Saint Patrick's Church

## 4673 Victoria Ave.

Niagara Falls, Ontario L2E 4B8 Served by Carmelites Since 1875

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#### Parish Staff

Rev. Gerard Power, O.Carm., Pastor (Director in Canada, Society of the Little Flower) Rev. Marc Bell, O.Carm., Associate Pastor Rev. Mr. David Scott, Deacon 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 School905-354-6631St. Mary School905-354-7744

**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.

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#### Mass Intentions 🎡 Fur The Wesk

- Saturday, May 27 St Augustine of Canterbury 5:00 Paul Hlady req. by John & Helen Olsiak Erika Bell req. by John & Helen Olsiak Sunday, May 28 Pentecost Sunday 8:00 Peter Quy req. by the Nguyen Family Irma Amadio & Angela Martin req. by the Family 9:30 People of the Parish 11:30 Marney Broderick reg. by John Broderick & Family Ben, Lidia & Philomena Capacchione reg. by Anthony & Paula Capacchione Monday, May 29 Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church 8:00 Bette Anne Chevalier req. by Tom & Family Erika Bell reg. by Fred & Lisa Persia Tuesday, May 30 8:00 Giovanni Rizzo req. by Mary, Patti, John, Steve & Families Wednesday, May 31 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:00 Margherita Colangelo req. by the Family Thursday, June 1 St Justin 8:00 Antonio Marcon req. by T & G Milani & Family Friday, June 2 St Marcellinus & St Peter 8:00 Nick DiPaolo reg. by John DiPaul Bruno Bortolussi reg. by his Wife: Jacqueline Bortolussi Saturday, June 3 St Charles Lwanga & Companions 5:00 Mary Buckborough req. by her Dtr: Alice Corfield & Family Margaret Paterson req. by her Hsb: Joe Sunday, June 4 The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity 8:00 Bob Adams reg. by Eleanor Adams
- Carmela Rinaldi reg. by the Family
- 9:30 Raffaele Fabiano req. by his Kids & Grandkids

Dec'd mem of the Gautier & Hunt Fam. *req. by John & Anna Hunt* **11:30** People of the Parish

CWL News... Every Wednesday in May the Rosary will be Prayed in the Hall at 6pm...all are welcome to attend!

## Plastic Milk Bags

St. Pat's will be collecting plastic milk bags. These will be used to make 3' X 6' sleeping mats for the homeless. A church group in NOTL has many volunteers and several looms to do this project. A basket will be placed at the main entrance of the church for drop off. A sample of the mat is also on display.

## Vincent's Store

St. Vincent de Paul Store (Vincent's) on Lundy's Lane is in need of kitchenware, small appliances, cutlery and utensils. You can drop them off at the store Tuesday-Saturday, or at St. Pat's Rectory any time day or night (white porch off driveway). A good time to rid ourselves of the things we know we're not going to use. Someone can

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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

Little Flower Society Cards

Carmelite Formation Programs in several countries.



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

**Rest in Peace**... We pray for the souls of Ray Buckborough and Eileen Walker-Sorley. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

#### Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Sherry Wales, Karyn McEvoy, Maureen Tustin, Maureen Watson, Tony Laslo, Mary F Hanlon, Drago Bicanic, Leila Khan, David Gallina, Andrew Zacharuk, Patrick Macri, Alba Rondinelli, John Pritty, Nancy Waters, Natalie Speth, Cecilia Shugg, Jeanne S, John & Laura Giampa, Christine Pritty, Antoinette Vescio, Charlene Shannon, Sandra DeFoe, Ron O'Neill, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Flori Heimbigner, Toni Brideau, Anna Hunt, Robert Morningstar, Leon French, Isabell Frost, Leroy Collee, Elaine Pampena, Rita Ross, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Tony Cuviello, Karen Watt, Jim & Betty Calzonetti, Eric Van Noort, Marcellina Mativo, William JA DeFoe, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, Judy, D.D., Estelle Critelli, Betty Crete, Bernadette Moore, Andrea Fisher, Sister Prem, Joe Young, Kelsey Liles, Julian Cassidy, Kelly Laslo, Mahmat, Jeannette Fabian, Teresa Hebb, Rose MacDonald, Edward Brzozowski, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Karen Bradley, Corinne Journeau, Tom Hilton, Carmine Astorino, Bob Marshall, Arlene Collee, Betty & Mary Ann Quigley, Danielle Barranca, Nancy Weiss, Brian Smith, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Samuel Potapczyk, Kerrie Szuch, Norma Zanus, John Nicks, Pasquale Abrunzo, John Calder, Todd Reid, Anna Chayer, Patricia Williams, Nancy Praakel, Jeanne Lea, Rebecca Evans, Nancy Huber, Denise Colalillo, John Cox, Francesco Albanese, Margaret Smith, Nikki Mansfield, Baby Victoria, Carmella Modenti, Donna Bradley, Elizabeth Stachura, Michelle Price, Vito Fuccillo, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Émmanuel & Aline Chayer, Margaret Waghorn, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Patricia O'Reilly, 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, Trina Washington, Maria Guerin, Jadwiga Wozniak, John O'Leary, Walter Wallace, D.H., Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Patrick McCarthy, Stefanie Borin, Pepper Martin Jr, Cheryl D'Ammizio

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

Collections May 21: \$7,130.65 Many thanks for your generosity!

