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Carol Martin - Director of Music
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Office Hours:

Monday to Friday 8:30 a.m. - 12:00, 12:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Closed on Weekends & Holidays

Sunday Mass Schedule

Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8:00, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30 p.m.
or by appointment

Baptism

Once monthly at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday
Preparation for Parents
and Godparents required.

Marriage

Please contact the parish office
at least six months in advance.
Preparation weekend is required.

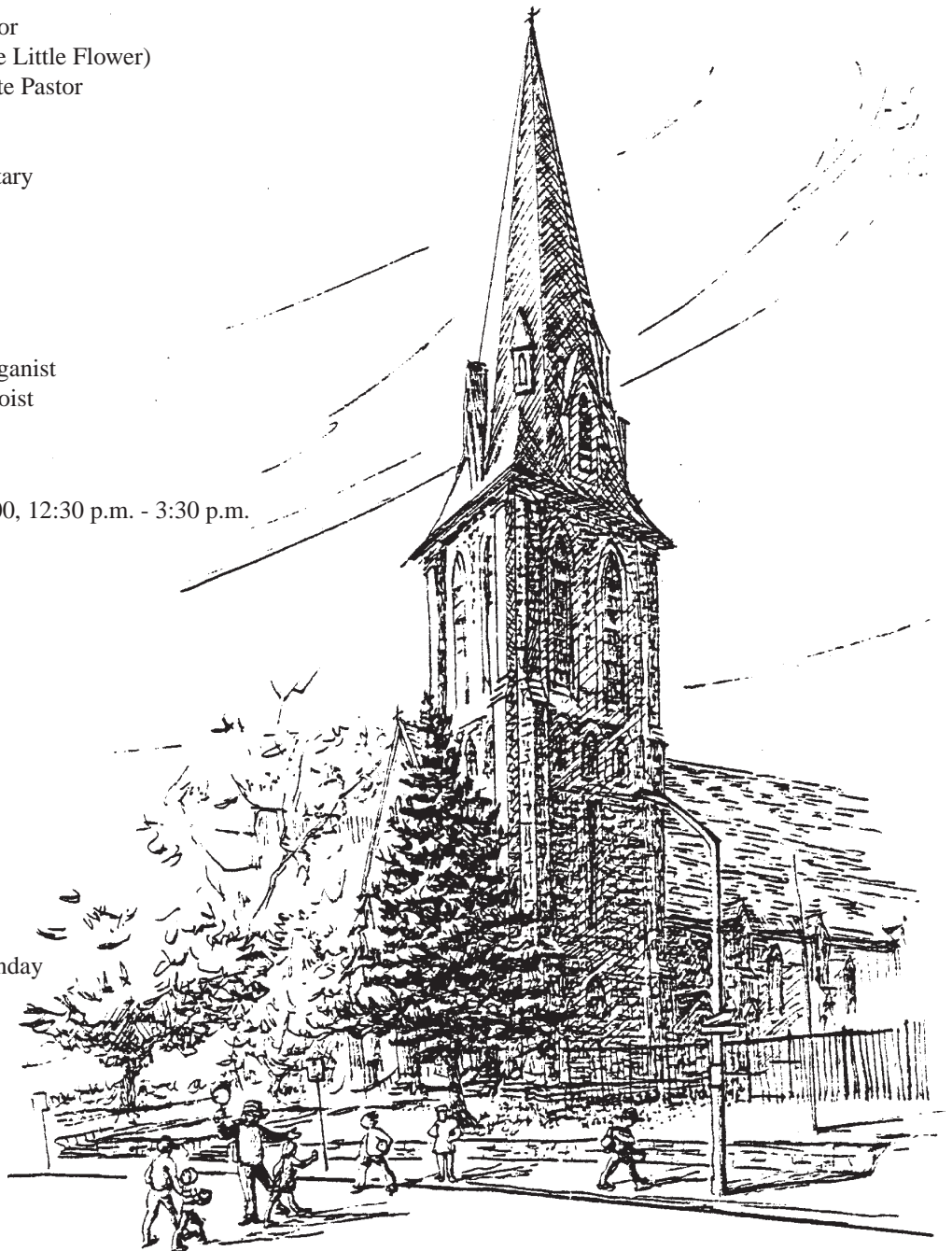
Schools

St. Patrick School 905-354-6631
St. Mary School 905-354-7744

Diocese of St. Catharines (est. 1958)
Most Rev. Gerard Bergie, D.D., Bishop

Parish Established 1858
Church Dedicated 1895

New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.



