

Saint Patrick's Church

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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
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.

FOURTH & FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

Monday, January 29

8:00 Wendy Calder *req. by Belle Liberty*

Tuesday, January 30

8:00 Raisa Zuj *req. by Shannon & DeFoe Families*

Wednesday, January 31 St John Bosco

8:00 Caterina Ruberto *req. by Veronica Grant*

Thursday, February 1

8:00 Michael Fasano *req. by Augusta & Demetrio Macri*

Friday, February 2 The Presentation of the Lord

8:00 Alexander Joseph *req. by the Family*
Jacob Joseph *req. by the Family*

Saturday, February 3 St Blaise & St Ansgar

5:00 Nina Audibert *req. by Fred & Betty*
Irene & Robert Boyd Lavelle *req. by Joyce & Family*

Sunday, February 4

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Lena & Anthony Girardo *req. by Bonnie Gagnon*
Sally Godin *req. by Lillian Winslow*
11:30 Pellegrino Iuliano *req. by Mike & Regina De Mizio*
Lori Bishop *by Gemma*
7:00 Raisa Zuj *req. by the St. Vincent de Paul Society*
John & Mary Dunphy *req. by the Family*

Monday, February 5 St Agatha

8:00 Alan Burbidge *req. by The Catholic Womens League*

Tuesday, February 6 St Paul Miki & Companions

8:00 Deacon Pat O'Brien *req. by the O'Brien Family*
Dorothy Kennedy *req. by the Masur Family*

Wednesday, February 7

8:00 Gianni 'Johnny' Bonaldo *req. by Juliet Fasano*

Thursday, February 8 St Jerome Emiliani & St Josephine Bakhita

8:00 Francesco D'Angelo *req. by the D'Angelo Family*

Friday, February 9

8:00 Nancy Di Paolo *req. by John Di Paul*

Saturday, February 10 St Scholastica

5:00 Irene Smatana *req. by the Family*
Jean Dopke *req. by the Family*

Sunday, February 11 World Day of the Sick

8:00 Luke & Imelda Ketterer *req. by Geraldine (Jean) Yazaroglu*
Mary & William Fassett *req. by Bryce & Aileen Adams*
9:30 Luigi Marcon *req. by Dina, Liana & Gino & Family*
Peter Mong *req. by the Nguyen Family*
11:30 Sebastian (Sam) Radice *req. by Antonietta Radice & Family*
Maria, Donata & Donato Remollino *by Antonietta Radice & Family*
7:00 People of the Parish

Church Envelopes 2018

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

On Sunday, February 11, 2018, the **World Day of the Sick**, Bishop Bergie will celebrate Mass with the communal celebration of the Sacrament of the Sick at 2:00pm at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria. All are welcome to attend, especially the sick and those who care for the sick.

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

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Wendy Calder, Theresa McCabe and Alan Burbidge. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Jack Horth, Marie Cadman, Sherry Wales

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Courtney Doody, 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 McDonnell, 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 Biamonte 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 20 & 22: \$6,351.21

Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2018

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday, 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.

Sacramental Dates for 2018

February 14th - Ash Wednesday

February 7th - First Reconciliation

St. Patrick/ St. Mary Schools 7:00 PM

March 3rd - Marriage Preparation

March 17th - St. Patrick's Dance

April 1st - Easter Sunday

April 14th - 5:00 PM- Confirmation

May 6th - First Communion-St.Patrick/St.Mary School 1:30 PM

(9:30 AM- Children in other schools)

(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.)



C.W.L. News ...Feb. 7th @ 6:30p.m. general meeting...all are welcome!!
-Annual Diocesan C.W.L. Retreat, Gethsemane Ministries ...Sat. March 17th or Wed. Mar. 21 ...see flyer on bulletin board at the back of the church
...please contact Maggie S. if you are interested by Feb. 18th 905-246-6212
-60th Anniversary C.W.L. dinner / dance ... April 21st ... see flyer on bulletin board at the back of church ... please contact Maggie Scott if you are interested by Feb. 18th 905-246-6212
-This year we are changing things up a bit ... instead of our usual Spring Fling Dinner, we are going to have a **Trivia Night** right here at St. Pat's ... this is our fundraiser this year for all of the scholarships that we give!! Please save the date... May 5th ... details and tickets to be sold soon!!!
-We are also planning a bus trip to the **Midland Shrine** on Saturday, May 26th ... keep your eyes peeled for details about this adventure!!!



