# Saint Patrick's Church

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#### **Music Ministry**

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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

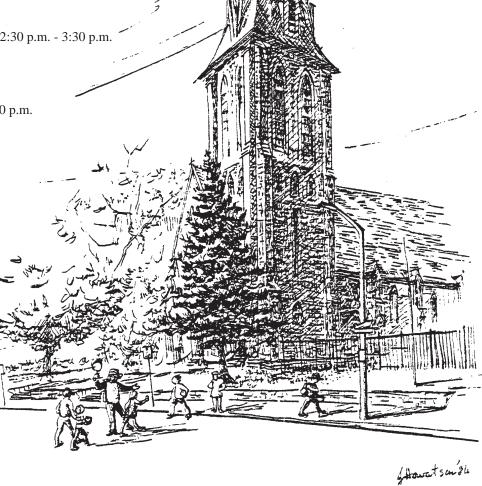
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#### Diocese of St. Catharines (est. 1958)

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.





Saturday, January 18

5:00 Victor Smatana req. by the Family

Vincent & Nina Audibert req. by Fred & Betty

Sunday, January 19

8:00 John & Mary Ruzylo req. by the Family Anthony 'Joe', Agostino & Catherine Stranges, Adrianna Corbi & Betty Lou Lockhard req. by Helen Rotella Starnges

9:30 People of the Parish

11:30 Mike Rotundo req. by Dora & Jim Spencer Jerry Shugg & his Dec'd Friends req. by Cecilia

7:00 Jack Antle req. by the Marrie Family
Anthony Hung Nguyen, Dominico Luu Tien, Dominico Luu Bich &
Maria Sa Le req. by the Family

Monday, January 20 St Fabian & St Sebastian

8:00 Aline Cormier req. by Jerry Cormier

Mary Frances Patterson req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams

Tuesday, January 21 St Agnes

8:00 Joyce Kelly req. by Richard & Kelly Schrader Theo Legace req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams

Wednesday, January 22 St Vincent

8:00 Assunta Maiuri req. by Peter & Stefanie Maiuri Nellie Grace req. by the Reeves Family

Thursday, January 23

**8:00** Vincenza Augello-Todino req. by the De Mizio Family Sharon Neilson req. by her Best Friend

Friday, January 24 St Francis de Sales

8:00 Dorothy Kennedy req. by the Kennedy Family Roderick Hudson req. by Pat Hudson

Saturday, January 25 The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle

5:00 Luigi Marcon & Elija Seeback req. by the Family Lawrence & Lucy Kitney req. by Evelyn Kemp

Sunday, January 26

**8:00** Salvatore Augello-Todino req. by the De Mizio Family For the Healing of John Corfield req. by Dan Moody

**9:30** Angelo Radice req. by his Wife: Antonietta Radice & Family Nicola Rinaldi req. by his Nephew & Family

11:30 Beatrice Leboeuf req. by Peter & Starr Daly

Dec'd mem of the Argenta & Pietrobon Fam. req. by Diana Argenta

7:00 People of the Parish

#### **Little Flower Society Cards**



St. Patrick Parish Office has Mass Cards available 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 our 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 throughout the world.

#### **Baptism Schedule for 2020**

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday, Jan 26, Feb 23, Mar 29, Apr 26, May 24 & June 28. A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Jan 14, Feb 11, Mar 17, Apr 14, May 12 & June 16 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!

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.

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 Piotr Bosek and Shirley Webb. 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, Francis Patterson, Andy Scotnicki, Anita Archambault, John Corfield, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Jarod Hickey, Julian Cassidy, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Mary Frances Pye, Gus Bagarozza, Carol DeVilliers, Joe Young, Kelly Power, Marney Broderick, Sister Prem, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Pasquale Abrunzo, Alice Dalton, John Nicks, Wilf Manuel, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Bernadette Moore, Norma Zanus, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Fern Albert, Toni Brideau, Kelly Laslo, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nikki Mansfield, Lester Snow, Nicolina Compare, Dr. Andy Fisher, Alvin Learn, James Moody Sr., Carmella Modenti, Rose MacDonald, Elizabeth Stachura, Charlene Shannon, Anna Hunt, John Kealey, Margaret Smith, Anna Vergalito, Helen Lelievre, Nancy Weiss, Denise Colalillo, Leo Martin, Nancy Jean Rose, Samuel Potapczyk, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Brian Smith, Joyce Weaver, Michelle Price, Mary Lawrence, Emily Hanover, Drago Bicanic, Jeanne S, John Cox, Margaret Waghorn, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffradi, Rebecca Evans, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Lorraine Spence, Jeannette Fabian, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Vito Fuccillo, Donna Cormier, Jeanne Lea, Maria Rosiana, Tom Hilton, Frank Sica, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jill Leronowich, Audrey Vendramin, Patrick Kealey, Francesco Albanese, Florrie Heimbigner, Jozefa Bilski, Todd Reid, Marie Massolin, Stefanie Borin, Maria Guerin, Faith Amadio, Patricia O'Reilly, Patrick McCarthy, Walter Wallace, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Commisso, Kerrie Szuch, Donna Bradley, Helen Rotella, Mary Jo O'Kell, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Jadwiga Wozniak, Mary Brennan, Shirley Machulla, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Cheryl Granton, Trina Washington, Pepper Martin Jr., Baby Nicholas, Baby Victoria, Eric Corcoran Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.

#### **Collections**

January 12: \$5,662.24 Cathedral Appeal (to date): \$16,785.00 Many thanks for your generosity!

