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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.

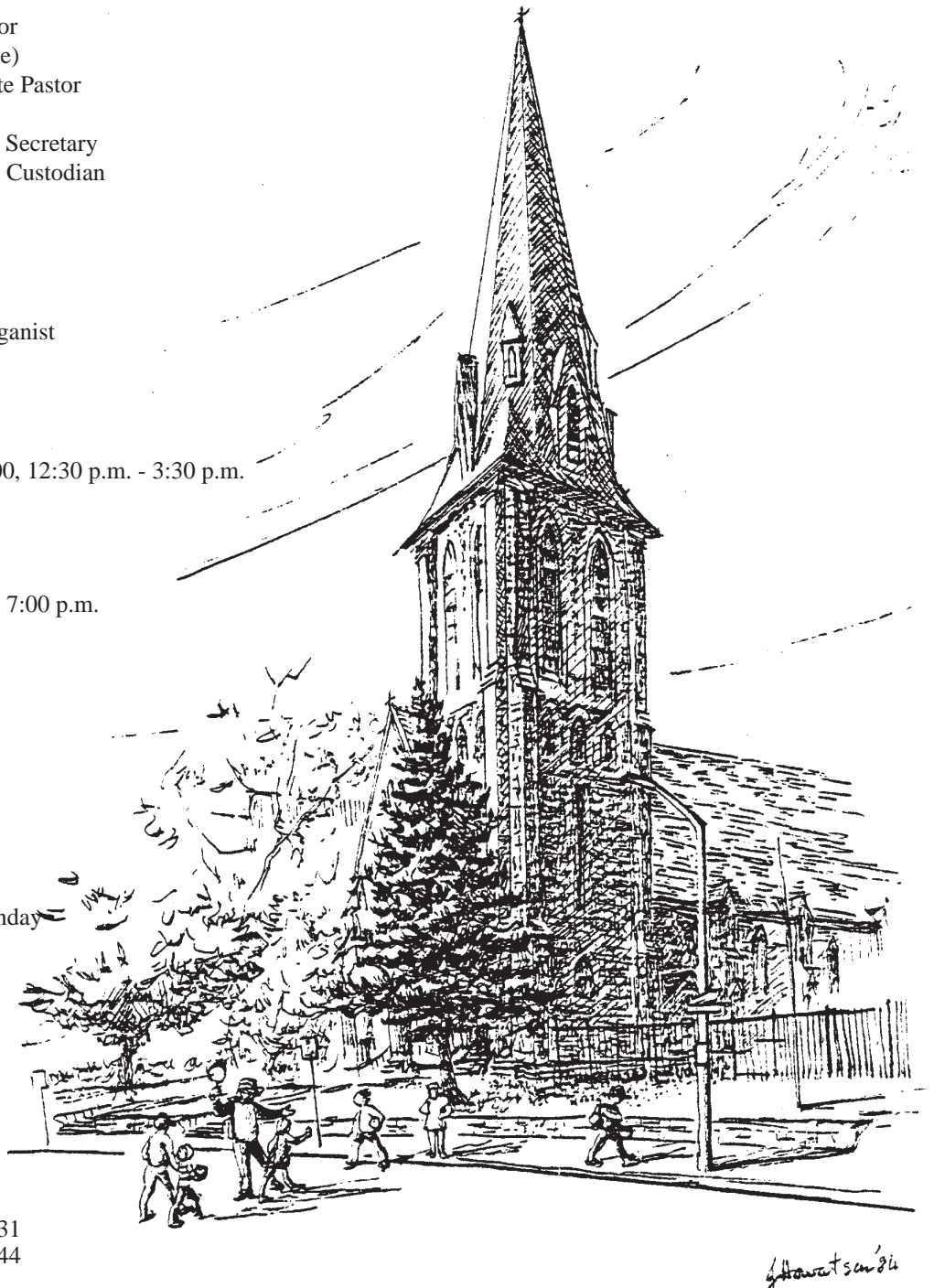
Schools

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.

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, September 8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

5:00 Pietro Pizzolato req. by the Family
Lucy Rizzo req. by the Luciano Family

Sunday, September 9

8:00 Ovidio & Madeline Rosati req. by their Grandchildren
Leo Persia req. by Fred & Lisa Persia
9:30 Betty Sargeson req. by Wayne
Phil & Mary Campagna req. by the Clark Family
11:30 Gimino Cardamone req. by Fiorina Cardamone & Family
Palmiro & Anna Goegan req. by Louise Goegan & Family
7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, September 10

8:00 Michel LaPrise req. by the Family
Maria Nhan & Maria Ngot req. by Duy's Family

Tuesday, September 11

8:00 Victims & Families of September 11, 2001
Kelly Morelletto req. by Charlene

9:30 St. Patrick & St. Mary Schools Mass

Wednesday, September 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary

8:00 Giuseppe De Mizio req. by Pasqualina De Mizio
Butch & Lucy Kitney req. by Wayne & Andrea

