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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.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Saturday, April 2 St Francis Paola

5:00 Frank Provenzano *req. by Josephine Provenzano*
Hugh, Felicitas & William Hockton *req. by the Family*

Sunday, April 3 Fifth Sunday of Lent Development & Peace

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Dec'd mem. Faiella Family & Friends *req. by James Faiella*
Elmira, James & Danny Dick *req. by Colette & Yvette*
11:30 Maria Della Marca *req. by Michael & Regina DeMizio*
Immacolata Luciano *req. by Alessandro Lucia & Family*

Monday, April 4 St Isidore

8:00 Philippine Buteau *req. by the Family*
Red Heimbigner *req. by his Wife: Flori*

Tuesday, April 5 St Vincent Ferrer

8:00 James Ronald Shanahan *req. by his Wife: Mary-Anne*
Pietro Remollino *req. by Rosa Remollino & Family*

Wednesday, April 6

8:00 Vito & Antonetta Picca *req. by the Family*
Frances Campaner *req. by the Campaner Family*

Thursday, April 7 St John Baptist de La Salle

8:00 Wilf Manuel *req. by the Family*
Peppino Paonessa *req. by the Family*

Friday, April 8

8:00 Yolanda Manchego *req. by her Dtr: Yolanda Henwood*
Karen Bailey & Doreen Alberton *req. by Dave Alberton & Samantha Bailey*

Saturday, April 9

5:00 Fred Girardo Jr. *req. by Ken Borutski*
Charles & Lois Mann *req. by the Family*

Sunday, April 10 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Mr. & Mrs. Lazzarin *req. by Louise Marcon*
Jozef & Feliksa Brzozowski *req. by Dtr: Jean Janusz*
11:30 Palmiro Goegan *req. by Louise Goegan*
Giuseppe Iacobaccio *req. by the Family*

2022 Church Envelopes & 2021 Tax Receipts

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

The Giving Bowl

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

Once again this Lent, we have a special container at the front and back of the church. All donations will assist *The Giving Bowl*, which feeds up to 1200 children at local Catholic Schools in Eastern Uganda. This is the only hot meal these children get each day! They also assist with medical issues, uniforms and tuition. Please place your donations into these containers during Lent! If you use the parish offertory envelopes, you must write the cheque to *St. Patrick Parish*. Then we issue a cheque to *The Giving Bowl* at the end of each month.

Reconciliation

Our parish will celebrate a *Service of Reconciliation* on **Monday, April 11th at 7:00 PM.**
Several priests will be available for individual confession.

The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on, Tuesday, April 12th at 7:30pm in the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria, St. Catharines. All are welcome

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

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

George Mc Evoy

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Tony Laslo, Patrick Macri, Nancy Waters, Christine Pritty, Jerry Slak, Antoinette Vescio, Charlene Shannon, Sandra DeFoe, Natalie Speth, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Flori Heimbigner, Justin Vaillancourt, Betty Calzonetti, Marcellina Mativo, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, Rita Ross, Ron O'Neill, Francis Patterson, Fern Albert, Estelle Critelli, Leon French, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Dr. Andy Fisher, Andrea Fisher, Kelsey Liles, Angelina Greco, Maureen Tustin, Betty Crete, Leroy Collee, Eric Van Noort, Joe Young, Judy, Gaetan Buteau, Ralph Davey, Rose MacDonald, Kathryn Kneller, Mahmat, Maureen Kealey, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Andy Scotnicki, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Dennis Bowers, Karen Bradley, Corinne Journeau, Carmine Astorino, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Mary Ann Quigley, Teresa Hebb, Mary Frances Pye, Nancy Weiss, Julian Cassidy, Marney Broderick, Gregory Roulston, Sister Prem, Kerrie Szuch, John Nicks, Cameron Boyes, Pasquale Abrunzo, John Calder, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Bernadette Moore, Norma Zanuz, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Kelly Laslo, Toni Brideau, Jeanne Lea, John Cox, Nikki Mansfield, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nicolina Compare, Nancy Jean Rose, Anna Vergalito, Carmella Modenti, Anna Hunt, Elizabeth Stachura, Denise Colalillo, Brian Smith, Donna Bradley, Margaret Smith, Rebecca Evans, Samuel Potapczyk, Michelle Price, Mary Lawrence, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Drago Bicanic, Margaret Waghorn, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Vito Fuccillo, Tom Hilton, Jeanne S, Francesco Albanese, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Jeannette Fabian, Maria Melchiorre, Jozefa Bilski, Todd Reid, Mary Brennan, Conner Hawkswell, Faith Amadio, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Maria Guerin, Patricia O'Reilly, Audrey Vendramin, Patrick Kealey, Cheryl Granton, Walter Wallace, Francois Chayer, Baby Victoria, Vital & Anna Chayer, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Jadwiga Wozniak, Julie Nicholson, Stefanie Borin, Patrick McCarthy, D.D., Alessia Comisso, Mary Jo O'Kell, Pepper Martin Jr., Trina Washington, Jackie, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Bob Marshall
Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.

