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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.

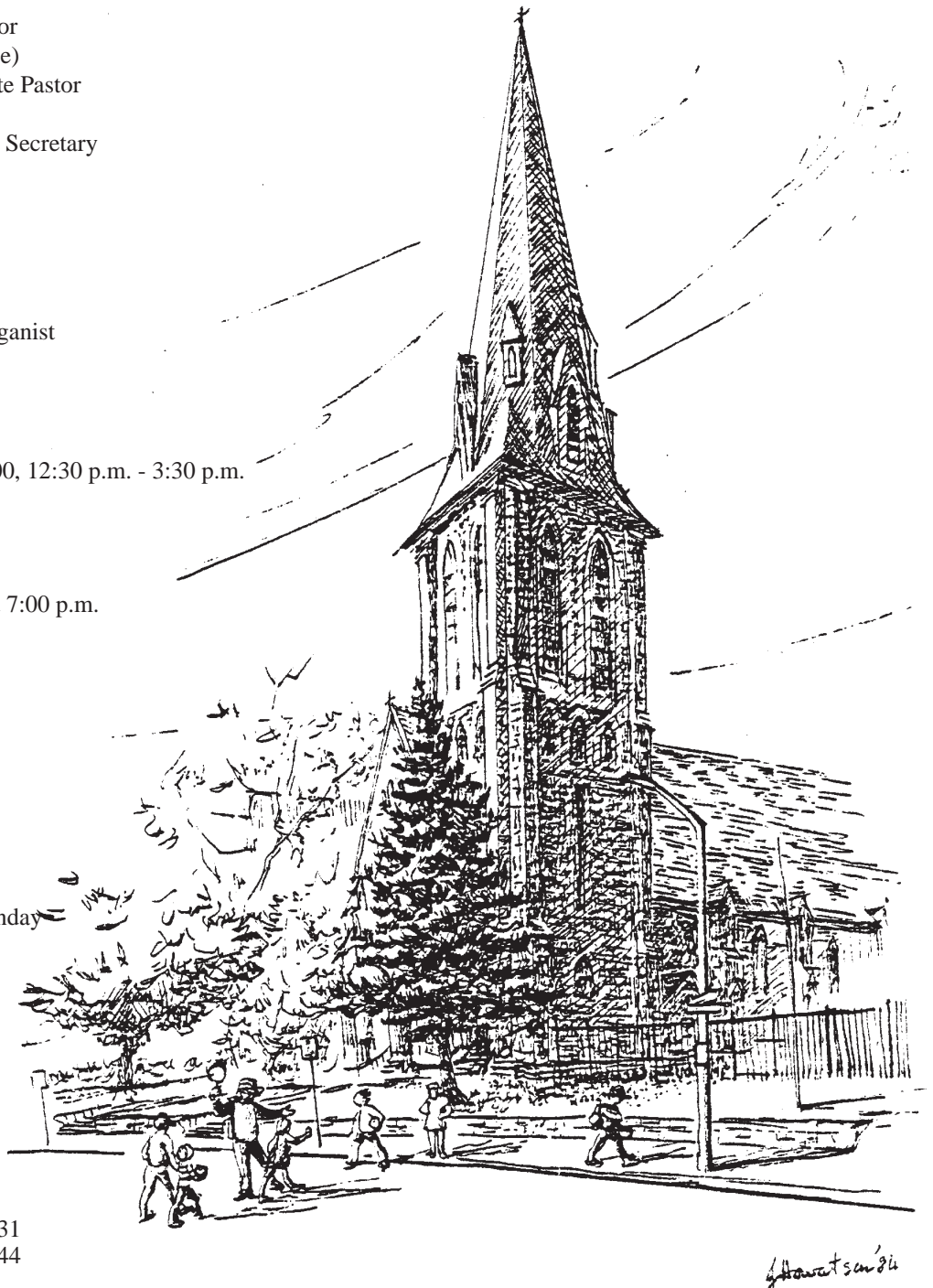
Schools

St. Patrick School 905-354-6631
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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.

