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Carol Martin - Director of Music
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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.

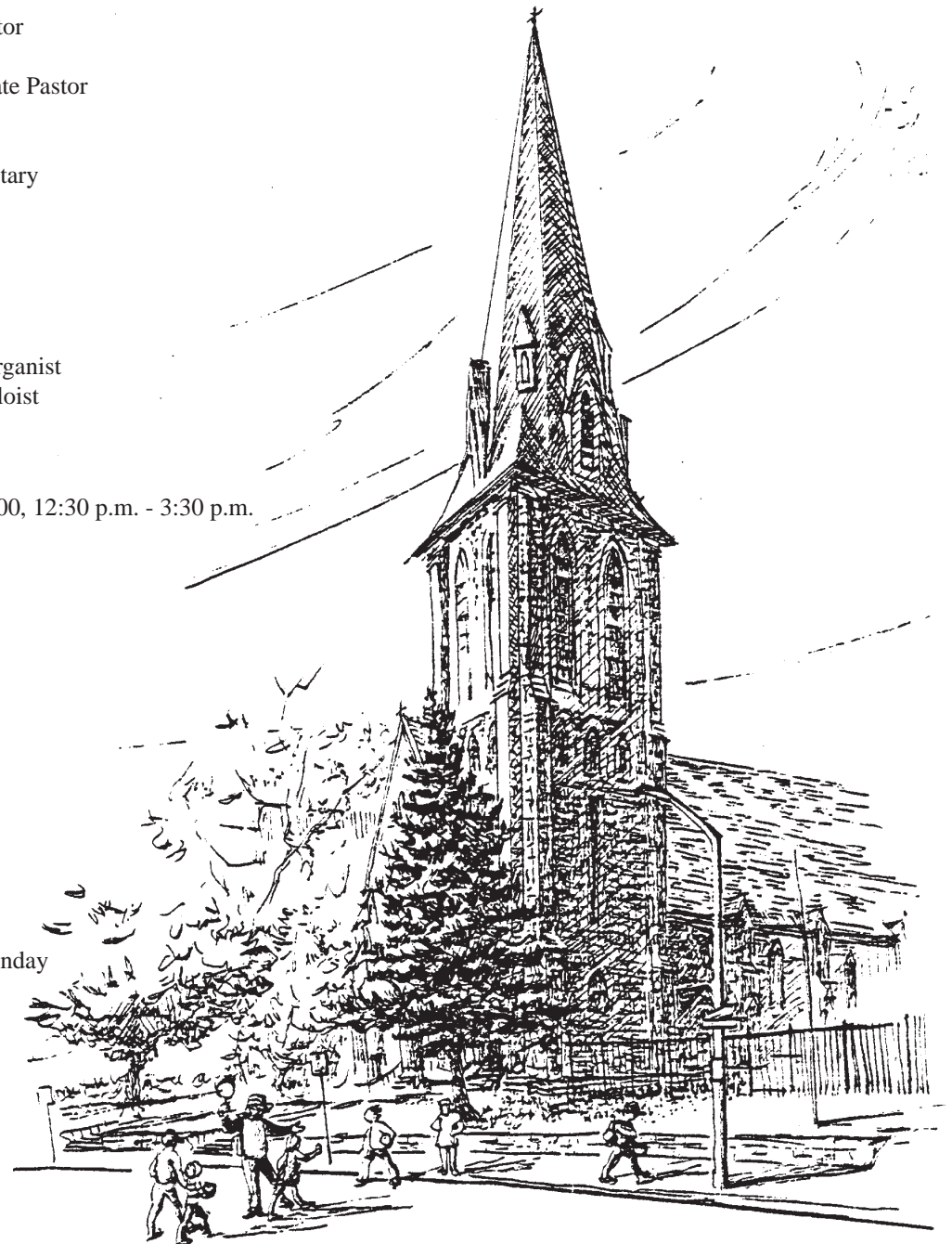
Schools

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.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



- Saturday, January 28 St Thomas Aquinas**
5:00 Anita & Roger Archambault *req. by Jeanne Lea & Family*
 Assunta Maiuri *req. by Stefanie & Peter Maiuri*
- Sunday, January 29**
8:00 Mary & William Fassett *req. by Aileen & Bryce*
 Bartolomeo Pietrangelo *req. by his Wife & Family*
9:30 Clemente Della Marca *req. by the Family*
 Benito Giustini *req. by the Giustini Family*
11:30 People of the Parish
- Monday, January 30**
8:00 Kathryn Kneller *req. by the Family*
 Pietro Mastropiero *req. by the Family*
- Tuesday, January 31 St John Bosco**
8:00 Grace Gentilcore Provenzano *req. by Diana DiRuscio*
 Gaetan Buteau *req. by the Family*
- Wednesday, February 1 World Day for Consecrated Life**
8:00 Carmela Rinaldi *req. by the Family*
 Deceased Carmelites
- Thursday, February 2 The Presentation of the Lord**
8:00 Mercedes Bonaguro *req. by the Family*
 Yvette Bryck *req. by the Loro Family*
- Friday, February 3 St Blaise & St Ansgar**
8:00 Frances & Bob Comeau *req. by Friends*
 Marie & Jack Cadman *req. by Friends*
- Saturday, February 4**
5:00 John Prentice *req. by John & Helen Olsiak*
 Fern Albert *req. by Friends*
- Sunday, February 5**
8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Arduino Santin *req. by the Grcevic & Santin Families*
 Ria Van Noort *req. by Harry & Sally Servos*
11:30 Louis Cadot *req. by St. Patrick Choir*
 Dec'd mem. of the Argenta & Pietrobon Fam. *req. by Diana Argenta*

