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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.

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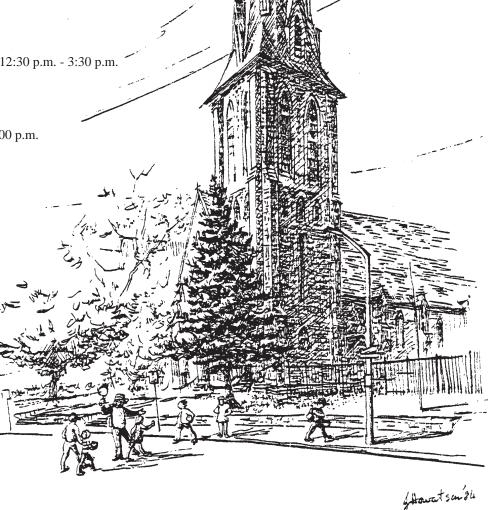
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Most Rev. Gerard Bergie, D.D., Bishop Most Rev. John A. O'Mara, D.D., Bishop-Emeritus

Parish Established 1858 Church Dedicated 1895

New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Saturday, May 2 St Athanasius

5:00 Sandra & Marilyn Brideau *req. by Guy & Family* Pelligreno Camelia *req. by the Family*

Sunday, May 3 World Day of Prayer for Vocations

8:00 People of the Parish

9:30 Pauline Ellis req. by George Ellis Robbie Loro req. by the Family

11:30 Ralph Greco req. by his Wife: Ida & Family Jackie Cavasin req. by the Cavasin Family

7:00 Mercedes & Oscar Bonaguro req. by the Family Sergio Simonetti req. by Daniel Covelli

Monday, May 4 Bl Marie-Léonie Paradis

8:00 Cecil Shannon *req. by Charlene* Leon Dopke *req. by the Family*

Tuesday, May 5

8:00 Tony Biamonte req. by Rachel Marcon Guilio De Prophetis req. by the Family

Wednesday, May 6 St François de Laval

8:00 Madeleine Rosati *req. by the Grandchildren* Vito Colangelo *req. by the Family*

Thursday, May 7

8:00 Edna Poirier req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams Dr. Walid Hindo req. by Rima & Mom

Friday, May 8 BI Catherine of St Augustine

8:00 Concetta Zeffiro req. by Lucia Camillo & Family

Saturday, May 9

5:00 Arduino & Assunta Maiuri *req. by Peter & Stefanie Maiuri* Dec'd of the Olsiak & Kulesh Families *req. by John & Helen Olsiak*

Sunday, May 10

8:00 Nancy DiPaolo *req. by Paul DiPaul*For the Healing of John Corfield *req. by Dan Moody*

9:30 Feliksa Brzozowski *req. by the Komor & Janusz Families* Adelino Marcon *req. by Theresa*

11:30 Barbara Rondinelli & Carmela DeNisi req. by Dora & Jim Spencer Anna Goegan req. by Louise Goegan

7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, May 11

8:00 Maria So Le, Paul Le Su, Paul Pham Chanh & Anthony Hung Nguyen reg. by the Family

Tuesday, May 12 St Nereus, St Achilleus & St Pancras

8:00 Giovanni Rizzo req. by Mary, Patti, John, Steve & Families Ivon & Robbie Loro req. by the Family

Wednesday, May 13 Our Lady of Fatima

8:00 End to Covid-19

Thursday, May 14 St Matthias

8:00 Christopher Pando req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams

Friday, May 15

8:00 Helen Ogilvie *req. by the St. Angelo & Ogilvie Families* Philippine Buteau *req. by the Family*

Saturday, May 16

5:00 Irene Smatana req. by the Family
Domenico Marcon req. by the Milani Family

Sunday, May 17

8:00 Robert Muir req. by the Family

9:30 Antonio Gulla req. by the Family

John Leo req. by Mom, MaryAnn, Lexis & Justus

11:30 Pauline Daly req. by John & Marney Broderick Carmela D'Angelo req. by Lucia D'Angelo

7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, May 18 St John I

8:00 Bernie Gozansky req. by the Family Francesco Mastropierro req. by the Family

Tuesday, May 19

8:00 Anthony (Tunney) Lococo req. by the DeMizio & Lococo Families Scott Balfour req. by Mom & Dad

Wednesday, May 20 St Bernardine of Siena

8:00 Gregory Ogilvie req. by St. Angelo & Ogilvie Families

Thursday, May 21 St Eugène de Mazenod & St Christopher Magallanes

8:00 Dr. Walid Hindo req. by Rima & Mom

Friday, May 22 St Rita of Cascia

8:00 Cyndi Carroll req. by the Family

Saturday, May 23

5:00 Benoit Tessier req. by Jeanne Lea & Family Bob Sudol req. by Marie Massolin

Sunday, May 24 The Ascension of the Lord

8:00 Guilio & Iolanda De Prophetis *req. by the Family* 9:30 Dec'd of the Lafford Family *req. by Muriel Lafford*