PALM SUNDAY



Saturday, April 1

5:00 Addison Kneller req. by Mom & Dad
Scott Balfour req. by Mom & Dad

Sunday, April 2 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00 Bruno Pietrobon req. by the Family
Hugh, Felicitas & William Hockton req. by the Family

9:30 Leo Ruberto req. by Teresa Ruberto
Rene Plouffe req. by Rosemary Girardo

11:30 People of the Parish

Monday, April 3

8:00 Peppino Paonessa req. by the Family
Gus & Zorka Wach req. by Friends

Tuesday, April 4

8:00 Gaetan Buteau req. by the Family
Marney Broderick req. by John Broderick & Family

Wednesday, April 5

8:00 Marco Bortolin req. by Anna & Family
Lucia Lovito req. by the Family

Thursday, April 6 Holy Thursday No 8:00am Morning Mass

7:00 Frances Campaner req. by the Campaner Family
pm James Shanahan req. by his Wife: Mary-Anne

Schedule for Holy Week and Easter Triduum

Monday	8:00 AM
Tuesday	8:00 AM
Wednesday	8:00 AM
*** Thursday (NO 8:00 AM Mass) ***	
Holy Thursday	Mass of the Lord's Supper- 7:00 PM
Good Friday	Celebration of the Passion of the Lord- 3:00 PM Stations of the Cross- 7:00 PM
Holy Saturday	Easter Vigil - 8:00 PM
Easter Sunday	8:00; 9:30; and 11:30 AM

Tuesday, April 4th at 7:30 PM Mass of Chrism
Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria. All are invited.

2023 Church Envelopes & 2022 Tax Receipts

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes & Tax Receipts as soon as possible. They are in the sacristy, to the left of the altar, if you are here at Mass on the weekends. Call the Office (905-354-7451) to arrange for pick up during the week. Many thanks.

Plastic Milk Bags

St. Pat's will be collecting plastic milk bags. These will be used to make 3' X 6' sleeping mats for the homeless. A church group in NOTL has many volunteers and several looms to do this project. A basket will be placed at the main entrance of the church for drop off. A sample of the mat is also on display.

Holy Land Olive Wood Religious Art Sale

This weekend, we are having some beautiful art available for sale in an effort to strengthen the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

Easter Flowers

If you would like to donate toward the Easter Flowers in memory of your loved ones, envelopes are available at the doors of the church! Please submit them by Easter Sunday.

Special Collections

Holy Land/Refugee Ministry (Good Friday) April 7

CWL News... The next meeting will be held, Wednesday, April 12th at 6:30pm in the Hall.



