Saint Patrick's Church

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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.

Havet san 34

Saturday, November 25 St Catherine of Alexandria

5:00 Victor & Irene Smatana req by the Family

Ody Argenta req by David & Dina Argenta Sunday, November 26 Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe

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

Cecil & Irma Amadio req by the Family

- 9:30 People of the Parish
- **11:30** Audrey & Louie Vendramin *req by Jackie & Dave* Fr. Tony McNamara *req by Cliff & Teresa*

Monday, November 27

8:00 Bill Amadio req by Rachel Marcon & Family Yousif Kaiser & Emanuel Kaiser req by the Family

Tuesday, November 28

8:00 Fr. Terry Cyr req by Cliff & Teresa Tim Foster req by the Family

Wednesday, November 29

8:00 Fritz Masur req by the Giajnorio Family Gerry Paolin req by Kathy & Rick Woram

Thursday, November 30 St Andrew

8:00 Carole Finella req by Chris & Sam St. Angelo Dennis Bowers req by the Parish Council

Friday, December 1

8:00 Tommaso DeAngelis req by Tony & Rosa DeAngelis Don Liberty req by Belle Liberty

Saturday, December 2

5:00 Assunta Maiuri req by Stefanie & Peter Maiuri John Audibert req by Fred & Betty

Sunday, December 3 First Sunday of Advent

8:00 People of the Parish

- **9:30** Giustino 'Gus' Bagarozza req by Kathy Bagarozza Dec'd mem of the Pizzicarola Family (Franca, Teresa, Benny & Marisa) req by Joe & Olga Grcevic & Family
- 11:30 Maria & Mario D'Amario req by The Family Immacolata Luciano req by Alessandro Luciano & Family

CWL News...Hello Ladies, your *CWL dues of \$40* are due by the end of November for the 2024 calendar year ... you may place your cash / cheque in an envelope and label it with your name and CWL dues for 2024 and place it in the collection ... or drop it off at the office or call or text Maggie Scott at 905-246-6212 if you need to deliver it in a different way!!

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!

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you or a family member/friend is interested in becoming a Roman Catholic though 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. **Rest in Peace...** We pray for the souls of William (Bill) Amadio, Gerry Paolin, Francesco Bongiovanni, Vincenzo Bilotta and Mary Corsaro. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are ill. We are currently updating our sick list. This will be limited to parishioners and family members who are hospitalized or chronically ill. Please be advised that only an immediate family member can request a name to be added to this list.

Mary Power, Michelle Camillo, Barbara Conidi, Cecilia Shugg, Toni Brideau, Sherry Wales, Maureen Young, Maureen Tustin, Maureen Watson, Michael DelGrande, Helen Korce, Leila Khan, David Gallina, Andrew Zacharuk, Patrick Macri, Alba Rondinelli, Nancy Waters, Victor Pizzolato, Jeanne S, Christine Pritty, John & Laura Giampa, Missy Bilotta, Antoinette Vescio, Charlene Shannon, Flori Heimbigner, Rita Ross, Isabell Frost, Anna Hunt, Leroy Collee, Leon French, Tony Cuviello, Jim & Betty Calzonetti, Eric Van Noort, Judy, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, D.D., William JA DeFoe, Estelle Critelli, Betty Crete, Sister Prem, Jeannette Fabian, Kelsey Liles, Julian Cassidy, Kelly Laslo, Mahmat, Teresa Hebb, Rose MacDonald, Lori Ann Pizzolato, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Karen Bradley, Betty & Mary Ann Quigley, Bob Marshall, John O'Leary, Arlene Collee, Danielle Barranca, Nancy Weiss, John Calder, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Kerrie Szuch, Norma Zanus, Pasquale Abrunzo, Anna Chayer, Denise Colalillo, Francesco Albanese, Mary Jo O'Kell, Carmella Modenti, Michelle Price, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Margaret Waghorn, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Patricia O'Reilly, Gloria Smelko, Maria Guerin, Jackie, Fran Smelko, Jozefa Bilski, Mary Brennan, Faith Amadio, Jadwiga Wozniak, Francois Chayer, Walter Wallace, Julie Nicholson, Patrick McCarthy, Pepper Martin Jr, Marie Brooker, Vanessa Athoe, Brian Boudreau, Samuel Potapczyk

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

Collections November 19: \$5,654.94 Deo Gratis: \$1,718.25 Many thanks for your generosity!

