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

EPIPHANY OF THE LORD



Saturday, January 4

5:00 Chiara Marcon *req. by the Milani Family*
 Sophie Potapczyk *req. by Teresa & Warren Lemoine*

Sunday, January 5 Epiphany of the Lord

8:00 Angela Martin *req. by Cecil & Family*
 Clarence & Marie-Ange Adams *req. by Aileen Lelievre-Adams & Bryce Adams*
9:30 Vincent Bernardi *req. by Rosemary Girardo*
 Dec'd mem. of the Mancini Family *req. by Ray Gonzalez*
11:30 Jozef Brzozowski *req. by the Komor & Janusz Families*
 Carmen Maccarrone *req. by Norma Gagliardi*
7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, January 6

8:00 Josep Thuat & Daminh Vong *req. by Duy's Family*
 Alexander Rennie & Mike Robillard *req. by the Housekeeping Staff@GWL*

Tuesday, January 7 St André Bessette

8:00 Joyce Kelly *req. by Ken Borutski*
 Rita Cormier *req. by Jerry Cormier*

Wednesday, January 8 St Raymond of Penyafort

8:00 Theresa Kelly Church *req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams*
 Theo Legace *req. by Charlene & Family*

Thursday, January 9

8:00 Venera Castronovo *req. by Dtr: Jacqueline Bortolussi*
 John Buckner *req. by Fr. Gerard*

Friday, January 10

8:00 Vincent Bernardi *req. by Norma Gagliardi*
 Filippo Stranges *req. by Flo Maruca & Family*

Saturday, January 11

5:00 Assunta & Giuseppe De Mizio *req. by the De Mizio Family*
 Arduino Maiuri *req. by Peter & Stefanie Maiuri*

Sunday, January 12 Baptism of the Lord

8:00 Carmen Maccarrone *req. by Catherine Bernardi*
 Giuseppina, Giulio & Albert Canali *req. by Giancarlo & Anne Condotta & Family*
9:30 Fred Girardo Sr. *req. by Ken Borutski*
 Bill Woods *req. by his Wife: Linda & Family*
11:30 Dec'd mem. of the Camillo Family *req. by Peter & Starr Daly*
 Natale & Anna Giampa *req. by the Family*
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.

Knights of Columbus Hennepin Council 1652

All you can eat Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner
 Including Salad, Dessert, Tea and Coffee.
 Wednesday, January 22nd, 2020 4:00pm – 7:00pm
 6101 North Street, Niagara Falls, ON
 \$10.00/person, children under 10 \$5.00 (Takeout available)

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!

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Iole Mancini, Iolanda Corbi and Mary Chanady. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Francis Patterson, John Calder, Shirley Webb

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Andy Scotnicki, Anita Archambault, Roger Paradis, John Corfield, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Jarod Hickey, 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 Barraza, 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 Laffrati, 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 Comisso, 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

December 22: \$6,858.00

Christmas: \$27,829.00

Holy Family: \$5,746.54

Cathedral Appeal (to date): \$16,645.00

Carmelite Missions: \$10,481.00

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.)

Perfume Allergies

We have some parishioners who are very sensitive to perfumes and colognes. When you are readying yourself for Mass, maybe consider just a little dab!

DID YOU KNOW? 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.



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

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.

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

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



Dear Friends,

Many thanks for your generosity to me, Fr. Marc and to the parish at Christmas. It was a Christmas filled with much joy, and unfortunately for some, much sadness. We hold the **Chanady and Mancini** families in our thoughts and prayers, as they have bid farewell to their loved ones during Christmas, Mary Chanady and Iole Mancini. May they sleep in heavenly peace. And may God hold all who are grieving in the palm of his hand.

