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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

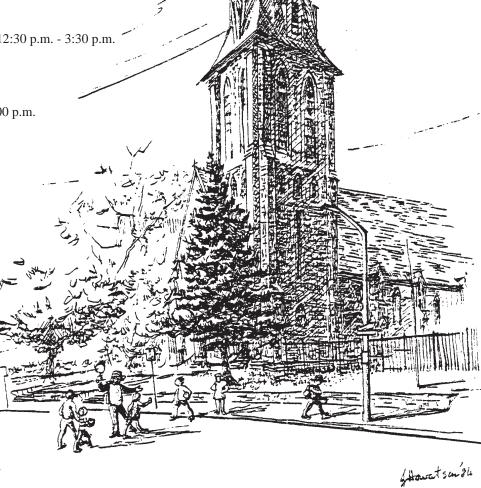
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Most Rev. Gerard Bergie, D.D., Bishop Most Rev. John A. O'Mara, D.D., Bishop-Emeritus

Parish Established 1858 Church Dedicated 1895

New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.





Saturday, April 8

5:00 Frances Campaner req by Ray & Brenda Hicks & Family Lawrence Dal Cin req. by Dal Cin & Baldinelli Families Mom MacLean req. by the MacLean Clan

Sunday, April 9 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

8:00 Iolanda De Prophetis req. by Guilio & Family

Dec'd mem. of the Grenier Family req. by the Persia Family

9:30 Irene House req. by Monique Grouix

Jozef & Feliksa Brzozowski req. by Janusz & Komar Families

11:30 Gimino Cardamone req. by Angelo & Theresa Elia & Family Palmiro Goegan req. by Anna Goegan & Family Alfred Rampado req. by his Wife & Family

7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, April 10

8:00 Bruno Pietrobon req. by the Family Delphis Comeau req. by Charlene Shannon & Family

Tuesday, April 11

8:00 Gianni 'Johnny' Bonaldo req by Gloria Pietrobon Deacon Pat O'Brien req by Liz Wood & Dave Gignac

Wednesday, April 12

8:00 Wanda & Mark Solomon req. by their Family Maria Nhan & Daminh Hung req. by Duy's Family

7:00 Antonio Muraca req. by Toni & Santo Paola Margaret Nicholson req. by the Nicholson Family

Thursday, April 13 Holy Thursday (NO morning Mass)

7:30 Herbert Ogilvie req. by the Ogilvie Family Maria Di Libero req. by the Family

Friday, April 14 Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

3:00pm Good Friday Service **7:00pm** Stations of the Cross

Saturday, April 15 Holy Saturday

8:00pm Easter Vigil

Sunday, April 16 Easter Sunday The Resurrection of the Lord

8:00 People 9:30 of 11:30 the 7:00pm Parish

Children's Sacramental Dates 2017

First Communion: Sunday, May 7, 2017 @ 9:30 AM and 1:30 PM

2017 Church Envelopes & 2016 Tax Receipts

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes & Tax Receipts as soon as possible. They are at the main doors of the Church today. Many thanks.

Ryan's Bowl Food Program "A Lenten Sacrifice" for St. Pat's!

This Lent we will have a special container at the front and back of the church. All donations will assist a food program in which some of our parishioners helped initiate in Eastern Uganda. Each day *Ryan's Bowl* feeds over 1000 children at local Catholic Schools. This is the only hot meal these children get each day! Please place your donations into these containers during Lent! If you wish to donate by cheque, please make payable to *Ryan's Bowl Food Program*. "Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

Amount Collected this Lent to date: \$5,430.15



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

This year's National Catholic Mission will be broadcast during Holy Week on Salt + Light and Vision TV. For more information visit the NCBC website at dailytymass.com or call Toll-free 1-888-383-6277 for the broadcast schedule

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

Rest in Peace... We pray for the soul of Estelle Cartwright. May she rest in peace. Please remember her family in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Bette Anne Chevalier, Samuel Potapczyk, Mary Creamer

