

# Saint Patrick's Church

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## Parish Staff

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## Music Ministry

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

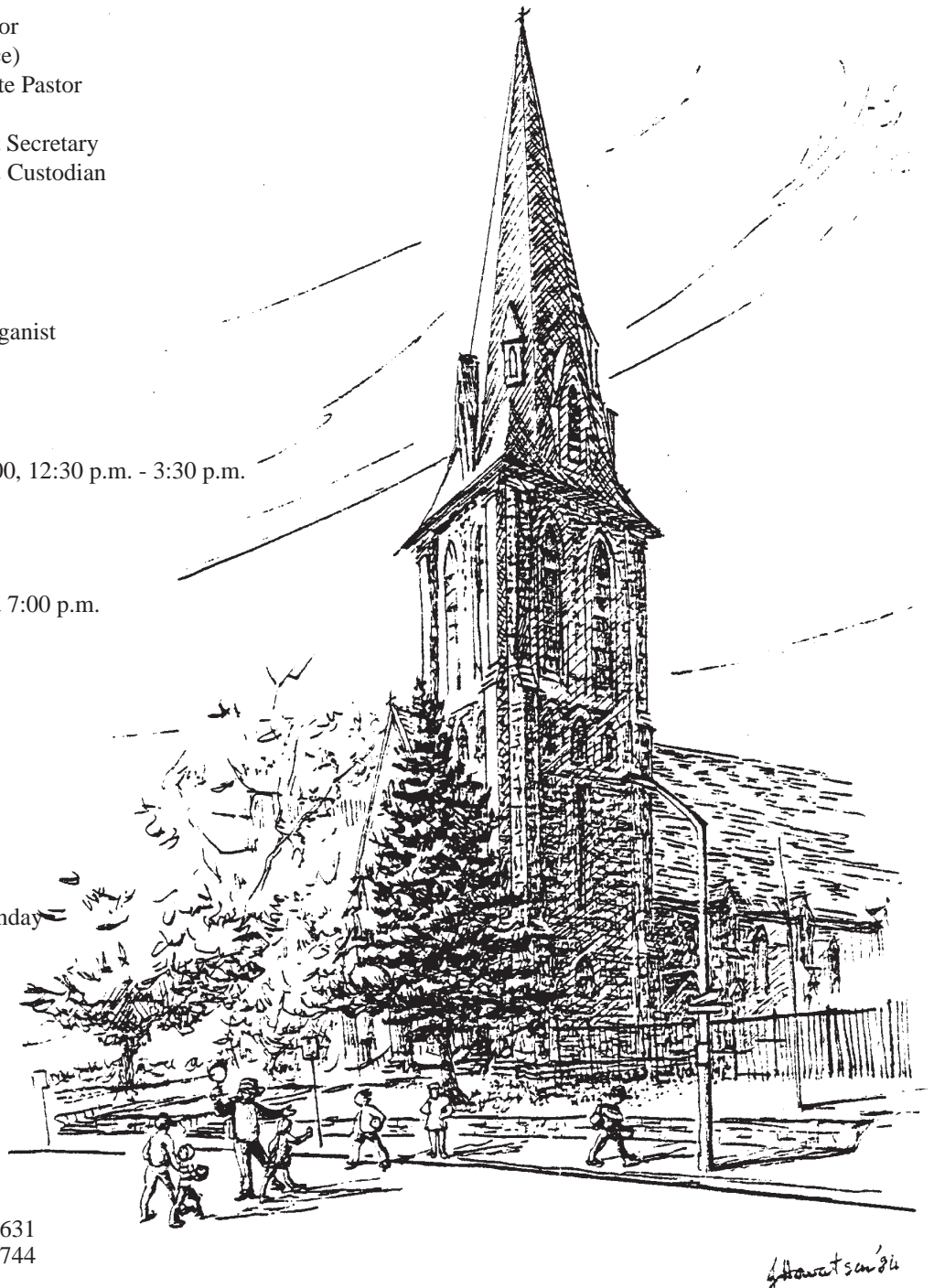
## Schools

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.**

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### Saturday, August 27 St Monica

