# Saint Patrick's Church

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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

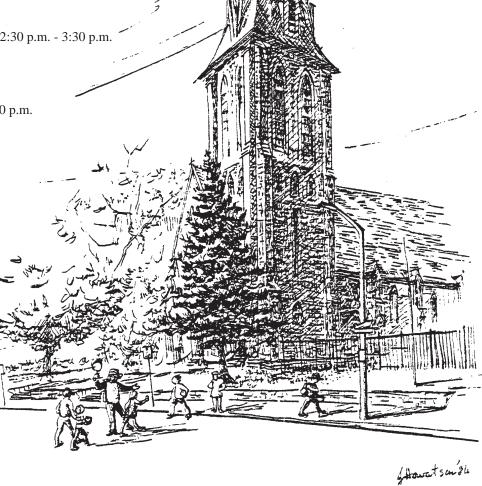
St. Patrick School 905-354-6631 St. Mary School 905-354-7744

#### 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.





Saturday, November 16 St Margaret of Scotland & St Gertrude

5:00 Irma & Julia Pizzolato req. by Angela & Dave Dumele Nina Audibert req. by Fred, Betty & Family

Sunday, November 17 World Day of the Poor

**8:00** Dec'd of the Quiquero & Fiore Families *req. by Anna* Rev. Anthony McNamara, O.Carm. *req. by Cliff & Teresa* 

9:30 Gino Pullano req. by the Pullano Family
Francesco Provenzano req. by his Wife: Josephina & Family

11:30 Ernesto Gualtieri req. by his Dtr: Ida Greco & Family Ody Argenta req. by Diana Argenta

7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, Nov 18 The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter & Paul

8:00 Francesco Mastropierro req. by the Family Francisco Arrayga req. by the Family

Tuesday, November 19

**8:00** John & Margaret Pederi req. by their Dtr: Margaret Pederi Dec'd mem of the Guerin & Turra Families req. by Maria & Family

Wednesday, November 20

8:00 Leopold Buteau req. by the Family Anna Gottardi req. by Barbara Sacco

Thursday, November 21 The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 Yolande Sawada req. by Shirley & Ross Wallace Lee Chevalier req. by Bryce & Aileen Adams

Friday, November 22 St Cecilia

**8:00** Victor & Irene Smatana *req. by the Family* Lena Altomare *req. by the Family* 

Saturday, November 23 St Clement I & St Columban

Zita Marcon reg. by Tullio Milani & Family

Pete Mundier req. by the Family
Sunday, November 24 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 Pasquale Macri req. by Augusta Macri & Family
Vincent Bernardi req. by Victor & Lisa Marcon
9:30 Nicola Rinaldi req. by the Family

Caterina Ruberto req. by Teresa Ruberto

11:30 Alberto & Lucia Rossi req. by Liliana Salvatore & Family Immacolata Luciano req. by Alexander Luciano & Family

7:00 People of the Parish

#### Children Sacramental Dates 2020

Confirmation: Saturday, May 30, 2020 @ 5:00 PM
First Reconciliation: Tuesday, March 3, 2020 @ 7:00 PM
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.)

#### Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you or a family member/friend is interested in becoming a Roman Catholic through a **Profession of Faith**, or desiring Baptism, or other Sacraments of Initiation (Eucharist or Confirmation), please give your name to our Parish Office as soon as possible. Our first **RCIA** meeting will be held during the Advent Season. The sessions will resume after Christmas. During Lent we will meet once a week. This is also a

wonderful opportunity for anyone who wants to "refresh or renew" their faith and theology! More information will be forthcoming.

