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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

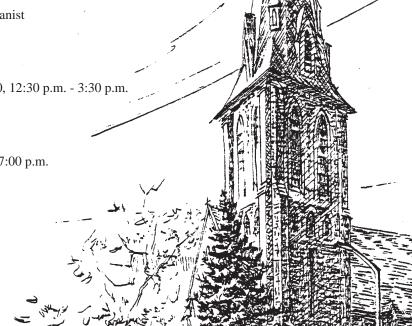
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Diocese of St. Catharines (est. 1958)

Most Rev. Gerard Bergie, D.D., Bishop Most Rev. John A. O'Mara, D.D., Bishop-Emeritus Parish Established 1858 Church Dedicated 1895 flowat san 34

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New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.





Saturday, November 14

5:00 Benito Giustini *req. by the Family* Louis Vendramin *req. by Audrey Vendramin*

Sunday, November 15

8:00 Parishioners

9:30 Angelo Radice req. by Antonietta Radice & Family Adelino Marcon req. by Theresa Marcon

11:30 Luigi (Gino) Cerce req. by sis:Assunta lammarino & Family Salvatore Sacco req. by the Family

7:00 Oscar Bonaguro req. by Mercedes Bonaguro & Family Odie & Eleanor Grimstead req. by their Dtr: Mary

Monday, November 16 St Margaret of Scotland & St Gertrude

8:00 Domenic Morabito req. by Rosemary Girardo

Dec'd Brzozowski Family req. by Edward Brzozowski & Family

Tuesday, November 17 St Elizabeth of Hungary

8:00 Irma Pizzolato req. by Dumele & Pizzolato Families Janet Ruel req. by Diana, Josie, Lucy & Rita

Wednesday, Nov 18 The Ded. of the Basilicas of Sts Peter & Paul

8:00 Madeline & Ovidio Rosati req. by the Family Michelon Alessandro req. by John Bonaldo & Family

Thursday, November 19

8:00 John & Margaret Pederi req. by their Dtr: Margaret Pederi Rick Heximer req. by the Family

Friday, November 20

8:00 Ron Bridgeman req. by Belle Liberty
Bonaldo Family req. by John Bonaldo & Family

Saturday, Nov 21 Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 Irene & Vic Smatana req. by the Family John Leo req. by Mom, Dad & Family

Sunday, November 22 Christ the King

8:00 Parishioners

9:30 Raffaele & Carmela Fabiano req. by their Children
David & Michael Shannon & Judy Mingle req. by the Family
11:30 Stephen & Georgette Lafferty req. by the Family

Michele lammarino req. by his Wife: Assunta lammarino & Family 7:00 Lucia Rossi req. by the Family

Nguyen Van Gioi Peter-Maria req. by the Family

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in November

Stephanie Pietroiusti & Ryan Wildfang

Sacramental Dates for 2016

<u>First Reconciliation</u>

(All Grade 2 Students)

Tuesday, February 23, 2016 at 7:00 PM

First Communion
St. Patrick and St. Mary Schools
Sunday, April 24, 2016 at 1:30 PM
Other Grade 2 Parishioners
Sunday, April 24, 2016 at 9:30 AM

Confirmation
Saturday, April 30, 2016 at 5:00 PM

St. Patrick Elementary School's Pasta Night Fundraiser

Tuesday November 17 from 5 - 8pm in the Lower Hall Take-out available from 3 - 4:30pm. \$8.00 per person Salad, Penne & meatballs, and dinner rolls

Pop & water available to purchase

Tickets will be available at the door

This weekend the Deo Gratis Collection will be taken up. Envelopes are at the doors of the Church today.

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Debra McCaffery and Sam Halligan. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Margaret Nicholson, Tony Strangis

Please pray for those who are ill

Edward Power, Sharon Regular, Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm., Fr. Jordan Rooney, O.Carm., Bette Anne Chevalier, Angelo Butera, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Maria Melchiorre, Jeannette Fabian, Cleo Gagno, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Msgr Vincent Ferrando, Danielle Barranca, Carmela Fruci, Lucy Rizzo, Audrey Vendramin, Jeanne Lea, Gionni Bonaldo, Stan Manning, Iole Mancini, Alice Dalton, Baby Maximus, David Kealey, Joanna Daniels, Ray Sexton, Francesco Albanese, Mary Ann O'Shea, Doreen Fletcher, Rosalyn Dagleish, Susan & Rick Rogers, Kitty Decicco, Patricia Desrosiers, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jozefa Bilski, Charlene Shannon, Mary O'Shea, Dr. Andy Fisher, Dorothy Simon, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, Anna Vergalito, John Jefferson Jill Leronowich, Vince(Jim) Baldassarro, Nancy Jean Rose, Guiseppina Paonessa, Phyllis Higgins, Patrick McCarthy, Norman Horth, Todd Reid, Muriel Pivarnyik, Helen Lelievre, Tom Hilton, Maria Colalillo, Walter Wallace, Stefanie Borin, John Cox, Joyce Weaver, Marie Cleary, Rita Bruneau, Orlando Garofalo, Kerrie Szuch, Faith Amadio, Margaret Smith, Carmella Modenti, Margaret Waghorn, Theresa Poirier, Bruno Maiolo, Carlo Trasmundi, Vito Fuccillo, BabyHope, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Kelly Laslo, Rose Vukmanich, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Commisso, Vicki Dubeau, Donna Bradley, Annette Brideau, George O'Kell, Mary Jo O'Kell, Wanda Winslow, Baby Sebastian, Mae MacLean, Dorothy Doyle, Lorraine Murray, Patricia O'Reilly, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Trina Washington, Chester Mottola, Shirley Machulla, Gerry Laffradi, Lorraine Spence

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

Collections

November 7 & 8: \$6,190.65 Refugee Sponsorship:\$16,791.00 St. Vincent de Paul Society: \$1,094.00 Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2015

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday, Nov 22 & Dec 27

A mandatory meeting for <u>Parents and Godparents</u> will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Dec 15 at 7:00 pm.

