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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, 11:30 a.m. and 7:00 p.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
Most Rev. John A. O'Mara, D.D., Bishop-Emeritus

Parish Established 1858
Church Dedicated 1895



New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Saturday, April 28 St Peter Chanel & St Louis Grignon de Montfort

5:00 Herald & Marc Bickerstaffe req. by Imelda Bickerstaffe
Vincent Audibert req. by Fred & Betty

Sunday, April 29

8:00 People of the Parish

9:30 Luigi Marcon req. by Louise Marcon & Family
Maria Gulla req. by the Family

11:30 Caterina Ruberto req. by the Ruberto & De Melo Families
Mary Giampolo-Darling & Nick Rukavina req. by the Family

7:00 Kevin & Louise Young req. by the Family
Robbie Loro req. by the Family

Monday, April 30 St Marie de l'Incarnation

8:00 Joseph Tai & Daminh Bang req. by Duy's Family

Tuesday, May 1 St Joseph the Worker & St Pius V

8:00 David Kealey req. by John & Maureen Kealey
Bette Anne Chevalier req. by Tom & Family

Wednesday, May 2 St Athanasius

8:00 Ody Argenta req. by Lidia Bonaldo & Family

Thursday, May 3 St Philip & St James

8:00 John Buckner & Jean Lundy req. by Friends
Patsy & Allan Power req. by Fr. Gerard

Friday, May 4 Bl Marie-Leonie Paradis

8:00 Cecil Shannon req. by Charlene
Sara Eka req. by Agatha Eka

Saturday, May 5

5:00 Ardiuno & Assunta Maiuri req. by Peter & Stefanie Maiuri
Dec'd mem. of the Olsiak & Kulesh Fam. req. by the Olsiak Family

Sunday, May 6

8:00 Madeline Rosati req. by the Grandchildren
Ivon Loro req. by the Family

9:30 Adelino Marcon req. by Theresa Marcon
Elmira, James & Danny Dick req. by Colette Empey & Yvette Dick

11:30 Jackie Cavasin req. by the Cavasin Family
Benito Giustini req. by the Family

7:00 People of the Parish

2018 Church Envelopes & 2017 Tax Receipts

Offertory Envelopes & 2017 Tax Receipts are at the main doors of the Church. Please pick yours up today. If you notice a discrepancy please contact the office. Thank you

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in May

Rachel Webb & Matthew Dean

Baptism Schedule for 2018

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday, May 13, June 17, July 15 & August 19

A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, May 1, June 5, July 3 & August 7 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 all the necessary information. We encourage parents and Godparents to make an effort to attend liturgies in the parish community. We also have a special evening of preparation for parents and Godparents! Many blessings!

Ontario Early Years Centre is located in St. Patrick School. Open Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 8:30am to 12 Noon. It is a FREE program with fun activities for the little ones. Call 905-357-2398 for more details, or check out the website: niagaracatholic.ca/oeycnf

A Collection will be taken up next weekend for the Pope's Pastoral Works. Envelopes are at the doors of the Church today, please be generous.

Please refer to the Bulletin Boards at the back and side entrances of the Church for many important notices and events.

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Sue Secord, Angela Catone & Matija Yagar. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Sherry Wales, Ron St. Onge, Joe Mancuso, Joseph Goulet, Norma Zanus

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Ron & Elke St. Onge, Marie Cadman, James Moody Sr., John Calder, Melissa Brideau, Toni Brideau, John Nicks, Leon Dopke, Adele Morabito, Anna Hunt, John Kealey, Brenda Hyde, Helen Lelievre, Samuel Potapczyk, Baby Julian, Baby Noah, Mary Lawrence, Bernard Martin, William JA De Foe, Emily Hanover, Leo Martin, Drago Bicanic, Baby Victoria, Nancy Weiss, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffrati, Edna McDonell, Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm., Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Trudy Smelko, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Danielle Barranca, Iole Mancini, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Lucy Rizzo, Alice Dalton, Audrey Vendramin, Jeanne Lea, Baby Maximus, Patrick Kealey, Francesco Albanese, Rosalyn Dagleish, Kelly Dettlor, Florrie Heimbigner, Kitty Decicco, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jozefa Bilski, Charlene Shannon, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, Anna Vergalito, John Jefferson, Todd Reid, Jill Leronowich, Nancy Jean Rose, Vince(Jim) Baldassarro, Patrick McCarthy, Muriel Pivarnik, Tom Hilton, Walter Wallace, Stefanie Borin, John Cox, Joyce Weaver, Kerrie Szuch, Faith Amadio, Margaret Smith, Carmella Modenti, Margaret Waghorn, Vito Fuccillo, Baby Hope, Donna Bradley, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Kelly Laslo, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Mary Jo O'Kell, Alessia Commisso, Vicki Dubeau, Baby Sebastian, Patricia O'Reilly, Mary Brennan, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Michelle Price, Brian Smith, Baby Gabriel Paraskevopoulos, Trina Washington, Shirley Machulla, Lorraine Spence, Helen Rotella, Jeanne S, Dr. Andy Fisher, Carlo Trasmundi, Frank Sica, Stacey Thomas

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

Collections

April 22: \$6,650.00

Ryan's Bowl: \$7,128.00 (to date)

Many thanks for your generosity!