Collections

March 27: \$3,472.50
The Giving Bowl: \$4,858.75 (to date)
Ukraine Relief: \$4,135.00 (to date)
Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2022

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday, May 29, June 26, July 24 & August 21.** A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, May 17, June 14, July 12 & Aug 9 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!

Children Sacramental Dates 2022

Confirmation: Saturday, April 30, 2022 @ 7:00pm
First Communion: Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 1:30pm for St. Mary & St. Patrick Schools (9:30am-Children in other schools)
(If you are a parishioner at St. Patrick Church, and have a child who does not attend St. Patrick or St. Mary Schools, and would like to celebrate their sacraments here, please contact the parish office for the registration forms.)

40 DAYS FOR LIFE runs from Ash Wednesday, March 2 - April 10, 2022 on the sidewalk outside GNGH on Portage Road. You may sign up at www.wpcprolife.com For further information, please contact Annette: loeffenlife@gmail.com, 905-325-1251.

Weekday Mass Schedule for Lent

Monday-Friday: 8:00 AM
Stations of the Cross
Friday 7:00 PM followed by *Benediction*
and *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*





Dear Friends!

Just as we thought Spring was springing, we ended up with cold and snow and ice! Hang in there. It will come. Today is the 5th Sunday of Lent! Next Sunday will be Palm Sunday, the Gateway to Holy Week. And before long, Easter!

Today's Gospel is a wonderful example of God's mercy and forgiveness: ***The Woman Caught in Adultery!*** This woman was dragged before Jesus by the self-righteous scribes and Pharisees. How embarrassing! Jesus was teaching a crowd. Where was the man? Hmm. Imagine this woman's humiliation! Then we see the compassion of Jesus! He wrote on the dusty ground, and said, ***Let anyone among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her.*** And the crowd went away one by one, even the scribes and Pharisees! Jesus was left alone with the woman. There was no interrogation, no putting her down, no stare of disgust. Only gentle words: ***"Go your way, and from now on do not sin again."*** The relief she must have felt! No doubt, her life was changed forever. She was given a chance to start over again!

The good news is, no matter what we have done, there's someone to whom we can go, who knows everything about us and who loves us! ***That one is Jesus!*** He knows what we have done and what we have failed to do. He doesn't say it's OK, because it's not. But he understands us... our condition, our circumstances; he understands that all have sinned and fallen short of God's way! And he is the only one who can give us back our self-respect, our dignity, our soul!!! That is the sacrament of Reconciliation. This is what Jesus celebrated with this woman!

As we near Easter, may we take the sacred time to free ourselves at the feet of Jesus, free ourselves from our sin, our dirt, our shortcomings! Take advantage of God's healing love and grace! [We will have a communal celebration of Reconciliation on Monday, April 11th at 7:00 PM.] Then we can approach Easter with the same joy as the sinful woman! Have a blessed week!

Fr. Gerard



Church Roof

Once again, we are having a problem with slates coming off the church roof during wind storms. It is in the same section as before (school side). We had 12 slates replaced in 2020, and we also had the roof inspected. Provincial Roofing, at the request of our insurance company, Catholic Mutual Canada, will be here any day to replace the slates. For the time being, and for your safety, two parking spaces are closed off on the school side of the church. The 1945 slate roof was replaced in 1989, using clips. This may be at the source of the problem, as the clips have a tendency to expand with pressure, and also deteriorate with weather. We will keep you posted.

Holy Week and Easter Liturgies

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; 11:30 AM



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!

Wearing of Masks

As of March 21, 2022, masks are no longer mandated in most indoor settings, including places of worship. We ask that in the best interest, and for the safety of our parish community, that we consider wearing a mask in the church.

Help Needed- Parish Bingo

Our St. Pat's Bingo Committee is looking for a few more volunteers to assist at Delta Bingo Hall. We currently have 6 members, so a few more would be great. We are required to have 2 people at Delta, 2-3 times a month for two hours. You will be trained on site. Mr. Leslie Khan is retiring, so we need someone to volunteer to be the coordinator. We thank Mr. Khan for his wonderful ministry.

Synod on Synodality

Our parish will be having some input sessions for the Synod on Synodality later in the Spring. The dates will be published in the parish bulletin.

Holy Land Olive Wood Religious Art Sale

On April 9th & 10th, we will be having some of their beautiful art available for sale in an effort to strengthen the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

!!!! Development and Peace: Share Lent !!!!!

This weekend, a special collection will be taken in all Catholic churches in Canada for Development and Peace. Envelopes are in your boxes and at the doors of the Church.

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.

Little Flower Society Cards

Did you know that St. Patrick Parish Office has Mass Cards in stock from the Carmelite's Little Flower Society? We have Healing Mass Cards, Living Intentions, Five-Year Memorial Cards, and also Perpetual Memorial Cards. By using those cards, you not only comfort a family member or friend, but you also support the mission of the Carmelites, our Carmelite Vocation Efforts, and our Carmelite Formation Programs in several countries.

Are you tired of living alone? Consider Mount Carmel Home in St. Catharines. A retirement home operated by the Carmelite Sisters, offering assisted living in an affordable and caring family tradition. Care services include meals, housekeeping and medication management. If interested please call 905-685-9155 for a tour.

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