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Music Ministry

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

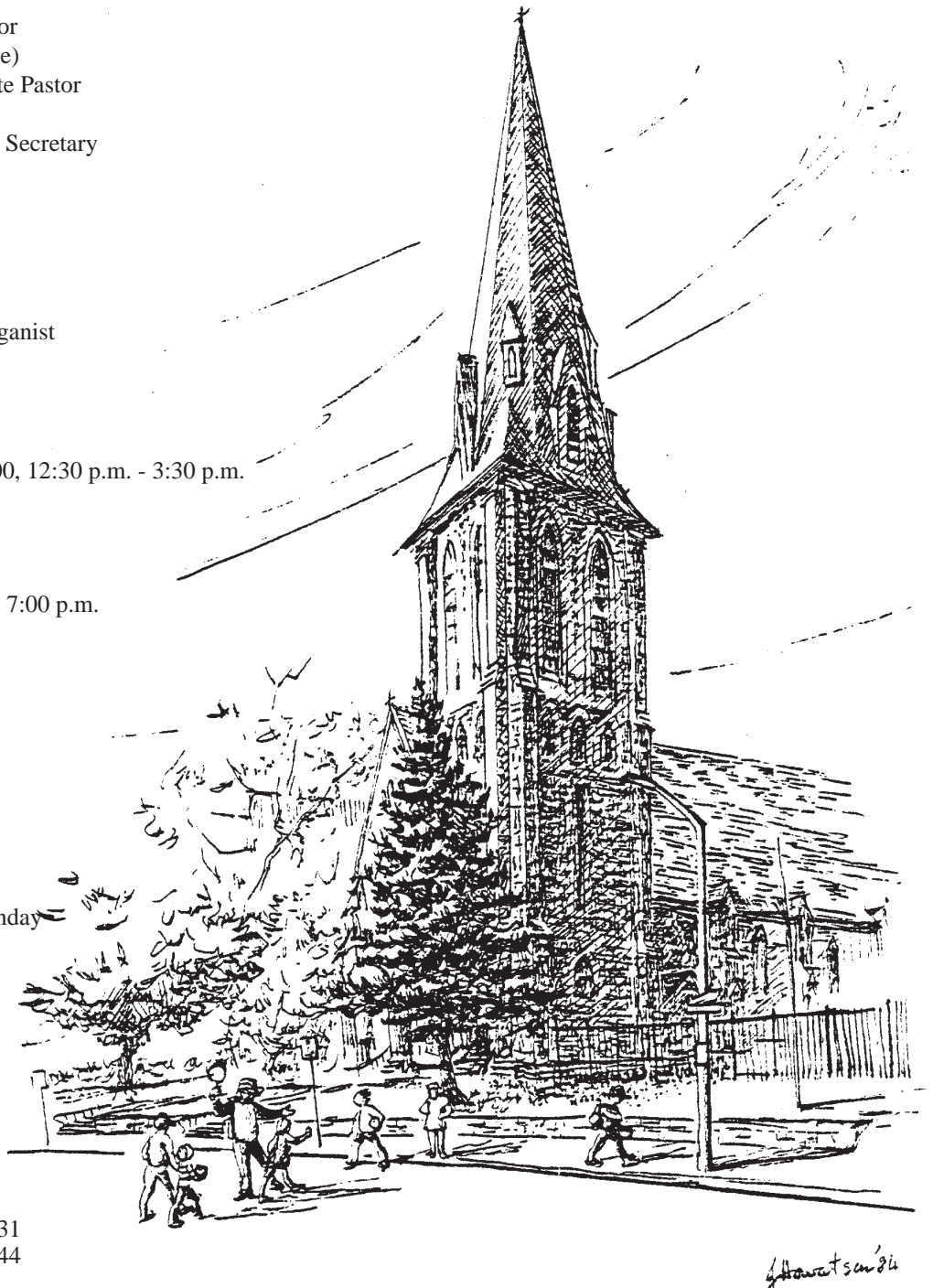
Schools

St. Patrick School 905-354-6631
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 LENT



Saturday, March 7 St Perpetua & St Felicity

5:00 Ivan Maglicic req. by the Family
 Maria Igama req. by the Monday Night Line Dancers of Niagara

Sunday, March 8 Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 Bartolomeo Pietrangelo req. by the Family
 For the Healing of John Corfield req. by Dan Moody
 9:30 Giustina Bombicino req. by her Dtr: Clara & Family
 Monica Roulston req. by Maureen Harquail
 11:30 Jean & Leon Dopke req. by Friends
 Peter Moi req. by the Nguyen Family
 7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, March 9 St Frances of Rome