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Francis Patterson and Albert D'Amico, May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Cole Farnham, Robert Power, Tony Laslo, Andrew Zacharuk, Patrick Macri, John Pritty, Alba Rondinelli, David Gallina, Nancy Waters, Leila Khan, Natalie Speth, Cecelia Shugg, Mary Hanlon, Jeanne S, John & Laura Giampa, Christine Pritty, Antoinette Vescio, Charlene Shannon, Sandra DeFoe, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Flori Heimbigner, Toni Brideau, Robert Morningstar, Leon French, Elaine Pampena, Tony CuvIELLO, Rita Ross, Karen Watt, Ron O'Neill, Maureen Kealey, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Justin Vaillancourt, Jim & Betty Calzonetti, Eric Van Noort, Marcellina Mativo, William JA De Foe, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, Judy, D.D., Estelle Critelli, Bernadette Moore, Andrea Fisher, Sister Prem, Leroy Collee, Kelsey Liles, Julian Cassidy, Kelly Laslo, Mahmat, Joe Young, Angelina Greco, Maureen Tustin, Betty Crete, Jeannette Fabian, Teresa Hebb, Gaetan Buteau, Rose MacDonald, Edward Brzozowski, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Andy Scotnicki, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Joe Power, Karen Bradley, Corinne Journeau, Tom Hillton, Carmine Astorino, Arlene Collee, Betty & Mary Ann Quigley, Nancy Weiss, Mark Pepple, Anna Hunt, Bob Marshall, Brian Smith, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Danielle Barraanca, Kerrie Szuch, John Nicks, Pasquale Abrunzo, Samuel Potapczyk, John Calder, Todd Reid, Anna Chayer, Patricia Williams, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Jeanne Lea, Norma Zanus, Nancy Huber, John Cox, Nikki Mansfield, Nicolina Compare, Denise Colalillo, Carmella Modenti, Donna Bradley, Elizabeth Stachura, Margaret Smith, Rebecca Evans, Michelle Price, Vito Fuccillo, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Drago Bicanic, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Margaret Waghorn, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Lorraine Spence, Patricia O'Reilly, Evelyn Rose Baker, Francesco Albanese, Gloria Smelko, Conner Hawkswell, Jackie, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Jozefa Bilski, Mary Jo O'Kell, Robert & Maria Melchiorre, Mary Brennan, Faith Amadio, Cheryl Granton, Alessia Commisso, Maria Guerin, Trina Washington, Isabell Frost, Jadwiga Wozniak, John O'Leary, Baby Victoria, Patrick Kealey, Walter Wallace, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Patrick McCarthy, Stefanie Borin, Pepper Martin Jr., Cheryl D'Amazio

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

Collections
 January 22: \$4,862.22
 Many thanks for your generosity!

Children Sacramental Dates 2023

Confirmation: Saturday, February 4, 2023 @ 5:00 PM
First Reconciliation: Tuesday, February 28, 2023 @ 7:00 PM
First Communion: Sunday, May 7, 2023 @ 9:30 AM and 1:30 PM
 (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.)

Baptism Schedule for 2023

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on:
Sunday February 19, March 26 Infants Only, April 23, May 21 & June 25
 A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on **Tuesday, February 7, March 14, April 11, May 9 & June 13 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!

Church Envelopes 2023
 Offerory Envelopes are available in the sacristy, to the left of the altar, please pick yours up today. Many thanks.

CWL News... Please note that your **CWL dues of \$40** are now past due for the 2023 calendar year ... as soon as possible please place your money / cheque in an envelope and label it with your name and **CWL dues for 2023** and place it in the collection ... or drop it off at the office or contact Maggie Scott at msscott@bhncdsb.ca or 905-246-6212.
 The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 8 at 6:30pm in the Hall.

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!

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.

!!!! Student Weekend Employment !!!!

