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*We saw his star in the East
and have come to worship Him*

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Saturday, January 2 St Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen

5:00 Chiara Marcon *req. by Tullio Milani & Family*
Ricardo Hernández Broncano *req. by the Family*

Sunday, January 3 Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 Janina & Jan Czech *req. by Danuta Lukach*
Teresa Chimienti *req. by Anne & Giancarlo Condotta*

9:30 Sam DiCarlo *req. by the Girardo Family*
Francesco Colangelo *req. by the Colangelo Family*

11:30 Wilf Manuel *req. by a Friend*
Claudine *req. by Jane, Gabriella & William*

7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, January 4

8:00 Phero Thong & Joseph Duong *req. by the Duy Family*
Dec'd mem of the Roy & Dourette Families *req. by Val & Family*

Tuesday, January 5

8:00 Ned Faiella *req. by his Son: James*
Lidia Bonaldo *req. by Annie Silvestri*

Wednesday, January 6

8:00 B.A. Bortolin *req. by Anna Bortolin*
Mary Bongers *req. by Mary Lou & Stu Gallardi*

Thursday, January 7 St André Bessette

8:00 Helen Lelievre *req. by Helen Lelievre & Family*
Elena Di Carlo *req. by Family*

Friday, January 8 St Raymond of Penyafort

8:00 David Kealey *req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams*
Gus & Zorka Wach *req. by the Family*

Saturday, January 9

5:00 Arduino Maiuri *req. by Peter & Stefanie Maiuri*
Mary Bongers *req. by Carol Martin*

Sunday, January 10 Baptism of the Lord

8:00 Marie-Ange & Clarence Adams *req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams*
Venera Castronovo *req. by Dtr: Jacqueline Bortolussi*

9:30 Jozef Brzozowski *req. by the Komor & Janusz Families*
Bill Woods *req. by his Wife: Linda & Family*

11:30 Jerry Shugg *req. by Cecilia, Paul & Glen*
Reno Marcon *req. by Rachel Marcon & Family*

7:00 People of the Parish

Collections

December 20: \$6,788.00
Christmas: \$26,801.00
December 27: \$5,090.00
Carmelite Missions: \$9,775.00
Christmas Flowers: \$1,640.00
Many thanks for your generosity!



PUPPY LOVE

So many have asked about the little puppies! Molly gave birth to 5 puppies in the rectory on November 18-19, 2020! They will go to their forever homes in early January. They have matured very quickly. I present Rico, Luna, Shamrock, Lexi and Oliver. They have been a great joy to have around during these trying times. All puppies are going to parishioner families.



"One good thing about wearing a mask —
it helps to keep my nose warm!"

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Helen Lelievre, David Kealey and Leandre Poulin. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Fr. Sean Keefe, O.Carm.

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Missy Bilotta, Rita Ross, Kathryn Kneller, Fern Albert, Andrea Fisher, Ron O'Neill, Francis Patterson, Leroy Collee, Eric Van Noort, Gaeton Buteau, Rose MacDonald, Baby M, Ralph Davey, Maureen Tustin, Maureen Kealey, Betty Crete, Mahmat, Sean Sandel, Armando Rossi, Gerry Laffrati, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Dr. Andy Fisher, Bianca MacDonnell, Gus Bagarozza, Judy, Andy Scotnicki, Rosanna Ricci, Karen Bradley, Ron Winslow, Carmine Astorino, Corinne Journeau, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Mary Ann Quigley, Maria Nobile, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Teresa Hebb, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Jarod Hickey, Julian Cassidy, Mary Frances Pye, Carol DeVilliers, Joe Young, Leo Martin, 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 Zanuz, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Kelly Laslo, Toni Brideau, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nikki Mansfield, Lester Snow, John Cox, Nicolina Compare, Alvin Learn, James Moody Sr., Nancy Jean Rose, Charlene Shannon, Eric Corcoran, Carmella Modenti, Anna Hunt, Rose MacDonald, John Kealey, Elizabeth Stachura, Denise Colalillo, Brian Smith, Donna Bradley, Margaret Smith, Anna Vergalito, Nancy Weiss, Jeanne Lea, Rebecca Evans, Samuel Potapczyk, Mary Lawrence, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Michelle Price, Donna Cormier, Margaret Waghorn, Drago Bicanic, Jeanne S, Bob Marshall, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Vito Fuccillo, Tom Hilton, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Marie Massolin, Jeannette Fabian, Francesco Albanese, Maria Melchiorre, Jozefa Bilski, Todd Reid, Mary Brennan, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Maria Guerin, Patricia O'Reilly, Audrey Vendramin, Faith Amadio, 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, Trina Washington, Cheryl D'Amizio, Pepper Martin Jr.

