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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





Saturday, April 17 St Kateri Tekakwitha

John & Helen MacDonnell req. by Friends Wilf & Ola Manuel reg. by Friends

Sunday, April 18

8:00 People of the Parish

9:30 Adelino Marcon req. by Theresa Marcon John Corfield reg. by Alice & Family

11:30 Anna & Palmiro Goegan req. by Louise Goegan Vincent D'Mello req. by Stephen & Odette DeSouza

7:00 Sergio Simonetti req. by Family Vito Colangelo req. by his Wife & Family

Monday, April 19

8:00 Marie Massolin reg. by Charlene Shannon Anna Kieu & Maria Nhan reg. by Duy's Family

Tuesday, April 20

8:00 For the Healing of Gaetan Buteau reg. by his Family For the Healing of Nancy & Valerie req. by Friends

Wednesday, April 21 St Anselm

8:00 Darlene Wancha req. by Friends Josephine & Gerard Power req. by Mary Power

Thursday, April 22

8:00 Edna & Joseph Poirier req. by Friends Edna & Ronald Dobbin req. by Mary Power

Friday, April 23 St George & St Adalbert

8:00 Sharon Bruder req. by Family Simon Jones req. by Friends

Saturday, April 24 St Fidelis of Sigmaringen

Angela Catone req. by Vince Catone Vincent Audibert reg. by Fred & Betty

Sunday, April 25 World Day of Prayer for Vocations

8:00 Linda & Achille Paolin req. by the Paolin Family Guilio & Iolanda DeProphetis req. by the Family

Luigi Marcon reg. by Dina Marcon Argenta Antonette Antidormi req. by Diana DiRuscio

11:30 Eileen (Kelly) Aubin req. by her sister: Marnie O'Kell

Tom & Theresa Senese & Family & Adam & Mary Shugg req. by Family 7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, April 26 Our Lady of Good Counsel

8:00 Helen LeLievre req. by Charlene Shannon Anna Hoi & Joseph Un req. by Duy's Family

Tuesday, April 27

8:00 For the Healing of Gaetan Buteau reg. by his Family For the Healing of Nancy & Valerie req. by Friends

Wednesday, April 28 St Peter Chanel & St Louis Grignion de Montfort

8:00 Marie Cadman req. by the Family Leo Martin req. by Eda Martin

Thursday, April 29 St Catherine of Siena

8:00 John & Glenn Power reg. by Fr. Gerard Susan & James Brushett req. by Mary Power

Friday, April 30 St Marie de L'Incarnation

8:00 Lucrezia Rizzo req. by Mary, Patti, John, Steve & Families Joseph DeLazzer req. by Friends

Saturday, May 1 International Workers' Day St Joseph the Worker & St Pius V

5:00 David Kealey req. by John, Maureen & Family Mary & Harry Bongers req. by Family

Sunday, May 2

8:00 Dino Martin req. by the Paolin Family

Felice & Maria Renda req. by Rosanne Ricci & Family

Angelica Vincenza Lizzie req. by the Pullano Family William 'Richie' Robinson reg. by Mary Dales

11:30 Benito Giustini req. by the Family

Barbara Rondinelli & Carmella DeNisi reg. by Jim & Dora Spencer

7:00 People of the Parish

Children Sacramental Dates 2021

Confirmation: April 17, 2021 at 7:00pm POSTPONED

First Communion: Sunday, May 2, 2021 @ 9:30 AM & 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.)

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Bettieanne Buck, Giuseppe Iacobaccio, Pietro Remollino and John Damato. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Andrea Fisher, Valerie Watson

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Nancy Waters, Missy Bilotta, Rita Ross, Fern Albert, Ron O'Neill, Andrea Fisher, Guy Snyder, Anne Diodati, Francis Patterson, Kelsey Liles, Rosanna Ricci, Betty Crete, Leroy Collee, Eric Van Noort, Gaetan Buteau, Ralph Davey, Rose MacDonald, Kathryn Kneller, Maureen Tustin, Sean Sandel, Mahmat, Maureen Kealey, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Dr. Andy Fisher, Andy Scotnicki, Bianca MacDonnell, Gus Bagarozza, Judy, Karen Bradley, Ron Winslow, Jarod Hickey, Carmine Astorino, Corinne Journeau, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Teresa Hebb, Mary Ann Quigley, Maria Nobile, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Carole Ann Ogilvie, Julian Cassidy, Mary Frances Pye, Nancy Weiss, Carol DeVilliers, Joe Young, Marney Broderick, Sister Prem, Kerrie Szuch, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Pasquale Abrunzo, Alice Dalton, John Nicks, John Calder, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Bernadette Moore, Norma Zanus, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Kelly Laslo, Toni & Guy Brideau, Jeanne Lea, John Cox, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nikki Mansfield, Lester Snow, Nicolina Compare, Nancy Jean Rose, Charlene Shannon, Eric Corcoran, Carmella Modenti, Anna Hunt, John Kealey, Elizabeth Stachura, Denise Colalillo, Brian Smith, Anna Vergalito, Donna Bradley, Margaret Smith, Rebecca Evans, Samuel Potapczyk, Michelle Price, Mary Lawrence, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Donna Cormier, Margaret Waghorn, Drago Bicanic, Jeanne S, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Vito Fuccillo, Tom Hilton, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Jeannette Fabian, Francesco Albanese, 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, Florrie Heimbigner, Francois Chayer, Jadwiga Wozniak, Julie Nicholson, Stefanie Borin, Patrick McCarthy, D.D., Alessia Commisso, Baby Victoria, Mary Jo O'Kell, Pepper Martin Jr., Trina Washington, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Bob Marshall

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

Collections

Holy Thursday: \$1,046.00 Good Friday: \$1,609.65 Easter Flowers: \$745.00 Easter Sunday: \$10,237.54 March 28: \$6,820.78 April 11: \$2,771.50

Ryan's Bowl (Giving Bowl): \$4,096.60 to date Development & Peace: \$1,299.00 Many thanks for your generosity!