**CWL Ladies** please note that in your box of envelopes you have another CWL dues envelope in the month of November, even though you had one in January. This is because we are actually supposed to pay them before the first of the year. So we need to give you the envelopes earlier in order to submit our dues on time!!! If you have any questions please call Maggie at 905-246-6212

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

Regenerate(d) 2019...YOU ARE CALLED, Scotiabank Convention Centre on November 23, 2019 Doors open at 7:45am www.branchesoftheword.org

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

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

**Rest in Peace...** We pray for the souls of Geoffrey Machulla, Donna Hearn and Theresa Kelly Church. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Joe Young, Eric Corcoran

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Andy Scotnicki, Anita Archambault, Roger Paradis, John Corfield, Arlene Collee, Gus Bagarozza, Betty & Joe Power, Jarod Hickey Fred Girardo Sr., Carole Ann Ogilvie, Carol DeVilliers, Kelly Power, Marney Broderick, Sister Prem, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Pasquale Abrunzo, Alice Dalton, John Nicks, Wilf Manuel, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Bernadette Moore, Norma Zanus, Lily Williams, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Fern Albert, Toni Brideau, Kelly Laslo, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nikki Mansfield, Lester Snow, Nicolina Compare, Dr. Andy Fisher, Alvin Learn, James Moody Sr., Carmella Modenti, John Calder, Rose MacDonald, Elizabeth Stachura, Charlene Shannon, Anna Hunt, John Kealey, Margaret Smith, Anna Vergalito, Helen Lelievre, Nancy Weiss, Denise Colalillo, Leo Martin, Nancy Jean Rose, 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, Fred Girardo Sr., Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Lorraine Spence, Jeannette Fabian, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Iole Mancini, Vito Fuccillo, Donna Cormier, Jeanne Lea, Maria Rosiana, Tom Hilton, Frank Sica, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jill Leronowich, Audrey Vendramin, Patrick Kealey, Francesco Albanese, Florrie Heimbigner, Jozefa Bilski, Todd Reid, Marie Massolin, Stefanie Borin, Maria Guerin, Faith Amadio, Patricia O'Reilly, Patrick McCarthy, Walter Wallace, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Commisso, Kerrie Szuch, Donna Bradley, Helen Rotella, Mary Jo O'Kell, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Jadwiga Wozniak, Mary Brennan, Shirley Machulla, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Trina Washington, Pepper Martin Jr., Baby Nicholas, Baby Victoria Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.

#### **Baptism Schedule for 2019**

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday, Nov 24 & Dec 15 A mandatory meeting for <u>Parents and Godparents</u> will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Nov 12 & Dec 3 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!

#### Collections

November 10: \$5,800.35 Cathedral Appeal (to date): \$14,850.00 (93%) Many thanks for your generosity!

#### Cathedral Appeal

After 6 months of the Cathedral Appeal, we have reached 93% of our goal of \$16,000. Many thanks to all of you who have made a sacrifice. We have until the end of November to reach this goal. (The average collected in the Diocese thus far is 55%, so we are well ahead of the average! If everyone makes some small sacrifice, we should be able to do this soon. Anyone wishing to donate by credit card, can do so through Canada Helps. Go to: www.canadahelps.org
Search: Diocese of St. Catharines Choose: "Cathedral Appeal" Fill in parish name and complete the donor information. Canada Helps issues tax receipts. The Diocese will get a monthly report which will show what parish the donation is from. Canada Helps will deposit donations in the diocesan bank account. On a monthly basis the diocese will provide parishes with updates if parishioners have donated through Canada Helps. Let's see how quickly we can reach our goal!

#### **Christmas Cards**

The Knights of Columbus will be at the main entrance of the church on the weekends of **November 23 - December 1**, selling *Religious* Christmas Cards. This is part of their "Christ in Christmas" campaign. They have beautiful cards in several languages. Get them early and avoid disappointment! All proceeds will go to Project Share Christmas Food Vouchers.

Weekday Rosary Every morning at 7:30, the Holy Rosary is prayed in St. Patrick Church. Keep Mary in mind, and Jesus will grow in your heart!

#### Dear Friends:



What a week! Too early for this snow! But we take what we get, and make the best of it! We're tough! Always remember, Spring is just around the corner! Last week during the wind storm, we had some damage done to the slate on the north side of the church roof. We had a company in to carry out emergency repairs last Friday. They will do an inspection of the entire roof once the weather permits. We are having some issues with the church boilers, so that is being addressed also!

Today is the 33rd Sunday of the Church Year! And the readings address the end times. The prophet Malachi tells us that it will be a day of healing for those who revere God's name. But the "arrogant and all evildoers" will be dealt with accordingly... reduced to stubble! Not a pleasant

The Gospel assures us that we **do not know** when the end will come. Many however, claim to know. Some even give us dates. I've encountered some people over the years who tried to convince me that they knew more than Jesus Christ himself. Of course, we pray for those

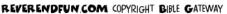


persons. No one knows the day nor the hour, but the Father in Heaven! All we can say is that the end, whenever it happens, will witness God's victory over evil and death.

