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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

St. Patrick School 905-354-6631
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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.

FIFTH & SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, February 6 St Paul Miki & Companions

5:00 Patrick O'Brien req. by the Family
Ana Vinko Skrbinek req. by Vesna Galusic & Kristian Greene

Sunday, February 7

8:00 John Corfield req. by Friends
Victims & Families of Covid-19
9:30 Arduino Santin req. by the Grcevic Family
Dec'd mem of the Ellis Family req. by the Family
11:30 Peggy Snow req. by Stan & Penny Connors
Lucy Janssen, Michael DeGuida & Lucy DeMizio req. by A. Luciano & Family
7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, February 8 St. Jerome Emiliani & St Josephine Bakhita

8:00 Francesco D'Angelo req. by Lucia D'Angelo
Joanne Jenne req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams

Tuesday, February 9

8:00 Nancy DiPaolo req. by Rosemary Panetta
Mercedes Bonaguro req. by the Family

Wednesday, February 10 St Scholastica

8:00 Ralph John Pisano req. by Anne & John Condotta
Bernadette Dowd req. by Lynn Popadinac

Thursday, February 11 Our Lady of Lourdes World Day of the Sick

8:00 Marie Massolin req. by Belle Liberty
Joe McMahon req. by Friends

Friday, February 12

8:00 Willi Albert req. by Fern Albert
Helen Reynolds Wallace req. by Friends

Saturday, February 13

5:00 Irene Smatana req. by the Family
Rina Rampado req. by the Family

Sunday, February 14

8:00 Mary & William Fassett req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams
Lucy Janssen & Michael DeGuida req. by William Janssen Jr & Sr
9:30 Ovidio & Madeline Rosati req. by the Grandchildren
Theresa McCabe req. by Friends
11:30 Peter Mong req. by the Nguyen Family
Vittorio & Ernesta Marcon req. by Rachel Marcon
7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, February 15

8:00 Marie Massolin req. by Florrie Heimbigner
Ana Bich & Da Minh Ngan req. by Duy's Family

Tuesday, February 16

8:00 Lindo & Emily Marcheson req. by Paul DiPaul
Fillipo & Fiorentina & Thomas Strange req. by the Maruca Family

Wednesday, February 17 Ash Wednesday

8:00 Angela Genovese req. by the Radice & Genovese Families
James & Philomena Shepherd req. by Debbie Jane Shepherd

12:00 Josephine Perry req. by Friends

Wendy Calder req. by Friends

7:00 Mary Beth Corfield req. by Friends

Walter Butler req. by Friends

Thursday, February 18

8:00 Eloise Schumacher req. by Family
Marigwen Schumacher req. by Family

Friday, February 19

8:00 Helen Lelievre req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams
Ron Bruce MacKenzie req. by Friends

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 & Lidia 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

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Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Gerry Laffrati, Joe Bombicino, Armando Rossi and Peter Poortinga. 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, Leo Martin, 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 Zanus, 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.

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.

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.

The Society of St Vincent de Paul from the parishes of Our Lady of Peace and St. Patrick's would like to express our sincere appreciation for your donations. Along with the Delta Bingo Hall, money raised for our charity has helped the less fortunate in Niagara. This Christmas over two hundred people received gift cards through the co-operation of Project Share. Below is the label used for this years' envelopes distributed by Project Share. Thank you, St. Patrick's, Our Lady of Peace, Delta Bingo and Project Share and God Bless.

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 7

For several Sundays in a row, we will hear Gospels about Jesus' healings. Last week, Jesus drove an evil spirit from a man in Capernaum. This amazed the crowd. Certainly offensive to many, because he did it in the Synagogue on the Sabbath! But Jesus' love and compassion was larger than the Old Law! This Sunday, he cures Peter's mother-in-law from a fever. Next Sunday, we will hear about Jesus curing a man with leprosy. We all love miracles, healings, and good news. Especially during this pandemic.

One of the most sacred things we do as Christians and as Catholics is to **pray for those who are sick**. We bring individual intentions before God every day at St. Patrick's Altar. It is such an important part of our faith. What struck me most about today's Gospel is that when Peter's mother-in-law was cured, she **immediately got up**, and as a way of thanking Jesus, she **began to serve**. I have this picture in my mind of a little old lady, being made well, and then happily rushing around the house in her flannel housecoat, with rollers in her hair, making coffee and sandwiches for Jesus and those present! This Gospel tells me that one of the expectations for those who have been saved, (**baptized into Christ**) is **service to others**! This week we should reflect on our service to the sick!

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 14

It is most fitting that this Thursday, **February 11th**, besides being the **Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes**, is also **World Day of the Sick**. Pope St. John Paul II instituted World Day of the Sick in 1992, setting aside February 11, for its annual celebration. On this day, the ill are encouraged to reflect on the Christian meaning of suffering. This day also provides an opportunity for those involved in health care and all Christians, to recall the roots of their healing mission and vocation. May we take some sacred time this week to pray for those who are ill, and if possible, call someone who is in hospital, a nursing home, or home-bound! We can never underestimate what prayer and presence can do for someone who is ill! God bless you all. May this pandemic soon be over, and allow us to be back together again. May healing spread across the globe! **Fr. Gerard**



Pope Francis on Healing

Pope Francis recently wrote the following, *"Jesus bestowed upon the Church his healing power. The Church's mission is a response to Jesus' gift, for she knows that she must bring to the sick the Lord's own gaze, full of tenderness and compassion. Health care ministry will always be a necessary and fundamental task, to be carried out with renewed enthusiasm by all, from parish communities to the most largest healthcare institutions. We cannot forget the tender love and perseverance of many families in caring for their chronically sick or severely disabled children, parents and relatives. The care given within families is an extraordinary witness of love for the human person; it needs to be fittingly acknowledged and supported by suitable policies. Doctors and nurses, priests, consecrated men and women, volunteers, families and all those who care for the sick, take part in this ecclesial mission. It is a shared responsibility that enriches the value of the daily service given by each."*

Three Traditional Lenten Practices

Prayer, fasting and almsgiving are three traditional spiritual exercises to consider during Lent. Properly approached and utilized, they will indeed facilitate a change of heart and conversion in our lives. As one writer says, *"prayer, fasting and almsgiving are not the point of Lent, they are the tools of Lent."* They are like three legs of a tripod. **Prayer** nourishes our spirits; **Fasting** disciplines our bodies and puts us in solidarity with those who suffer from hunger; and **almsgiving** enlarges our hearts as we commit ourselves to the good of others.

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

On February 17th, Ash Wednesday, we will have Mass at 8am, 12Noon & 7pm

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.

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.

Children Sacramental Dates 2021

Confirmation: Saturday, April 17, 2021 @ 5:00 PM

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

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