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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, 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.

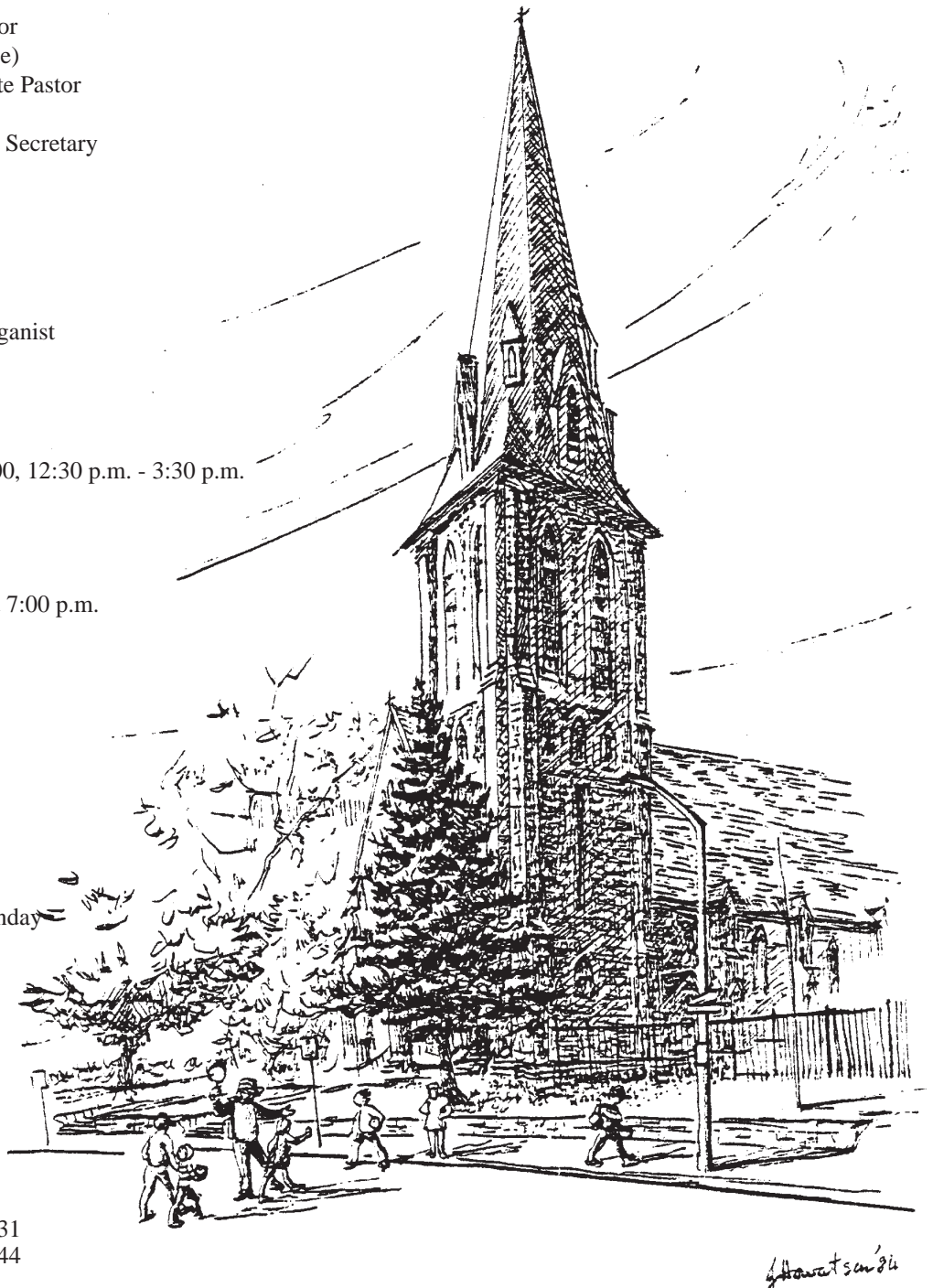
Schools

St. Patrick School 905-354-6631
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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.

THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT



Saturday, March 14

5:00 Salvatore 'Sam' Cundari req. by his Wife: Teresa & Family
Anita Archambault req. by Marie Massolin

Sunday, March 15 Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 Raffaele Fabiano req. by the Family
Luke & Imelda Ketterer req. by Jean Yazaroglu
9:30 Elmira, James & Danny Dick req. by Yvette Dick & Colette Empey
Benny Pietrangelo req. by Tony & Rosa DeAngelis
11:30 Ody Argenta req. by Diana Argenta
Patricia Patterson req. by the Family
7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, March 16

8:00 Josephine Catanese req. by Jeanne Lea
Anita Archambault req. by her sister: Irene Huot & Family

Tuesday, March 17 St Patrick

8:00 Robert Lelievre req. by Aileen Lelievre-Adams
For the Healing of Cathy Savoie req. by Kate Connors

Wednesday, March 18 St Cyril of Jerusalem

8:00 James Ogilvie req. by St. Angelo & Ogilvie Families
Anthony (Tunney) Lococo req. by the DeMizio & Lococo Families
7:00 Ana Skrbinek req. by Vesna & Kristian
Sergio Simonetti req. by Giuseppe & Ana Mancini

Thursday, March 19 St Joseph

8:00 Giuseppe DeMizio req. by Pasqualina DeMizio & Family
Pat O'Brien & Rosaleen O'Brien req. by the Family

Friday, March 20

8:00 Philomena Shepherd req. by Debbie Jane Shepherd
Deceased Carmelites

Saturday, March 21

5:00 Bernard Kennedy req. by the Kennedy Family
Benoit Tessier req. by Karen & Brian Kennedy

Sunday, March 22 Fourth Sunday of Lent

8:00 Antonietta Radice req. by Francesca, Luca & Alicia Azzano
Giuseppina, Giulio & Albert Canali req. by Giancarlo & Anne Condotta & Family
9:30 Fred Girardo Sr. req. by Bryce & Aileen Adams
Dino & Gnesa Giacomini req. by Domenic & Carmela & Family
11:30 Peter Viet req. by the Nguyen Family
Anthony Hung Nguyen & Grandparents Le & Truong req. by the Family
7:00 People of the Parish

Baptism Schedule for 2020

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday, Mar 29, Apr 26, May 24, June 28 & July 26.** A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Mar 17, Apr 14, May 12, June 16 & July 14 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!

Third annual Trivia Night hosted by the CWL... This is an adult function for 19 yrs and over ... tickets are \$20 each or a table of 8 for \$135 ... NO ticket sales at the door!! Come out and support our charities on March 27th at 7:00pm, doors open at 6:30pm ... it's going to be a great night!! There will be food, snacks & cash bar. You can purchase your tickets through the office 905-354-7451 or by calling Maggie 905-246-6212



Congratulations and Best Wishes to Arme & Mila Aramburo on their 50th Wedding Anniversary

The Soup Kitchen, Niagara Falls Community Outreach...
Here's how you can help: These items are needed on an ongoing basis: coffee, napkins, cranberry juice, iced tea, flour, pudding & sugar
We are looking for volunteers for setup and serving of meals, especially Saturday lunchtime. Cash donations are appreciated as we receive no government funding. nfccommunityoutreach.org 905-354-1640
All donations can be dropped off at 4865 St. Lawrence Avenue

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

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Rosa Simon and Maria Felicita Piccolo. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Leroy Collee

