5:00 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM 12:30 PM
Monday - Saturday	8:30 AM
First Friday	7:00 PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday	9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (11:45 a.m.-1:00 p.m. — Closed for prayers and lunch)
Saturday	2:00 PM - 6:30 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday	9:00 AM - 10:00 AM 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM
First Friday	6:15 PM - 6:45 PM

ADORATION

First Friday	9:00 AM - 10:00 AM 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM
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THE BULLETIN AT A GLANCE

- Building and Maintenance Fund
- Family Fun Fair Saturday, Sept. 12
- Fall Alpha and Life Shared sessions
- Alpha Testimonial
- Sign up for That Man is You
- Out-of-the-Cold program is back
- Milk Bag collections
- Young Adult Sports Night resumes Sept. 21
- Humanitarian relief for Nepal and Colombia



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UPCOMING EVENTS

BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE FUND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

Please be reminded that the Building & Maintenance Fund will be collected this weekend. Your generosity helps support the ongoing care and upkeep of our parish facilities, ensuring that our church remains a safe, welcoming, and prayerful space for all. We sincerely thank you for your ongoing generosity and stewardship.

FALL ALPHA SESSION STARTS SOON

Curious about the Christian faith? Looking for a place to ask questions and connect with others? Alpha is a series of welcoming, interactive sessions where you can explore life's big questions in a relaxed and friendly environment.

Join us for our Fall Alpha Session, running September 15 to December 8, from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. **Register today!**

Stop by our table at the end of all Masses this weekend and chat with our volunteers about their experience.

All are welcome!

FAMILY FUN FAIR NEXT WEEKEND

Mark your calendars for our annual **Family Fun Fair** on **Saturday, September 12th**! Bring your family, invite your friends, and enjoy good food, great company, and plenty of activities. See you there!



FAMILY FUN FAIR VOLUNTEERS

Our Welcome Team is looking for volunteers to assist with traffic control during the Family Fun Fair. If you can offer to help ensure a safe, welcoming experience for all attendees, we would love to have you join us. Please notify the office if you'd like to volunteer.

UPCOMING EVENTS

FAITH IN ACTION: A LIFE SHARED

Have you ever wanted to share your faith but weren't sure where to begin? Life Shared is a four-part series designed to encourage and equip you to share your faith naturally through everyday relationships. Through engaging biblical teaching and inspiring real-life stories, you'll discover how God can work through a life shared with friends, neighbours, and colleagues.

Session Dates: September 16, 23, 30, and October 7

Time: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m

Join us as we learn practical ways to live out God's call to evangelization with confidence and authenticity. Facilitators will contact registered participants by email one week before the first session.

Bring a friend and [register today!](#)

MILK BAG COLLECTION

We continue to collect clean milk bags, which are woven into sleeping mats and distributed to communities in developing countries. Donations can be placed in the marked bin in the North Vestibule.

THAT MAN IS YOU

That Man Is You! is a Catholic men's program designed to help men deepen their relationship with Christ and grow as leaders in their families and communities.

Sessions begin **Saturday, September 19, 2026**, from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. in the Parish Large Hall. All men are welcome!

To register and get more details, [visit our page](#) or get in touch.

HELP FIGHT HUNGER

Buy or make a casserole and make a difference! Your generosity supports the free meals program for the homeless at the Good Shepherd ministry in Toronto. High school students get three hours of community service for each casserole you make.

The first of the Drop-Off dates is **September 19th**.

YOUNG ADULTS' SPORTS NIGHT

Sports Night is back! Join us on **Monday, September 21st** from 8:15 p.m. to 10:15 p.m. at Fr. Michael McGivney High School.

ALPHA TESTIMONIAL

GOD IS AT WORK EVEN WHEN WE CAN'T SEE IT



Dear Fellow Parishioners,

My name is Kate, and in March, I joined Alpha here at St. Patrick's. What began as a simple decision to show up became an invitation to encounter God anew.

One question from Alpha that has stayed with me is: If God exists, why do bad things happen?

Our table reflected on free will and God's love, which gives us the freedom to choose Him. While some suffering comes from human choices, other suffering, such as illness, tragedy, and loss, remains beyond our understanding. We may never fully understand why certain things happen in this life, but Alpha has helped me understand that not understanding God's plan does not mean He is absent from it. Our Lord does not abandon us in our suffering.

And sometimes faith simply means trusting that He is at work before we can see how.

That conversation, and so many others like it, changed the way I see my faith. Alpha gave me the freedom to ask questions I had carried for years, and in doing so, opened my heart to encounter Him. Through the testimonies and witness of others at my table, I began to shift from simply knowing about God to actually trusting Him, and allowing that trust to shape the way I live.

To any young adult who may be on the fence about Alpha, I would simply say: go. You do not need to have all the answers. You do not need years of theology or a perfectly formed faith. You simply need to show up with an open heart.

If you have been praying for a sign to take a step deeper in your faith, perhaps this is it. Say yes. You may be surprised by what God can do with a heart that simply gives Him permission to begin.

In Christ and Our Lady,
Kate

UPCOMING EVENTS

HUMANITARIAN RELIEF: NEPAL & COLOMBIA

Please keep in your prayers all those affected by the recent natural disasters in Nepal and Colombia. Catastrophic flooding and mudslides in Nepal, along with a devastating earthquake in Colombia, have resulted in significant loss of life, widespread destruction, and the displacement of countless families.

The Archdiocese of Toronto is accepting donations to support humanitarian relief and recovery efforts through trusted Catholic partners assisting affected communities.

Those wishing to help may donate:

- Online at www.archtoronto.org
- By phone at 437-529-1287
- Through the parish using the designated relief envelopes or by indicating Humanitarian Relief - Nepal or Humanitarian Relief - Colombia on your cheque.

Please continue to pray for all those who have lost loved ones, been displaced from their homes, and for the first responders, relief workers, and volunteers serving those in need. Thank you for your generosity and prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday, September 6th

- 8:00 am (†) Consalacion C. Naces
9:30 am (INT) For the People of St. Patrick's Parish
11:00 am (INT) Angelo, Alicia and Enzo Mogan
12:30 pm (INT) Cathleen Thomas

Monday, September 7th

- 8:30 am (†) Peter Chan Hung Liang

Tuesday, September 8th

- 8:30 am (†) Leandro Pacapac

Wednesday, September 9th

- 8:30 am (†) Gerrard Hanks

Thursday, September 10th

- 8:30 am (†) Francis Nicholson

Friday, September 11th

- 8:30 am (†) Vincenzo Bonghi

Saturday, September 12th

- 8:30 am (†) Francis Nicholson
(†) Dishan Edirmansinghe
(†) Patric Desmarteau
(†) Brenda Poirier
(†) Raymundo and Adoracion Escarrilla
(†) Pete Fernandes
5:00 pm (†) Anthony and Norma Soares

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