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He is Risen! Alleluia, Alleluia

EASTER SUNDAY



Monday, April 18 Easter Monday

8:00 John Corfield *req. by Alice Corfield & Family*
Nancy & Nick Di Paolo *req. by John Di Paul*

Tuesday, April 19

8:00 Bruno Pietrobon *req. by the Family*
For the Healing of Gaetan Buteau *req. by his Family*

Wednesday, April 20

8:00 Vito Colangelo *req. by the Family*
Tracy Bungay *req. by Mom & Dad*

Thursday, April 21

8:00 Charles & Nora Daley *req. by the Family*
Deceased Carmelites

Friday, April 22

8:00 Ricardo & Tonis Hernandez *req. by the Family*
John F & Glenn Power *req. by the Family*

Saturday, April 23

5:00 Vincent & Ruby Crowley *req. by the Family*
Vince Audibert *req. by Fred & Betty Audibert*

Sunday, April 24 Sunday of Divine Mercy

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Luigi Marcon *req. by the Family*
Linda & Achille Paolin *req. by the Paolin Family*
11:30 Angela Catone *req. by Vince Catone*
Dec'd mem. of the Senese & Shugg Fam. *req. by Cecilia Shugg*

2022 Church Envelopes & 2021 Tax Receipts

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes & Tax Receipts as soon as possible. Call the Office (905-354-7451) to arrange for pick up during the week. They are in the sacristy, to the left of the altar, if you are here at Mass on the weekends. Many thanks.

The Giving Bowl

"A Lenten Sacrifice" for St. Pat's!

Many thanks for your support to *The Giving Bowl* during the Season of Lent. To date we have received \$7,639.75. All donations will assist in feeding up to 1200 children at local Catholic Schools in Eastern Uganda. This is the only hot meal these children get each day! Our donations also assist with medical issues, uniforms and tuition. Many thanks for your support.

!!!! Church Roof- Sub-Committee !!!!

Once again, we are having a problem with slates coming off the church roof during wind storms. It is in the same section as before (school side). We had 12 slates replaced in 2020, and we also had the roof inspected. Provincial Roofing, at the request of our insurance company, was here 2 weeks ago and replaced 13 more slates. This 1895 roof was replaced in 1989, using clips. This apparently is at the source of the problem. All the slates had pre-drilled holes, but it appears that the only slates that are nailed are at the bottom sections. These clips are snapping and coming up with the pressure of the wind, and also with ice. **Would you like to volunteer to be on a sub-committee** so we can look at all options for our roof. There are some indications of water damage on the church ceiling and above the altar. This needs to be addressed immediately. Please call the parish office if you would like to volunteer to be on this committee.

Banns for Ordination

David Scott is to be ordained to the Permanent Diaconate for the Diocese of St. Catharines on June 18, 2022 at St. Catherine of Alexandria Cathedral.

Please remember him in your prayers.

Canon Law obliges Catholics to reveal any impediments to sacred orders to the Bishop or Pastor

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

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

George Mc Evoy, Mary Lawrence

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Tony Laslo, Patrick Macri, Nancy Waters, Christine Priddy, Jerry Slak, Antoinette Vescio, Charlene Shannon, Sandra DeFoe, Natalie Speth, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Flori Heimbigner, Justin Vaillancourt, Betty Calzonetti, Marcellina Mativo, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, Rita Ross, Ron O'Neill, Francis Patterson, Fern Albert, Estelle Critelli, Leon French, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Dr. Andy Fisher, Andrea Fisher, Kelsey Liles, Angelina Greco, Maureen Tustin, Betty Crete, Leroy Collee, Eric Van Noort, Joe Young, Judy, Gaetan Buteau, Ralph Davey, Rose MacDonald, Kathryn Kneller, Mahmat, Maureen Kealey, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Andy Scotnicki, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Dennis Bowers, Karen Bradley, Corinne Journeau, Carmine Astorino, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Mary Ann Quigley, Teresa Hebb, Mary Frances Pye, Nancy Weiss, Julian Cassidy, Marney Broderick, Gregory Roulston, Sister Prem, Kerrie Szuch, John Nicks, Cameron Boyes, Pasquale Abrunzo, John Calder, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Bernadette Moore, Norma Zanus, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Kelly Laslo, Toni Brideau, Jeanne Lea, John Cox, Nikki Mansfield, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nicolina Compare, Nancy Jean Rose, Anna Vergalito, Carmella Modenti, Anna Hunt, Elizabeth Stachura, Denise Colalillo, Brian Smith, Donna Bradley, Margaret Smith, Rebecca Evans, Samuel Potapczyk, Michelle Price, Mary Lawrence, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Drago Bicanic, Margaret Waghorn, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Vito Fuccillo, Tom Hilton, Jeanne S, Francesco Albanese, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Jeannette Fabian, Maria Melchiorre, Jozefa Bilski, Todd Reid, Mary Brennan, Conner Hawkswell, Faith Amadio, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Maria Guerin, Patricia O'Reilly, Audrey Vendramin, Patrick Kealey, Cheryl Granton, Walter Wallace, Francois Chayer, Baby Victoria, Vital & Anna Chayer, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Jadwiga Wozniak, Julie Nicholson, Stefanie Borin, Patrick McCarthy, D.D., Alessia Commisso, Mary Jo O'Kelly, Pepper Martin Jr., Trina Washington, Jackie, Cheryl D'Amazio, Bob Marshall
Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.

Collections

April 10: \$7,509.85
The Giving Bowl: \$7,639.75 (to date)
Ukraine Relief: \$6,451.00 (to date)
Development & Peace: \$1,215.00
Easter Flowers: \$862.00
Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2022

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday, May 29, June 26, July 24 & August 21.** A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, May 17, June 14, July 12 & Aug 9 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!