St. Patrick Church is looking to hire a student (**Grade X and up**) to work on Saturdays (10:00 AM - 4:00 PM). Duties may include cleaning floors, leaf raking, doing garbage sweeps, clearing snow, opening and closing gates and doors for functions. If interested, please call the parish office or drop off a resume as soon as possible. This could also lead to summer employment with flexible hours!

Please refer to the Bulletin Boards at the back and side entrances of the Church for many important notices and events.





Dear Friends,

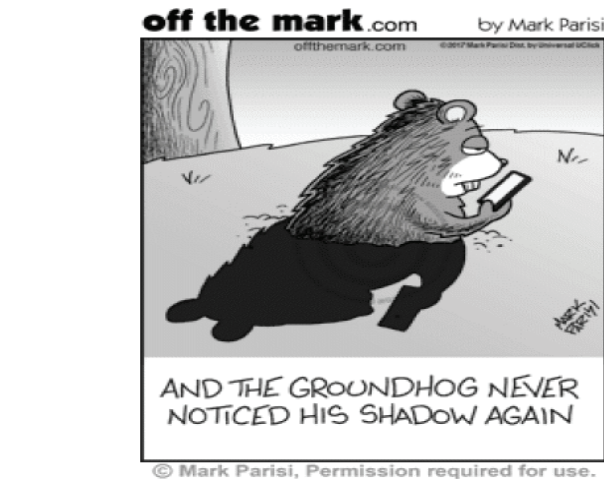
It's hard to believe it's the end of January! This Thursday, February 2nd is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, and Friday, February 3rd is the Feast of St. Blaise. On Saturday at the 5:00 PM Mass, we will welcome Bishop Bergie to our parish for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation.

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On this last Sunday in January, we hear the **Beatitudes** from Matthew's Gospel. Jesus goes up the Mountain, sits down, looks out over the crowd, and he opens his heart to everyone! He saw what they were going through! It was really a sermon of blessed assurance! The Beatitudes sum up the blessings and joys for those who follow Jesus. No matter how tough things may get.... You are blessed, You are mine, I love you. I'm right there with you! I am at your side. I even carry you at times. Trust me!

God always wants what is best for us. The Beatitudes tell how we can enjoy the **peace of heaven**, even now, by knowing the heart of God. If we want to enjoy something of that peace, we must be close to God, dependent on God: poor in spirit!!! Jesus highlights certain values and attitudes and tells us if we have these values and attitudes we will be close to God, and we will be blessed. So he calls us to be peacemakers, to be merciful, to be righteous, to be pure in heart.

May each of us feel blessed by God. And if we are struggling, may we hear God saying, *Blessed are you.... things will get better, trust me. I am with you.* How blessed we are to know, to love and to be chosen by God. Have a blessed week.

Fr. Gerard



St. Blaise

Friday, February 3rd is the Feast of **St. Blaise**. We will have a Blessing of Throats after the 8:00 AM Mass.

"Blessed are they who expect nothing, for they shall never be disappointed."

The Beatitudes declare that those who are poor, who lack many goods, are blessed, or happy. This poverty is also an attitude toward the meaning of life: Jesus' disciples do not believe they possess it or know everything already. Rather, they know they must learn every day.
Pope Francis

The Presentation of the Lord

Thursday, February 2nd is the Feast of **The Presentation of the Lord**. This comes forty days after Christmas. We also know it as the **Purification of the Blessed Virgin**, and **Candlemas Day!** Joseph and Mary did what was required of them. They presented their first-born male child to God in the Temple! May we present the best of ourselves to God and to others.



Groundhog Day is Thursday, February 2nd. What will the groundhogs say? Will winter last another 6 weeks? The tradition of Groundhog Day began in the 18th century. It is said that if the groundhog sees its shadow on February 2nd, there will be six more weeks of winter. In North America the most famous groundhogs are Punxsutawney Phil from the United States and Wiarion's Willie from Canada. May the snow block their holes and prevent them from surfacing!!! ☺

Accessibility Entrance Update

Repair work has commenced on our accessibility entrance. This is being covered under another company's insurance. The damage (approx. \$10,000.00) was done when a snow plow hit the corner of the church building in November.

Join Us for our Kindergarten Open House

St. Patrick School – February 13th from 9:30 – 6:00pm
St. Mary School – February 15th from 9:00 – 6:00pm
Visit Kindergarten Classrooms, Meet the Staff & Tour the School
Register Online at www.niagaracatholic.ca

DID YOU KNOW? For those of you who have Celiac Disease or are allergic to wheat products, our parish has special approved **Gluten-Free hosts** available. The onus is on you to let the presiding priest know before each Mass. He will ensure that he has it in his ciborium for you.

We have a few parishioners who struggle with perfume allergies! Please keep this in mind as you prepare yourself for Sunday Mass.
Just a little dab'll do!

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Please continue to bring food items to Mass for Project Share! Every item helps! *"Lord, when did we see you hungry?"*

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