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#### **Music Ministry**

Carol Martin - Director of Music Sandra DiCienzo - Organist Tim Marrie - Pianist and Soloist Anthony Scaringi - Pianist and Organist Ashley Gallardi - 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, 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

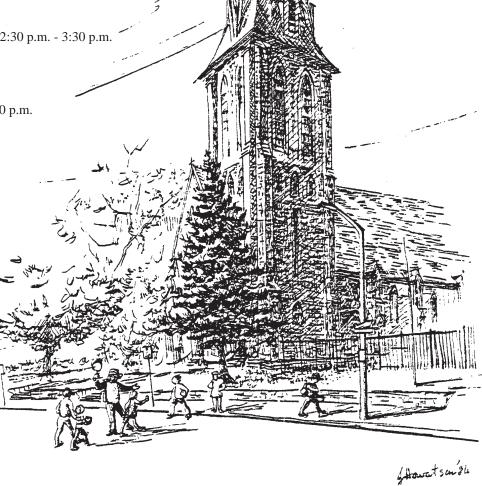
St. Patrick School 905-354-6631 St. Mary School 905-354-7744

#### 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.





Saturday, February 16

5:00 Salvatore 'Sam' Cundari req. by his Wife: Teresa & Family Rev. Anthony McNamara, O.Carm. req. by John & Helen Olsiak

Sunday, February 17

8:00 People of the Parish

9:30 Peter Mong req. by the Nguyen Family Angela Genovese req. by the Family

11:30 Lori Bishop req. by Gemma

Lucy Janssen, Mike DeGuida & Lucy DeMizio req. by the Luciano Family 7:00 Sergio Simonetti req. by Philip Perugino

Frances & Bob Comeau reg. by Parish Staff

Monday, February 18 Family Day

8:00 Lucy Janssen & Mike DeGuida req. by William Janssen
Dorothy Kennedy & Dolores Hlady req. by Charlene Shannon

Tuesday, February 19

8:00 Ivan Maglicic req. by Stu & Mary Lou Gallardi Bruna Forte req. by Anna Bortolin

Wednesday, February 20

8:00 Frances Campaner req. by Vince & Carol Campaner & Family

Thursday, February 21 St Peter Damian

8:00 Maria Luz Penecilla req. by Stu & Mary Lou Gallardi

Friday, February 22 Chair of St Peter

8:00 Domenic & Adele Morabito req. by the Power Family

Saturday, February 23 St Polycarp

5:00 Lucia DeLucia req. by Pasqualina DeMizio & Family Louis Sargeson req. by John & Helen Olsiak

Sunday, February 24

8:00 Robbie Loro req. by the Family

**Deceased Carmelites** 

9:30 Pacifico Sacco req. by the Family Dante Rossi req. by Maria Rossi & Family

11:30 Artone Ngauyen req. by his Daughter

Antonietta Radice req. by Josie & Fred Dosa & Michael Panetta

7:00 People of the Parish

#### Baptism Schedule for 2019

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday, February 17, March 24 (infants only), April 28, May 26 & June 23
A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, February 5, March 12, April 16, May 14 & June 11 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!

#### Children Sacramental Dates 2019

Confirmation: Saturday, June 1, 2019 @ 5:00 PM First Reconciliation: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 @ 7:00 PM *(new date)* First Communion: Sunday, May 5, 2019 @ 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.)

#### 2019 Church Envelopes & 2018 Tax Receipts

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

Separated & Divorced Healing Ministry The next meeting will be held on February 25, 2019. Meetings are 7 to 9 pm at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, 7020 Stanley Ave, Niagara Falls.

Pre-registration is not required. For a pamphlet call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154, or email separated and divorced @saintcd.com

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 Adele Morabito, Rina Rampado & Georgina Trabucco Mosker. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Dr. Andy Fisher, Baby Nicholas, Baby Evelina, MaryBeth Corfield

#### Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Nikki Mansfield, Nicolina Compare, Bernadette Moore, Marie Cadman, Alvin Learn, Bruno DeLazzari, James Moody Sr., Fern Albert, Lester Snow, Rose MacDonald, Elizabeth Stachura, John Calder, Melissa Brideau, Toni Brideau, Charlene Shannon, John Nicks, Moira Campbell, Leon Dopke, Anna Hunt, John Kealey, Norah Marrie, Anna Vergalito, Helen Lelievre, Nancy Weiss, Samuel Potapczyk, Baby Julian, Baby Noah, Denise Colalillo, Mary Lawrence, Bernard Martin, William JA De Foe, Emily Hanover, Leo Martin, Drago Bicanic, Baby Victoria, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffradi, Edna McDonell, Fred Girardo Sr., Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Danielle Barranca, Iole Mancini, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Alice Dalton, Audrey Vendramin, Baby Maximus, Jeanne Lea, Patrick Kealey, Tom Hilton, Francesco Albanese, Rosalyn Dagleish, Kelly Detlor, Florrie Heimbigner, Kitty Decicco, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jozefa Bilski, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, John Jefferson, Todd Reid, John Cox, Jill Leronowich, Nancy Jean Rose, Margaret Smith, Faith Amadio, Kelly Laslo, Patrick McCarthy, Stefanie Borin, Muriel Pivarnyik, Walter Wallace, Joyce Weaver, Kerrie Szuch, Carmella Modenti, Frank Sica, Margaret Waghorn, Vito Fuccillo, Baby Hope, Donna Bradley, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Mary Jo O'Kell, Alessia Commisso, Vicki Dubeau, Lorraine Spence, Baby Sebastian, Patricia O'Reilly, Mary Brennan, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Michelle Price, Brian Smith, Carlo Trasmundi, Jadwiga Wozniak, Shirley Machulla, Baby Gabriel, Trina Washington, Helen Rotella, Jeanne S

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

#### **Collections**

February 10: \$5,197.10 Many thanks for your generosity!

