Saint Patrick's Church

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Parish Staff

Rev. Gerard Power, O.Carm., Pastor (Dean of Niagara Falls) 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 St. Mary School 905-354-6631 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

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New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.

Mass Lotenfiens

Saturday, March 12

- **5:00** Frank Provenzano *req. by Josephine Provenzano* Walter Chaisson *req. by the LHPC Team*
- Sunday, March 13 Second Sunday of Lent 8:00 Peter Viet req. by the Nguyen Family
- Salvatore (Sam) Mannella req. by Eda Martin
- 9:30 People of the Parish
- 11:30 John & David Kealey req by Maureen Ody Argenta req. by Diana Argenta

Monday, March 14

8:00 Anna Maria Hao & Anna Maria Muoi *req. by Duy's Family* For the Healing of Gaetan Buteau *req. by his Family*

Tuesday, March 15

8:00 Nicasio Rey req. by the Family For the People of Ukraine

Wednesday, March 16

- 8:00 Harmony Torres req. by a Friend
- William Hockton req. by Friends

Thursday, March 17 St Patrick

- 8:00 Robert Lelievre req. by Aileen Lelievre- Adams James Moody req. by the Family
- Friday, March 18 St Cyril of Jerusalem
- 8:00 Anthony Lococo req. by the Family
- James Ogilvie req. by the St. Angelo & Ogilvie Families

Saturday, March 19 St Joseph

5:00 Rosaleen O'Brien req. by Ethel & Family Pat O'Brien req. by Ethel & Family

Sunday, March 20 Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 Philomena Shepherd req. by Debbie Jane Shepherd Giuseppe De Mizio req. by Pasqualina De Mizio & Family

9:30 Sam DiCarlo req by Mary Di Carlo

Lawrence&Eleanor Murray & Michael Sinodhinos req. by Fred&Judy Murray 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 Giving Bowl "A Lenten Sacrifice" for St. Pat's!

Once again this Lent, we will have a special container at the front and back of the church. All donations will assist The Giving Bowl, which feeds up to 1200 children at local Catholic Schools in Eastern Uganda. This is the only hot meal these children get each day! They also assist with medical issues, uniforms and tuition. Please place your donations into these containers during Lent! If you wish to donate by cheque, please use a separate envelope and make cheque payable to The Giving Bowl. This is a Registered Charity under the CRA, and they issue their own receipts for Income Tax Purposes. Approximately 80% of their funds go directly to the Food Program. The other 20% is used for school fees for the most desperate, a school uniform to replace the most tattered, also notebooks and pencils, medical supplies, and in dire cases, to purchase a goat for very needy families. If you use the parish offertory envelopes, you must write the cheque to St. Patrick Parish. Then we issue a cheque to The Giving Bowl at the end of each month.

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. **Rest in Peace...** We pray for the soul of Joan Foell. May she rest in peace. Please remember her family in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Tony Gallo, Flori Heimbigner

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Tony Laslo, Patrick Macri, Nancy Waters, Christine Pritty, Jerry Slak, Charlene Shannon, Sandra DeFoe, Natalie Speth, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Justin Vaillancourt, Betty Calzonetti, Marcellina Mativo, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, Rita Ross, Ron O'Neill, Francis Patterson, Fern Albert, Estelle Critelli, Leon French, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Dr. Andy Fisher, Andrea Fisher, Kelsey Liles, Angelina Greco, Maureen Tustin, Betty Crete, Leroy Collee, Eric Van Noort, Joe Young, Judy, Gaetan Buteau, Ralph Davey, Rose MacDonald, Kathryn Kneller, Mahmat, Maureen Kealey, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Andy Scotnicki, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Dennis Bowers, Karen Bradley, Ron Winslow, Corinne Journeau, Carmine Astorino, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Mary Ann Quigley, Teresa Hebb, Mary Frances Pye, Nancy Weiss, Julian Cassidy, Marney Broderick, Gregory Roulston, Sister Prem, Kerrie Szuch, John Nicks, 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, Drago Bicanic, Margaret Waghorn, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Vito Fuccillo, Tom Hilton, Jeanne S, Francesco Albanese, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Jeannette Fabian, 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 Commisso, Mary Jo O'Kell, Pepper Martin Jr., Trina Washington, Jackie, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Bob Marshall

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

Collections

March 6: \$5,954.50.00 The Giving Bowl: \$3,587.75 (to date) Heating: \$2,189.00 (to date) Many thanks for your generosity!

