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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.

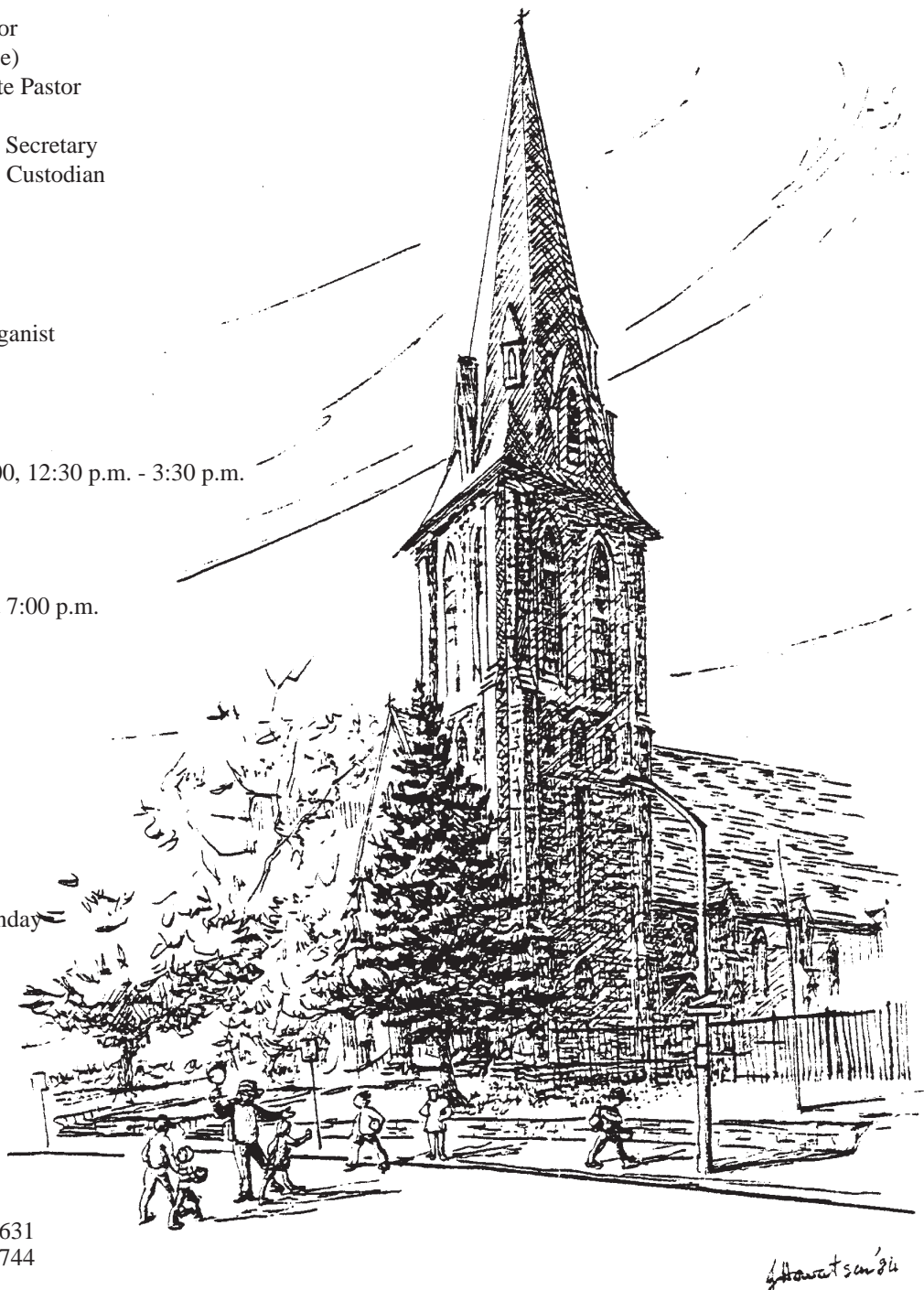
Schools

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.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, January 20 St Fabian & St Sebastian

5:00 Victor Smatana *req. by the Family*
Ardiuno & Assunta Maiuri *req. by Peter & Stefanie Maiuri*

Sunday, January 21

8:00 Giuseppe Cavaliere *req. by Luigi Cavaliere*
Giulio, Giuseppina & Albert Canali *req. by John & Anne Condotta*
9:30 Dec'd of the Albert & Lelievre Families *req. by Fern Albert*
Caterina Ruberto *req. by Stu & Mary Lou Gallardi*
11:30 Mike Rotundo *req. by Jim & Dora Spencer*
Anthony Hung Nguyen & Dominico Luu Tien & Dominico Luu Bich
req. by the Nguyen Family
7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, January 22 St Vincent

