Saint Patrick's Church

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Parish Staff

Rev. Gerard Power, O.Carm., Pastor (Director in Canada, Society of the Little Flower) Rev. Marc Bell, O.Carm., Associate Pastor Rev. Mr. David Scott, Deacon Debbie Herman, Secretary Alice Corfield, Bookkeeper Secretary Brian Kneller, Caretaker

Music Ministry

Carol Martin - Director of Music Sandra DiCienzo - Organist Tim Marrie - Pianist and Soloist Anthony Scaringi - Pianist and Organist Ashley Gallardi-Pietrangelo - Soloist

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 School905-354-6631St. Mary School905-354-7744

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.

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- Saturday, April 22 5:00 Vincent Audibert *reg. by Fred & Betty*
- Sandra & Marilyn Brideau *req. by Guy Brideau* Sunday, April 23
- 8:00 People of the Parish
- **9:30** Luigi Marcon *req. by David & Dina Argenta* Vito Colangelo Sr. *req. by the Family*
- 11:30 Theresa & Tom Senese & the Mancuso & Senese Families req. by Cecilia & Family

Adam & Mary Shugg & the Ganter & Shugg Families req. by Cecilia & Family

- Monday, April 24 St Fidelis of Sigmaringen
- 8:00 Angela Catone req. by Vince Catone
- Maddalena Iuliano req. by Concetta Canal
- Tuesday, April 25 St Mark
- 8:00 Erika Bell req. by St. Patrick's Catholic Womens League Anna Vergalito req. by Pasquale Palombo & Family

Wednesday, April 26 Our Lady of Good Counsel

8:00 Louis Gallardi Sr. req. by the Family Josephine Falco req. by Antonietta Lanni

Thursday, April 27

- 8:00 Chester Ross req. by the Gowans Family Louise Leyland req. by Family
- Friday, April 28 St Peter Chanel & St Louis Grignion de Montfort
- 8:00 Leo Martin *req. by Eda Martin & Family* Bob & Pauline Vaillancourt *req. by Friends*

Saturday, April 29 St Catherine of Siena

5:00 Beryl Blanche Vout *req. by St. Patrick School Staff* Dec'd mem of the O'Brien & Gozansky Fam *req. by Ethel & Fam.* **Sunday, April 30 World Day of Prayer for Vocations**

8:00 People of the Parish

- **9:30** Lucrezia Rizzo req. by Mary, Patti, John, Steve & Families Sal Pietrangelo req. by Stu & Mary Lou Gallardi
- 11:30 Benito Giustini req. by the Giustini Family Mary Cote req. by Lillian Winslow

CWL News... Every Wednesday in May the Rosary will be said in the Hall at 6pm...all are welcome to attend! May 3rd we will follow the Rosary with our monthly meeting for those who wish to attend.

Hey everyone we would like to host a table sale... When...Saturday, May 27th, 7am – 2pm Where...right here in St. Patrick's Parish Hall What...you purchase a round table from us (\$20) and you fill it with whatever you have to sell...the profits are yours!!! Why...bring the community together and raise a little for our local CWL

We will also be hosting a BBQ that day...so if you don't want to buy a table come out and support us for lunch!!! You can set up your Table Friday, May 26th from 6 – 8pm or Saturday at 7am...any questions don't hesitate to contact Maggie @ 905-246-6212

Hennepin Council 1652 Knights of Columbus...Spaghetti Dinner Wednesday, May 10th 4:00 – 7:00pm @ Columbus Club Hall, 6990 Stanley Ave, NFO (Our Lady of Peace Hall) Menu: Salad, Spaghetti & Meatballs, Dessert, Coffee & Tea \$12 per Adult, \$6 under 12

Upcoming Weddings at St. Patrick's in April & May Kayla Nicole Thibert & Myles Peter Methner Eashita Ratwani & Brandon Jacobs **Rest in Peace...** We pray for the souls of Catherine Housser, Richard Glowacki and Barbara Marsden. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families 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, Ray Buckborough, 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, Ron O'Neill, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Flori Heimbigner, Toni Brideau, Anna Hunt, Robert Morningstar, Leon French, Isabell Frost, Leroy Collee, Elaine Pampena, Rita Ross, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Tony Cuviello, Karen Watt, 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, Joe Young, Kelsey Liles, Julian Cassidy, Kelly Laslo, Mahmat, Maureen Tustin, Jeannette Fabian, Teresa Hebb, Rose MacDonald, Edward Brzozowski, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Karen Bradley, Corinne Journeau, Tom Hilton, Carmine Astorino, Bob Marshall, Arlene Collee, Betty & Mary Ann Quigley, Danielle Barranca, Nancy Weiss, Brian Smith, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Samuel Potapczyk, Kerrie Szuch, Norma Zanus, John Nicks, Pasquale Abrunzo, John Calder, Todd Reid, Anna Chayer, Patricia Williams, Nancy Praakel, Jeanne Lea, Rebecca Evans, Nancy Huber, Denise Colalillo, John Cox, Francesco Albanese, Margaret Smith, Nikki Mansfield, Baby Victoria, Carmella Modenti, Donna Bradley, Elizabeth Stachura, 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 Commisso, Trina Washington, Maria Guerin, Jadwiga Wozniak, John O'Leary, Walter Wallace, DH, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Patrick McCarthy, Stefanie Borin, Pepper Martin Jr, Cheryl D'Ammizio Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.