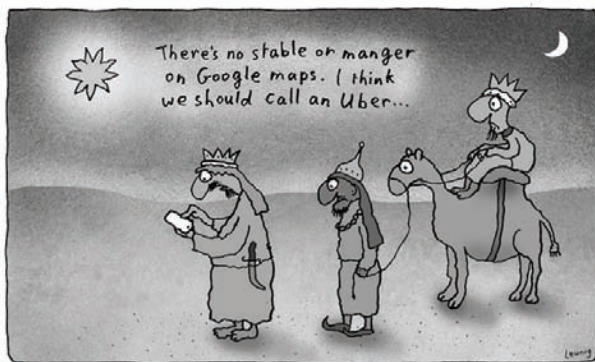


It's hard to believe that this is the last day of Christmas. But actually we can celebrate it until the Baptism of Jesus! My most favourite part of this Christmas, besides the distribution of Christmas Gifts to Local Needy Children, was the **Children's Pageant Mass**. There's something about having over 30 little children acting out how the Birth of Jesus came about. and to have a young mom and dad, Gillian and Troy hold up their new-born baby, Dallas. God bless the little children. May their joy spread around the world!

Today is the Feast of the Epiphany of the Lord (Little Christmas). Epiphany means **manifestation** [to show; or reveal.] This feast celebrates not only that God came to us, but more of human kind entered into the movement. These wise men or magi, (astrologers), traditionally known as **Gaspar, Melchior and Balthasar**, representing all nations, followed the star and came to God! They are our symbolic pioneers. They blazed the trail which we are to follow. Not only did they come to Christ, they prostrated themselves, did him homage, and brought him gifts.

This is really a 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 to others. Dispelling all darkness. We need to show Christ's presence to others by the way we live. Imagine if we all lived in such a way that our faith burns and shows through, in every aspect of our lives. May the glory of the Christ Child shine throughout the earth, across our country, around our city, and within our families and hearts! God bless you all! Have a blessed 2020!

Fr. Gerard



"You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream." C.S. Lewis

"Although no one can go back and make a brand new start, anyone can start from now and make a brand new ending."

Church Envelopes 2020

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

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

On behalf of the parish, I want to say a big thank you to everyone who made our Christmas celebrations so joyful. To our many parishioners who came out to decorate the church, thanks for such a creative display! To those who donated **THANK YOU** toward the Christmas Flowers in memory of your loved ones, many thanks for your kindness. To our **lectors, Eucharistic ministers, ushers and altar servers**, many thanks for sharing your gifts with the community. To our **musicians and cantors**, thanks for adding to the sacredness and beauty of the liturgies. To **Carol and Sandra, Anthony, Ashley, Julia, Tim and Robert**, our **Adult Choir and Children's Choir**, thanks for all your hard work, and for sharing your heavenly voices and music with so many people! Thanks to the children who participated in the Christmas Pageant; and to Santa for taking time out of his busy schedule as a new grandpa, to pray before baby Jesus! Thanks to Deacon Jeff for his assistance during Christmas! **MANY THANKS** to the hundreds of parishioners who donated so generously to the Christmas Gift Campaign! You helped so many people this year! Many little faces lit up with smiles on Christmas morning because of you! And finally, to you, our faithful parishioners, many thanks for your generosity to me, Fr. Marc and to your parish at Christmas. May God bless you all!

Epiphany Prayer

Lord Jesus
may your light shine our way,
as once it guided the steps of the magi:
that we too may be led into your presence
and worship you, the Child of Mary,
the Word of the Father, the King of nations,
the Saviour of humankind;
to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

St. Andre Bessette, Patron of Family Caregivers

Tuesday, January 7th is the Feast Day of Canada's own St. Andre Bessette (Brother Andre)... August 9, 1845 – January 6, 1937. He expressed a saint's faith by a lifelong devotion to Saint Joseph. "St. Andre, your devotion to Saint Joseph is an inspiration to us. You gave your life selflessly to bring the message of his life to others. Pray that we may learn from Saint Joseph, and from you, what it is like to care for Jesus and do his work in the world."

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

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 _____

We have married & wish to update our information _____

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