In the mean time, our call is to remain faithful to God! And God will certainly remain faithful to us. We must bear witness to God. Yes, we are bound to struggle, face hardships, fail at times, but how we deal with these things is the surest attestation of our faith. God is with us through everything.

As Christians, we must patiently endure, and faithfully engage the Gospel way! Christian living, as St. Paul reminds us, is not about being IDLE! Can we spend these last days of our Church year, shaping our spiritual lives so that we will be more than prepared when the end happens. Have a blessed week!

#### Fr. Gerard





God didn't promise us it would be easy or painless; He just promised us it would be worth it!

#### November is All Souls Month

As is our Catholic tradition, we will honour our deceased family and parishioners with prayer throughout November. There is a Book of Life near the Sanctuary. We invite you to inscribe the names of your deceased loved ones in this Book. They will be remembered at all Masses and Prayers throughout the month.



Please continue to bring food items and toiletries to the church for Project Share. "Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

Please do not leave the Church Bulletins in the pews. If you do not wish to take it home, please return it to one of the tables at the doors of the Church. Thanks

#### **Puppy Update**



Well, I knew the day was coming! Four of the five puppies will be leaving me and Molly and going to their new homes this week. It has truly been a joy watching them grow since September 19th! Farewell to the puppies! From I to r: Nutella,

Bailey, Reese, Briar and Sandy! Sandy will be staying with me for a little while until Molly gets used to the empty nest!

#### Little Flower Society Cards



St. Patrick Parish Office has Mass Cards available 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 our 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 Carmelite Formation Programs throughout the world.

#### SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The members of the SSVP again seek your generosity in helping to make this Christmas a little brighter for those less fortunate in our city. This year we are anticipating a significant increase in those requiring our help and we would appreciate your financial assistance.

First Friday Holy Hour in honour of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. December 6th from 11:00pm to 12:00am Our Lady of the Scapular Church

#### Big Brothers Big Sisters

Big Brothers Big Sisters is currently looking for caring, responsible people to become volunteer mentors to guide children and youth (ages 6 - 18). One hour In-School Mentoring or 2 - 4 hours weekly as a Big Brother or Big Sister. There are currently 180 children waiting for a Mentor, with lists growing weekly. If interested or for more information please call 905-932-0403 or 905-357-5454

Flying Fathers Hockey Games The Flying Fathers will be bringing their hockey skills and slap-stick comedy show to the Niagara area for two games in November. On Tuesday, November 19 at the Gale Centre in Niagara Falls, the Flying Fathers will skate against Niagara Catholic student all-stars, staff and local priests. The following night, Wednesday, November 20, they will face off with the Thorold Mounts at the Frank Doherty Arena in Thorold. Games start at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$10.00 each and are available at the Gale Centre. Further information: Bill Mann, 905-374-2386, Jim Marino, 905-735-0247 ext. 210.



The Knights of Columbus Council 1394 will be hosting an all you can eat Breakfast on every Sunday this November from 9 AM-12 PM in their council hall at 235 Church St., St. Catharines Adults eat for \$10.00 Children 10 and under eat for \$5.00.

Young Adults, ages 19-39, are invited to attend the next monthly FEED YOUR FAITH FRIDAY being held on November 29, 2019 at the Catholic Centre, 3400 Merritville Highway, Thorold beginning at 6:00 pm. Join us for supper, faithful discussions, and prayer. For more information, call Terri at 905-684-0154,#209 or check out the Diocesan Facebook page.

Catholic Marriage Tribunal...If you are considering remarriage in the Catholic Church or hoping to enter a marriage with someone previously married, please speak to a priest, or contact the St. Catharines Catholic Marriage Tribunal at 905-687-8817 or tribunal@saintcd.com.

\*Our Lady of the Scapular Church Bazaar - Saturday, Nov 23 from 10 - 2pm \*St. Thomas More Church Bazaar - Saturday, Nov 30 from 10 - 2pm

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