

# Saint Patrick's Church

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## Parish Staff

Rev. Gerard Power, O.Carm., Pastor  
(Dean of Niagara Falls)  
Rev. Marc Bell, O.Carm., Associate Pastor  
Rev. Mr. David Scott, Deacon  
Debbie Herman, Secretary  
Alice Corfield, Bookkeeper Secretary  
Brian Kneller, Caretaker

## Music Ministry

Carol Martin - Director of Music  
Sandra DiCienzo - Organist  
Tim Marrie - Pianist and Soloist  
Anthony Scaringi - Pianist and Organist  
Ashley Gallardi-Pietrangelo - 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 and 11:30 a.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.

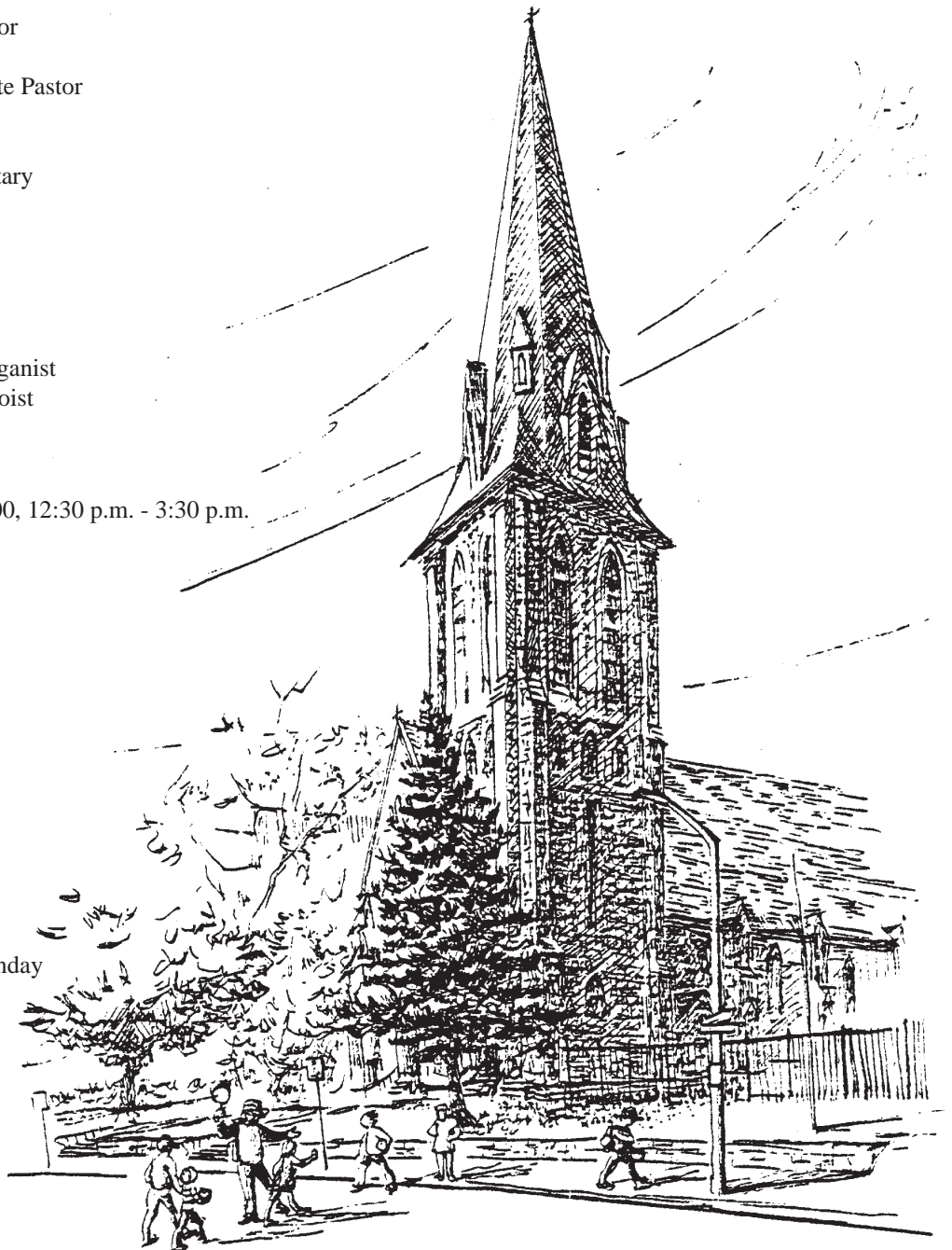
## Schools

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

Parish Established 1858  
Church Dedicated 1895

**New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.**



## SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



### Saturday, February 11 World Day of the Sick, Our Lady of Lourdes

**5:00** Irene Smatana *req. by the Family*  
Tom Foley *req. by Dave & Maggie Scott*

### Sunday, February 12

**8:00** People of the Parish  
**9:30** Fred Girardo Jr. *req. by Rosemary & Family*  
Ovidio & Madeline Rosati *req. by the Grandchildren*  
**11:30** Maddalena Iuliano *req. by Antonietta Lanni*  
Lucy Janssen, Mike DeGuida & Lucy DeMizio *req. by Cousins,*  
*Angela, Frank & Anna*