**CWL News**...The next meeting for the St. Patrick Church CWL will be held on *Wednesday, February 27 at 6:30pm* in the lower 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!

40 Days for Life...March 6 - April 14
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#### A ST. PATRICK TRADITION



The Annual St. Patrick's Day Dance Saturday, March 16, 2019 at 8:00pm If you are interested in helping please call the Office at 905-354-7451

New volunteers needed especially for set up & clean up Tickets are now available in the Church Office, \$10.00each



#### **Ontario Knights of Columbus**

Ontario Knights of Columbus is having our annual convention in Niagara Falls, ON this spring to continue our efforts of Helping children and families with their basic needs. Demand is constantly growing, and we need support to continue our efforts. When children suffer, we all suffer. We don't ignore problems we solve them with programs like Coats for Kids and Food for Families.

We could use Your Help! Your donation would be appreciated to be Successful. Contact Sam Jonas 905-641-5705 or Email <a href="mailto:samjonas09@gmail.com">samjonas09@gmail.com</a> today in Helping Make a Difference in Our Community!

**Church Bulletin Advertising...**Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our Church bulletin. The advertising will begin in May 2019 & supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin & advertise your product or service. Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637.

Friends of Carmel 2019 Fundraiser... Trivia Day...March 31, 2019

Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, Doors open @ 1pm, Trivia starts @ 1:30pm \$20 each, includes Food, Tickets available at Mt Carmel Monastery Store or by calling Anna @ 905-358-3412



#### **Dear Friends in Christ:**

Today is the 6th Sunday of the Church Year. Our Gospel presents the **four** beatitudes from Luke. And this is followed by four **woes**. We are told that Jesus came down and stood on a level place and taught the crowds. This is referred to as *The Sermon on the Plain!* 

We are very familiar with the *Beatitudes* in Matthew's Gospel, which Jesus taught on the mountain (*Sermon on the Mount*)! While Matthew speaks about the **proper attitudes of the Christian**, [like "Blessed are the poor in spirit,"] Luke speaks about the **present reality of the Christian! Jesus t**urns our common worldview upside down. He came to set up a society based on mutual love and sharing and support. A Kingdom for this world and not just the next.



This is a good week to place ourselves on a level place with Jesus. What is he saying to me? What is my present reality? How is my relationship with Him? With myself? With my family? With the poor? Do I truly help those in need? Would he be directing any of his *woes* to me? Where do I truly place my trust and my hope? In things?... in God?

Jeremiah gives us some great images in today's First Reading! We have a section from his wisdom sayings. "Cursed is the one who trusts in mere mortals and makes mere flesh their strength... whose heart turns from the Lord." He emphasizes the importance of putting faith in God, because that is where true wisdom lies. The one who is alienated from God and who looks elsewhere for security is like a shrub in a parched desert! On the other hand, the one who trusts in the Lord is like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream, it will have green leaves and bear fruit! Wow! What a life-giving image for us.

Do we really trust God with everything? As we enter another day, another week, may we bring to God our needs, hungers, sadness, confusion and longings. May we see clearly where we have misplaced our values or misdirected our energies. Then we can spend this week and next, drawing closer to God and re-directing our lives! Many blessings,

#### Fr. Gerard

#### Hmmmmmm!



## Family Day

Our Parish Office will be closed on **Family Day**, Monday, February 18th. Maybe we could use this day to do some activity to promote family unity and peace!

On Friday, February 22, a Refugee Sponsorship Fundraiser, hosted by St. Patrick, St. Catharines, will be held at St. Ann's Church, NF, featuring Comedian, Magician & Illusionist Danny Z, in this **family fun event**. Doors open at 6:30pm Raffle prizes, Silent Auction & more Tickets \$35 each Contact Karen or Clyde @ 905-964-3150 or 905-359-9963

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

#### **Quotes on Family**

- -As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live. *Pope John Paul II*
- -The family is the first essential cell of human society. *Pope John XXIII* -You don't choose your family. They are God's gift to you, as you are to them. *Desmond Tutu*
- -What can you do to promote world peace? Go home and love your family. Mother Teresa
- -A family doesn't need to be perfect; it just needs to be united.

#### A Prayer for Family

Loving God,

Please shine your light, love and peace upon our family.

Give us strength to overcome all the difficulties

that we sometimes have to face,

and protect us against any and all problems

we may encounter in the future.

Please keep us together as we are meant to be.

May the love that binds us only grow stronger through the years as we fulfill the plan you have laid out for us.

Grant our family forgiveness for any sins we have committed.

May we also forgive one

another, as it is sometimes difficult to do.

Bless us always O God. We ask this in Your Name. Amen



## CONFIRMATION FORMS



Our Confirmation Information and Registration Forms have been distributed to the Grade 8's from St. Mary and St. Patrick Schools. They must be returned by

Friday, March 1, 2019. If you have a child in another school who wish to be confirmed here at St. Patrick Parish, please arrange to pick up the Information Forms at the parish office as soon as possible.

The Niagara Foundation for Catholic Education's Annual Benefit Gala with honourary guest, Bishop Gerard Bergie, D.D.
Saturday, March 30, 2019 at Club Roma, \$80 each
5:30pm Antipasto Bar, 7pm Dinner, After Dinner Speaker, Pat Stapleton
NHL Legend & Team Canada 72 Member
\*\*\*Please see the bulletin boards for details\*\*\*

Annual Diocesan RESPECT FOR LIFE MASS on Monday, March 25
Celebrated by Bishop Gerard Bergie at 7:00pm
on The Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord at
The Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria
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