Thursday, September 13 St John Chrysostom

8:00 Archie Babcock req. by Fern Albert
Roger Brouillard req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams

Friday, September 14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00 Santa & Antonio Gagliardi req. by their Daughter-in-law

Saturday, September 15 Our Lady of Sorrows

5:00 Stanley & Sophie Potapczyk req. by Les & Peg Potapczyk
Herald & Marc Bickerstaffe req. by Imelda Bickerstaffe

Sunday, September 16

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Don Liberty req. by Belle
Mate & Mary Grevice, Mande Sekulic & Matt Dasovich req. by the Sekulic Family
11:30 Andrea Rondinelli req. by Jim & Dora Spencer
Immacolata Luciano req. by Alessandro Luciano & Family
7:00 Luigi Marcon req. by Dina, Liana, Gino & Families
Giovanni Simonetti req. by Amina Simonetti

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in September

Krista Antonio & Oladipo Onayemi

Baptism Schedule for 2018

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday,
September 23, October 21 & November 25

A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday,
September 11, October 9 & November 13 at 7:00 pm.

OUR CHURCH CHOIRS...

Once again the choral season is upon us. We welcome all former choir members and new people to join either of our choirs – Youth at 9:30 Mass and Adults at 11:30 Mass.

Adult Choir rehearsals – Thursday nights starting on September 13th, at 7:30pm in the Church and the Children's Choir Sundays, please gather on September 9th with practice following the 9:30am Mass.

If you want to help make a "Joyful Noise", all new and returning members please call Carol at 905-374-0467, so she can be prepared with music for you.

Retrouvaille...A Lifeline for Marriage- Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Retrouvaille has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on October 12, 2018 at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre in Niagara Falls, please call 905-664-5212 or email: hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org

Diocesan **SEPARATED AND DIVORCED HEALING MINISTRY** support group monthly meetings. September topics are The Journey of Separation and Divorce (Sept 10); and Coping With Stresses of Separation and Divorce (Sept 24). Meetings are the second and fourth Mondays from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, 7020 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls. For a pamphlet or information call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154, or email separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com. No pre-registration required.

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Mike Cassolato, Francesca Menna, Noella Palko and Anita Fitzgerald. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Dr. Andy Fisher, Nicolina Compare

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Marie Cadman, Colin Nicholson, Bruno DeLazzari, James Moody Sr., Fern Albert, Rose MacDonald, Elizabeth Stachura, Joe Mancuso, John Calder, Melissa Brideau, Toni Brideau, Charlene Shannon, John Nicks, Moira Campbell, Leon Dopke, Adele Morabito, Anna Hunt, John Kealey, Norah Marrie, Anna Vergalito, Helen Lelievre, Nancy Weiss, Samuel Potapczyk, Baby Julian, Baby Noah, Mary Lawrence, Bernard Martin, William JA De Foe, Emily Hanover, Leo Martin, Drago Bicanic, Baby Victoria, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffrati, Edna McDonnell, Fred Girardo Sr., Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm., Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Danielle Barranca, Iole Mancini, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Alice Dalton, Audrey Vendramin, Baby Maximus, Jeanne Lea, Patrick Kealey, Tom Hilton, Francesco Albanese, Rosalyn Dagleish, Kelly Dettlor, Florrie Heimbigner, Kitty Decicco, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jozefa Bilski, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, John Jefferson, Todd Reid, John Cox, Jill Leronowich, Nancy Jean Rose, Margaret Smith, Faith Amadio, Vince(Jim) Baldassarro, Kelly Laslo, Patrick McCarthy, Stefanie Borin, Muriel Pivarnyik, Walter Wallace, Joyce Weaver, Kerrie Szuch, Carmella Modenti, Frank Sica, Margaret Waghorn, Vito Fuccillo, Baby Hope, Donna Bradley, Cheryl D'Amizio, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Mary Jo O'Kell, Alessia Commisso, Vicki Dubeau, Lorraine Spence, Baby Sebastian, Patricia O'Reilly, Mary Brennan, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Michelle Price, Brian Smith, Carlo Trasmundi, Jadwiga Wozniak, Baby Gabriel Paraskevopoulos, Trina Washington, Shirley Machulla, Helen Rotella, Jeanne S
Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.

Collections

August 27: \$5,088.00

September 2: \$5,606.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

CWL News... To all new and returning CWL Members, welcome back, we will have our first meeting of the season on Wednesday, September 12th at 6:30 pm in the Hall. All Ladies of the Parish are welcome.

-Sunday, September 23 after the 9:30 Mass the CWL will have a Potluck Communion Breakfast in the Hall with a wonderful guest speaker lined up
-The CWL will be hosting a Bake Sale on the weekend of September 29 & 30th, all donations of baked goods will gladly be accepted

Ministries... If you would like to serve as Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server, Lector, Usher, Funeral Server, or **Children's Liturgy** please let the parish office know, and with great joy we will provide the necessary training!
Please call the office at 905-354-7451 if interested.

