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## **Music Ministry**

Carol Martin - Director of Music  
Sandra DiCienzo - Organist  
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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.**

## FIRST & SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



### Saturday, February 20

5:00 Frances Campaner req. by the Campaner Family  
Bruna Forte req. by Anna Bortolin

### Sunday, February 21 First Sunday of Lent

8:00 People of the Parish  
9:30 Boris & Mary Dimitroff req. by Friends  
Johnny Bonaldo req. by Friends  
11:30 George & Danny O'Kell req. by the Family  
Domenic Chiarella req. by Rosemary & Fred Girardo & Family  
7:00 Larry & Lucy Kitney req. by Evelyn Kemp  
William Junior Roseborough req. by Friends

### Monday, February 22 Chair of St. Peter

8:00 Marie Massolin req. by Fern Albert  
Bernardina Milani req. by M/M Tullio Milani & Family

### Tuesday, February 23 St Polycarp

8:00 Jim Cole req. by Friends  
Aline Marie Huard req. by Friends

### Wednesday, February 24

8:00 Krysz Potapczyk req. by Peg, Les & Family  
Joe Horth req. by Friends

### Thursday, February 25

8:00 Deceased Carmelites  
Gus & Zorka Wach req. by Family

### Friday, February 26

8:00 Marie Massolin req. by Louise Goegan  
Gerry Laffrady req. by Louise Goegan

### Saturday, February 27

5:00 Frank Conidi req. by the Family  
Rita Bortolazzo req. by Marilyn Lococo

### Sunday, February 28 Second Sunday of Lent

8:00 Marie Massolin req. by Gloria Pietrobon  
Helen LeLievre req. by Gloria & Lorraine Pietrobon  
9:30 Pacifico Sacco req. by Family  
Peter Ross req. by Nenita Ross  
11:30 Claudine req. by Jane, Gabrielle & William  
Maria & Edmund Chrzanowski req. by Elizabeth & Family  
7:00 People of the Parish

### Monday, March 1

8:00 Vincenzina Catone req. by Vince Catone  
Johnny MacLean req. by John, Josie & Jacob

### Tuesday, March 2

8:00 Marguerite Seeley req. by Stu & Mary Lou Gallardi  
Sophia Gryg req. by Friends

### Wednesday, March 3

8:00 Frank Bombicino req. by Clara Fisher  
Clarice Schell req. by Friends

### Thursday, March 4 St Casimir

8:00 Joe McMahon req. by Friends  
Pat & Rosa Simon req. by Friends

### Friday, March 5 World Day of Prayer

8:00 Lori & Gerry Laffrady req. by Friends  
Robert Bell req. by Family

### Saturday, March 6

5:00 For unborn Children req. by Peter & Stefanie Maiuri  
Mary Bongers req. by Justin & Tina Vaillancourt

### Sunday, March 7 Third Sunday of Lent

8:00 Piotr Bosek & Nick Lukach req. by Danuta Lukach  
Linda Proulx req. by Friends  
9:30 Joe Bombicino req. by the Herman Family  
Anne & Gary Herman req. by Family  
11:30 Domenic Rondinelli req. by Jim & Dora Spencer  
Irena Belder & Angela Asner req. by Elizabeth & Family  
7:00 People of the Parish

### Collections

February 7: \$4,107.00

February 14: \$3,330.14

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Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of William 'Richie' Robinson, Maria Antonia Antidormi, Rose Kerrio and Leo Martin. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

**Please pray for those who are hospitalized:**

Andrea Fisher

**Please pray for those who are ill**

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Missy Bilotta, Rita Ross, Fern Albert, Ron O'Neill, Andrea Fisher, Guy Snyder, Anne Diodati, Francis Patterson, Bettie Anne Buck, Rosanna Ricci, Betty Crete, Leroy Collee, Eric Van Noort, Gaeton 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 Zanuz, 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, Alvin Learn, James Moody Sr., 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.**

### 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.

*Happy Birthday greetings to Mrs. Joyce Weaver as she celebrates 95 years! Joyce has been a faithful member of St. Pat's community for many years! She moved from Niagara Falls in 2019 to be close to her family in Edmonton. She is doing very well! She still receives our weekly parish bulletin. May God continue to bless Joyce with good health and happiness!*

### 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** \_\_\_\_\_

### Thought for the Week

The more we empty ourselves, the more room we give God to fill us



Thank you to our St. Patrick Bingo Committee for their wonderful work this year. Even during this pandemic, we are still able to receive funds from Charitable Gaming.