Rest in Peace... We pray for the soul of Giuseppina Falco. May she rest in peace. Please remember her family in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Sherry Wales, Karyn McEvoy, Mary F Hanlon, Tony Laslo, Leila Khan David Gallina, Andrew Zacharuk, Patrick Macri, Alba Rondinelli, John Pritty, Nancy Waters, , Natalie Speth, Cecilia Shugg, Jeanne S, John & Laura Giampa, Christine Pritty, Antoinette Vescio, Charlene Shannon, Sandra DeFoe, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Flori Heimbigner, Toni Brideau, Robert Morningstar, Leon French, Isabell Frost, Leroy Collee, Ron O'Neill, Elaine Pampena, Tony Cuvliello, Rita Ross, Karen Watt, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Jim & Betty Calzonetti, Eric Van Noort, Marcellina Mativo, William JA DeFoe, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, Judy, D.D., Estelle Critelli, Betty Crete, Bernadette Moore, Andrea Fisher, Sister Prem, Kelsey Liles, Julian Cassidy, Kelly Laslo, Mahmat, Joe Young, Maureen Tustin, Jeannette Fabian, Teresa Hebb, Rose MacDonald, Edward Brzozowski, Lori Ann Pizzolato, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Karen Bradley, Corinne Journeau, Tom Hilton, Carmine Astorino, Bob Marshall, Arlene Collee, Betty & Mary Ann Quigley, Nancy Weiss, Anna Hunt, Brian Smith, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Danielle Barranca, Kerrie Szuch, Norma Zanus, John Nicks, Pasquale Abrunzo, Samuel Potapczyk, John Calder, Todd Reid, Anna Chayer, Patricia Williams, Nancy Praakel, Jeanne Lea, Nancy Huber, Rebecca Evans, Denise Colalillo, John Cox, Nikki Mansfield, Nicolina Compare, Baby Victoria, Margaret Smith, Carmella Modenti, Donna Bradley, Elizabeth Stachura, Francesco Albanese, Michelle Price, Vito Fuccillo, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Margaret Waghorn, Drago Bicanic, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Patricia O'Reilly, Gloria Smelko, Conner Hawkswell, Jackie, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Jozefa Bilski, Mary Jo O'Kell, Robert & Maria Melchiorre, Mary Brennan, Faith Amadio, Cheryl Granton, Alessia Comisso, Trina Washington, Maria Guerin, Jadwiga Wozniak, John O'Leary, Walter Wallace, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Patrick McCarthy, Stefanie Borin, Pepper Martin Jr, Cheryl D'Amizio

Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.

Collections

March 26: \$5,040.00
Giving Bowl: \$9,203.80 (to date)
Turkey/Syria: \$1,670.00 (to date)
Many thanks for your generosity!

Children Sacramental Date 2023

First Communion: Sunday, May 7, 2023 @ 9:30 AM and 1:30 PM

Baptism Schedule for 2023

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on:
Sunday April 23, May 21 & June 25
A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, April 11, May 9 & June 13 at 7:00 pm.

Sacrament of Baptism... Congratulations on the birth of your child! If you wish to have your child baptized, please register in the parish (if you haven't already done so). One of the parents must come into the parish office, meet with the pastor or his designate, so we can complete the proper forms, and gather the necessary information. We encourage parents and Godparents to make an effort to attend liturgies in the parish community. We also have a mandatory evening of preparation for parents and Godparents!



Congratulations and best wishes to
Olivia Condon, Trinity DeCastro, Leon Rodriguez &
James Bieber who were recently baptized

!!!! Student Weekend Employment !!!!

St. Patrick Church is looking to hire a student (Grade X and up) to work on Saturdays (10:00 AM - 4:00 PM). Duties may include cleaning floors, leaf raking, doing garbage sweeps, clearing snow, opening and closing gates and doors for functions. If interested, please call the parish office or drop off a resume as soon as possible. This could also lead to summer employment with flexible hours!

Check out our website: <http://www.stpatricknf.ca>
and watch Mass on our Facebook page

Dear Friends,



It's hard to believe that Lent is almost over. Lent will end at the beginning of the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday evening. Today is Palm and Passion Sunday, the gateway into Holy Week. This Sunday we will proclaim *The Passion* from Matthew's Gospel. It begins with Jesus proclaiming a new covenant that He will make between God and humanity, a covenant of blood made by His sacrifice on the Cross. Our initial human response may be to feel sorry for Jesus, but Jesus doesn't need our sympathy as much as he wants our union with him! He wants a world that is transformed by his sacrificial love. He wants our hearts and our families to be transformed by his love. He wants our fidelity to the *New Covenant*.