Knights of Columbus Hennepin Council 1652

All you can eat Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner

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Wednesday September 19th 2018 4:00pm – 7:00pm

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Student Employment

St. Patrick Parish is hiring a student (Grade 12 or older) to work each Saturday from 10:00 AM-4:30 PM. It will involve cleaning, snow removal, among other duties. This could also lead into a full-time Summer Job at St. Patrick's. If you are interested, please drop off a resume to the office as soon as possible. The position is available for September 15th! Preference will be given to active parishioners!

We thank Griffin D'Amario for his service with us over the past two years, and we wish him well as he begins his co-op program.



Please continue to bring food items to Mass for Project Share!
Every item helps! "Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

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



Dear Friends,

It's good to be back from Newfoundland. I had an enjoyable time with my family and friends. I celebrated my niece's wedding, and baptized my great niece and nephew, and a cousin. My mother is doing fairly well, but is certainly not looking forward to winter. We keep her in prayer as she struggles with a limited mobility, and spinal problems.

It's hard to believe that September is here, and our schools re-opened this past Tuesday. We pray for our students, parents, teachers, principals and staff, as they begin this school year. We will celebrate an Opening School Mass this Tuesday at 9:30 AM for St. Patrick and St. Mary Schools. We also pray for our young adults who are returning to college and university, especially those who are moving away from home for the first time. Transitions are much easier when God is part of it!

In today's first reading from Isaiah, we hear, "Here is your God. He will come and save you... the eyes of the blind shall be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped." That was a great promise, and when we look at today's Gospel, we can see how this was fulfilled in Jesus when he heals a man who was deaf, and had a speech impediment. Jesus TOUCHED him while looking up to heaven, sighed and said, "Ephphatha", **Be opened!** And so it was! But it was more than just a touch! Jesus **put his fingers** in the man's ear,



and even spat and **touched** the man's tongue! Jesus wanted to physically identify with his infirmities, [and ours as well.]

Jesus still heals, and is more than aware of our hurts and ills. Maybe it's a physical illness, a life threatening illness, a psychological illness, addiction, low self esteem, or maybe we're fighting against our own tendencies to sin. Jesus is more than aware, and his love for us is intense. He hurts with us. No problem or burden is too much for Him!

How can we not think about what's happening in our Church? We pray this Sunday that Jesus will send the healing power of His Holy Spirit into Mother Church. We know, and God certainly knows, that there have been many atrocities and sin committed by those who were supposed to be leaders in the Church, supposed to be ministers of love, compassion and justice. We need to come together as a People of God, and pray together for healing for all victims of abuse. We pray that those atrocities will never happen again. This coming Friday at 7:00 PM, Bishop Bergie will preside at a Mass of Penance and Healing at the Cathedral. It's good that we as a Church can come together and acknowledge the sin, show repentance, and move toward healing and reconciliation. It's a good start.

May the gentle touch of Jesus, stir us all into healing, and stir our Church to greater Accountability and Holiness. Have a blessed week.

Fr. Gerard



Mass of Penance and Healing

On Friday, September 14, 2018, at 7:00 PM, the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, Bishop Bergie will offer a Mass of Penance and Healing for all who have been harmed by the sinful actions of priests and religious, especially in our own diocese. Bishop Bergie invites all of us to join him at the Cathedral in humble prayer before God. May Mary, the Mother of Forgiveness, pray for us and help us bring healing and grace to our Church.

We need to avoid the spiritual sickness of a church that is wrapped up in its own world: when a church becomes like this, it grows sick. *Pope Francis*

In her voyage across the ocean of this world, the Church is like a great ship being pounded by the waves of life's different stresses. Our duty is not to abandon ship but to keep her on her course. *Saint Boniface*

A Memorial Mass, presided by Most Reverend Gerard Bergie, will be celebrated for **Sister Jacqueline DesRoches** at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria on Wednesday, September 12th at 7 pm. Sister Jacqueline died on July 11th in Kingston, Ontario. She spent 18 wonderful years serving the people of St. Catharines at Hotel Dieu Hospital and Hotel Dieu Shaver until her retirement in 2014.

INTEREST IN a Poland Trip?

Several people have approached me and asked if I would plan another pilgrimage. There seems to be some interest in Poland! If enough people are interested, this can certainly be arranged.

Please let Fr. Gerard or the Parish Office know if you are interested in a **September 2019** pilgrimage to Poland.

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 all the necessary information. We encourage parents and Godparents to make an effort to attend liturgies in the parish community. We also have a special evening of preparation for parents and Godparents! Many blessings!

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!

Ontario Early Years Centre is located in St. Patrick School. Open Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 8:30am to 12 Noon. It is a **FREE** program with fun activities for the little ones. Call 905-357-2398 for more details, or check out the website: niagaracatholic.ca/oeycnf

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.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **Postal Code:** _____

Telephone: _____

I am new in the parish and wish to register _____

I wish to use contribution envelopes _____

I have recently moved _____

We have married & wish to update our information _____



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