#### Children Sacramental Dates 2020

Confirmation: Saturday, May 30, 2020 @ 5:00 PM
First Reconciliation: Tuesday, March 3, 2020 @ 7:00 PM
First Communion: Sunday, May 3, 2020 @ 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 News...** The next meeting for the St. Patrick Church CWL will be held on *Wednesday, March 4 at 6:30pm* in the lower Hall. There will **not** be a meeting in February.

-CWL Annual Retreat: Held at Mt Carmel Spiritual Centre on March 4, 8:30 - 2:30pm or March 5, 5 - 8pm Cost \$40, includes lunch or dinner. If you are interested in going please contact Maggie at 905-246-6212 before February 12th.

-Reminder: CWL Annual Membership dues are overdue, please submit to the Office or drop an envelope in the Offertory as soon as possible. Thank you to all who have already paid.

-Save the date of **Friday**, **March 27th**, for our third annual **Trivia Night**, details to follow

-July 24 -26, 2020 Defending the Faith Conference, Steubenville, OH *Check out the Church bulletin boards for further information* 

#### **Church Envelopes 2020**

Offertory Envelopes are available in the sacristy, to the left of the altar, please pick yours up today. Many thanks.

#### Big Brothers Big Sisters

Big Brothers Big Sisters is currently looking for caring, responsible people to become volunteer mentors to guide children and youth (ages 6 - 18). One hour In-School Mentoring or 2 - 4 hours weekly as a Big Brother or Big Sister. There are currently 180 children waiting for a Mentor, with lists growing weekly. If interested or for more information please call 905-932-0403 or 905-357-5454

Please do not leave the Church Bulletins in the pews. If you do not wish to take it home, please return it to one of the tables at the doors of the Church. Thanks

## FROM THE PASTOR

#### Dear Friends.

The poinsettias are gone, the trees have been returned to the basement, the Manger figures stowed away! Christmas is over! Now we are back to *Ordinary Time* until Ash Wednesday! Before we know it, the tulips and



daffodils will be dancing in the gardens!
Our Gospel today takes us to the very beginning of
Jesus' public life, his ministry. Last week we
celebrated Jesus' Baptism, and today John the
Baptist sees Jesus walk by, and points to him, "Here
is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the

world! "As the Gospel unfolds, Jesus' disciples will be given the power of God to transform the world, to create a new world, a world with a new way of living, the way of sacrificial love. We have the exact same call some 2000 years later! My ministry, your ministry... our vocation, is to point out the Lamb of God to the world. That is, point Christ out to others! We may be back in Ordinary Time... but this is an extraordinary call... a sacred vocation for all of us.

This week we enter into a **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity** (January 18-25). This universal week of prayer encourages Christians of all



denominations to pray together that all may be one, as Christ desires. A prayer I found from an old Catholic Prayer Book is worthy of sharing: Lord Jesus Christ, at your Last Supper you prayed to the Father that all should be one. Send your Holy Spirit upon all who bear your name and

seek to serve you. Strengthen our faith in you, and lead us to love one another in humility. May we who have been reborn in one baptism be united in one faith under one Shepherd. Amen. Have a blessed week.

#### Fr. Gerard



We are called to pray so that all Christians may once again be a single family, according to God's will 'so that they may all be one'. Ecumenism is not something optional. The annual "Week of Prayer for Christian Unity" is a time in which Christians are reminded of Jesus' prayer for His disciples that "they may be one so that the world may believe" *Pope Francis* 

#### Vincent's Store

If you're cleaning out your closets, Vincent's Store on Ferry Street is in need of men's clothing... pants, jeans, shirts, coats, etc.. You can drop them off there any day!

#### Thank You to the Parish

St. Mary School, St. Patrick School, Project Share and several families, send a big thank you to St. Patrick parishioners for your generosity to so many needy children this Christmas. They were overwhelmed by your kindness. Many, many thanks!



#### St. Patrick's Bingo

Many thanks to our St. Patrick Bingo Volunteers. During 2019, they were able to donate \$18,000 to the Parish. We have bingos at Delta Bingo scheduled until the end of March 2020. At that time, Ms Patricia Hudson will no longer be able to oversee the program. We thank Pat for her many years of service. If we have any parishioner, or current Bingo Volunteer who would be interested in helping out, please let the Parish Office know. You would have to organize the schedule for the volunteers, complete the paper work, and be a liaison with the OLG and the City. Please pray about it!

# Confirmation

#### 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 6, 2020. 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 Soup Kitchen, Niagara Falls Community Outreach...

Here's how you can help: These items are needed on an ongoing basis: coffee, napkins, cranberry juice, iced tea, flour, pudding & sugar
We are looking for volunteers for setup and serving of meals, especially
Saturday lunchtime. Cash donations are appreciated as we receive no government funding. nfcommunityoutreach.org 905-354-1640
All donations can be dropped off at 4865 St. Lawrence Avenue

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

You Can Help your Marriage...Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on March 13, 2020 at Mt Carmel, please call 905-664-5212 or visit www.retrouvaille.org

SEPARATED AND DIVORCED HEALING MINISTRY... Meetings are the Second and Fourth Mondays of the month, 7 to 9 pm at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, 7020 Stanley Ave. Pre-registration is not required. For more info please call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154, or email separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com

<u>DID YOU KNOW?</u> 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.

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!

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Please continue to bring food items to Mass for Project Share! Every item helps! "Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

Parish Registration Please help keep our records up to date! You may be form to the parish office or place it in the collection.	ring this
Name:	
Address:	
City:PostalCode:	
Telephone:	
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