5:00 Harold & Marc Bickerstaffe req. by Imelda Bickerstaffe  
Deacon Pat O'Brien & Bernie Gozansky req. by Jeanne Lea

### Sunday, August 28

8:00 Gino & Mary Visentin req. by Marilyn Lococo & Family  
Irene House req. by Monique Grouix  
9:30 Dante & Alberto Rossi req. by the Family  
Agostino Compare req. by his Wife & Children  
Michael Downes req. by Rita Downes & Family  
11:30 Immacolata Luciano req. by Alessandro Luciano & Family  
Iole & Epifanio Guerin req. by Maria Guerin  
7:00 People of the Parish

### Monday, August 29 The Passion of Saint John the Baptist

8:00 Stan Phillips req. by John & Marney Broderick  
Anna Maria Giap & Joseph Thu req. by the Duy Family

### Tuesday, August 30

8:00 Richard Harle req. by the Family  
Special Intention for Dr. Andy Fisher req. by Caroline Brett

### Wednesday, August 31

8:00 Irene House req. by Monique Grouix  
Deceased of the Parish

### Thursday, September 1

8:00 Herb Ogilvie req. by Gianni & Lidia Bonaldo  
Special Intention for Kitty Decicco req. by Caroline Brett

### Friday, September 2 Bl Andre Grasset

8:00 Kevin Klinger req. by the Massi Family  
Deceased Carmelites

### Saturday, September 3 St Gregory the Great

5:00 Gino Rampado req. by the Family  
George O'Kell req. by Jeanne Lea

### Sunday, September 4

8:00 Lena Girardo req. by the Girardo Family  
Dominic Marchese req. by his Children  
9:30 Francesco D'Angelo req. by Lucia D'Angelo & Family  
Jozef & Feliksa Brzozowski req. by Komor & Janusz Families  
11:30 Maria Fabiano Nicoletta req. by her Dtr: Tina  
Lucy Janssen, Mike De Guida & Lucy De Mizio req. by Cousins:  
Frank, Anna & Angie  
7:00 People of the Parish

### Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in September

Nicole Morneau & Anthony D'Onofrio  
Paula Ashe & Eric Condon  
Stephanie Skrlac & James Antonio

### 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!

**Holy Land Wood Art...** this weekend we will be having beautiful hand crafted olive wood religious items for sale at the main doors of the Church. The income from sales goes towards strengthening the Christian presence in the Holy Land.

**Hospital Visits...** If you have a family member in hospital, and would like a visit from one of our priests, or wish to celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please let the parish office know, 905-354-7451. St. Patrick Parish covers the on-call pager for GNGH from Tuesday 8 AM until Wed 8 AM. The hospital staff can put you in touch with the on-call chaplain at any time.

Check out our new website: <http://www.stpatricknf.ca>

**Rest in Peace...** We pray for the souls of Chester Mottola, Anna Di Tommaso and Emma Walker. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

### Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Manfred Hawlitzky, Gerry Laffrati

### Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Shanda Gale, Bob Marshall, Tony Laslo, Pauline Miner, Fran Smelko, Sharon Regular, Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm., Bette Anne Chevalier, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Danielle Barranca, Carmela Fruci, Lucy Rizzo, Barbara Phillips (Murray), Audrey Vendramin, Jeanne Lea, Gionni Bonaldo, Stan Manning, Iole Mancini, Alice Dalton, Baby Maximus, David & Patrick Kealey, Joanna Daniels, Ray Sexton, Francesco Albanese, Mary Ann O'Shea, Doreen Fletcher, Rosalyn Dagleish, Susan & Rick Rogers, Kitty Decicco, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jozefa Bilski, Charlene Shannon, Mary O'Shea, Dr. Andy Fisher, Dorothy Simon, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, Anna Vergalito, John Jefferson, Jill Leronowich, Vince (Jim) Baldassarro, Nancy Jean Rose, Guiseppina Paonessa, Phyllis Higgins, Patrick McCarthy, Norman Horth, Todd Reid, Muriel Pivarnik, Helen Lelievre, Tom Hilton, Maria Colalillo, Walter Wallace, Stefanie Borin, John Cox, Joyce Weaver, Marie Cleary, Orlando Garofalo, Kerrie Szuch, Faith Amadio, Margaret Smith, Carmella Modenti, Margaret Waghorn, Theresa Poirier, Bruno Maiolo, Carlo Trasmundi, Vito Fuccillo, Baby Hope, Cheryl D'Amizio, Kelly Laslo, Rose Vukmanich, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Comisso, Vicki Dubeau, Donna Bradley, Annette Brideau, Mary Jo O'Kell, Baby Sebastian, Dorothy Doyle, Lorraine Murray, Patricia O'Reilly, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Trina Washington, Shirley Machulla, Lorraine Spence, Baby Gabriel Paraskevopoulos, Mary Wilkes-Matthews, Patricia Desrosiers, Helen Rotella, Darlene Wancha, Brian Smith, Maria Benevento, Jeanne S