Come out this week and celebrate the High Holy Days of our Church! On Holy Thursday we begin the *Easter Triduum*, with **The Mass of the Lord's Supper** at 7:00 pm. This is the liturgy in which we celebrate the



Institution of the Holy Eucharist! And we get a profound example of Jesus' service, with the humble ritual of *The Washing of the Feet!* Then on Good Friday at 3:00 PM, we will gather for *The Celebration of the Lord's Passion*, and *The Veneration of the Cross*. It's a most

sacred time to unite our pains, fears, and sufferings to the Cross! Then on Easter Saturday evening at 8:00 PM, we will celebrate the *Solemn Easter Vigil* and first Mass of Easter! This is a spectacular and moving Liturgy, the Mother of all Liturgies, which contain the powerful symbols of our Christian faith. Then on Easter Sunday we will celebrate *The Resurrection of the Lord!* I wish all of you a blessed Holy Week! May Christ reign in your lives! He died for us. May we live for Him!
Fr. Gerard



"Behold, Jesus Christ crucified, who is the only foundation of our hope; He is our mediator and advocate; the victim and sacrifice for our sins. He is goodness and patience itself; His mercy is moved by the tears of sinners, and he never refuses pardon and grace to those who ask it with a truly contrite and humbled heart." *St. Charles Borromeo*

"They who seek not the Cross of Christ, seek not the glory of Christ."
St. John of the Cross

Palm Sunday Smile

It was Palm Sunday but because of a sore throat, 5 year old Sammy stayed home from church with a babysitter. When the family returned home, they were carrying several palm fronds. Sammy inquired as to what they were for. 'People held them over Jesus' head as he walked by,' his father responded. 'Wouldn't you know it?' Sammy complained, 'the one Sunday I don't go and he shows up.'

The Giving Bowl

"A Lenten Sacrifice" for St. Pat's!

Once again this Lenten Season, we will have a special container at the front and back of the church. All donations will assist a food program which the late Mr. Ken Walsh helped initiate in Eastern Uganda in 2007. Each day *The Giving Bowl* feeds some 1000 children at local Schools. This is the only hot meal these children get each day! There are other elements to the program, including medical help, clothing, etc. **Ms. Isabel Bujor**, the director, who recently returned from visiting Eastern Uganda, will be speaking to our parish community at some point during Lent. Please place your donations into these containers during Lent! If you wish to donate by cheque, please make cheque payable to **St. Patrick Parish** and write **"The Giving Bowl"** on the memo line. *Lord, when did we see you hungry or naked or ill?*



If you are out shopping, and you see a sale, pick up canned meats, canned sauces, pasta, tuna, peanut butter, macaroni and cheese etc.

Please continue to bring food items to Mass for Project Share!

It is very much appreciated and needed. Every item helps!

"Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

!!!! Clothing Drive !!!!

Over 4,300 refugees have recently arrived in Niagara Falls. One of their immediate needs is clothing. Every parish in Niagara Falls is asked to collect **new or gently used** clothing. These will be sorted and brought to **St. Ann's Parish Hall (5740 Buchanan Avenue, Niagara Falls)** on **Thursday, April 13, 9:00am – 12:00pm**, or **Friday, April 14, 9:00am – 12:00pm**. These will be distributed on **Saturday, April 15, 8:00am - 4:00pm**. Volunteers are needed at St. Ann Parish Hall on April 13 and 14 to sort and organize the clothing, and on April 15 to welcome and assist refugees. To volunteer, call OLS Parish at 905-358-7611.

Clothing can be dropped off at St. Pat's any day.

You can leave them in the side porch of the rectory.

We will sort them and have them delivered to St. Ann's Church on the respective dates.

"Whatever you do for my brothers and sisters, you do for me."

Catholic Marriage Tribunal... If you are considering remarriage in the Catholic Church or hoping to enter a marriage with someone previously married, please speak to a priest, or contact the St. Catharines Catholic Marriage Tribunal at 905-687-8817 or tribunal@saintcd.com.

Parish Registration

Please help keep our records up to date! You may bring this form to the parish office or place it in the collection.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **Postal Code:** _____

Telephone: _____

I am new in the parish and wish to register _____

I wish to use contribution envelopes _____

I have recently moved _____

I have changed my phone number _____

We have married & wish to update our information _____

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