Children Sacramental Dates 2022

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

40 DAYS FOR LIFE runs from Ash Wednesday, March 2 – April 10, 2022 on the sidewalk outside GNGH on Portage Road. You may sign up at <u>www.wpcprolife.com</u> For further information, please contact Annette: loeffenlife@gmail.com, 905-325-1251.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in all parishes in the Diocese of St. Catharines on Saturday, April 2, 2022 10am–2pm.

<u>Weekday Mass Schedule for Lent</u> Monday- Friday: 8:00 AM <u>Stations of the Cross</u> Friday 7:00 PM followed by Benediction and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament





Dear Friends!



HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!!!! It is coming up this Thursday! St. Patrick is the Patron of Ireland, and of Irish people everywhere! And of course, he is the Patron of our Parish! May you live as long as you want, and never want as long as you live! And HAPPY ST. JOSEPH'S DAY!!!! St. Joseph is the Patron of the Universal Church! His feast is celebrated this Saturday, March 19th.

And of course, Daylight saving time 2022 in Ontario will begin at 2:00 a.m. Sunday, March 13th! We will have more daylight to enjoy. And next Sunday at 11:00 AM we will officially begin the season of Spring! Praise God! Before we know it, plants will be in full bloom and the trees will be waving their pretty leaves in the air!!! Never lose hope!

On this 2nd Sunday in Lent, we hear the Transfiguration account from



Luke's Gospel! This gives us a good dose of Easter! Imagine that day on the mountain with Peter, James and John, when Jesus' appearance changes and he is transfigured before them! His clothes become dazzling white! Moses and Elijah appear... and they speak of Jesus' exodus which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. The Transfiguration is one of those sacred and powerful

moments of comfort, which Jesus gave his disciples to prepare them for what lay ahead, his Death and Resurrection. At the end of this experience, God's voice was heard: "This is my Son, my chosen, listen to him."

A great call for us during Lent: LISTEN TO JESUS!!! How good are we at listening to him? Sometimes our schedules are so filled... and there's so many competing and distracting voices out there. We can be pulled in every direction. Times we just can't hear God! Prayer is a MUST for our Christian lives, and so is silence. The onus is on us to find our own private mountain-top, an out of the way place to spend quiet time to listen to Jesus. Perhaps we can sit each day to read and meditate on the scriptures, or just be in silence with God. Maybe come to the Stations of the Cross and a Holy Hour on Friday nights during Lent. Wherever we choose to find silence... and alone-time with God, may we be open to what God is calling us to do. Maybe it's to give someone a glimpse of Easter through our charity, through a visit, a phone call, a note, a compliment! May we find special time this week, some sacred space to spend with our God.

Fr. Gerard



Many thanks to our children for the beautiful display of peace doves in the church, as their way of sending prayers for the people of Ukraine.

Help for Ukraine

Our Diocese has asked that we consider making a sacrifice for the people of Ukraine. Monetary donations can be made through our parish office or online by March 30, 2022. You can e-transfer to stpatrick1895@hotmail.com ... Please specify "Aid for Ukraine" in your online donation, or on your cheque or envelope. We have special envelopes at the church doors.

Food Month

Let's make March 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

Our Parish Office is now officially open to visitors again. If you require a Mass Card, Little Flower Card, or Baptism Certificate, etc. please call ahead and we will gladly have it ready for you.

Litany to St. Joseph

Saint Joseph, Light of Patriarchs, Spouse of the Mother of God, Chaste guardian of the Virgin, Foster-father of the Son of God, Watchful defender of Christ, Head of the Holy Family, Joseph most just, Joseph most chaste, Joseph most prudent, Joseph most valiant, Joseph most obedient, Joseph most faithful, Mirror

of patience,



Lover of poverty, Model of workmen, Glory of home life, Guardian of virgins, Pillar of families, Solace of the afflicted, Hope of the sick, Patron of the dying, Terror of demons, Protector of Holy Church, prav for us.

May the road rise to meet you, May the wind be always at your back, May the sun shine warm upon your face, The rains fall soft upon your fields and, Until we meet again, May God hold you in the palm of His hand.



Congratulations and best wishes to Peter Loreto Filice who was recently baptized

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

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!



Please take time to look at the back of our Parish Bulletin! These local advertisers pay for the printing/publishing of our bulletin. Let's do everything we can to patronize them, and let them know that you saw their AD here!

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.

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

and watch Mass on our Facebook page



