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Carol Martin - Director of Music
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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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER



Saturday, April 14

5:00 John MacDonnell *req. by the Family*
Pellegrino Camelia *req. by the Family*

Sunday, April 15

8:00 Herb Ogilvie *req. by Molly Ogilvie & Family*
Wanda & Mark Solomon *req. by their Son: Joe*
9:30 Pasqualino Macri *req. by Augusta & Family*
Dec'd members of the Leahey Family *req. by Muriel Lafford*
11:30 Palmiro Goegan *req. by Anna Goegan & Family*
Pasquale & Concetta Maulucci *req. by John Di Paul*
7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, April 16

8:00 Joseph Ngo & Anna Maria Sam *req. by Duv's Family*
Carlo & Irma Pizzolato *req. by the Pizzolato & Dumele Families*

Tuesday, April 17 St Kateri Tekakwitha

8:00 Betty Sargeson *req. by Wayne*

Wednesday, April 18 Bl Marie-Anne Blondin

8:00 Ody Argenta *req. by Ange Martin*

Thursday, April 19

8:00 Frank Bombicino *req. by Ange Martin*

9:15 St Patrick & St Mary's School Mass

Friday, April 20

8:00 David Kealey *req. by John & Maureen Kealey*

Saturday, April 21

5:00 Oscar Bonaguro *req. by the Family*
Dec'd of the Quigero & Fiore Families *req. by the Family*
Oddina Andrighetti *req. by the Family*

Sunday, April 22 World Day of Prayer for Vocations

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Alan Burbidge *req. by Valerie & Diane*
Walter & Mary Besaw *req. by the Family*
11:30 Evan Kealey *req. by John & Maureen Kealey*
Tom & Therese Senese & Adam & Mary Shugg & Fam. *req. by Cecilia Shugg*
7:00 Giovanni Simonetti *req. by Amina Simonetti*
Lawrence & Lucy Kitney *req. by Evelyn Kemp*

2018 Church Envelopes & 2017 Tax Receipts

Offertory Envelopes & 2017 Tax Receipts are at the main doors of the Church. Please pick yours up today. If you notice a discrepancy please contact the office. Thank you

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in April

Dana Dwyer & Michael Profeta

Baptism Schedule for 2018

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday, April 15, May 13, June 17, July 15 & August 19**
A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, May 1, June 5, July 3 & August 7 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 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!

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

Knights of Columbus Hennepin Council 1652...

All you can eat Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner Salad, Dessert, Tea & Coffee
Wednesday, April 25, 2018 4 - 7pm 6101 North Street
\$10 per person, Children under 10 \$5 Takeout available

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

Rest in Peace... We pray for the soul of Roy Cote. May he rest in peace.
Please remember his family in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Sherry Wales, Ron St. Onge, Anna Goegan, Joe Mancuso

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Ron & Elke St. Onge, Marie Cadman, James Moody Sr., John Calder, Melissa Brideau, Toni Brideau, John Nicks, Leon Dopke, Adele Morabito, Anna Hunt, John Kealey, Brenda Hyde, Helen Lelievre, Samuel Potapczyk, Baby Julian, Baby Noah, Mary Lawrence, Bernard Martin, William JA De Foe, Emily Hanover, Leo Martin, Drago Bicanic, Baby Victoria, Nancy Weiss, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffrati, Edna McDonnell, Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm., Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Trudy Smelko, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Danielle Barranca, Iole Mancini, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Lucy Rizzo, Alice Dalton, Audrey Vendramin, Jeanne Lea, Baby Maximus, Patrick Kealey, Francesco Albanese, Rosalyn Dagleish, Kelly Dettlor, Florrie Heimbigner, Kitty Decicco, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jozefa Bilski, Charlene Shannon, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, Anna Vergalito, John Jefferson, Todd Reid, Jill Leronowich, Nancy Jean Rose, Vince(Jim) Baldassarro, Patrick McCarthy, Muriel Pivarnyk, Tom Hilton, Walter Wallace, Stefanie Borin, John Cox, Joyce Weaver, Kerrie Szuch, Faith Amadio, Margaret Smith, Carmella Modenti, Margaret Waghorn, Vito Fuccillo, Baby Hope, Donna Bradley, Cheryl D'Amizio, Kelly Laslo, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Mary Jo O'Kell, Alessia Commisso, Vicki Dubeau, Baby Sebastian, Patricia O'Reilly, Mary Brennan, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Michelle Price, Brian Smith, Baby Gabriel Paraskevopoulos, Trina Washington, Shirley Machulla, Lorraine Spence, Helen Rotella, Jeanne S, Dr. Andy Fisher, Carlo Trasmundi, Frank Sica, Stacey Thomas

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

Collections

April 8: \$5,715.08

Easter & Easter Flowers: \$15,861.01

Ryan's Bowl: \$7,088.00 (to date)

Many thanks for your generosity!

Important Date for 2018

May 6th - First Communion-St. Patrick & St. Mary Schools at 1:30pm

C.W.L. News alert...

-Don't forget... Trivia tickets are selling fast! This is an adult function for 19 and over ... tickets are \$20 each or a table of 8 for \$135 ... please come and help support our scholarships on May 5th right here in the church hall ... it's going to be a great night!! You can purchase your tickets through the office @ 905-354-7451 or by calling Maggie @ 905-246-6212 ... see the flyers at the doors!!