8:00 Josephine Catanese req. by Aileen & Fern
 Anita Archambault req. by Bryce & Aileen Adams

Tuesday, March 10

8:00 Deceased Carmelites
 Deceased Loretto Sisters

9:30 St. Patrick & St. Mary's School Mass

Wednesday, March 11

8:00 Charles Ogilvie req. by Deb Ogilvie & Family
 Hugh, Felicitas & William Hockton req. by the Family
 7:00 Dec'd mem. of the O'Leary Family req. by the Family
 Nicasio V. Rey & Loreto N. Rey req. by the Navarro & Rey Families

Thursday, March 12

8:00 Marietta Fiocca req. by Parish Staff
 John & Helen MacDonnell req. by Parish Staff

Friday, March 13

8:00 Ina & Matthew Calzonetti req. by Gallardi & Calzonetti Families
 Anne & Louis Gallardi req. by Gallardi & Calzonetti Families

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

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!

St. Patrick's Day Dance, Saturday March 14, 2020

St. Patrick Parish Hall From 8 p.m.-1 a.m.

\$10.00 per person includes:

- Beef on a Bun • Prizes • Cash Bar
- DJ • Irish Dancers (2 performances)
- & The Good Thymes Irish Band

for tickets contact Colleen @ 905-374-4025 /

colleenm@vaxxine.com or the Church Office 905-354-7451

Volunteers needed for set-up & clean-up



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

Rest in Peace... We pray for the soul of Marietta Fiocca. May she rest in peace. Please remember her family 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, 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 Brunzo, 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 Vergalito, 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 1: \$5,017.56

Cathedral Appeal (to date): \$16,885.00

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 director, who is currently visiting Eastern Uganda, will be speaking to our parish community on the weekend of March 15th! 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. Until further notice, there will be no sharing from a common Communion Chalice.

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. We pray that this crisis will be over quickly.

The Gospel for this Sunday is *The Transfiguration!* Just prior to this miraculous event, Jesus had predicted his coming passion and death.



So he takes Peter, James and John up Mount Tabor to pray. Going up a mountain was a way to be nearer to God. Like a point of contact between the heavens and the earth. I'm sure the disciples were expecting something significant. And sure enough! Jesus' appearance

changed. He became dazzling white. His face shone like the sun. Moses and Elijah appear, and we hear God's voice, **"This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased; listen to him!"** His disciples witnessed the divine nature shine through the human nature of the transfigured Jesus. Peter, John and James witness Christ in his glory. There was more to Jesus than met the eye. They got a glimpse of the future glory of his Resurrection. This should give them the strength they need for the coming scandal of the cross. They needed the glory of Tabor before enduring the horror of Golgotha.

We all need good news and hope and glimpses of the Divine, especially when we are going through a rough time. If we are facing a crisis or find ourselves in a dry place, or in a 'dark night of the soul', bring it to God this week, and let him turn it into glory... from darkness to light, from pain to glory! God can do anything, if we only get out of His way, if we trust him. Let's go up the mountain this week for some quiet time with God... and come down a better person! Let's make an effort to create some space in this crazy, busy life, so that God can speak to us, so that we can talk to God... and hear his calming voice! Have a transfiguring week!

For our Marriage Prep Couples



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

Marriage Preparation

This weekend we welcome 27 Engaged Couples as they participate in their Marriage Preparation Program. May God bless all those who are preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage, and all who are assisting them on their journey! Please keep our engaged couples in prayer.

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*

Glimpses of God

Like Peter, James and John, we too get glimpses of the presence of God in our lives. We get glimpses of God in the love we receive from other people, our spouse, our children, our parents, a sibling. We get glimpses of God when badly needed help suddenly comes to us from out of nowhere. We get glimpses of God when we look back over our lives and what we couldn't understand in the past, makes sense now. We get glimpses of God when we see someone making a sacrifice to help somebody else. We see glimpses of God in the beauty of a fine day, a nice beach or a beautiful sunrise or sunset. We see glimpses of God when a passage from the Bible or a homily strikes a chord in our hearts. We get a glimpse of God when we spend time in prayer and experience his loving presence in our lives. We get more than just a glimpse of God when we receive the Body of Christ in Holy Communion. The Transfiguration coming early in Lent encourages us to continue our Lenten penances because it reminds us of the glory of Jesus risen from the dead.



Special Collections

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

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.

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.

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



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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