Keep Christ in Christmas...The Knights of Columbus, Council 1652 Niagara Falls, will be selling religious Christmas cards again this year as part of their "Christ is Christmas" campaign. These lovely cards with envelopes are very reasonably priced from \$6 to \$12 a box for 10 to 15 cards with various designs. We also have several multicultural Christmas card packages including French, Spanish, Tagalog, Italian, Polish, Ukrainian and First Nations. The cards will be sold after each mass on the Nov. 14 and Nov. 21 weekends.

The RCIA -- Rite of Initiation of Adults

Do you, or someone you know, wish to become a member of the Catholic Church?

As a Catholic do you wish to deepen and share your own faith? The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is an invitation to grow in faith by learning and praying with a small group between **fall and Easter**. Exact starting date to be determined.

If you are interested or need more information please contact the Parish Office at 905-354-7451.



Please continue to bring food items to Mass for Project Share! Every item helps!

"Lord, when did we see you hungry?"



Dear Friends.

We have been blessed with another week of great weather! It's hard to believe we're in the middle of November! We know very well that it can change overnight!!!

We are doing great with our Refugee Sponsorship Campaign! As of Thursday, we have received \$20,000.00 in donations. Thank you to so many people for your generosity. I'm confident that we will reach our goal very shortly. Then we will be able to provide a home here in Niagara for a refugee family, answering to the wishes of Pope Francis, and the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. Several other parishes are starting the sponsorship process as well, so that's great to see. We will keep you posted!

Our Church year is winding down! This the second last Sunday of the Church's Liturgical Year! Next Sunday will be the Solemnity of Christ the King! The scripture readings on these last Sundays always deal with the



end times! The readings today have a particular emphasis, if we trust in God, live his life to the best of our ability, then we have nothing to fear. Daniel says when the final days come, Archangel Michael will gather God's people together including those who sleep

in the dust of the earth. Some will awake to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. The wise will shine like the brightness of the sky and stars! In the Gospel, Jesus says that on the last day, the angels will gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. No one knows when the last day will come, not the Angels, nor the Son, but only the Father.

When we hear readings like this, should we be scared? The answer depends on how faithful we are to God and God's ways and commands... and how faithful we are to our brothers and sisters, especially the poor! If we try our best to be faithful, then we should have no reason to fear the end. Have a blessed and fearless week!

Fr. Gerard



"After you die, you wear what you are." - St. Teresa of Avila

"To lead a good life a person should always imagine himself at the hour of death..." - St. Bonaventure



Book of Life

Our **Book of Life** is in the sanctuary. Please write the names of your deceased loved ones in this book and they will be remembered at all Masses during November.

Is God calling You?

If you feel called to serve as **Eucharistic Minister**, **Lector**, **Altar Server**, or **Funeral Server**, please call the parish office. We will have training sessions later in the fall.

Reflection on Life after Death

In his weekly letter on November 1, Bishop Bergie reminded us: "The Catechism of the Catholic Church states, "All who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven (1030). The Catechism goes on to say, "The Church gives the name Purgatory to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the doomed" (1031). We should take the opportunity to preach about purgatory to assist parishioners in deepening their understanding of this mystery. It seems today that many of our faithful assume that immediately after death our loved ones are in heaven. If everyone is in heaven then there is no need to pray for the dead or offer Masses for the repose of their souls. Unfortunately, these practices are becoming less known especially with our youth. To pray for the dead is not morbid, but hope filled as we are able to assist those we love even after death. We pray these souls to heaven. "Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.""

Refugee Sponsorship

Our parish is in the process of sponsoring a Christian Refugee Family. We have reached the 2/3rd mark of our financial campaign... \$20,000.00! God bless you for your generosity. Our role will be to take care of the family's needs for a period of one year. This includes an apartment, utilities, bus transportation, language classes, food, clothing, etc. For a family of four this would be approximately \$27-\$30,000.00. So what we need to do now is ask our parishioners to assist with this mission. "I was a stranger and you welcomed me."- Matthew 25:35!!! If you can donate, please make cheques payable to ST. PATRICKS- REFUGEE SPONSORSHIP. Once we have raised the required amount, we will receive notification when a family is available. Once we receive word, we will be able to furnish an apartment for them! We already have some offers to provide employment and furniture. God bless you for your generosity! Let's provide a home for a family! Always remember that no donation is too small.

Morse & Son sponsored Seminars...Monday November 16 7-9pm
"Healing your Grieving Heart" and Tuesday November 17 9am - 12noon
"Exploring the Value of Soul-Based Grief Symptoms" each \$12
held at Club Italia, Presented by Dr Alan D Wolfelt,
Director for Loss & Life Transition. To RSVP or for more information please
call 905-356-3550 or email morseandson2015@gmail.com

2016 Mass Intentions

The date for the opening of the Mass Book will be Tuesday, November 17, 2015 at **9:00** am for the members of our parish. Because of the limited number of announced Masses available, we ask that you limit your intentions to **4 per family**. You might consider having a general intention for the deceased members of your family. We also ask that you be flexible with your dates. We will be recording the Mass intentions in the **Office**, or you may place them in the Sunday collection. **We will not be taking intentions over the telephone.**

Carmelite Spirituality Group ... You are invited to Mt Carmel Monastery on the second Sunday of each month to explore Carmelite spirituality. Mt Carmel Spiritual Centre, 2 - 5pm Presenter Fr. Michael Wastag, O.Carm.



Sacred Heart Parish Christmas Bazaar Sunday December 6 10am - 1pm



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