Tommaso & Maria Gugliotta, Giacomino & Tony Gugliotta req. by the Fam

11:30 Immacolata Luciano req. by the Children & Grandchildren

Ben, Lidia & Philomena Capacchione req. by Anthony & Paula Capacchione 7:00 People of the Parish

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Tony Biamonte, Edna Poirier, Anne Matzelle, Vito Colangelo, Regetta Hardwick and Giulio De Prophetis. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Leroy Collee, Ralph Davey, Giuseppina Cavalliere

Please pray for those who are ill

Baby M, Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Francis Patterson, John Corfield, Rosanna Ricci, Carmine Astorino, Andy Scotnicki, 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, 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, John Cox, Leo Martin, Nicolina Compare, Dr. Andy Fisher, Alvin Learn, James Moody Sr., Nancy Jean Rose, Eric Corcoran, Carmella Modenti, Anna Hunt, Rose MacDonald, Elizabeth Stachura, Denise Colalillo, Brian Smith, Donna Bradley, Charlene Shannon, John Kealey, Margaret Smith, Anna Vergalito, Frank Sica, Helen Lelievre, Nancy Weiss, Jeanne Lea, Rebecca Evans, Samuel Potapczyk, Mary Lawrence, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Michelle Price, Emily Hanover, Donna Cormier, Margaret Waghorn, Drago Bicanic, Jeanne S, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffradi, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Vito Fuccillo, Tom Hilton, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Marie Massolin, Jeannette Fabian, Maria Melchiorre, Jozefa Bilski, Francesco Albanese, Todd Reid, Mary Brennan, Conner Hawkswell, George Teibert, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Maria Guerin, Patricia O'Reilly, Audrey Vendramin, Faith Amadio, Patrick Kealey, Cheryl Granton, Walter Wallace, Florrie Heimbigner, Francois Chayer, Jadwiga Wozniak, Julie Nicholson, Stefanie Borin, Patrick McCarthy, Alessia Commisso, Trina Washington, Mary Jo O'Kell, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Shirley Machulla, Baby Nicholas, Baby Victoria, Pepper Martin Jr.

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

Collections

April 19: \$4,296.00
 April 26: \$3,370.00
 Easter: \$9,916.00 (to date)
Cathedral Appeal: \$16,935.00 (to date)
 Ryan's Bowl: \$8,019.65 (to date)
 Holy Thursday: \$415.00 (to date)
Good Friday (Holy Land): \$490.00 (to date)
Development & Peace: \$470.00 (to date)

ARE YOU BEING CALLED? World Day of Prayer for Vocations

I invite our **young people** to consider living a life dedicated to God as a priest or religious. I invite everyone in St. Patrick Parish to pray for

Many thanks for your generosity!

vocations and just as vocations. If you've be called to the tell them! Maybe to confirm what



important, to **encourage** ever feel that someone might priesthood or religious life, they're waiting for someone they've been feeling inside.

We cannot bemoan the problem of fewer and fewer priests and religious, without recognizing our own responsibility in this regard. If you think you have to be perfect to be a priest or religious, look around... actually, look no further than the pulpit of St. Patrick's!



Pray the Rosary in May

May is the Month of Our Lady!
Please try our best to pray the Rosary daily in May!

Keep Mary in mind and Jesus will grow in your heart!



Dear Friends!

We are still in the midst of this Covid-19 Pandemic. It has been a terrible time for everyone. We hope and pray that this will come to an end soon. It has been such an odd feeling to have an empty church day after day. It breaks my heart. Fortunately, I am able to live stream Mass each evening at 7:00 through my Facebook Page (Power Gerry). Fr. Marc is still with his mom in Sarnia, and he continues to celebrate Mass there. All Mass Intentions are being fulfilled during this crisis.

My heart goes out to all of you who have lost a loved one in the past while, some with the Covid-19 virus. Funerals have been so difficult to celebrate when only 10 people can attend a service at the funeral home, or at the cemetery. Be assured that you and your loved ones are remembered each day at Mass here at the parish.

Myself and Fr. Stephen are still overseeing all hospital calls during this crisis. We both had special training with the Niagara Region Infection Control. So be assured that we are available for all emergencies at the Greater Niagara General Hospital. The switchboard at the hospital will contact us on our cell phones when there's a need. Each parish is still overseeing its own designated senior homes.