8:00 John Buckner *req. by Jeanne Lea*
Maria Kieu & Anna Maria Sam *req. by Duy's Family*

Tuesday, January 23

8:00 Raisa Zuj *req. by Ethel O'Brien & Family*
Frances Repa *req. by Ethel O'Brien & Family*

Wednesday, January 24 St Francis de Sales

8:00 Dorothy Kennedy *req. by the Kennedy Family*
Caterina Ruberto *req. by Veronica Grant*

Thursday, January 25 The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle

8:00 Gus Dalton *req. by Mary Power*
Michael Fasano *req. by Maria Guerin*

Friday, January 26 St Timothy & St Titus

8:00 Frances Comeau *req. by the Parish*
Salvatore Augello-Todino *req. by the De Mizio Family*

Saturday, January 27 St Angela Merici

5:00 Raisa Zuj *req. by Jeanne Lea*
Deacon Pat O'Brien *req. by Liz Wood & Dave Gignac*

Sunday, January 28

8:00 Victor, Edith & William Shaw *req. by the Shaw Family*
Carmen Elefante *req. by Theresa Kozelj*
9:30 Anna Marie Sacco *req. by the Family*
Helen Penrose *req. by Stu & Mary Lou Gallardi*
11:30 Angelo Radice *req. by Antonietta Radice & Family*
Benito Giustini *by the Family*
7:00 People of the Parish

Baptism Schedule for 2018

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday, January 21, February 11, April 15, May 13, June 17, July 15 & August 19**
A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Jan & Feb meeting is together on January 16, April 3, May 1, June 5, July 3 & August 7 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!

Ontario Early Years Centre is located in St. Patrick School. Open Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 8:30am to 12 Noon. It is a FREE program with fun activities for the little ones. Call 905-357-2398 for more details, or check out the website: niagaracatholic.ca/oeycnf

Please note: Ryan's Bowl 2017 Tax Receipts are at the main doors of the Church. Thank you!

Church Envelopes 2018

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

Rest in Peace... We pray for the soul of Gabriel Menna. May he rest in peace. Please remember his family in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Jack Horth, Wendy Calder

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Courtney Doody, Marie Cadman, John Calder, Melissa Brideau, Toni Brideau, John Nicks, Leon Dopke, Anna Hunt, John Kealey, Helen Lelievre, Samuel Potapczyk, Baby Julian, Baby Noah, Mary Lawrence, Bernard Martin, William JA De Foe, Emily Hanover, Leo Martin, Drago Bicanic, Baby Victoria, Nancy Weiss, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffradi, Pauline Miner, Edna McDonell, Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm., Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Trudy Smelko, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Danielle Barranca, Iole Mancini, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Lucy Rizzo, Barbara Phillips (Murray), Alice Dalton, Audrey Vendramin, Jeanne Lea, Stan Manning, Baby Maximus, David & Patrick Kealey, Francesco Albanese, Mary Ann O'Shea, Rosalyn Dagleish, Kelly Dettlor, Kitty Decicco, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jozefa Bilski, Charlene Shannon, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, Anna Vergalito, John Jefferson, Todd Reid, Jill Leronowich, Nancy Jean Rose, Vince(Jim) Baldassarro, Patrick McCarthy, Norman Horth, Muriel Pivarnyk, Tom Hilton, Walter Wallace, Stefanie Borin, John Cox, Joyce Weaver, Kerrie Szuch, Faith Amadio, Margaret Smith, Carmella Modenti, Margaret Waghorn, Theresa Poirier, Vito Fuccillo, Baby Hope, Donna Bradley, Cheryl D'Amizio, Kelly Laslo, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Mary Jo O'Kell, Alessia Commisso, Vicki Dubeau, Baby Sebastian, Lorraine Murray, Patricia O'Reilly, Mary Brennan, JoAnne Blamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Michelle Price, Brian Smith, Baby Gabriel Paraskevopoulos, Trina Washington, Shirley Machulla, Lorraine Spence, Helen Rotella, Jeanne S., Dr. Andy Fisher, Carlo Trasmundi, Frank Sica

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

Collections

January 13 & 14: \$5,125.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

The Sanctuary Candles to be used during 2018 at the Blessed Sacrament Altar have been generously donated by Fred Persia and Family in memory of Leo Persia

Is God calling You?

If you feel called to serve as **Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Altar Server, or Funeral Server**, please call the parish office. We will gladly arrange for a training sessions.