Dear Friends:

I am still in Newfoundland. After I completed a 14-day quarantine on February 2nd, we were able to bring our mother to our family homestead for 5 days. It was a nice family gathering. No sooner had mom returned to her seniors residence, the entire province was placed in lockdown. In just a few days we went from 5 Covid cases to 300 cases. Most of the cases are from the new Covid strain. We keep praying that this will end. I will return to Niagara when it is safe to do so.

Lent is here. It seems like yesterday that we took down our Christmas decorations. On Ash Wednesday, very few were able to get out to Mass to have ashes marked on their foreheads. We accept where we are, with all the challenges and limitations of this pandemic. The past year feels like we have been through an extended Lent.

Ashes are a reminder that we are creatures, under God's care. And that we are human, made in the **image and likeness of God**. And God who created us, calls us into relationship... and calls us back when we stray. And God knows we all wander and sin and give into temptation.

Today's Gospel scene occurs after Jesus' Baptism. The Spirit drove Jesus out into the desert for **40 days**, with wild beasts... and he was **tempted by Satan**, and angels waited on him. The 1st Sunday of Lent always deals with **TEMPTATION!!!** Unfortunately **temptation is everywhere** and it can be tough to fight. The day we think we're no longer subject to temptation, is the day we should take our pulse, because we're probably dead. All sin is attractive! If it wasn't, we wouldn't be tempted by it.

No matter what our struggles are this Lent with the pandemic, we can still look for ways to grow in our love for God and for each other. Can we work harder at fighting off temptation? Can we give God our sins? Can we increase our personal prayer? Can we exercise more patience with our family members? Can we get out of our own wills and allow God's grace to come deeper into our lives? Can we increase our help for the poor?

This Lent we pray for courage and strength to live **Christ-filled lives!** With Christ at the helm, and at the center of our lives, nothing that the world throws at us will defeat us. He is the conqueror of temptation, the victor over sin, and the strength we need to get through this pandemic storm. Have a grace-filled Lent... one day at a time. Stay safe and Bless!

Fr. Gerard

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(See Matthew 4:1-11)

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IN A LAST DITCH ATTEMPT TO TEMPT JESUS,  
THE DEVIL TAKES ON THE APPEARANCE OF A  
CAR SALESMAN

## 2nd Sunday of Lent - February 28

God's voice is heard on the mountain in today's Gospel, "**This is my Son, the Beloved, listen to him!**" Are we attentive to what Jesus is calling us to do? What would listening to Jesus mean at this moment of our lives... this Lent? Maybe he's calling us not only to **give up or abstain from something**, but to take the money we save, and give it to a soup kitchen, an outreach program, a homeless shelter, or buy canned goods for Project Share. This can certainly be a way of following the voice on the mountaintop and listening to Jesus.



It is always good advice to **listen to Jesus** (even outside of Lent)! But sometimes we have such hectic schedules and competing and distracting voices, that our attention is drawn elsewhere. Times we can't hear Him! **Prayer is a MUST** and so is **silence**. Maybe He is calling us to find our own private mountain-top, that out of the way place to spend some quiet time to **listen** to Him. We could do that by setting aside a few minutes each day to read and meditate on the scriptures.

## Temporary Mass and Sacramental Schedule

Please remember that you are exempt from the Sunday and Holy Day Obligations during the pandemic. There will be a Mass celebrated for 10 people every day in the church.

Monday to Friday: 8:00 AM

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 11:00 AM

You must call the parish office to preregister for Mass. (Private Masses will be celebrated by our priests to fulfill the Mass Intentions that you requested).

**Reconciliation** will be by appointment only. Again, please call the parish office to arrange for an appointment.

Individual **Baptisms** will still be celebrated, with a maximum attendance of 10 people, including the celebrant.

## Little Flower Society Cards

Did you know that St. Patrick Parish Office has Mass Cards in stock from the Carmelite's Little Flower Society? We have Healing Mass Cards, Living Intentions, Five-Year Memorial Cards, and also Perpetual Memorial Cards. By using those cards, you not only comfort a family member or friend, but you also support the mission of the Carmelites, our Carmelite Vocation Efforts, and our Carmelite Formation Programs in several countries.

## Children Sacramental Dates 2021

**Confirmation:** Saturday, April 17, 2021 @ TBA

**First Reconciliation:** TBA

**First Communion:** Sunday, May 2, 2021 @ 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.)

**CWL Ladies...** please note that your CWL 2021 Annual Dues of \$25.00 are now past due. Please send by mail or bring to the Parish Office as soon as possible. If you have any questions please call Maggie at 905-246-6212

## 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.

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