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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.

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.



SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING



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, Nov 22 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

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 Iammarino req. by his Wife: Assunta Iammarino & Family

7:00 Lucia Rossi req. by the Family

Nguyen Van Gioi Peter-Maria req. by the Family

Monday, November 23 St Clement

8:00 Pasquale Macri req. by Augusta Macri & Family

Marco Bortolin req. by his Wife: Anna & Family

Tuesday, November 24 St Andrew Dung-Lac

8:00 Lucille Roffey (Leahey) req. by Muriel Lafford

Fr. Jim Murray req. by Rae Gerard & Paul McGowan

9:15 St. Patrick & St. Mary School Mass

Wednesday, November 25 St Catherine of Alexandria

8:00 Jeannine Vendramin req. by Audrey Vendramin

Mass of Thanksgiving req. by Ester Reyes

Thursday, November 26

8:00 Eduardo Augello-Todino req. by the DeMizio Family

Elisabetta Parisi req. by Dom & Sonia Parisi

Friday, November 27

8:00 Walter Dopke req. by the Family

Elio D'Alimonte & Elvira DiMatteo req. by Angelina & Family

Saturday, November 28

5:00 Pete Mundier req. by the Family

Mario & Linda Cardinal req. by Andrew, Dalton, Cardin & Gianna

Sunday, November 29 First Sunday of Advent

8:00 Angus Lafford req. by Muriel, John & Erin Lafford

Antonella & Enrico Migliorelli req. by Rocco & Giuseppina Cavaliere

9:30 Parishioners

11:30 Nguyen, Van Gioi (Peter-Maria) req. by the Family

Irene Asner req. by the Family

7:00 Luigi Camillo req. by his Wife: Lucia & Family

Ray Dubeau req. by his Wife: Vicki

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in November

Stephanie Pietroiusti & Ryan Wildfang

*Congratulations to Bob & Josie Wojciechowska on their
50th Wedding Anniversary*

Sacramental Dates for 2016

First Reconciliation

(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

Christmas Bazaar...Sacred Heart Parish CWL, Chippawa

Sunday, December 6, 10am - 1:00pm

Bring the Family

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Tony Strangis, Stephanie Wasiak, and Margaret Nicholson. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Fr. Jordan Rooney, O.Carm.

Please pray for those who are ill

Edward Power, Sharon Regular, Fr Tony McNamara, 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 Pivarnyk, 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 Comisso, 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 14 & 15: \$5,264.20

Refugee Sponsorship: \$52,000.00

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 Parents and Godparents 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 this weekend.



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

"Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

The Diocesan Separated & Divorced Healing Ministry Support Group meets every second & fourth Monday 7 - 9pm, at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com

905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154

No meeting on December 28, 2015. Meetings resume on January 11, 2016

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



Dear Friends,

Good news of great joy! We have excelled in our Refugee Sponsorship Campaign, and exceeded our goal! As of Thursday, we have received \$52,000.00 in donations. Thank you to so many people for your generosity. Now we will be able to provide a home here in Niagara for 2 refugee families, answering to the wishes of Pope Francis, and the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops. We will keep you posted as the process unfolds!

This Sunday is the Solemnity of *Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe* (previously Christ the King)! Pope Pius XI instituted this Feast in 1925 for the universal church, as an antidote to rising secularism, [a way of life that leaves God out of human thinking and living]. This feast proclaims in a striking manner, Christ's reign **over individuals, families, society, nations and governments**. Historically, this was in the aftermath of WWI. Many countries were waving flags, doing the victory dance, and facing the rise of communism. Not only was secularism rising, but the world was witnessing the rise of dictatorships in Europe. Many Christians were being taken in by these earthly leaders. Respect for Christ and the Church was waning. Pope Pius XI reminded the world **who** was really in charge: **Christ the King!**

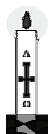
When asked, "What is our King like?," someone wrote: "Most kings are born in a palace, but this king was born **in a stable!** While most kings spent their time building up riches of silver, gold and jewels, this king **owned nothing!** While most kings surrounded themselves with servants, this king chose to **be a servant.** Instead of riding into town on a big white horse like other kings, he rode in on the back of a **donkey.** He hung out with a bunch of smelly fishermen, the poor and sinners, instead of royalty. Yes, he wore a crown, but it was made of **thorns!** Instead of robes and jewels he wore a **cloak.** He was powerful but also powerless. Instead of using great armies and weapons, his only weapon was **love.** What a King we have! What a king to follow, Christ the King!"

My prayer is that we will allow Christ to reign in our broken world! And that we will allow him to reign in our families and hearts, minds, and wills! He connected his Kingship to humble service! And he calls us to be servants as well. It is our mission to 'testify to the truth' by helping bring about His kingdom of justice, balanced with radical love, mercy, peace and forgiveness. As we end the Church year and enter into the *Season of Advent* next week, my prayer is that we will allow Christ to be the King of our hearts and families. May he reign over everything we say and do! Have a blessed week!

Fr. Gerard



"It's that time of year, so I'm going through the motions of being good for goodness sake. What are you doing?"



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.

Help a Needy Child at Christmas

This Sunday, after all the Masses, **Christmas Gift Tags** will be available to be signed out. Gifts are to be returned, unwrapped with the tag attached no later than Tuesday, December 15, 2015?

Refugee Sponsorship

We have surpassed our goal of sponsoring one refugee family, so now we can actually sponsor two families. As of Thursday we reached **\$52,000.00** in our \$30,000 campaign! **God bless each and every one of 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. We have let our Diocese know that we are ready to receive a family, so we will receive notification as soon as 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 an apartment, employment, language classes and furniture. God bless you for your generosity, in responding to this Gospel call! St. Pat's has always gone above and beyond!

SPONSORSHIP COMMITTEE MEETING this Tuesday evening, November 24th at 7:00 PM in Parish Hall.

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.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you or a family member/friend is interested in becoming a 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 with Fr. Gerard, Fr. Marc and Maureen Young, our catechist. 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. **If you are interested please contact the Parish Office at 905-354-7451.**



Patterson Funeral Home Christmas of Hope Candlelight

Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, December 13th at 7:00pm at Our Lady of the Scapular Church. All are welcome to attend. For more information please call Patterson at 905-358-3513, or visit www.pattersonfuneralhome.com

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.

Hospital Visits... If you have a family member in hospital, and would like a visit from one of our priests, or wish to celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please let the parish office know. St. Patrick Parish covers the on-call pager for GNGH from Tuesday 8 AM until Wed 8 AM. The hospital staff can put you in touch with the on-call chaplain at any time.

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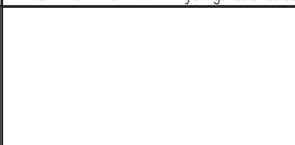


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