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, John Nicks, Melissa Brideau, Anna Hunt, John MacDonnell, Lena Grespan, Loreto Rey, Mary Lawrence, Pellegreno Camelia, Leon Dopke, Bernard Martin, William JA De Foe, Emily Hanover, Leo Martin, Gerarda Hurley, Drago Bicanic, Baby Victoria, Michael Brazeau, Nancy Weiss, Shanda Gale, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffradi, Wendy & John Calder, Pauline Miner, Edna McDonell, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, Sharon Regular, Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm., Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Danielle Barranca, Lucy Rizzo, Barbara Phillips (Murray), Audrey Vendramin, Jeanne Lea, Stan Manning, Iole Mancini, Alice Dalton, Baby Maximus, David & Patrick Kealey, Joanna Daniels, Ray Sexton, Francesco Albanese, Mary Ann O'Shea, Rosalyn Dagleish, Kitty Decicco, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jozefa Bilski, Charlene Shannon, Mary O'Shea, Dr. Andy Fisher, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, Anna Vergalito, John Jefferson, Jill Leronowich, Vince(Jim) Baldassarro, Nancy Jean Rose, Guiseppina Paonessa, Phyllis Higgins, Patrick McCarthy, Norman Horth, Todd Reid, Muriel Pivarnyik, Helen Lelievre, Tom Hilton, Walter Wallace, Stefanie Borin, John Cox, Joyce Weaver, Kerrie Szuch, Faith Amadio, Margaret Smith, Carmella Modenti, Margaret Waghorn, Theresa Poirier, Carlo Trasmundi, Vito Fuccillo, Baby Hope, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Kelly Laslo, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Commisso, Vicki Dubeau, Donna Bradley, Mary Jo O'Kell, Baby Sebastian, Lorraine Murray, Patricia O'Reilly, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Trina Washington, Shirley Machulla, Baby Gabriel Paraskevopoulos, Brian Smith, Lorraine Spence, Patricia Desrosiers, Helen Rotella, Maria Benevento, Jeanne S, Michelle Price, Kelly Detlor

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

Collections

April 1 & 2: \$5,723.10 Ryan's Bowl: \$5,430.15 Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2017

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday, May 28, June 25, July 23 & Aug 27, NO Baptisms in March or April A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, May 16, June 13, July 11 & Aug 15 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!

St. Patrick's CWL Spring Fling Buffet Dinner
Saturday May 6 @ 6pm in St. Pat's Hall Roasted Pork, Chicken,
Stuffing, Potatoes, Vegetables, Salad, Dessert, Coffee & Tea
Adults \$18, Children \$10 (6 -10yrs) Under 6 Free
Tickets can be purchased in the Church Office
Catering by Sina & Walter Sacco (No tickets sold at the doors)

CWL News...the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 3 starting at 6:30pm in the Church with the Crowning of Mary followed by the Rosary then the meeting in the Hall. Every Wednesday following in May, the Rosary will be said in the Church at 7pm, followed by Refreshments in the Hall hosted by the CWL

Easter Vigil Reception

Immediately following the Easter Vigil we invite you to the Parish Hall for a reception, hosted by the CWL. This will be an opportunity to welcome our newly Baptized adults. We will also bless Easter Breads at this time. Donations of baked goods will gladly be accepted. Thank you!

FROM THE PASTOR



Last Sunday we had the joy of introducing the Maalouf family to the congregation at the 9:30 Mass. They received such a warm welcome. The children, **Celena and Alex**, enjoyed the Children's Liturgy! The family had the joy of seeing the Falls on a sunny Sunday afternoon! They were so amazed! This was followed by their

first Italian Ice Cream!!! The children started school at St. Patrick's on Tuesday, and are loving it. May God bless *Bassem, Alma, Celina, and Alexandr* during this big transition. And may God bless all of you who made their dreams come true. And God bless our Refugee Committee who are assisting them on a daily basis. Praise God!