### Monday, February 13

**8:00** Paul Hlady *req. by Charlene Shannon*  
Francis Patterson *req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams*

### Tuesday, February 14 St Cyril & St Methodius

**8:00** Peter Ross *req. by the Family*  
Gaetan Buteau *req. by the Family*

### Wednesday, February 15

**8:00** Mary Anello *req. by Hsb: Domenic*  
In Thanksgiving *req. by Cecilia Shugg*

### Thursday, February 16

**8:00** Lindo & Emilie Marcheson *req. by John DiPaul*  
Robby Loro *req. by the Loro Family*

### Friday, February 17 The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order

**8:00** John Audibert *req. by the Family*  
Peter Zuj *req. by Leeanne & Jackie*

### Saturday, February 18

**5:00** Herb Ogilvie & Carol Ogilvie *req. by John Olsiak*  
Nodi Caverson *req. by Mary Jane Stranges*

### Sunday, February 19

**8:00** Peter Mong *req. by the Nguyen Family*  
Lucy Janssen *req. by William Janssen Jr & Sr*  
**9:30** People of the Parish  
**11:30** Domenic Rondinelli *req. by Jim, Dora & Family*  
Vince Nobile *req. by his Sister: Antonietta*

**CWL News...** Please note that your **CWL dues of \$40** are now past due for the 2023 calendar year ... as soon as possible please place your money / cheque in an envelope and label it with your name and **CWL dues for 2023** and place it in the collection ... or drop it off at the office .... or contact Maggie Scott at mscott@bhncdsb.ca or 905-246-6212.

The next meeting will be held, Wednesday, March 8 at 6:30pm in the Hall.

### 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!*

**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](mailto:tribunal@saintcd.com).

### !!!! Student Weekend Employment !!!!

St. Patrick Church is looking to hire a student (Grade X and up) to work on Saturdays (10:00 AM - 4:00 PM). Duties may include cleaning floors, leaf raking, doing garbage sweeps, clearing snow, opening and closing gates and doors for functions. If interested, please call the parish office or drop off a resume as soon as possible. This could also lead to summer employment with flexible hours!

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



**Rest in Peace...** We pray for the souls of Salvatore 'Sal' Pietrangelo and Fr. Bruce Taggart, O.Carm.. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

### Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Karyn McEvoy, Mary F Hanlon, Cole Farnham, Robert Power, Tony Laslo, Andrew Zacharuk, Patrick Macri, Alba Rondinelli, John Pritty, David Gallina, Nancy Waters, Leila Khan, Natalie Speth, Cecilia Shugg, Mary Hanlon, Jeanne S, John & Laura Giampa, Christine Pritty, Antoinette Vescio, Charlene Shannon, Sandra DeFoe, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Flori Heimbigner, Toni Brideau, Robert Morningstar, Leon French, Elaine Pampena, Tony Cuvillo, Rita Ross, Karen Watt, Ron O'Neill, Maureen Kealey, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Justin Vaillancourt, Jim & Betty Calzonetti, Eric Van Noort, Marcellina Mativo, William JA De Foe, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, Judy, D.D., Estelle Critelli, Bernadette Moore, Andrea Fisher, Sister Prem, Leroy Collee, Kelsey Liles, Julian Cassidy, Kelly Laslo, Mahmat, Joe Young, Angelina Greco, Maureen Tustin, Betty Crete, Jeannette Fabian, Teresa Hebb, Rose MacDonald, Edward Brzozowski, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Andy Scotnicki, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Joe Power, Karen Bradley, Corinne Journeau, Tom Hilton, Carmine Astorino, Arlene Collee, Betty & Mary Ann Quigley, Nancy Weiss, Mark Pepple, Anna Hunt, Bob Marshall, Brian Smith, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Danielle Barranca, Kerrie Szuch, John Nicks, Pasquale Abrunzo, Samuel Potapczyk, John Calder, Todd Reid, Anna Chayer, Patricia Williams, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Jeanne Lea, Norma Zanuz, Nancy Huber, John Cox, Nikki Mansfield, Nicolina Compare, Denise Colalillo, Carmella Modenti, Donna Bradley, Elizabeth Stachura, Margaret Smith, Rebecca Evans, Michelle Price, Vito Fuccillo, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Drago Bicanic, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Margaret Waghorn, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Lorraine Spence, Patricia O'Reilly, Evelyn Rose Baker, Francesco Albanese, Gloria Smelko, Conner Hawkswell, Jackie, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Jozefa Bilski, Mary Jo O'Kell, Robert & Maria Melchiorre, Mary Brennan, Faith Amadio, Cheryl Granton, Alessia Commisso, Maria Guerin, Trina Washington, Isabell Frost, Jadwiga Wozniak, John O'Leary, Baby Victoria, Patrick Kealey, Walter Wallace, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Patrick McCarthy, Stefanie Borin, Pepper Martin Jr., Cheryl D'Ammizio  
*Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.*

### Collections

February 5: \$6,028.70

Giving Bowl: \$2,839.40

Many thanks for your generosity!