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.

Seniors Attending Mass

Now that the weather is turning colder, we still have to enter through the main doors of the church, and go through the proper screening. The Accessibility Entrance is there for anyone with mobility issues. That also includes our senior parishioners. If any of our seniors have difficulty with the front steps, or walking long distances, especially during the winter... please... please... for your convenience, park in the school parking lot, and feel free to use the Accessibility Entrance. It's more convenient and safer during these cold months. Stay safe.



Many thanks to our St. Patrick Bingo Committee for their wonderful work this year. Even during this pandemic, we are still able to receive funds from Charitable Gaming.

2021 Church Envelopes

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes as soon as possible. They are in the sacristy, to the left of the altar. Many thanks.

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.



Please continue to bring food items to Mass for Project Share!
Every item helps!

"Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

Check out our website: <http://www.stpatricknf.ca>



(Today's bulletin material had to be submitted on December 29, 2020)

Dear Friends:

I hope everyone was able to make the best of this Christmas Season. We were forced to make many changes in our plans and traditions. With God's help, this virus will be brought to an end.

By the time you receive this bulletin, it will be a New Year! Happy 2021! So much has happened since our last publication. We have been in a lockdown since Boxing Day. That means that only 10 people can be present in the church at any given time. We are celebrating Mass in the church on Monday to Friday at 8:00 AM. You must call the parish office to preregister. For the time being we are celebrating Mass at 5:00 PM on Saturday and also 11:00 AM on Sunday. Again, only 10 people can be present. Should there be any changes in the schedule, they will be posted on the parish website. These are very difficult times, and we do everything we can to remain safe. (Private Masses will be celebrated by our priests to fulfill the Mass Intentions that you requested).

Today, January 3rd, is the **Feast of the Epiphany** (*Little Christmas*). **Epiphany** means **manifestation** [to show; make known; to reveal.] This



feast celebrates not only that God came to us, but more of humanity entered into the movement. These wise men, (magi-astrologers) representing all nations, followed the star and came to God! They are our symbolic pioneers. **Epiphany** is the feast of the pilgrim who seeks God on the journey. The call for us is to make our lives a continuous movement *toward* God, putting our lives in tune with God, bringing **Christ's light and hope** to others. Dispelling all darkness! And God knows there's lots of darkness and fear out there.

Someone once wrote: *"And so, we journey to the Lord. Where exactly are we going to find Him? We really don't know. He may be in marriage. He may be in the priesthood or religious life. He may be in the life of the single, determined to spread Christianity. He may be in children and teens. He may be in a career. He may be in our caring for a sick spouse or relative. He may be in the outcast who reach out for us. He is in all these and countless more places. If we are wise, we will spend our lives seeking Him out, wherever He is."* We must go out there and see the face of Christ in others! Keep Christ in 2021! God bless you all! Stay home, and stay safe.

Fr. Gerard



THANK YOU

On behalf of the parish, I want to say a big **thank you** to everyone who made our Christmas celebrations so joyful, in such unusual circumstances, and with such restrictions. To Brian, Anthony, Todd and our volunteers who came out to safely decorate the church, thanks for such a creative display! To those who donated toward the Christmas Flowers in memory of your loved ones, many thanks for your kindness. May they sleep in Heavenly Peace. To Paul and Pam at **Country Basket**, thanks so much for the extra flowers! To our **lectors, ushers, screeners, cleaners, and altar servers**, many thanks for sharing your gifts with the community in such trying times. To our musicians and cantors, thanks for adding to the sacredness and beauty of the liturgies! To **Carol and Sandra**, thanks for all your hard work, and for sharing your heavenly voices and music with so many people! To **Anthony, Tim, Nadine, Julia, Ashley, Erin, Antoinetta and Robert**, thanks so much! BIG THANKS to the hundreds of parishioners who donated so generously to the Christmas Gift Campaign, for local needy children, and the Grocery Card Campaign! You helped so many people this year! Many little faces lit up with smiles on Christmas morning because of you! Many were fed! And finally, to you, **our faithful parishioners**, many thanks for your generosity to me, Fr. Marc and to your parish at Christmas. It has been a tough year. We hope and pray for a better year ahead! May God bless you all!

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

You must call the parish office to preregister for Mass.

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 is now due. Please put your envelope in the collection at the end of Mass or bring to the Parish Office. If you have any questions please call Maggie at 905-246-6212

The Soup Kitchen, Niagara Falls Community Outreach...

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