TWENTIETH & TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, August 15 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 Margaret Paterson req. by Joe Paterson
Colleen Tataric req. by John & Helen Olsiak

Sunday, August 16

8:00 Cyndi Carroll req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams
Giuseppina, Giulio & Albert Canali req. by Giancarlo & Anne Condotta & Family
9:30 Sam Di Carlo req. by the MacLean Clan
Elmira, James & Danny Dick req. by Yvette Dick & Colette Empey
11:30 Mario DeMeo req. by Vincenzo Spacone
Joseph Asner & Ted Chrzanowski req. by Elizabeth & Family
7:00 People of the Parish
James Shanahan req. by Mary-Anne Shanahan

Monday, August 17

8:00 Turra Giuseppe req. by Maria Guerin & Family
Fr. Roger Bonneau, O.Carm. req. by St. Pat's Catholic Womens League

Tuesday, August 18

8:00 Gino & Mary Visentin req. by Marilyn Lococo
Aldo & Pat Visentin req. by Friends

Wednesday, August 19 St John Eudes

8:00 Pat O'Brien req. by Ethel O'Brien & Family
Dan Profeta req. by Mary & Family

Thursday, August 20 St Bernard

8:00 Leo Persia req. by the Persia Family
Dorothy & Bernard Kennedy req. by the Parish

Friday, August 21 St Pius X

8:00 John Joseph Doyle req. by the Doyle Family
Irma Amadio req. by Cecil & Family

Saturday, August 22 The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 Eduardo Pizzolato req. by Angela & Dave Dumele
Patricia & Joseph Desrosiers req. by the Family

Sunday, August 23

8:00 Pelligreno Camelia req. by the Family
Lidia Bonaldo req. by Giancarlo & Anne Condotta
9:30 Antonia Gulla req. by the Family
Marie & Jack Cadman req. by Friends
11:30 Anthony Bulanda req. by the Gowans Family
7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, August 24 St Bartholomew

8:00 Gino & Anna Ditomaso, Dominilo Luu Uyen & Anthony Hung
Nguyen req. by the Family

Tuesday, August 25 St Louis & St Joseph Calasanz

8:00 People of Beirut

Wednesday, August 26

8:00 Domenic Morabito req. by the Family

Thursday, August 27 St Monica

8:00 Frances & Bob Comeau req. by the Parish

Friday, August 28 St Augustine

8:00 For the Safety of our School Children

Saturday, August 29 The Passion of St John the Baptist

5:00 Harold Mancini req. by the Family
Cyndi Carroll req. by John & Helen Olsiak

Sunday, August 30

8:00 Mike DeGuida & Lucy Janssen req. by William Janssen Jr & Sr
Felicitas & Hugh Sr & William Hockton req. by Fr. Gerard
9:30 Adelino Marcon req. by Theresa
Sam Radice req. by the Herman Family
11:30 Lia Nieuwesteeg req. by the Family
Bernice, Jack & John Buckner req. by the Parish
7:00 People of the Parish

Collections

August 2: \$4,296.02

August 9: \$4,691.09

Air Conditioning: \$1,713.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

Church Bulletins

For the time being we are not permitted to print church bulletins.
So they will be available online only.

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Baby Hazel, Sam Radice and Lidia Bonaldo. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Ralph Davey, Fr. Terry Cyr, O.Carm., Armando Rossi