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

### Collections

August 13 & 14 : \$4,942.49

August 20 & 21 : \$4,915.00

Shared Collection: \$879.65

Many thanks for your generosity!

### Baptism Schedule for 2016

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday, September 25, October 16**

A **mandatory** meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on **Tuesday, Sept 13, Oct 4** 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!*

### PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND (just 2 seats left)



Fr. Gerard is leading a **10-Day Pilgrimage to Ireland** from September 14-24, 2016: **Churches and Shrines of Ireland!** There are brochures in the parish office and also at the back of the church. We will fly direct from Toronto to Dublin, 9 nights in 4-star hotels in Newry, Donegal, Galway, Cork,

Kilkenny, and Dublin, experiencing many great sights and sounds, prayers and Masses! Daily Irish Breakfast, eight 3-Course Dinners, Irish Party Show, ferry ride, Luxury Coach, Guide etc!!! This pilgrimage is limited to 40 people!!! Cost is \$3495 per person (including taxes and fuel surcharges), based on double occupancy. Don't miss out!!! Last call!!!! If you're sitting on the fence... Book now!

**Is God calling You?** If you feel called to serve as **Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Altar Server, or Funeral Server**, please call the parish office, 905-354-7451.



Dear Friends,

It's good to be back. I was in Newfoundland for almost two weeks. It was a great visit, during which I celebrated the wedding of my niece and Godchild, Shauna Doody. I also had the honour of "giving her away" and then making a quick wardrobe change and officiating! Her daddy, Fred Doody, died from leukemia at 35, when she was 10 years old. God bless Shauna and Jonathan as they begin their married life together. The weather was wonderful and I had an opportunity to do some camping, fishing and boating... and also to celebrate some Parish Masses and an outdoor Cemetery Mass! It's a great place to visit and a tough place to leave! Someone once asked, "How can you tell who the Newfies are, in Heaven?" ... "They're the only ones crying to go home!" Enough said!

Today we celebrate the 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time! It's the last weekend before Labour Day. Let's take this next week to relax, pray, celebrate the weather ... and the beauty of Niagara... and also clear our minds before a new school year begins.

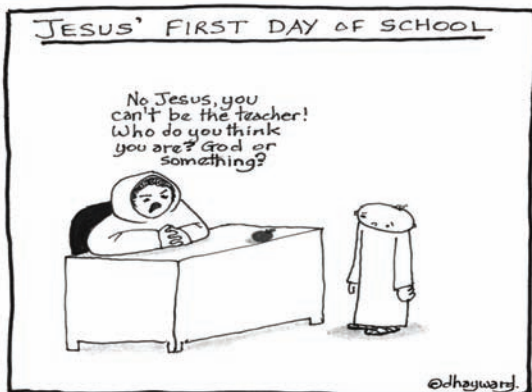


Our Gospel today has Jesus telling the Pharisees that "they who exalt themselves will be humbled, and they who humble themselves will be exalted." He called the people of his time, and **all of us**, to be humble servants, especially servants of the poor and the outcast. We must

include them in our lives. When we serve others, we should expect nothing in return. Jesus knew that some people only invited the rich to their banquets, because they would be able to **repay them!** And that of course, is anti-Gospel.