Weekdav Rosarv

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!

Mass Intentions

We have openings in our *Daily Mass Intention Book* for weekdays in 2021. The greatest gift we can give to our deceased loved ones is to have them remembered at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. A Mass intention is \$10 and can be dropped off at the Parish Office, or called in. A Mass can also be offered for a Living Intention or for a particular cause.

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament, I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

2021 Church Envelopes & 2020 Tax Receipts

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes and 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.

> Check out our website: http://www.stpatricknf.ca and watch Mass on our Facebook page



Dear Friends.

We begin the Third Week of Easter! The temperatures are slowly rising, the daffodils and tulips in full bloom, and our trees bursting forth! Thanks to the sunny days and the rainy days. The new life of Spring and Easter go hand in hand. Hope abounds!

I never thought this Covid-19 would still be an issue in 2021. Sadly, we are still in a "state of emergency" and a "stay at home order". But at least we are permitted 15% capacity in the church, approximately 70 people. Our Confirmation has been deferred to a later date, but our 1st Communion celebrations will still be going ahead with the child and parents/guardians only, in attendance. This is our best response, instead of deferring the 1st Communions to later this fall, or next spring. We do the best we can. We will still celebrate individual baptisms, and these can be done any weekday evening or Saturday mornings or evenings.

The key for us is to stay safe. Stay home if you must. It's better to be safe than sorry. I know many of you have received your first vaccination, but remember, we're not fully vaccinated until we receive our second shot. We are still exempt from the Sunday Obligation during this pandemic. If you do come to Mass, it will be first come, first seated. No pre-registration is required. Our screeners will sign you in at the door, asking for your name and telephone number. This is required for contact tracing. It's disheartening to see such an increase in Covid-19 cases across Ontario and in our Region. If we each do our part, it will help this health crisis to pass. We continue to pray for all who are suffering and struggling during this pandemic. Remain hopeful, and take it 'one day at a time'. Many blessings!

Fr. Gerard

Third Sunday of Easter



In today's Gospel from Luke, Jesus appears and he says, "*Peace be with you."* He shows them his hands and feet, and they are frightened. So he goes a step further and asks for a piece of fish to prove that he is not a ghost. He eats it in their presence and explains everything that was written about him in the Law, 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 call for all of us, to continue to proclaim the Good News. Am I truly a witness to the Risen Christ? Is my life praising God? May God give us the power, and boldness to proclaim the Gospel in word and deed. May our actions this week give witness to the Risen Christ!

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Today's Gospel from John gives us a beautiful image of Jesus: *Good Shepherd*. The relationship between Jesus and his followers is like the intimate relationship between Jesus and the Father! Jesus does more than just care for humanity in general, he cares for us as **individuals**. No one is insignificant. Every person is a gift! There is nothing about us: no situation, event, concern, fear, sorrow or joy that Jesus does not want to embrace. We must be willing to give it over to Him Just as the shepherd gives direction and protection to the sheep, he also gives it to us. We need to rely on him to get through life... through those crises and traumas, the bumps and bruises. With Christ, we can weather anything. His is the strength that gives meaning, purpose and direction to our lives.

<u>Upcoming Weddings at St. Patrick's in May</u> Morgan Emily Potts & Blair Zachary Morris Casey Renee Hyde & Michael Mastrangelo The resurrection gives my life meaning and direction and the opportunity to start over no matter what my circumstances. (Flatt)

Because He lives, I can face tomorrow, Because He lives, all fear is gone; Because I know He holds the future And life is worth the living, Just because He lives!



Are You Being Called?

The 4th Sunday of Easter is World Day of Prayer for Vocations! I invite our young people to consider living a life dedicated to God as a priest or religious... even as a CARMELITE. I invite everyone in St. Patrick Parish to pray for

vocations and just as important, to encourage vocations. If you've ever thought that someone might be called to the priesthood or religious life, tell them! Maybe they're waiting for someone to confirm what they've been feeling inside. We cannot bemoan the problem of fewer and fewer priests and religious, without recognizing our own responsibility in this regard. If you think you have to be perfect to be a priest or religious, look around... actually, look no further than the pulpit at St. Patrick's!

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

O Holy Spirit, Spirit of wisdom and divine love, impart Your knowledge, understanding, and counsel to youth that they may know the vocation wherein they can best serve God. Give them courage and strength to follow God's holy will. Guide their uncertain steps, strengthen their resolutions, shield their chastity, fashion their minds, conquer their hearts, and lead them to the vineyards where they will labor in God's holy service. Amen.

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.

The Sanctuary Candles to be used during 2021 at the Blessed Sacrament Altar have been generously donated by Fred Persia and Family in memory of Leo Persia



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



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