Important Date for 2018

May 6th - First Communion-St. Patrick & St. Mary Schools at 1:30pm

CWL Trivia Night tickets, time is running out! This is an adult function for 19 yrs and over ... tickets are \$20 each or a table of 8 for \$135 ... NO ticket sales at the door!! Come out and support our scholarship fundraiser on May 5th at 6:30pm, right here in the Gym, doors open at 6pm ... it's going to be a great night!! Beef on a Bun, snacks & cash bar. You can purchase your tickets through the office 905-354-7451 or by calling Maggie 905-246-6212

C.W.L. News alert... -Starting May 2nd we will be praying the Rosary as a community every Wednesday in May starting at 6p.m in the Hall!! Please come and join us!!

-Read all about it ... we are planning a trip to the Midland Shrine ... \$35 a person ... that includes your coach bus trip as well as entry into the Shrine, a guided tour & Mass ... Saturday, May 26th, 2018 ... reserve your spot, same as above (call office or Maggie) check out the flyer at the entrances of the Church!!

-Palliative care ... please join our C.W.L. on May 4th, the church will be opened from 9am - 9pm in order to spend time as a community praying together for more palliative care spots in Ontario but also for our government to understand the importance of Palliative care!!

-Mother's Day ... we as a C.W.L. are asking for donations of soaps, shampoos, other toiletries to donate to Women's Place in May!

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 _____

We have married & wish to update our information _____



Dear Friends!

It seems every week, there is a tragedy somewhere. While we are still feeling heartbroken and shocked about the hockey bus accident in Saskatchewan, we hear the tragic news this week of a van attack on Young Street in Toronto, claiming 10 lives and injuring many others. It's so hard to hear and it's hard to bear. We keep all the victims and families of those tragedies and attacks in prayer. May God hold all of them in the Palm of His Hand!

The month of May begins on Tuesday! And May is a month devoted to the Blessed Virgin Mary. I encourage all of us to do something special to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary each day during May. Perhaps we can pray the **Rosary** more frequently, maybe pray the **Hail Mary** before each meal as a family. One saint said, "Keep Mary in mind, and Jesus will grow in your heart!"



In today's Gospel Jesus gives us a beautiful image of himself when he says, "I am the vine, you are the branches." Just as a branch cannot bear fruit if it is disconnected from the vine, neither can we bear fruit if we are disconnected from Jesus. This image of the vine and branches describes the intimate union

between Christ and the believer. To be a follower, to be Christian... is to live united with Christ.

We get ourselves in big trouble if we separate ourselves from Him or try to make it through this life on our own. We are called to make Christ's message real in the world, to be witnesses of the Resurrection. We are to bring His Love out into the world, and transform the world with His Presence. We can only do that in as much as we are intimately connected to Him!

Maybe this week, we can spend time reflecting on how well am I grafted to the True Vine? Do I have an intimate union with Christ? If so, is this evident to others? What can I do this week to bear fruit for the Gospel? Happy pruning, weeding and trimming! Blessings!

Fr. Gerard

Always Next Year!!!



+ We remember the victims and families of the tragedy in Toronto this past week. Psalm 46 says, "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in times of trouble." Come to their aid, O God, comfort them! And help still the violence in our world. Amen.+

Pilgrimage to St Anne De Beaupre Quebec
July 24 to July 27 for information please call Maria Chiovitti @ 905-356-9794

Check out our website: <http://www.stpatricknf.ca>
May is Mary's Month



May is the month that we as Catholics pay special tribute to Mary, the Mother of God. The Rosary is prayed daily at St. Patrick Church at 7:30 AM, Mon-Fri as a way of honoring Mary. You will also hear some familiar Marian Hymns throughout the month, as a way of praising Mary in song. This is a good month for all of us to renew our devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Maybe when you hear the **Noon Bell** and the **6 PM Bell** at St. Patrick Church, you can stop what you're doing and pray the traditional **Angelus** Prayer:

The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary:
And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. **Hail Mary...**
Behold the handmaid of the Lord:
Be it done unto me according to Thy word. **Hail Mary . . .**
And the Word was made Flesh: And dwelt among us. **Hail Mary . . .**
Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,
that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.
Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts;
that we, to whom the incarnation of Christ, Thy Son, was made
known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross
be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same
Christ Our Lord. Amen.

Congratulations and best wishes to those who were Baptized in April!



Luca Conidi, Cristiano Conidi-Senese, Lukas Haubrok, Kyle Iker, Vienna Littlewood, Candice Reyes, Annabel Sacco & Monet Tokuc

LIVING ROSARY

During the month of May, the Knights of Columbus, Council 1652, will be conducting the Living Rosary every Tuesday evening at 7 pm in their downstairs Lounge at 6101 North Street, Niagara Falls. Everyone is welcome; please come and join us. Coffee and light refreshments will follow the Rosary prayers.

Weekday Rosary.....Every morning at 7:30,
the Holy Rosary is prayed in St. Patrick Church.
Keep Mary in mind, and Jesus will grow in your heart!

Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre Presentations:

7020 Stanley Avenue, 905-356-4113 carmelniagara.com

Carmelite Spirituality: The discussion group, Elijah's Well, meets the 2nd & 4th Friday at 7pm at Mt Carmel Spiritual Centre, Contact Jean 905-975-5326

Separated & Divorced Healing Ministry Support Group meets every second & fourth Monday of the month from 7 - 9pm
For information call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154
separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com

Carmelite Spirituality Group ...You are invited to Mt Carmel Monastery on the second Sunday of each month to explore Carmelite spirituality.
Mt Carmel Spiritual Centre, 2 - 5pm www.carmelniagara.com

Warehouse of Hope: Accepting used electronics, small appliances, TVs, etc. working or not. Bring items Monday to Friday 9 - 5pm and place them in the drop-off house at the back of the building, 46 Broadway Ave., St. Cath.



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