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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
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.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, February 19

5:00 Herbert Chaytor *req. by the Dregischan Family*
Bruna Forte *req. by the Bortolin Family*

Sunday, February 20

8:00 Peter Mong *req. by the Nguyen Family*
Larry & Lucy Kitney *req. by Evelyn Kemp*

9:30 People of the Parish

11:30 Maria Nobile *req. by the St. Pat's Choir*
Domenic Rondinelli *req. by Jim & Dora & Family*

Monday, February 21 St Peter Damian & Family Day

8:00 Frances Campaner *req. by the Campaner Family*
For the Healing of Gaetan Buteau *req. by his Family*

Tuesday, February 22 Chair of St Peter

8:00 For unborn Children *req. by James Faiella*
Marco Bortolin *req. by the Bortolin Family*

Wednesday, February 23 St Polycarp

8:00 Lucia De Lucia *req. by Pasqualina DeMizio & Family*
Allan & Mary Poirier *req. by the Family*

Thursday, February 24

8:00 Francis Xavier *req. by the Nguyen Family*
Helen & John MacDonnell *req. by the Bortolin Family*

Friday, February 25

8:00 Mary Beth Corfield *req. by Friends*
Fred Girardo *req. by Friends*

Saturday, February 26

5:00 Laprise Family *req. by the Family*
Pat Fortier *req. by Mirella & John Provenzano*

Sunday, February 27

8:00 Peter Dinh *req. by the Nguyen Family*
Fred Girardo *req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams*

9:30 Pacifico Sacco *req. by the Sacco Family*
Maria Della Marca *req. by Dora Giancola*

11:30 People of the Parish

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 Soup Kitchen, Niagara Falls Community Outreach...

Needs your help: Cash donations are appreciated as they receive no government funding. nfccommunityoutreach.org 905-354-1640
All donations can be dropped off at 4865 St. Lawrence Avenue

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.

The Office will be CLOSED on Monday, February 21st
Happy Family Day

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

Rest in Peace... We pray for the soul of Fred Girardo Jr.. May he rest in peace. Please remember his family in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Mary Power, Charlene Shannon, Tony Gallo, Flori Heimbigner

Please pray for those who are ill

Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Tony Laslo, Patrick Macri, Sandra DeFoe, Nancy Waters, Christine Priddy, Natalie Speth, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Justin Vaillancourt, Betty Calzonetti, Marcellina Mativo, Rita Ross, Francis Patterson, Fern Albert, Estelle Critelli, Leon French, Joan Foell, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Dr. Andy Fisher, Ron O'Neill, Andrea Fisher, Kelsey Liles, Angelina Greco, Betty Crete, Leroy Collee, Eric Van Noort, Joe Young, Judy, Gaetan Buteau, Ralph Davey, Rose MacDonald, Kathryn Kneller, Maureen Tustin, Mahmat, Maureen Kealey, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Andy Scotnicki, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Dennis Bowers, Bianca MacDonnell, Karen Bradley, Ron Winslow, Corinne Journeau, Carmine Astorino, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Mary Ann Quigley, Teresa Hebb, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Mary Frances Pye, Nancy Weiss, Julian Cassidy, Marney Broderick, Sister Prem, Kerrie Szuch, John Nicks, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Pasquale Abrunzo, John Calder, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Bernadette Moore, Norma Zanus, 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, Charlene Shannon, 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, Margaret Waghorn, Drago Bicanic, Jeanne S, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Vito Fuccillo, Tom Hilton, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Jeannette Fabian, Francesco Albanese, 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'Amizio, Bob Marshall

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

Collections

February 13: \$4,718.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

Children Sacramental Dates 2022

Confirmation: Saturday, April 30, 2022 @ 7:00pm

First Communion: For those who were in Grade 2 last year (2021) will be celebrated on **Sunday, February 27, 2022 at 1:30pm**

First Communion for this year's Grade 2's will be celebrated on **Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 1:30pm.**

(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.)

Attention CWL new and existing members, your Membership Dues of \$25 for 2022 are now past due. Please submit to the Church Office or drop in the Offertory as soon as possible. Thank you

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

If you feel called to serve as an **Altar Server, Funeral Server or Lector**, please call the parish office, 905-354-7451.



Dear Friends,

As I write this Bulletin letter on February 14th, my heart feels somewhat relieved. Changes are coming! Starting on February 17th, we will not have to do "contact tracing" at the doors of the church. Tentatively, on March 1st, provided public health and health system indicators continue to improve, we will be back to full capacity in our churches. So as we start Lent on Ash Wednesday, we can have full capacity again. We will also be able to place Ashes on our foreheads, instead of sprinkled on our heads. It's been two very tough years for everyone. My heart goes out to all those who lost a loved one from Covid or during Covid. It was so sad not to be able to have large crowds attending the funerals. Thankfully that will be getting back to normal. We will still have to wear masks in churches and in public, until further notice. As always, if you are feeling sick, please stay home. We will continue to update you in our parish bulletin and also on our parish website, as things progress. God bless,
Fr. Gerard

7th Sunday, February 20, 2022

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus continues his **Sermon on the Plain**. He addresses how we are to treat others, if we are truly living the JESUS WAY. Being his disciple is demanding and radical. His words are tough, and they can be totally incomprehensible to our modern ears. Those who want to live this JESUS WAY, must not only hear the Word of God, but also act on it. It means that little by little, we are to attempt those truly difficult things:

Turn the other cheek. Love our enemies, pray for them.
Do good to those who hate us. Bless those who curse us.

Give to everyone who asks of us,
esp. those who cannot give in return. Do unto others. Judge no one.

These are the things that change human relationships one by one, things that change the dynamics of our families, our communities and towns, and our world. It's demanding, yet he asks us to try. What great things could happen in our families, in our relationships, in our places of work, in our communities ..., if we really connected Jesus' radical love and sacrifice with our lives? If I am to work on **one** situation, this week, **what would it be**. Is there one person I could start with? May we spend this week, having heard God's Word and fed by Christ's Body, building bridges instead of walls!



"It threw him off when I turned the other cheek.
So then I hit him."

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Food Month

Let's make February **FOOD MONTH**! We are all invited to bring Macaroni and Cheese; canned pasta, canned soups, canned meats or tomato sauce to Mass on the weekends. Let's make a difference in the lives of the hungry!

Parish Office

If all goes as planned, the Parish Office will be open to visitors starting on March 1st. For the time being, phones will be answered and all business will be conducted at the door. If you require a Mass Card, Little Flower Card, or Baptism Certificate, please call ahead and we will gladly have it ready for you. Because of recent thefts from our mailboxes, please do not leave anything in any of our parish mail boxes after hours.

SYNOD 2021-2023, Journeying Together Prayer for the Synod

*We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.
With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.
We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.
Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.
All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.*



This Monday, February 21st is **Family Day** in Ontario. Maybe we can take the sacred time to do some special activities with our families and our children. In fact, insist on it! Maybe a hike, a skating session, a walk in a park, tobogganing... make Hot Chocolate! Turn off our computers and TV's for a day and enjoy each other's company! Bring out the Board Games, watch a movie, clean your room, pray at the family table! Let's strengthen our bonds!!! May God bless our families and keep us close to his heart!

PRAYER TO THE HOLY FAMILY (Pope Francis)

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendour of true love, to you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic Churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division: may all who have been hurt, find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth, make us once more mindful of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan. Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer.

Blessed Palms

If anyone has any Blessed Palms around the house, please place them into the basket at the main entrance of the church. We will be burning old Palms next week to prepare for Ash Wednesday!

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