Maybe we can ask ourselves this week: Whom do I exclude from my circle? Who is not good enough to sit at **my** table? Whom do I snub... and shun? Who is not worthy of my greeting? Does someone have to be in a certain income bracket or occupation to be included among my friends? If each of us could do one thing for the poor this week... or include someone we have been ignoring.... then the Kingdom of God will be more of a reality in their lives and ours! Have a humbling week. A piece of humble pie won't hurt any of us!

Fr. Gerard



### Help our Local School Children

St. Pat's Parish is gladly accepting **boys and girls** clothing donations, and school supplies for our local school children. Please drop off any **new or gently used** clothing in all sizes and colours! Most importantly, for the school uniforms, we will need **white shirts and blue pants** in all sizes (esp. larger sizes)! This will help clothe our kids when school starts. If you are out shopping and see a sale, feel free pick up **school supplies**: pencils, pens, erasers, rulers, crayons, exercise books, etc. If you have any good used back packs or lunch boxes on hand, they would be gratefully appreciated! Let's lighten the load of our less fortunate families. God Bless!

### Amatrice Earthquake

We keep the people of Amatrice in central Italy in prayer following the earthquake on August 24th. Pope Francis turned his weekly general audience into a prayer service. As emergency workers began digging people out from under the rubble of collapsed buildings and the number of verified deaths climbing, Pope Francis arrived in St Peter's Square for his general audience. "Hearing the news of the earthquake that has devastated entire areas, leaving many dead and wounded, I cannot fail to express my heartfelt sorrow and my closeness" to everyone in the earthquake zone, especially those who lost loved ones and "those who are still shaken by fear and terror," the Pope said. "Having heard the mayor of Amatrice say, 'The town no longer exists,' and knowing that there are children among the dead, I am deeply saddened," Pope Francis said. The Pope thanked all the volunteers and emergency workers who were trying to rescue victims people trapped under the rubble. Assuring the people in the region of the prayers and "the embrace of the whole Church," the Pope asked the estimated 11,000 pilgrims and tourists in St Peter's Square to join him in praying that "the Lord Jesus, who is always moved by human suffering, would console the broken hearted and give them peace."



Project Share sends a big thank-you to the people of the parish who continued to bring food. We are really making a difference! Now that school will be open again, please continue to bring food items. School snacks would be great, and also Macaroni and Cheese, canned Tuna, Peanut Butter, canned pasta! If you prefer, Project Share also distributes toiletry items: soaps, shampoos, toothpaste, wash-cloths/towels. "Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

### LABOUR DAY

Labour Day started April 15, 1872, when the Toronto Trades Assembly organized Canada's first significant demonstration for worker's rights. The aim was to release 24 leaders of the Toronto Typographical Union who were imprisoned for striking to campaign for a nine-hour working day. Trade unions were illegal and striking was seen as a criminal conspiracy to disrupt trade. In spite of this, the Toronto Trades Assembly was already a significant organization and encouraged workers to form trade unions, mediated in disputes between employers and employees and signaled the mistreatment of workers. There was enormous public support for the parade and the authorities could no longer deny the important role that the trade unions had to play in Canadian society. A few months later, a similar parade was organized in Ottawa and passed the house of Canada's first prime minister, Sir John Macdonald. He appeared before the gathering and promised to repeal all Canadian laws against trade unions. This happened in the same year and eventually led to the founding of the Canadian Labour Congress in 1883. Canadian trade unions are proud that this holiday was inspired by their efforts to improve workers' rights

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Niagara Falls is looking for people to volunteer for a few hours per week at their Nearly New Store at 4311 Queen Street. Also BINGO Volunteers for 1 to 2 Thursdays a month from 3 - 5:30pm. If you are interested please call Jennifer at 905-357-5454 x221

**Spiritual Reading Bookclub:** Come out and join lively discussions on inspirational books chosen to deepen the Catholic faith. Last Thursday of every month, September - June, 6:30pm at St. Denis Parish, St Catharines. First meeting is September 29, 2016, and the book is Heaven in Stone & Glass by Robert Martin. For more information contact 905-656-1995.

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