## Baptism Schedule for 2023

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday June 25, July 23, Aug 20, Sept 17, Oct 22 & Nov 26. A mandatory meeting for <u>Parents and Godparents</u> will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Jun 13, Jul 11, Aug 8, Sept 5, Oct 10 & Nov 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!

## Upcoming Weddings at St. Patrick's in June

Jessica Bianchi L Kyle Black Aynsley Gouck L Gregory Ogilvie Alyssa Sabelli L Kyle Adam



Congratulations and best wishes to Isabel White who was recently baptized

A Collection will be taken up next weekend, June 3-4 for the Education of Seminarians & Clergy (Shared between the Diocese and Carmelites). Envelopes are at the doors of the Church and in your Offertory Envelope Boxes. Please be generous.

## Dear Friends,

# PASTOR

Today is Pentecost Sunday! The Birthday of the Church! The Fifty-Days of Easter Season are complete, but we are *always* an Easter people...



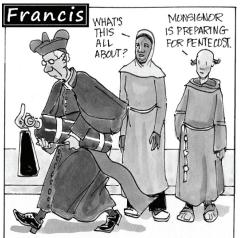
during the other 315 Days!! The church is dressed in RED, representing the *tongues of fire* that came upon the disciples. Acts of the Apostles gives a vivid account of the day of Pentecost - tongues of fire, a violent wind, many languages, crowds! The Gospel is the account of the

Risen Christ appearing on Easter evening. St. Paul talks about a variety of gifts, services, activities and how the same Spirit activates all of them. All of us together are formed by the Holy Spirit into one **Body of Christ**.

When we look at our own Parish, so many people are involved in ministries. Everyone speaks of God's deeds of power according to their ability! Here at St. Pat's, some are young, some are old; some are musically and vocally talented; some visit the sick and homebound; some are ushers, servers; some minister with our young people; many serve in liturgical roles; some feed the children, tend to the local poor, many share their skills around the property and in the office; so many serve behind the scenes; and everyone, moved by the Spirit, serves God... and serves the Church! Each and every one of us make up the heart of the parish because we're all united by the Holy Spirit.

Every baptized person is gifted with a unique manifestation of the Spirit. The Church and our parish are strongest when we allow the Spirit to live and work in and through our lives. My prayer is that the Holy Spirit of Pentecost, will fill our hearts and homes with love, peace and joy! May we always allow the Spirit to work in and through us... and even to change us! As St. Augustine said, "Without the Spirit we can neither love God nor keep His commandments." Happy Pentecost! Happy Birthday to the Church! Happy Birthday to all of us! Many Blessings!

## Fr. Gerard



"Pentecost is the moment when a heart of stone is shattered and a heart of flesh takes its place."

You might as well try to see without eyes, hear without ears, or breathe without lungs, as to try to live the Christian life without the Holy Spirit.

## Prayers for the Buckborough Family

Our deepest condolences to our accounting secretary, Alice Corfield, on the passing of her brother, Ray Buckborough. May he rest in Christ's gentle peace. Prayers of healing and comfort for all Ray's family.

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

## Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Breathe into me Holy Spirit, that all my thoughts may be holy. Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, may be holy. Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy. Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend all that is holy. Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I will always be holy. Amen.

## Noise Expected

If you hear a lot of commotion around St. Pat's from June 2-11, fear not! It's just 6 members of Fr. Gerard's family visiting from Newfoundland! We welcome his sisters, Elaine and Shannon; his nieces, Shauna and Courtney; and great niece and nephew, Maddie and Sawyer!



## May is Mary's Month

May is the month that we as Catholics pay special tribute to Mary, the Mother of God. The Rosary is prayed daily during the year at St. Patrick Church at 7:30 AM, Mon-Fri as a way of honouring Mary. You will also hear some familiar Marian Hymns throughout the month, as a way of praising Mary in song. This is a good month for all of

us to renew our devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

## **Church Smiles**

Why didn't they play cards on the Ark? Because Noah was always standing on the deck.

What time of the day was Adam created? Just a little before Eve. How do groups of angels greet each other? Halo, Halo, Halo!

## IIII Student Weekend Employment IIII

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!

## 2023 Church Envelopes & 2022 Tax Receipts

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes & Tax Receipts as soon as possible. They are in the sacristy, to the left of the altar, if you are here at Mass on the weekends. Call the Office (905-354-7451) to arrange for pick up during the week. Many thanks.

## 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:\_\_\_\_\_PostalCode:\_\_\_\_\_

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



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