-Read all about it ... we are planning a trip to the Midland Shrine ... \$35 a person ... that includes your coach bus trip as well as entry into the Shrine, a guided tour & Mass ... Saturday, May 26th, 2018 ... reserve your spot, same as above (call office or Maggie) check out the flyer at the entrances of the Church!!

-Palliative care ... please join our C.W.L. on May 4th, the church will be opened from 9am - 9pm in order to spend time as a community praying together for more palliative care spots in Ontario but also for our government to understand the importance of Palliative care!!

-Mother's Day ... we as a C.W.L. are asking for donations of soaps, shampoos, other toiletries to donate to Women's Place in May!

-Starting May 2nd we will be praying the Rosary as a community again every Wednesday in May starting at 6p.m in the Hall!! Please come and join us!!

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 _____



Dear Friends!

We begin the Third Week of Easter! Hopefully Spring will show its face soon! We remain hopeful. Maybe we will go directly from winter to summer this year!

The country is still feeling the devastation from the tragedy of the Humboldt Hockey Team. We continue to keep the victims and families in prayer. This has touched the hearts of people around the world. It is great to see so many people coming together in support. There are no words that can ever ease their sorrows, but by everyone doing some small thing, like putting hockey sticks outside their doors, donating toward the families and team, and most importantly, prayer... it can make a difference! We must also remember the devastation that is taking place in Syria, with the recent chemical attacks on the innocent, and the bloodshed that's continuing to take place in Israel. May the Spirit of Peace blow across our world.



This Saturday at the 5:00 Mass, we welcome Bishop Gerard Bergie. He is here to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with 15 of our young adults. This Sunday we will also celebrate the Baptism of 8 little children. So that's Good News! The Church continues to grow... and we have a future!

Throughout this great Season of Easter, we hear some beautiful Resurrection Gospels. This Sunday we have another appearance of Jesus. This time he greets a larger crowd, and again, he greets them with, **Peace be with you.** He shows them his hands and feet, and they are still "disbelieving." Jesus goes a step further and asks for something to eat! So they give him a piece of fish, and he proves to them that he is not a ghost. He eats it in their presence and then explains everything that was written about him in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms. He explains why he had to suffer and die, and rise again. Then comes the call: **You are witnesses to these things.**



This is the commission for us here at St. Patrick's, to continue to proclaim the Good News! Am I truly a witness to the Risen Christ? Is my life really praising God? In this Easter Season, may God give us the power, joy and boldness to proclaim the Gospel in word and deed. May our actions this week, give witness to the Risen Christ! Bring on Spring, and Go Leafs, Go! Blessings!

Fr. Gerard



"Faith is to believe what you do not see. The reward of faith is to see what you believe." *St. Augustine*

"Life with Christ is a wonderful adventure." *Saint John Paul II*



We offer our deepest condolences and prayers for the victims and families, and for all who are suffering in the aftermath of the Humboldt Broncos bus crash. And so we pray: *Lord our God, we feel like a veil has been draped over our nation. We know very well that this tragedy could have been any of our stories. We as a nation are grieving together. We ask that you take care of all who are mourning, O God. Comfort them with your presence and your healing love. Give them the strength to face this devastation. And we commend to your gentle mercy and compassion, the souls of those who lost their lives. With your help, we know that all will be made well. Amen.*

Congratulations to our Confirmation Candidates What are the Gifts of the Holy Spirit?

In the Book of Isaiah 11:2-3, the Gifts of the Holy Spirit are described. In the passage, the gifts are considered ones that the Messiah would have possessed. Through Jesus, we also receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation.

- Wisdom** helps us recognize the importance of others and the importance of keeping God central in our lives.
- Understanding** is the ability to comprehend the meaning of God's message.
- Knowledge** is the ability to think about and explore God's revelation, and also to recognize there are mysteries of faith beyond us.
- Counsel** is the ability to see the best way to follow God's plan when we have choices that relate to him.
- Fortitude** is the courage to do what one knows is right.
- Piety** helps us pray to God in true devotion.
- Fear of the Lord** is the feeling of amazement before God, who is all-present, and whose friendship we do not want to lose.

Ryan's Bowl Food Program

On behalf of Ryan's Bowl, we would like to offer a sincere thanks to our parishioners for the generous donations to this program during the Lenten Season. We were able to raise \$7,088.00, through our Church envelopes and Church donation boxes. This will help feed many children in Eastern Uganda during this school year. Again, many thanks for your support!

Update on Church Lighting

This past week **Peninsula Electric** was here and have completed the lighting project in our church. All 135 bulbs are now changed to LED. These will be much cheaper to operate, and each bulb is guaranteed for 5 years. We will also receive a rebate from the provincial government. We also repaired several faulty sockets throughout the church, and the candle lights above the altar. We installed a switch this week in the ushers room, and readjusted some of the lights. We are now looking at installing additional outlets in the sanctuary, sacristy, and at the church entrance.

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!

Annual Bishop's Gala...Friday, April 20, 2018 at Club Roma Tickets \$80 each, 5:30pm Antipasto Bar & Cocktail Reception -- 7pm Dinner Call Sherry @ 905-735-0240 ext 213 for information and tickets

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 gladly arrange for a training session.

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