Please pray for those who are ill

Baby M, Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Sandra Galassi, Sharon Bruder, Andrea Fisher, Francis Patterson, Leroy Collee, Maureen Tustin, Maureen Kealey, Fern Albert, Betty Crete, Sean Sandel, Marie Betts, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Cyndee Matvichuk, Rosanna Ricci, Karen Bradley, Ron Winslow, Carmine Astorino, Andy Scotnicki, Corinne Joumeau, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Judy, Mary Ann Quigley, Maria Nobile, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Teresa Hebb, Jarod Hickey, Julian Cassidy, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Mary Frances Pye, Gus Bagarozza, Carol DeVilliers, Joe Young, Kelly Power, Marney Broderick, Sister Prem, Kerrie Szuch, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Pasquale Abrunzo, Alice Dalton, John Nicks, John Calder, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Bernadette Moore, Norma Zanus, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Fern Albert, Kelly Laslo, Toni Brideau, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nikki Mansfield, Lester Snow, John Cox, Leo Martin, Nicolina Compare, Dr. Andy Fisher, Alvin Learn, James Moody Sr., Nancy Jean Rose, Eric Corcoran, Carmella Modenti, Anna Hunt, Rose MacDonald, Elizabeth Stachura, Denise Colalillo, Brian Smith, Donna Bradley, Charlene Shannon, John Kealey, Margaret Smith, Anna Vergalito, Frank Sica, Helen Lelievre, Nancy Weiss, Jeanne Lea, Rebecca Evans, Samuel Potapczyk, Mary Lawrence, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Michelle Price, Emily Hanover, Donna Cormier, Margaret Waghorn, Drago Bicanic, Jeanne S, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffradi, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Vito Fuccillo, Tom Hilton, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Marie Massolin, Jeannette Fabian, Maria Melchiorre, Jozefa Bilski, Francesco Albanese, Todd Reid, Mary Brennan, Conner Hawkswell, George Teibert, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Maria Guerin, Patricia O'Reilly, Audrey Vendramin, Faith Amadio, Patrick Kealey, Cheryl Granton, Walter Wallace, Florrie Heimbigner, Francois Chayer, Jadwiga Wozniak, Julie Nicholson, Stefanie Borin, Patrick McCarthy, Alessia Commisso, Trina Washington, Mary Jo O'Kell, Cheryl D'Amizzio, Shirley Machulla, Baby Nicholas, Baby Victoria, Pepper Martin Jr.

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



!!!Project Share Needs our Help!!!

Food donations are at their lowest from June to August every year, and shelves often get close to being empty ... while the need doesn't diminish. This year has been rough for the poor and the hungry. We are asked to do all we can to get them through this challenging period. Project SHARE's most needed food items include peanut butter; protein items such as canned tuna, salmon, chicken, ham; and canned beans, pasta sauce, pasta, baby food and formula; cereals.

Lord, when did we see you hungry?

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!

Prayer for a Pandemic

by Joan Chittister

God of light and God of mystery,
give us the faith to see you
in the grey dimness of this time.

Give us the heart to hear,
in the silence of the sick,
the call to care for those in pain.

Give us the courage to find you
where you do not now appear to be.

Give us the trust it takes to make our way
through this uncertainty, this fear,
this seemingly irredeemable sense of limitless loss
to the recognition of the relentless hope
that each seasonal cycle of life confirms in us.

You who made all things
for our good and our growth
show us, too, now the power of darkness
so that we might see newly—
beyond the ephemeral— to what are really
the gloriously important things in life. Amen.



Dear Friends,

We are halfway through the month of August. I hope and pray that this pandemic will end soon We must never lose hope. There's days I feel so sick of it all, yet we have to stay with the struggle. That's where our faith comes in. We continue on the journey, inviting God deeper into our lives. And we must continue to do everything we can to stay safe and to protect each other.

One of the greatest joys the past few weeks is that we have been baptizing children on weekday evenings, one child at a time. It gives us a sense of new life and joy, when we can so easily give into defeat and despair. This weekend we will celebrate First Holy Communion for one of our little children, **Maryam Youisif!** It will be a great joy. We are in the process of contacting the parents of our Grade 2 children [in schools other than St. Mary and St. Patrick] so we can celebrate First Communion with them one at a time. We have a lot of catching up to do with our Sacraments! We had a Zoom Conference with Bishop Bergie on Wednesday to discuss the celebration of Confirmation for those who were scheduled for May 30, 2020, our Confirmation date will be October 20, 2020 at 7:00pm. We will be in contact with the families and the now, Grade 9 students!