Collections

April 16: \$5,005.00 Easter: \$14,981.44 Giving Bowl: \$11,339.05 (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 May 21 & June 25. A mandatory meeting for <u>Parents and Godparents</u> will be held in the Church on Tuesday, 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!

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.

!!!!! 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!

Dear Friends,

FROM THE PASTOR

Today is the 3rd Sunday in the Easter Season! The days are getting warmer, oops, then colder, then warmer again! Everything is bursting forth with new life! Resurrection everywhere! This time of year gives us that extra boost we need.



In today's Gospel the Risen Christ appears to two forlorn disciples on the Road to Emmaus! They had experienced Jesus' Passion and Death, had their world fall to pieces. So as they leave Jerusalem to go home, the Risen Christ

appears to them on the road, and explains everything by breaking open the scripture. They never recognized Him. Only after they invited this stranger back to their home, and provided hospitality, did they recognize it was Christ in the Breaking of the Bread! Their eyes were opened, and he vanished from their sight!

They left immediately for Jerusalem to share the Good News! The disciple's true understanding of the Resurrection comes as Christ breaks open the Scripture... and then Breaks Bread with them! Isn't this what every Eucharistic Liturgy does... and has been doing for centuries? May we never underestimate the power of God's Word, and the power of God's Sacraments! Christ still speaks to us in the same way he did that Easter evening. Without the regular hearing of God's Word, and the nourishment by his Body and Blood, it is very hard to find direction for our Christian lives. It is through being fed that we can go out and be people of Good News... people with a vision, people with hope... people who feed others! Have a blessed week!

Fr. Gerard



St. Therese and St. Teresa on the Eucharist

"Do you realize that Jesus is there in the tabernacle expressly for you for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart...don't listen to the demon, laugh at him, and go without fear to receive the Jesus of peace and love."

"Receive Communion often, very often. There you have the sole remedy, if you want to be cured. Jesus has not put this attraction in your heart for nothing." St. Therese of Lisieux

Here on earth it's impossible to perform a more meritorious act than visiting Jesus often in the Eucharist. If you took all of the good works done by all of the humans who have ever lived in all of history and stacked them all up and multiplied them by a million, they wouldn't equal the merit, the virtue and the worth of one Mass. The Eucharistic sacrifice is Christ's infinite merit, infinite value. St. Teresa of Avila



The Giving Bowl Canada

On behalf of The Giving Bowl, we would like to offer a sincere thanks to our parishioners for the generous donations to this program during the Lenten Season. We were able to raise almost \$12,000 through our church box Donations, and Church Envelope Donations. This will help feed many children in Eastern Uganda during this school year. Again, many thanks for your support!



Let's do everything we can to support our Catholic Education! Keep strong the bond between School, Family and Church. If one weakens, they all weaken. Question for the Week: What makes our Catholic Schools, 'Catholic'?

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.

Sunday Chuckle

During a Sunday school lesson, a child learned about how God created human beings. The child became especially focused when the teacher explained how Eve was created from Adam's ribs. Later in the week, the boy's mother saw him lying down on the floor, so she asked him what was wrong. His reply was priceless: "Mom, I have a pain in my side--I think I'm getting a wife."

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.

TIRED OF LIVING ALONE?

Mount Carmel Home is a Retirement Home founded by the Carmelite Sisters Religious Order

based in a caring, familial atmosphere. Included in the affordable monthly fee is meals, medication administration, weekly housekeeping, a room all to yourself including a private washroom, and more. Mount Carmel also offers a tuck shop and adjoining café, movies, crafts, cards, bingo, and various other

activities for you to enjoy. Contact Mount Carmel at 905-685-9155 today for more information and to book your tour!

Allergy Alert

DID YOU KNOW? For those of you who have Celiac Disease or are allergic to wheat products, our parish has special approved Gluten-Free hosts available. The onus is on you to let the presiding priest know before each Mass. He will ensure that he has it in his ciborium for you.

We have a few parishioners who struggle with perfume allergies! Please keep this in mind as you prepare yourself for Sunday Mass. Just a little dab'll do!

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



Please continue to bring food items to Mass for Project Share! Every item helps! "Lord, when did we see you hungry?"