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Francis Patterson, Rosanna Ricci, Andy Scotnicki, John Corfield, Corinne Journeau, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Teresa Hebb, Jarod Hickey, Julian Cassidy, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Mary Frances Pye, Gus Bagarozza, Carol DeVilliers, Joe Young, Kelly Power, Marney Broderick, Sister Prem, Kerrie Szuch, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Pasquale Abrunzo, Alice Dalton, John Nicks, John Calder, Wilf Manuel, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Bernadette Moore, Norma Zanus, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Fern Albert, Kelly Laslo, Toni Brideau, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nikki Mansfield, Lester Snow, Nicolina Compare, Dr. Andy Fisher, Alvin Learn, James Moody Sr., Carmella Modenti, Rose MacDonald, Anna Hunt, Nancy Jean Rose, Elizabeth Stachura, Charlene Shannon, John Kealey, Margaret Smith, Leo Martin, Anna Veralito, Helen Lelievre, Nancy Weiss, Denise Colalillo, Samuel Potapczyk, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Brian Smith, Joyce Weaver, Michelle Price, Mary Lawrence, Emily Hanover, Drago Bicanic, Jeanne S, John Cox, Margaret Waghorn, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffradi, Rebecca Evans, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Maria Melchiorre, Jeannette Fabian, Conner Hawkswell, George Teibert, Tom Hilton, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Vito Fuccillo, Donna Cormier, Jeanne Lea, Maria Rosiana, Frank Sica, Jill Leronowich, Patricia O'Reilly, Audrey Vendramin, Patrick Kealey, Cheryl Granton, Francesco Albanese, Walter Wallace, Florrie Heimbigner, Jozefa Bilski, Todd Reid, Mary Brennan, Marie Massolin, Jadwiga Wozniak, Faith Amadio, Julie Nicholson, Stefanie Borin, Maria Guerin, Patrick McCarthy, Francois Chayer, Alessia Commisso, Donna Bradley, Helen Rotella, Trina Washington, Mary Jo O'Kell, Cheryl D'Amizio, Shirley Machulla, Baby Nicholas, Baby Victoria, Eric Corcoran, Pepper Martin Jr.

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

Collections

March 8: \$6,270.38
Cathedral Appeal (to date): \$16,935.00
Ryan's Bowl: \$6,432.65 (to date)
Many thanks for your generosity!

Children Sacramental Dates 2020

Confirmation: Saturday, May 30, 2020 @ 5:00 PM
First Reconciliation: **Wednesday, March 25, 2020@7:00PM new date**
First Communion: Sunday, May 3, 2020 @ 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.)

CWL News... Friday, March 27th, 7:00pm, our third annual Trivia Night, \$20 each, tickets are on sale in the Parish Office
-July 24 -26, 2020 Defending the Faith Conference, Steubenville, OH
Check out the Church bulletin boards for further information

Ryan's Bowl Food Program - The Giving Bowl "A Lenten Sacrifice" for St. Pat's!

This Lent we will have a special container at the front and back of the church. All donations will assist a food program which the late Mr. Ken Walsh helped initiate in Eastern Uganda in 2007. Each day **Ryan's Bowl** feeds some 1100 children at local Schools. This is the only hot meal these children get each day! There are new elements to the Program beginning this year, medical help, clothing, etc. **Ms. Isabel Bujor**, the new vice president, who recently returned from Eastern Uganda, will be speaking to our parish this weekend! Please place your donations into these containers during Lent! If you wish to donate by cheque, please make payable to **Ryan's Bowl Food Program**. The name of this Program is officially changing to **"The Giving Bowl"**. So either title on the cheque is fine for this year. Thanks to the children of St. Patrick School for coming up with the new name. *Lord, when did we see you hungry or naked or ill?*





Notice



Due to the novel *coronavirus (COVID-19)* outbreak, there are some precautions that churches can take, until this crisis is over. Our diocese has asked that we refrain from shaking hands at the *Sign of Peace*. We can give a verbal greeting of peace, or simply a smile or a nod. Until further notice, there will be no sharing from a common Communion Chalice. As a further precaution, we will be changing the holy water daily in the fonts at the church entrances.

Other Precautions to Consider

As with the H1N1 pandemic (2009) and SARS outbreak (2003), we must all practice safe measures when in any public space. Consider staying home if we're sick! When coughing and sneezing, do so into a tissue, or into a flexed elbow. Maybe consider carrying a pocket size hand sanitizer. It's always wise and safe during a health crisis with so many unknowns, to consider receiving Communion in the hand instead of on the tongue, as we did with H1N1 and SARS.



HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY, Patron of our Parish!!!! May you live as long as you want, and never want as long as you live!
HAPPY ST. JOSEPH'S DAY!!!! St. Joseph is the Patron of the Universal Church! His feast is celebrated on Thursday, March 19th! Good News: The spring equinox arrives in Niagara at 11:49 p.m. on Thursday, March 19, marking an official end to winter in the Northern Hemisphere. Before we know it, plants will be in full bloom and the trees will be waving their new leaves in the air!!!

This is the 3rd Sunday in Lent! Today's Gospel scene is powerful. Jesus is nearing Sychar, a Samaritan City. He stops to rest at Jacob's Well. And a **Samaritan Woman** comes to draw water at noon! Well, this says much! Women drew water in the morning. She was avoiding others! After all, she has been through five husbands and the one she was living with now, was not her husband. When she reaches the Well, there's a man Jewish man! Men and women were not seen in public together. Samaritans and Jews were known enemies! The woman is not only startled to see him, but more startled that he spoke to her! Ah, but it's Jesus! Everyone matters to God!



The woman's life was out of kilter. Jesus knew every detail about her! Then he used the symbol of *water* to explain the spiritual refreshment that he is bringing to the world. She knew she was sinful, and that her problems were her own fault. She felt guilt and shame. She knew she needed a Saviour. Jesus offered her a **new lease on life...fresh living water!** Something new welled up inside of her. A new spirit! She left her jar behind, representing her sinful past! And she spread the good news about Jesus to her town!

We need to remember that God is still present, *here and now*. Waiting to respond. Offering us a wellspring of **living water** which leads to eternal life. If we feel we have dried up, *then come deeper into the well of faith!* Maybe we are thirsting for **forgiveness** in the parched land of our sins, or thirsting for **hope** in the dry despair of our frustrations. May we allow Christ to **pour life-giving water** into the drought of our lives. Allow him to pour his love and grace into every crevice of our dried and broken spirits. He can do marvelous things if we only **come to the well** with him! May this be a rejuvenating week for all of us. Fr. Gerard

2020 Church Envelopes & 2019 Tax Receipts

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes and Tax Receipts as soon as possible. They are at the main doors of the Church. Many thanks.



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



Weekday Mass Schedule for Lent

- Monday- 8:00 AM
- Tuesday- 8:00 AM
- Wednesday- 8:00 AM & 7:00 PM except March 25
- Thursday- 8:00 AM
- Friday- 8:00 AM



Stations of the Cross

Friday 7:00 PM followed by *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction*

Lenten Reconciliation Service - Monday, April 6 at 7:00 PM

St. Joseph's Day ...will be celebrated this year on Thursday, March 19, 2020! We will have a Blessing of Breads at Mass. Please place your breads in the basket near the altar before Mass.

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, **pray for us.**



Special Collections

- Development and Peace March 29
- Holy Land/Refugee Ministry (Good Friday) April 10

The Chrim Mass will be held at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria St. Catharines at 7:30pm, on Tuesday, April 7th

Church Bulletin Advertising...Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our Church bulletin. The advertising will begin in May 2020 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin & advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

On Saturday, March 28, 2020 in every parish church across the diocese a priest will be available from 10:00am – 2:00pm to hear individual confessions. There will also be Eucharistic Adoration during this time. No matter how long it has been, you are welcome to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance, which assists us in spiritual discipline as we turn away from sin and open our hearts to reconciliation and healing; or you can also simply come to pray before the Lord.

Friends of Carmel 2020 Fundraiser... Trivia Day... Sunday, March 22, 2020

Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, Doors open @ 12pm, Food buffet @12:30, Trivia starts @ 1:30pm \$20 each, includes Food, Tickets available at Mt Carmel Monastery Store or by calling Anna @ 905-358-3412 or rracine37@cogeco.ca

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