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

Sacramental Dates for 2018

First Reconciliation- February 7, 2018 @ 7pm
Confirmation- April 14, 2018 @ 5pm
First Communion- May 6, 2018 @ 9:30 & 1:30

(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.)

St. Patrick's Day Dance, Saturday March 17, 2018

This Fun fund-raiser is run by a dedicated committee of volunteers. The Coordinator needs a **SHADOW** to help oversee the dance, update lists, to make phone calls prior to dance, put up posters, collect Prizes, help with Decorations and Raffle Draws the night of the dance.



Interested persons please contact Colleen
905-374-4025 / colleenm@vaxxine.com or the Church Office
New volunteers needed especially for set up & clean up

Please refer to the Bulletin Boards at the back and side entrances of the Church for many important notices and events.



Dear Friends:

Today's Gospel is a great "call" story. After Jesus was baptized, and after John the Baptist had been arrested, Jesus began his earthly ministry in a very public way. To help with his mission, whom did he call? The elite of Jerusalem? **No!** A bunch of CEO's? **No!** A group of theologians? **No!** He called four humble fishermen from the seashore of Galilee to assist in his work.



2000 years ago, Jesus said, *Come follow me Peter, Andrew, James and John... and I will make you fishers of people!* They made a dramatic response, a turning, a leaving behind and a setting out! These four fishermen took up the challenge. We know their story... how one denied him,

some fled when the going got tough, two demanded seats of honour in the Kingdom. They weren't perfect, but the Church grew from these first followers.

Jesus also calls me and you out of our comfort zones to be about his mission and ministry. No matter what our situation in life, we are called to minister. Remember, we are all baptized into the *Priestly, Prophetic and Kingly* ministry of Jesus Christ. A great week to reflect on how we can minister to others. It doesn't have to be extraordinary like leaving our family and home and jobs to follow Jesus. When Jesus says, "Come follow me," we are commanded to be Gospel people... and spread His Good News at home, at school, at work, in our social gatherings. Whenever we are kind to others; or try to make peace; make amends; make others feel welcome... we are ministering. We spread the Gospel when we forgive others, help others, feed the hungry, clothe the naked. And the list goes on and on. What is one thing I can do this week to respond to Jesus' call? Many blessings!

Fr. Gerard

(THIS IS NOT WHAT HAPPENED.)



Preach the Gospel at all times, and when necessary, use words. *St. Francis*

God did not tell us to follow Him because He needed our help, but because He knew that loving Him would make us whole. *St. Irenaeus*

If we place our hands into the hands of the divine Child, if we say "Yes" to the "Follow me", then we are His, and the way is free for His divine life to flow into us. *Edith Stein*

Visit to Newfoundland

As some of you know, my mother has been ill the past few months. She has been suffering with severe pain from discs in her back, and she has been quite immobile. She is currently receiving homecare. I am going to make a visit out to see her this week. I will be away from this Tuesday night, January 23, until Monday, February 5. Please keep my mother, Mary Power, in prayer. Fr. Marc, with the assistance of Fr. Michael, will be taking care of things in my absence. God bless! (Fr. Gerard)

St. Timothy and St. Titus



Friday, January 26 is the Feast of Timothy and Titus. Both were disciples of St. Paul, and Paul's letters to them are part of the New Testament. Timothy became Bishop of Ephesus and Titus was Bishop of Crete. Timothy was stoned to death around 67 AD, and Titus died of old age.

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is celebrated in the Northern Hemisphere from January 18-25 each year. *In order to unite with one another, we must love one another; in order to love one another, we must know one another; in order to know one another, we must go and meet one another.* (Cardinal Mercier)

The theme for the 2018 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, "Your Right Hand, O Lord, Glorious in Power," is taken from the book of *Exodus 15:6*.

Eternal Father, we praise you for sending your Son to be one of us and to save us.

Look upon your people with mercy, for we are divided in so many ways!

Give us the Spirit of Jesus to make us one in love.

We ask this gift, loving Father, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY
ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE**

Celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity (Jan. 18-25) by joining Bishop Bergie for a 'Service of Prayer for Christian Unity' at the Cathedral, on **Sunday Jan. 21, at 3:00 p.m.** followed by refreshments.

Knights of Columbus Hennepin Council 1652

**All you can eat Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner
Including Salad, Dessert, Tea and Coffee.**

Wednesday January 24th 2018 4:00pm – 7:00pm

6101 North Street, Niagara Falls. ON

\$10.00/person, children under 10 \$5.00 (Takeout available)

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!



DID YOU KNOW?

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!

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