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 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 St. Mary School 905-354-6631 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 govert son 34

New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.

Mass Lotentians 🔗 For The Week

Saturday, February 5 St Agatha

5:00 Rina Rampado *req. by Rick & Paula Rampado & Family* Oscar & Mercede Bonaguro *req. by the Family*

Sunday, February 6

- 8:00 Anselmo & Giuditta Pozzebon req by the Pozzebon Family Giuseppina Cavaliere req. by Rocco Cavaliere
- **9:30** Patrick O'Brien *req. by Ethel & Family* Helena Lyons *req. by Lillian Winslow*
- 11:30 People of the Parish

Monday, February 7

- 8:00 Richie Robinson req. by Rosemary Robinson For the Healing of Gaetan Buteau req. by his Family
- Tuesday, February 8 St Jerome Emiliani & St Josephine Bakhita
- 8:00 Francesco D'Angelo req. by Lucia D'Angelo & Family Leo Martin req. by Eda Martin & Family

Wednesday, February 9

8:00 Nancy DiPaolo *req. by Rosemary Panetta* Dec'd members of the Shannon, Guitar & Legace Families *req. by Charlene Shannon*

Thursday, February 10 St Scholastica

- 8:00 Fr. Tony McNamara req. by Howard & Sherry Wales Valerie Watson req. by Friends
- Friday, February 11 World Day of the Sick Our Lady of Lourdes 8:00 Domenic & Adele Morabito *req. by the Family*
- For the Healing of Mary Power req. by Howard & Sherry Wales

Saturday, February 12

5:00 Willi Albert req. by Fern Albert Irene Smatana req. by the Family

Sunday, February 13

8:00 People of the Parish

- **9:30** Ovidio & Madeline Rosati *req. by the Grandchildren* Arduino Santin *req. by the Grcevic Family*
- 11:30 Valerie Watson req by Janice & Dave Murray Lucy Janssen, Mike DeGuida & Lucy DeMizio req. by Alessandro Luciano & Family

2022 Church Envelopes

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes 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.

<u>Attention</u> CWL new and existing members, your Membership Dues of \$25 for 2022 are now pass due. Please submit to the Church Office or drop in the Offertory as soon as possible. Thank you

The Soup Kitchen, Niagara Falls Community Outreach... Needs your help: Cash donations are appreciated as they receive no government funding. nfcommunityoutreach.org 905-354-1640 All donations can be dropped off at 4865 St. Lawrence Avenue

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.

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.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Mary Power, Guy Snyder, Charlene Shannon, Tony Gallo

Please pray for those who are ill

Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Tony Laslo, Patrick Macri, Sandra DeFoe, Nancy Waters, Christine Pritty, Natalie Speth, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Justin Vaillancourt, Betty Calzonetti, Marcellina Mativo, Lena Loro, Rita Ross, Francis Patterson, Fern Albert, Estelle Critelli, Leon French, Joan Foell, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Dr. Andy Fisher, Ron O'Neill, Andrea Fisher, Kelsey Liles, Angelina Greco, Rosanna Ricci, Betty Crete, Leroy Collee, Eric Van Noort, Joe Young, Judy, Gaetan Buteau, Ralph Davey, Rose MacDonald, Kathryn Kneller, Maureen Tustin, Mahmat, Maureen Kealey, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Andy Scotnicki, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Dennis Bowers, Bianca MacDonnell, Karen Bradley, Ron Winslow, Corinne Journeau, Carmine Astorino, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Mary Ann Quigley, Teresa Hebb, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Mary Frances Pye, Nancy Weiss, Julian Cassidy, Marney Broderick, Sister Prem, Kerrie Szuch, John Nicks, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Pasquale Abrunzo, John Calder, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Bernadette Moore, Norma Zanus, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Kelly Laslo, Toni Brideau, Jeanne Lea, John Cox, Nikki Mansfield, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nicolina Compare, Nancy Jean Rose, Anna Vergalito, Charlene Shannon, Carmella Modenti, Anna Hunt, Elizabeth Stachura, Denise Colalillo, Brian Smith, Donna Bradley, Margaret Smith, Rebecca Evans, Samuel Potapczyk, Michelle Price, Mary Lawrence, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, 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, Flori Heimbigner, Francois Chayer, Baby Victoria, Vital & Anna Chayer, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Jadwiga Wozniak, Julie Nicholson, Stefanie Borin, Patrick McCarthy, D.D., Alessia Commisso, Mary Jo O'Kell, Pepper Martin Jr., Trina Washington, Jackie, 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

January 30: \$5,336.25 Many thanks for your generosity!