Children Sacramental Dates 2024

Confirmation: Saturday, February 10, 2024 @ 5:00 PM Confirmation Commitment Ceremony: Sunday, December 10, 2023 @ 11:30 AM Mass (all Candidates MUST attend) First Reconciliation: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 @ 7:00 PM First Communion: Sunday, April 28, 2024@ 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.)

Children's Liturgy

Our Children's Liturgy at the 9:30 AM Sunday Mass, is still in need of a few more volunteers. If you would like to be part of this wonderful ministry, please give your name to the parish office as soon as possible. Our children need you!!! 905-354-7451

2024 Mass Intentions

The Mass Book is now opened 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.

Parking Lot Volunteers

Many thanks to Chris, Tom, June, Maggie and Dave for helping in our parking lots last Saturday afternoon during the Santa Claus Parade. It saved a lot of headaches for the wedding-goers and our Mass attendees.

The Pastor's Pon

Dear Friends:

It's hard to believe that this is the last Sunday in the Church's year... the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe! Next week is the First Sunday of Advent.

Today's Gospel from Matthew is about the final judgement. At the end of our lives we will not be judged by our diplomas, our jobs, out titles, or how much money we have accumulated, we will be judged by, "I was hungry and you gave me to eat. I was naked and you clothed me. I was homeless and you took me in." St. Teresa of Calcutta spoke of how Christ appears when we least expect Him! She said, "Hungry, not only for bread, but hungry for love; naked not only for clothing, but for human dignity and respect; homeless, not only for want of a room of bricks, but homeless because of rejection. This is Christ in distressing disguise."

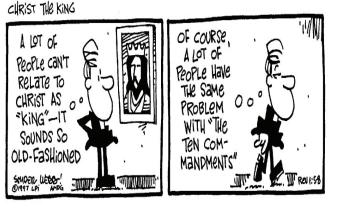


Our call is to keep our eyes, ears and hearts open for opportunities to serve our brothers and sisters. Not everyone is as fortunate as we are. One of our Carmelites, St. John of the Cross, reminded us that in the end, we will be judged by love... how we have loved

SUNDAY each other. As we end the Church year, maybe we can find extra ways to serve others. Perhaps we can increase our food donation to Project Share; buy a gift for some local needy child in our Christmas Gift Campaign; or a Grocery Card for our needy families; help St. Vincent de Paul to keep their ministry going; or the Carmelite Missions during our Annual Mission Appeal. "Lord, when did we see you hungry?" The answer is all around us!

As we end this Church year and enter into the Season of Advent, my prayer is that we will allow Christ the King to reign in our hearts and in our homes. May He reign over everything we say and do! Christ's Reign is not based on human power, but according to this Sunday's Gospel, it's based on *loving and serving* others. When we serve others, we serve Christ the King! May God help us serve the Kings of Kings, especially as He presents Himself disguised as those reaching out to us for help. Have a blessed week.

Fr. Gerard



Quotes on Helping the Poor

-Giving to the poor is an essential part of Christian morality.

-The only gift is giving to the poor; All else is exchange.

-Helping one person might not change the world, but it could change the world for one person.

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

What Our King is Like!

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 surrounded themselves to be a servant. Instead of horse like other kings, he



nothing! While most kings with servants, this king chose riding into town on a big white 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!

Funnies

-My wife told me to stop impersonating a flamingo. I had to put my foot down.

-I was addicted to the hokey pokey, but then I turned myself around. -How do you make holy water? You boil the hell out of it.

Vincent's... The Society of St. Vincent de Paul's Thrift Store is looking for dedicated volunteers for 3 hours per week...Call 289-296-3807 or apply in person, 5970 Lundy's Lane. Store hours, Tuesday to Saturday 10am – 4pm. Join our team and share some hope!

Little Flower Society Cards



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 Carmelite Formation Programs in several countries.

TIRED OF LIVING ALONE?

Mount Carmel Home is a Retirement Home founded by the Carmelite Sisters Religious Order

based in a caring, familial atmosphere. Included in the affordable monthly fee is meals, medication administration, weekly housekeeping, a room all to yourself including a private washroom, and more. Mount Carmel also offers a tuck shop and adjoining café, movies, crafts, cards, bingo, and various other activities for you to enjoy.

Contact Mount Carmel at 905-685-9155 today for more information and to book your tour!

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!

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.

_____PostalCode:

Name:

Address:

City:

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

