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## **Parish Staff**

Rev. Gerard Power, O.Carm., Pastor  
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Rev. Marc Bell, O.Carm., Associate Pastor  
Debbie Herman, Secretary  
Alice Corfield, Bookkeeper Secretary  
Brian Kneller, Caretaker

## **Music Ministry**

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

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



### Saturday, January 15

**5:00** Victor Smatana *req. by the Family*  
 Arduino Maiuri *req. by Stefanie & Peter Maiuri*

### Sunday, January 16

**8:00** People of the Parish  
**9:30** Nazzario Faiella *req. by his Son: James Faiella*  
 Bill Woods *req. by Linda & Family*  
**11:30** Maria Nobile *req. by Carol Martin*  
 Natale Giampa & Frank Conidi *req. by the Family*

### Monday, January 17 St Anthony

**8:00** Danny Bishop *req. by Rick & Kathy Woram*  
 Phil Mazzone *req. by Rachel Marcon*

### Tuesday, January 18

**8:00** Franca Carlesso *req. by Rachel Marcon*  
 For the Healing of Gaetan Buteau *req. by his Family*

### Wednesday, January 19

**8:00** John & Mary Ruzyllo *req. by the Family*  
 Jean Lundy *req. by Friends*

### Thursday, January 20 St Fabian & St Sebastian

**8:00** Fr. Bart Larkin, O.Carm. *req. by Cliff & Teresa Sexton*  
 Fr. Tony & Fr. Jordan *req. by Fr. Gerard*

### Friday, January 21 St Agnes

**8:00** Doug Caverson *req. by Yolanda & Frank Fera*  
 Mel Kompon *req. by Muriel Lafford*

### Saturday, January 22 St Vincent

**5:00** Margaret Paterson *req. by Joseph Paterson*  
 Assunta Maiuri *req. by Stefanie & Peter Maiuri*

### Sunday, January 23 Sunday of the Word of God

**8:00** People of the Parish  
**9:30** Elijah Seebach & Luigi Marcon *req. by the Family*  
 Vincenza Augello-Todino *req. by the De Mizio Family*  
**11:30** Michael Rotundo *req. by Jim & Dora & Family*  
 Benito Giustini *req. by the Giustini Family*

### 2022 Church Envelopes

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes 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.

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

### The Soup Kitchen, Niagara Falls Community Outreach...

*Needs your help: Cash donations are appreciated as they receive no government funding. ncommunityoutreach.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](mailto: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.

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

**Rest in Peace...** We pray for the souls of Phyllis Collins and Maria Della Marca. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

### Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Guy Snyder, Charlene Shannon

### Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Tony Laslo, Patrick Macri, Sandra DeFoe, Nancy Waters, Christine Pritty, Natalie Speth, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Marcellina Mativo, Lena Loro, 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, Rosanna Ricci, 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, Florrie Heimbigner, 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

Christmas: \$29,450.25

January 9: \$4,107.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

### Children Sacramental Dates 2022

**Confirmation:** Saturday, April 30, 2022

**First Communion:** For 2021 & 2022 TBA

(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.)

**Congratulations to St. Patrick Church for Winning the 2021 Niagara Falls Review Readers' Choice Award**

### 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** \_\_\_\_\_

**I have changed my phone number** \_\_\_\_\_

**We have married & wish to update our information** \_\_\_\_\_





Dear Friends:

Last Sunday we celebrated the baptism of Jesus at the age of 30. Only after he was baptized did he begin to **BE** the Messiah in very public ways. Today we have *The Wedding Feast at Cana*, Jesus' first miracle in John's Gospel. As the wedding went on, the wine ran out. So Mary brought it to Jesus' attention, and Jesus (after being somewhat snarky with his mother) performed the miracle of turning water into wine. He did not let the folks down. In saving them from embarrassment, he also rescued them in their difficulty. This revealed God's glory and led the disciples to believe in him. Everything in God's time! Jesus does not let any of us down.

St. Paul reminds us in our second reading that God's gifts to us **are not meant** primarily for personal use, but for the service of others. He tells of the many gifts of the Holy Spirit to each person, *to each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good*, not for personal profit. The Spirit is manifested in you and me! Wow! Do we act that way? Do others see that? Do my neighbours know that? What gifts do I have? What has God bestowed me with? Or we use the proverbial, what am I good at? Am I using my gifts for my own personal profit or do I use them for the service of others? ... my time, talent and treasure?

Imagine if we used our gifts for the common good, even the gifts of **praying, singing, teaching, caring, sharing, encouraging, supporting, motivating!** Then these gifts will grow and soon we'll see more miracles. Service to others and concern for others is the beginning of **all miracles**. Now, go and share that Good News! Be good wine, deep love, deep concern for others! **Be miracle workers!** May we allow God to turn all our selfishness into service! And hopefully, our winter into spring! And to end this virus, once and for all. Have a blessed week.

Fr. Gerard



We take for granted the slow miracle whereby water in the irrigation of a vineyard becomes wine. It is only when Christ turns water into wine, in a quick motion, as it were, that we stand amazed. (*St. Augustine*)

"Look at the birth of a child, how can you not believe in miracles?"

Parish Office

Please note that the Parish Office will remain open during this set-back with the Omicron Variant. 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 the mailbox after hours.

Mr. David Scott will be ordained Deacon!



This coming June, our own **David Scott** will be ordained to the Permanent Diaconate. He has been studying weekly in Hamilton for the past three and a half years. David and his wife Maggie have been ministering and serving here at St. Patrick's for many years. Maggie is a Lector, and is currently the president of the Catholic Women's League. Maggie has also been attending classes and programs with David throughout his formation. David is the son of one

of our Lectors, Norm (Aileen) Scott and the son-in-law of Ethel O'Brien and our beloved Deacon Patrick O'Brien, whom God called home on February 6, 2016. May God continue to bless David as he completes his initial formation program. We'll have lots of ministry for him to do. More information will follow.

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The terms "Deacon" and "Diaconate" derive from the Greek word, *diakonia* which means "service" or "ministry." A deacon is ordained by the Church for service. The Dogmatic Constitution on the Church speaks of three areas of diaconal service: Ministry of Charity, Ministry of the Word, and Ministry of Liturgy. That is to say, a deacon serves through his person-to-person encounters by ministering to the poor, the aged, the sick, and prisoners. The deacon proclaims the Gospel. He is also an agent of evangelization, announcing the Good News of Jesus Christ in society. He also preaches at liturgical gatherings and can teach in religious education programs, sacramental preparation programs, like baptism, marriage, and RCIA. The deacon also assists at the Eucharistic liturgy, administers baptism, witnesses marriages, leads vigils for the deceased and funerals, administers some sacramentals, and presides at other liturgical services.

Is God calling You?

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

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.

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!**

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.



Project Share sends a big thank-you to the people of our parish who are so faithful in bringing food items for the poor! We are really

making a difference! Please continue to bring Macaroni and Cheese, pasta sauce, baby food and formula; cereals, Tuna, Peanut Butter or other items to the church on the weekends. If you prefer, Project Share also distributes toiletry items: soaps, shampoos, toothpaste, wash-cloths/towels. **Lord, when did we see you hungry?**



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