Children Sacramental Dates 2022

Confirmation: Saturday, April 30, 2022 First Communion: For those who were in Grade 2 last year (2021) will be celebrated on Sunday, February 27, 2022 at 1:30pm First Communion for this year's Grade 2's will be celebrated on Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 1:30pm.

(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.)



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



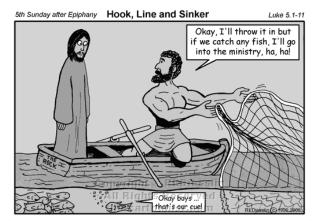
Dear Friends,

Today's readings tell us that we are all part of the plan that God has for the world. We have a role to play in the transformation of the world into the **Kingdom of God**. If we are truly Christian, then we must believe firmly in the mission of Jesus Christ, and be active in that mission!

In the first reading, Isaiah responded to the Lord's question, "Whom shall I send?" with *Here am I, send me*. Paul told the people of Corinth that God chose him to preach the Gospel even though he had been a persecutor of Christians. In the Gospel, Jesus called Peter, James and John, three fishermen, to be part of the plan to fish for people... to bring more people into God's Kingdom. They left all and followed Jesus!

God still has a burning desire to unite the world to Himself. We sure have our work cut out. Through our Baptism, we are called to bring new life, new hope, to the world. To be our best selves, engage his mission, proclaim the Gospel. We only have one life, so the **question is**, **can we make this life**, **the best life possible**, **a life modeled on His?** May we truly embrace His life and mission this week? *Here am I, send me!* Remain open to where God may be calling us. Many blessings!

Fr. Gerard



World Day of the Sick and Our Lady of Lourdes

Friday, February 11th is World Day of the Sick. Pope John Paul II initiated the day in 1992 to encourage people to pray for those who suffer from illness and for their caregivers. The Holy Father himself had been diagnosed with Parkinson's a year before, and it is considered that his own illness was impetus for his designation of the day. *World Day of the Sick* was first observed on February 11, 1993. This is also the *Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes*, which is another title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary in honor of the apparitions that took place in and around Lourdes, France, by a young girl called Bernadette Soubirous in 1858. People have been traveling to Lourdes seeking healing for many years.

Food Month

Let's make February FOOD MONTH! We are all invited to bring Macaroni and Cheese; canned pasta, canned soups, canned meats or tomato sauce to Mass on the weekends. Let's make a difference in the lives of the hungry!

If you feel called to serve as an **Altar Server**, **Funeral Server or Lector**, please call the parish office, 905-354-7451.

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!

Parish Office

Please note that the Parish Office will remain open during this set-back with the Omicron Variant. Phones will be answered and all business will be conducted at the door. If you require a Mass Card, Little Flower Card, or Baptism Certificate, please call ahead and we will gladly have it ready for you. Because of recent thefts from our mailboxes, please do not leave anything in the mailbox after hours.

SYNOD 2021-2023, Journeying Together Prayer for the Synod

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name. With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it. We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

Are you tired of living alone? Consider Mount Carmel Home in St. Catharines. A retirement home operated by the Carmelite Sisters, offering assisted living in an affordable and caring family tradition. Care services include meals, housekeeping and medication management. If interested please call 905-685-9155 for a tour.

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.

Marriage Support - Is your marriage experience more trouble than joy, feeling stagnant or disconnected and/or causing you worries? The solution is Retrouvaille - a program for married couples facing difficult challenges in their relationship. Retrouvaille has one purpose: to help couples restore their marriage and rebuild a loving relationship. This is a practical program, where sharing is not required except between the couple themselves, designed to improve communication, build stronger marriages, and help couples reconnect. It also works well for couples who may be considering separation or divorce. The next Retrouvaille weekend begins March 11- 13, 2022. For more information call 905-664-5212 or email teamrecine@gmail.com.



Delta Bingo Niagara Falls has resumed in-centre bingo at 50% capacity. Saint Patrick church is one of many community organizations for projects from Charitable Gaming



receiving support for projects from Charitable Gaming through Delta Bingo.

Warehouse of Hope: Accepting used electronics, small appliances, TVs, etc. working or not. Bring items Monday to Friday 9 - 5pm and place them in the drop-off house at the back of the building, 46 Broadway Ave., St. Catharines

DID YOU KNOW? For those of you who have Celiac Disease or are allergic to wheat products, our parish has special approved Gluten-Free hosts available. The onus is on you to let the presiding priest know before each Mass. He will ensure that he has it in his ciborium for you.

We have a few parishioners who struggle with perfume allergies! Please keep this in mind as you prepare yourself for Sunday Mass. Just a little dab'll do!