Fourth Sunday January 28, 2018

February will be here this week! That means that Spring will be here next month! Stay positive! Don't forget that the little bulbs are coming to life under the snow! The word, **February** comes from the Latin, **februum-februa**, which means **to purify, to cleanse, to atone**. So I guess we each have our work cut out for us this month! Remember, Lent begins



on Ash Wednesday, February 14th. In Mark's Gospel this Sunday, Jesus amazed the people with his teachings in the synagogue at Capernaum. He even drove out an unclean spirit. Of course, with such a public act of healing, it wouldn't take long before

Jesus' fame would spread throughout Galilee and into the Gentile world! Two thousand years later, Jesus' teachings are still amazing, never outdated! He still has the power to heal and restore! But we need to trust him, turn to him with faith and belief! In light of today's Gospel, we ask ourselves, What part of me is still unclean, or un-Christlike, or un-Christian? What needs to be driven out of my life, to put me more in tune with God's way? Every day is a good day to change! Every day is a good day for a healing! May we allow Christ to work in our lives to help cleanse us, and change us to be more like him! Have a blessed week!

Fifth Sunday February 4, 2018

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus cures Peter's mother-in-law from a fever. We all love miracles, healings, good news. One of the most sacred things we do as Christians and as Catholics is **pray for those who are sick**. We bring individual intentions before God every



single 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 others, especially the lonely, the sick, the poor!

Crabby Road

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Gracious God:

Your love is as wide as the oceans, as deep as the sea,
And as tall as the heavens. May your spirit rise like a mighty wave
and come and restore those who are ill.

You are the water of life, You are a fresh spring,
You are healing rain to all those who are in need. Come Lord!

St. Blaise

Saturday, February 3rd is the Memorial of St. Blaise. For those who wish, we will have a Blessing of Throats after the 5:00 PM Mass.

The Presentation of the Lord

Friday, February 2nd is the Feast of The Presentation of the Lord.

This comes forty days after Christmas. We also know it as the

Purification of the Blessed Virgin, and Candlemas Day! Joseph and



Mary did what was required of them. They presented their first-born male child to God. Simeon took Jesus in his arms and was moved to say, **my eyes have seen your salvation!** Now we know what salvation looks like. It takes on the face and body of a human being, Jesus. God has come among us in

human form to live as we live, experience life with us in all its wonder and sorrow, and lead us to a new appreciation of what it means to be truly human. Imagine ourselves being in the Temple that day, and hearing the words of Simeon, **Master, now you are dismissing your servant in peace according to your word: for my eyes have seen your salvation**. Imagine those words being said about us, that we are part of God's plan for salvation. The power of the Gospel is that it infects each of us with its message about who we are. Everyone who reads it or hears it proclaimed can be part of its redemptive message. Each of us is part of God's plan of salvation. Each of us is gifted for it, called to live it.

When it storms and snows on Candlemas Day, Spring is not far away. But if its bright and clear, Spring is not yet near!

Friday, February 2nd is Groundhog Day!



According to the Canadian Press, weather forecasting based on the groundhog's appearance is, "scientifically speaking, . . . slightly suspect." Over the last forty years, when there's been roughly an equal number of sunny and cloudy days on Feb. 2nd, the groundhog has been accurate only 37% of the time. Then again, the Canadian Weather

forecasts are not always accurate either!

40 Days for Life – Be part of this peaceful campaign by prayer and fasting during Lent, **February 14-March 25**. We ask each church to adopt ONE DAY from 8 am – 8 pm, with two or more people to give public witness for one or two hours standing on Portage Street at the Niagara Falls General Hospital, holding a sign "Pray to end Abortion – 40 Days for Life." You may sign up at your church

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

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!



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

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

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