We have been quite busy at the parish since Easter Saturday with a food drive. It's absolutely heartwarming to see so many people bring food items in to assist local families. We designated one of our garages as a parish supermarket! Families are so grateful for this help. If they have no car, we bring the food to their doors. One of our parishioners, Jamie Chevalier, who owns Textures Hair Salon, came up with a wonderful idea. She prepared hair touch-up kits for all her clients, in exchange for food! They filled four cars, and filled our garage! Thanks so much to Jamie and our volunteers. We've received donations of milk and bread, and they were distributed to many families. Ministry still continues, and the poor are being fed. That's the Easter spirit! Thanks to all of you. When our supplies dwindle, I will post a request on the parish website and on my Facebook Page. Currently, we are running low on tuna, Kraft Dinner, and nutrition bars.

We had a big drive to assist the homeless who were staying in tents, and the response was powerful with donations of snacks, toiletries, sleeping bags, grocery cards, blankets and pillows. As of this week, most of the homeless are being housed at local motels. They will still require snacks and toiletries. So feel free to drop off any items to the parish. And we have a way to contact the coordinators for drop offs.

Our office remains open daily with reduced hours. All transactions are being handled at the door. Our custodian is keeping on top of the cleaning and lawn care. With reduced hours, our staff is still receiving the same pay. And we are able to do that because of your generosity to your parish. God bless all of you who have been mailing in your church envelopes, dropping them at the office door, or doing e-transfers. Together we can get through this crisis. I can't wait for the day when we can gather again as a community and celebrate Mass. In the meantime, keep up your prayers, keep up your spirits, keep up your charity, and reach out if you need assistance, or if you know someone in need of anything. We are just a telephone call away. If you wish to make your church offering electronically, please *e-transfer* to: stpatrick1895@hotmail.com. It will be deposited automatically! Many thanks for your generosity. God bless you all!

Fr. Gerard

Month of Mary

The month of May is here, the Month of Mary! With great joy, on May 1st, Bishop Bergie will reconsecrate our diocese and Canada to Mary, Blessed Virgin and Mother of the Church. There will be a live-streamed Mass honouring St. Joseph the Worker at noon. He joins bishops from across our country and the United States in asking for our Lady's help in protecting our land and citizens in her loving mantle during this pandemic.

During the month of May, may we reignite our love and devotion to the Blessed Mother. There are so many beautiful prayers to Mary, especially the Rosary. Our official title as Carmelites is "Brothers of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mount Carmel!" Mary is the Patroness of our Order, and we also have a special relationship with her as our Sister. And we also offer that relationship to you! Mother, Queen... and also a great Sister!

Vocation Sunday

It's hard to believe that this Sunday begins the Fourth Week of the Easter Season! Today is also World Day of Prayer for Vocations! Not only should we pray for and encourage vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life, but we should pray for all Vocations! This includes Christian vocations to the Married Life, Parenthood and also the Single Life! We should see every occupation as a VOCATION! During this time of Pandemic, I cannot help but think of our dedicated nurses, RNA's, doctors, support workers, social workers, police, fire, EMS, volunteers, and countless others who follow a call to serve! If we can bring Christ's compassion and love and care into our occupations, we can each have a blessed vocation! And society can be a healthier and happier place.

Fourth Sunday of Easter



Today's Readings and Gospel speak about God as Shepherd! We hear Psalm 23... The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want! Peter speaks of Jesus as the shepherd and guardian of your souls! Then in John's

Gospel, Jesus refers to himself as the shepherd of the sheep, and the gate for the sheep, and how the sheep follow the shepherd because they know his voice. I think this Pandemic is a wake-up call for all of us, to turn things over to the Shepherd. We must take the precious time in our lives for daily prayer, for scripture reading, reading and reflecting on the lives of the saints. These spiritual activities provide us with an opportunity to hear God's voice and to follow the Shepherd! May each of us place our lives in His gentle hands, and pray that He will lead us to the end of this Pandemic.

If ever you find it hard to sleep at night, don't count sheep. Instead, talk to the shepherd... give all your burdens to GOD and nothing will disturb you...

The Angelus

When you hear the Church Bells at Noon and 6 PM.... this is a call to pray the Angelus Prayer:

> V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary, R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit. Hail Mary, etc...

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord. R. Be it done unto me according to Your Word.

Hail Mary, etc...

V. And the Word was made flesh, R. And dwelt among us.

Hail Mary, etc...

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Let us pray:

Pour forth, we beseech You, O Lord, Your Grace into our hearts: that as we have known the incarnation of Christ. your Son by the message of an angel. so by His passion and cross we may be brought to the glory of His Resurrection.

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