### Children Sacramental Dates 2023

**First Reconciliation:** Tuesday, February 28, 2023 @ 7:00 PM

**First Communion:** Sunday, May 7, 2023 @ 9:30 AM and 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.)

### Baptism Schedule for 2023

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday**

**February 19, March 26 Infants Only, April 23, May 21 & June 25**

A **mandatory** meeting for **Parents and Godparents** will be held in the Church on **Tuesday, February 7, March 14, April 11, May 9 & June 13 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!

**Retrouvaille – MARCH 10-12 /23** Retrouvaille is a marriage program that helps couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. Retrouvaille helps to improve communication, build stronger marriages and helps couples to reconnect. For more info visit [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org) or email [teamrecine@gmail.com](mailto:teamrecine@gmail.com) or call 905-664-5212.



We received word on Monday that our former pastor, Fr. Bruce Taggart, O.Carm., passed away peacefully in hospice care in Darien, IL. He was 83. At the time of this bulletin publication, we did not have any details of final arrangements. We are expecting that a Funeral Mass will be celebrated in Darien, IL, with an interment at a later date in the Carmelite section of Our Lady of Peace Cemetery.

Fr. Bruce professed his First Vows in the Order of Carmelites on June 15, 1992, and his Solemn Vows on October 28, 1995. He was ordained to the Priesthood on May 24, 1997. He taught Philosophy for several years at the Washington Theological Union before coming to St. Pat's in 2004. He was our pastor for three years before retiring to Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre in Niagara Falls, and later to Mount Carmel Retirement Residence in Darien, IL.. May Fr. Bruce rest in peace.

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As I prepare this bulletin, it is heartbreaking to see the devastation in Turkey and Syria and other areas, from the major earthquake that hit the region on Monday morning. The **magnitude 7.8 quake** brought down entire apartment blocks in Turkish cities and piled more devastation on millions of Syrians displaced by years of war. It struck before sunrise in harsh weather, giving people little time to escape. This was followed in the early afternoon by another large quake. To date some 5000 people have been killed, and thousands injured. Pope Francis expressed his deep sadness when he learned of the huge loss of life. He offered his heartfelt condolences to those mourning losses. We keep the people of Turkey, Syria, and other impacted countries deep in our prayer. May the Spirit of Healing blow over their land.

#### Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Our Gospel this Sunday continues Jesus' **Sermon on the Mount**. Just as Moses went up Mount Sinai to bring the Ten Commandments, [God's Law] to the people, Jesus climbs the Mount of the Beatitudes to present the New Law to the people. He opens with, **"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill."** He insists that the holiness of the people must surpass that of the scribes and the Pharisees. We know what the Pharisees were all about! Very external, holier than thou! It is not enough for others to see us performing the actions of Christians, our whole attitude in life **must be Christian**, must be love. Jesus looks at each Commandment... You heard that it was said... and he takes each one a step further! For example, murder. Jesus says it is wrong **even to have anger and hatred** in your heart. For murder comes from these internal motivations. Seek reconciliation and peace. These are Christ-like qualities. We must look at each Law and find meaning, look at the internal causes of our external actions. If we keep Christ in our hearts and souls, then we need never fear breaking his commandments of love. His Law is supposed to be life-giving and freeing! May we find the strength and grace to follow his Law of Love, and rid ourselves of any interior motivations to sin!

#### The Wild and Crazy Way We Celebrate



#### Thank You

Many thanks to all who made our Confirmation such a beautiful celebration. Special thanks to Bishop Bergie, Fr. Marc and Deacon David; thanks to Debbie Herman for her great organizational skills; to Carol Martin, Sandra DiCenzo, John Arnold, and our Adult Choir for the beautiful music; to our servers, lectors, to our parents, sponsors, teachers, principals! And thanks to our CWL for the reception which followed in the parish hall! God bless you all, and God bless our newly Confirmed and their families!

#### Blessed Palms

If anyone has any Blessed Palms around the house, please place them into the basket at the main entrance of the church. We will be burning old Palms next week to prepare for Ash Wednesday!

"All you need is love. But a little chocolate now and then doesn't hurt."  
*Charles Schultz*

"I married for love. But the obvious side benefit of having someone around to find your glasses cannot be ignored." *Cameron Esposito*

#### Join Us for our Kindergarten Open House

St. Patrick School – February 13th from 9:30 – 6:00pm

St. Mary School – February 15th from 9:00 – 6:00pm

Visit Kindergarten Classrooms, Meet the Staff & Tour the School

Register Online at [www.niagaracatholic.ca](http://www.niagaracatholic.ca)

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#### Congratulations and best wishes to

Olivia Condon & Trinity DeCastro  
who were recently baptized



Please continue to bring food items to  
for Project Share!

Mass

Every item helps! **"Lord, when did we see you hungry?"**

#### 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 \_\_\_\_\_

I have changed my phone number \_\_\_\_\_

We have married & wish to update our information \_\_\_\_\_

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and watch Mass on our Facebook page



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