Now that masks are mandatory in Niagara, we ask all parishioners to wear a mask when attending Mass, unless you cannot do so for medical reasons. We also ask that you respect all protocols that we have in place for our safety. If you cannot follow the necessary protocols, or if you are not feeling well, it is best that you remain at home. All **Diocesan Updates** on policies for Mass are published on our parish website. (<http://www.stpatricknf.ca>). I wish to thank all of you for your patience during this crisis. And a big thank you to our many volunteers. Our parish office will remain closed to the public until after Labour Day. All business will be conducted at the door from 10 AM to 3 PM Monday to Thursday, and from 10 AM to 2 PM on Fridays. Please call ahead so we can have certificates or Mass cards etc. prepared for you. God bless!

Fr. Gerard

20th Sunday (August 16th)

Healing of the Canaanite Woman's Daughter

This Gospel contains a strong challenge! Jesus is among Gentiles in Tyre and Sidon. A Canaanite woman comes along and shouts to him for help. The disciples tell Jesus to **send her away!** Her daughter is tormented by a demon, and she knows that Jesus can heal her. She is desperate, and goes as far as calling Jesus, **Son of David!** She knew who he was! To a Hebrew, a **Canaanite**, was like calling someone an enemy of God's people - a **pagan!** The Hebrews often called pagans, **dogs**, whereas they, the chosen people, called themselves, **children of God**. Jesus used this occasion to open his disciples hearts and eyes! He gave them an example of what would become **their work in the future** - to spread the Good News to all who have faith, without regard to their nationality! That means being open and accepting towards the outsider... towards everyone. Jesus saw the faith of this woman and he **healed** her daughter from a demon! **What can we learn from this?** Jesus overcame the barriers that the disciples and the people had created: **ethnic, cultural, political, gender, and religious** barriers! Everyone matters to God! And so it should be for us!



21st Sunday (August 23rd)

Who do you say that I am?

This is the question put forth to his disciples in today's Gospel. Jesus was widely recognized in Israel as a mighty man of God. Even compared to the great prophets, **John the Baptist, Elijah, and Jeremiah**. Peter was quick to respond, and he exclaimed that **YOU ARE the Christ, the Son of the living God**. No mortal being could have revealed this to Peter, but only God! Jesus then conferred on Peter, authority to govern the Church that Jesus would build, a Church that no powers would overcome. Ironically here, Jesus played on Peter's name, which is the same word for **"rock."** To call someone a "rock" is a great compliment. The ancient rabbis had a saying that when God saw Abraham, he exclaimed: **"I have discovered a rock to found the world upon"**. Through Abraham, God established a nation for himself. Through faith, Peter grasped who Jesus truly is. He was the first apostle to recognize Jesus as the **Anointed One... the Messiah and Christ**. Jesus asks each one of us the same question: **Who do you say that I am?** We answer the question by the way we live. If we profess that Jesus is the Lord of my life... then am I ready to follow him ... and do the things he did? ... speak up for the vulnerable, reach out to the same people whom he cared for: the outcast, the broken, the lost, the hungry? Following him is not always easy... but may we never forget that **the benefits are out of this world! And its promised to us all**. May we find the strength and courage to do great things in His name!... or at best, as Mother Teresa said, **do small things with great love!**



Congratulations and best wishes to those who were recently baptized

Mirella De Amicis, John Hughes, Ayla Chedore, Travis Castillo & Aiden Haylor

Galassi Family



As you have seen in the Newspapers and across social media, a young family in our parish and school are in need of help. A single mother, Sandra Galassi, is battling terminal cancer. She has four children, three of whom are

in St. Patrick and Saint Paul Schools: Michaela, 10; Matteo, 11; Kaylina, 16; and Anthony, 18. There is a GoFund Me Page, or you can also drop off donations to St. Patrick Parish Office. Please make cheques payable to **"Anthony Galassi"**. Gift cards for grocery stores or clothing stores would also be very much appreciated. The GoFundMe page is at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/sandra-galassi-final-wishes>. God bless you for any help you can give.

Rescheduled Confirmation Date

from: Saturday, May 30, 2020 @ 5:00 PM
to: **October 20, 2020 at 7:00pm**

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

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