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## **Parish Staff**

Rev. Gerard Power, O.Carm., Pastor  
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Rev. Marc Bell, O.Carm., Associate Pastor  
Debbie Herman, Secretary  
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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 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.**

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



### Saturday, January 22 St Vincent

**5:00** Margaret Paterson *req. by Joseph Paterson*  
Assunta Maiuri *req. by Stefanie & Peter Maiuri*

### Sunday, January 23 Sunday of the Word of God

**8:00** People of the Parish

**9:30** Elijah Seebach & Luigi Marcon *req. by the Family*  
Vincenza Augello-Todino *req. by the De Mizio Family*

**11:30** Michael Rotundo *req. by Jim & Dora & Family*  
Benito Giustini *req. by the Giustini Family*

### Monday, January 24 St Francis de Sales

**8:00** Dorothy Kennedy *req. by the Kennedy Family*  
Mary Thomas Chilton *req. by Dtr: Sharon Rose Chilton*

### Tuesday, January 25 The Conversion of St Paul the Apostle

**8:00** Angelo Radice *req. by Antoniette Radice & Family*  
For the Healing of Gaetan Buteau *req. by his Family*

### Wednesday, January 26 St Timothy & St Titus

**8:00** Salvatore Augello-Todino *req. by the De Mizio Family*  
Leon Linehan *req. by the Power Family*

### Thursday, January 27

**8:00** Anna McEvoy *req. by the Power Family*  
Tracy Bungay *req. by Theresa & Len*

### Friday, January 28 St Thomas Aquinas

**8:00** Mary & William Fassett *req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams*  
For the Healing of Diana Lynn & Lisa Michelle Ziegerhofer  
*req. by Mtr: Sharon Rose Chilton*

### Saturday, January 29

**5:00** Anita & Roger Archambault *req. by Jeanne Lea & Family*  
Jerry Shugg *req. by Cecilia Shugg*

### Sunday, January 30

**8:00** People of the Parish

**9:30** Vincenzo & Angelica Lidzi *req. by the Family*  
Clemente Della Marca *req. by the Della Marca Family*

**11:30** Ruth Ibey *req. by Lillian Winslow*  
Dec'd mem of the Argenta & Pietrobon Fam *req. by Diana Argenta*

### 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.

**Attention** CWL new and existing members, your Membership Dues of \$25 for 2022 are now 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. [ncommunityoutreach.org](http://ncommunityoutreach.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](mailto: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.

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

Rest in Peace... We pray for the soul of Patricia Fortier. May she rest in peace. Please remember her family in your prayers.

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

Guy Snyder, Charlene Shannon, Betty Calzonetti, Justin Vaillancourt

### *Please pray for those who are ill*

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Tony Laslo, Patrick Macri, Sandra DeFoe, Nancy Waters, Christine Pritty, Natalie Speth, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, 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'Amizio, Bob Marshall

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

### Collections

Christmas: \$29,650.25

January 16: \$5,661.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

### Children Sacramental Dates 2022

**Confirmation:** Saturday, April 30, 2022

**First Communion:** For 2021 & 2022 TBA

(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.)

**Congratulations to St. Patrick Church for Winning the 2021  
Niagara Falls Review Readers' Choice Award**

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





Dear Friends,

We had an abundant taste of winter this week. For the first time I've experienced it, no snow plow showed up to clear the parking lot on Monday morning. So once we shoveled out, and got access to the church, Mass was celebrated very quietly. We always promise to fulfill your requested intentions. Winter is free to go away now and bring on Spring!

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In our scripture this Sunday we have **two public readings** from the Law and the Prophets, one from **Ezra** and one from **Jesus**! Each is a dramatic scene, and we can't help but feel the excitement of the listeners.

In the Book of Nehemiah, Ezra is reading from the **Law of Moses** to the returned exiles. This takes place at the **Water Gate** in Jerusalem. The people listen with understanding, and the readings are interpreted for them. The people are so deeply moved that they fall on their faces to worship the Lord. And they weep. Nehemiah reminded them that this is a holy day and a cause for celebration! He encouraged them to share with those who have nothing.

Five centuries later, in Nazareth, the people are not in exile but they are under the yoke of the Romans. They still long for a Messiah. They do the customary thing, go to the synagogue to hear the **Law and the Prophets** proclaimed! Now, Jesus had been baptized by John, had called his disciples to follow him, and even wrestled with Satan in the desert. He returns home to Nazareth, knowing who he is, and what his mission from God is. With the assurance of a prophet, **Jesus reads from Isaiah**, those powerful, familiar passages of the **Servant Song**. He proclaimed his mission, here in the town where he grew up: he has come for the poor, the captives, the blind, and the oppressed. It is an electrifying moment when he says, **"Today, this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."**

These words place the same demands on us in the year 2022. St. Paul says in the second reading that all of us baptized have a place in Jesus' mission and a role to play! The passage from Isaiah that Jesus makes his own is not only referring to the ministry of Jesus, but also the ministry and mission for all of us. We are the ones to go out there and bring good news to the poor; liberate the **captives, the blind, and the oppressed**. We, as baptized Christians, have the power to fulfill this scripture passage **in our hearing**! Maybe this week we can each do **one thing** for one person... to put flesh on these readings.

Fr. Gerard



"Poverty calls us to sow hope. . . . Poverty is the flesh of the poor Jesus, in that child who is hungry, in the one who is sick, in those unjust social structures." (Pope Francis)

Whenever our interior life becomes caught up in its own interests and concerns, there is no longer room for others, no place for the poor. God's voice is no longer heard, the quiet joy of his love is no longer felt, and the desire to do good, fades. This is a very real danger for believers too. (Pope John Paul II)

"Within the community of believers there can never be room for a poverty that denies anyone what is needed for a dignified life. (Pope Benedict XVI)

### 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

Every voice is important and everyone is invited to participate in the Synod. You can sign up for a parish discussion group or form your own group. We want to hear from young and old, working and retired and unemployed people, students, active and inactive Catholics; single, married, separated, divorced and widowed Catholics; prayer groups and Bible study groups; ethnic and cultural and special interest groups, marginalized and socially excluded individuals, etc. Pope Francis, in his Opening Address for the Synod said, "It is important that the synodal process be exactly this: a process of becoming, a process that involves the local Churches, in different phases and from the bottom up, in an exciting and engaging effort that can forge a style of communion and participation directed to mission." [More information will be forthcoming]

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### 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.



Congratulations and best wishes to  
Theoden Ladd  
who was recently baptized





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