Children Sacramental Dates 2022

Confirmation: Saturday, April 30, 2022 @ 7:00pm
First Communion: Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 1:30pm for St. Mary & St. Patrick Schools (9:30am-Children in other schools)
(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.)

Upcoming Weddings at St. Patrick's in May

Adriana Pantusa & Lucas Leone
Jennifer Pierson & Luca Damiano

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



Dear Friends!



Jesus is Risen! Alleluia!!! On behalf of Fr. Marc and our staff, I wish you all a very **Happy and Blessed Easter!** Today is the most joyful part of our faith. **He is Risen from the dead! Alleluia!** We can't help but feel uplifted, hopeful and joyful!

Our feelings on Easter Sunday are so much different from Good Friday! But the sadness of

Good Friday was necessary... because by dying, by embracing what humans saw as weakness, Jesus unleashed the greatest power the world has ever seen, the power of sacrificial love, the power of the Cross. Now he has defeated the Cross... and the Grave! Alleluia! By dying, he has destroyed our death! And gave us a future, Eternal Life!

And God knows we need a good dose of hope and joy like never before. The past two years has been very difficult on everyone. There's been so much pain, confusion, fear, loss, anger. Our world has been turned upside down, inside out. How many have said to me, "I don't know what I would do without my faith." Or "Thank God, I have faith." Easter gives us hope that things will get better. TRUST! BELIEVE! Never lose HOPE! Never lose our connection with God. Because let's face it, life is empty without God. With God we can get through anything. Because of Easter, we can get through anything. Through our Baptism, we possess Jesus Christ. We have the **source** of life that can never be taken from us.

We can't help but think of the darkness in Eastern Europe with the war in Ukraine. The coverage has been painful to watch with so many innocent people killed, so many injured, so many displaced. Just heart breaking. We pray for peace. We pray that evil hearts will turn and see the light.

My prayer for all of us on this Glorious Easter Day, and during this Easter Season, is that The Risen Christ will transform our lives. As we renew our Baptismal Promises, may we bring the joy from our Church into our families and communities! We have the power to transform the world! Jesus is alive! And He is with us always. Whatever life throws at us, give it over to Him, place it in His Sacred Hands! Alleluia! Happy Easter!

Fr. Gerard



But what appeared to be a defeat was actually the greatest victory of all. In his death, Jesus defeated sin. On Easter morning, death too was defeated.

Welcome Candidates and Catechumens

Congratulations to David Corman, Maylen Hernández de Paz Escobar & Ruby Wells who are celebrating Sacraments of Initiation at our Easter Vigil this year! May God bless them and their sponsors on their faith journey.



A New Carmelite Saint

Blessed Titus Brandsma, O. Carm., will be canonized on Sunday, May 15, 2022 in St Peter's Square. Finally, 80 years after his death and 37 years after his beatification, Fr. Titus can be venerated as a saint by the



entire Catholic Church. The Carmelite Order, the Church in The Netherlands, as well as the entire Carmelite Family joyfully welcome this much awaited news. Brandsma, the 'dangerous little friar', ran foul of the Nazi authorities in Holland during World War II for his stance against Nazi ideology and anti-Semitism. He fought to keep Nazi propaganda out of the Catholic

and secular press and to keep Jewish children in Catholic schools. He was arrested, imprisoned and finally sent to Dachau Concentration Camp where he was killed by lethal injection on 26 July 1942. (Fr. Titus visited Mount Carmel in Niagara Falls in the 1930's and gave a lecture. While there he wrote some magnificent things about the thunderous Falls!)

Help Needed- Parish Bingo

Our St. Pat's Bingo Committee is looking for a few more volunteers to assist at Delta Bingo Hall. We currently have 6 members, so a few more would be great. We are required to have 2 people at Delta, 2-3 times a month for two hours. So you may only have to do one or two sessions a month. You will be trained on site. Mr. Leslie Khan is retiring, so we need someone to volunteer to be the coordinator of the scheduling. We thank Mr. Khan for his wonderful ministry. And we thank the Bingo Committee for their dedication.

Synod on Synodality

Please come out to the parish hall on **Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 7:00 PM**. This will be an opportunity for our **parishioners** to have some input into the Synod on Synodality. From 2021 to 2023, this is a journey of sharing, reflecting, and listening at all levels across the entire Church! Synodality is a way of renewing the Church from her deepest roots, in order to be more united with one another and better carry out our mission in the world. With the Synod on Synodality, Pope Francis is asking every Catholic to help discern what the Holy Spirit is telling us at this moment as the Church enters its third millennium. If you plan on attending, please call the office in advance with your name, so we can coordinate groups.

Family Prayer for Easter Dinner

Dear Lord,
As we gather together as family and friends,
we invite you to our family table.
May the hope of your resurrection colour our days.
May the promise of your spirit working in us light up our lives.
May the love you revealed to us shape our giving.
May the truth in your word guide our journeys,
And may the joy of your kingdom fill our homes.
As we gather together underneath the banner of your life,
We thank you for all the wonderful food that we can now enjoy,
And celebrate your glorious resurrection. Thank you Lord.
Amen.

Happy Easter!

Joyeuses Pâques, Buona Pasqua, Beatus paschae, Wesolych Świąt Wielkanocnych, Felices Pascuas, Sretan Uskrs, Pasg Hapus, Šťastnú Veľkú noc, Gelukkig Pasen, Kellemes Húsvéti Ünnepeket, Frohe Ostern, 復活節快樂, Maligayang Pasko ng Pagkabuhay, Beannachtaí na Cásca, Щасливого Великодня, Chúc mừng lễ Phục sinh, سعيد فصح عيد, Gelukkige Paasfees, 부활절 축복 받으세요, Selamat Hari Paskah, دى مبارك, 復活節快樂.

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