Dear Friends!



It's hard to believe that Lent is almost over. Today is Palm and Passion Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week. This Sunday we will proclaim *The*

Passion from Matthew's Gospel. It begins with Jesus proclaiming a new covenant that He will make between God and humanity, a covenant of blood made by His sacrifice on the Cross. Our initial response may be to feel sorry for Jesus, but Jesus doesn't want our sympathy as much as he wants our union with him! He wants a world that is transformed by his sacrificial love. He wants our families to be transformed by his love, our hearts to be transformed by his love! He wants our fidelity to the **New Covenant**.

Come out this week and celebrate the High Holy Days of our Church! On Holy Thursday we begin the *Easter Triduum*, with The Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:30 pm. This is the liturgy in which we celebrate the



Institution of the Holy Eucharist! And we get a wonderful example of Jesus' service, with the humble ritual of *The Washing of the Feet!* Then on Good Friday at 3:00 PM, we will gather for *The Celebration of the Lord's Passion*, and *The Veneration of the Cross*. It's a most sacred time

to unite our pains, fears, and sufferings to the Cross! Then on Easter Saturday evening at 8:00 PM we will celebrate the *Solemn Easter Vigil* and first Mass of Easter! This is a spectacular and moving Liturgy, the Mother of all Liturgies, which contain the powerful symbols of our Christian faith. We will have the joy of baptizing 10 people! Then on Easter Sunday we will celebrate *The Resurrection of the Lord!* I wish you and your loved ones a blessed Holy Week! May Christ reign in your lives! He died for us. May we live for Him!

Fr. Gerard





I UNDERSTAND THAT JESUS NEEDS MY COLT BUT I DO ASK THAT YOU RETURN IT WITH A FULL STOMACH

Whatever plans I have in mind, Lord I surrender them to You. I will do the best I can. But in the end, let Your will be done. Amen.

RCIA and Easter Sacraments

To those who will be celebrating Sacraments at this year's Easter Vigil, there will be a meeting and rehearsal this Wednesday evening beginning with Holy Mass at 7:00! This is a mandatory meeting! May God bless you during your final days of preparation.

Easter Flowers

If you would like to donate toward the Easter Flowers in memory of your deceased loved ones, special envelopes are available at the doors of the church!

Holy Week Daily Mass Schedule

Monday- 8:00 AM Tuesday- 8:00 AM

Wednesday- 8:00 AM & 7:00 PM NO MASS THURSDAY MORNING!!!!!



Schedule for Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday (Mass of the Lord's Supper) 7:30 PM

Good Friday (Celebration of the Lord's Passion) 3:00 PM Stations of the Cross 7:00 PM

Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil) 8:00 PM

Easter Sunday 8:00-9:30-11:30 AM and 7:00 PM

St. Patrick's Dance

Many thanks to everyone who made our St. Patrick's Day Celebrations a success. A good time was had by all. Thanks to Colleen and Debbie, the many volunteers, and the many donors! We are so pleased to be able to donate \$1200.00 to Ryan's Bowl Food Program!

A Good Friday Prayer

Christ Jesus you hung upon a cross and died for us
So that we might live for you
Your body was broken and your blood shed
So that we might be healed and made whole
You were faithful unto death
So that we might be faithful unto life
Your last command was that we might love one another
One family together from every tribe and nation
A new creation united through your sacrifice
Redeemed by your blood
Healed by your love
United by your covenant of peace
In your death may we find life

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in April

Dana Skowronek & Ben Hopkins



The Chrism Mass will be celebrated on, Tuesday, April 11 at 7:30pm in the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria, St. Catharines. All are welcome

Pilgrimage to St Anne De Beaupre July 24 to July 27 2017 for information Please contact Maria Chiovitti @ 905 356-9794



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