Saint Patrick's Church

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Carol Martin - Director of Music Sandra DiCienzo - Organist Tim Marrie - Pianist and Soloist Anthony Scaringi - Pianist and Organist Ashley Gallardi - 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, 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(905St. Mary School(905

(905) 354-6631 (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.

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Mass Intentions

For The Week 💥 Saturday, July 16 Our Lady of Mount Carmel

5:00 Giovanni Feltrin *req. by the Family* Deacon Patrick O'Brien *req. by Colin Nicholson* Helen Ogilvie *req. by the Family*

Sunday, July 17

8:00 Mario & Linda Cardinal req. by Jackie & Tony, Vicky & John Antoni & Stefania Nytko req. by the Nytko-Alcaraz Family
9:30 Luigi Todino req. by Nicolina Compare & Family

Luigi Marcon req. by D & D Argenta & Girls

11:30 Elizabeth Levi req. by John & Maureen Kealey

Erminia & Ernesto Gualtieri *req. by their Dtr: Ida Greco & Family* In Thanksgiving to Romana Jakimowicz on her 80th Birthday *req by her Friends*

7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, July 18

8:00 Letizia Bianchin req. by the Parisi & Bianchin Families Frank Parisi req. by the Parisi Family

Tuesday, July 19

8:00 Oscar Bonaguro req. by the Family Barbara Rondinelli req. by Jim & Dora Spencer

Wednesday, July 20 Elijah the Prophet

8:00 Nicasio Rey & Vicente Navarro *req. by the Navarro Family* Deceased Carmelites

Thursday, July 21 St Lawrence of Brindisi

8:00 John F Power req. by Mary Power

Special Intentions of Shawn & Susan Kealey-McCarthy req. by David Kealey Friday, July 22 St Mary Magdalene

8:00 Angelo Gaetan req. by Mary & Carmen

Cecil Gozansky req. by the O'Brien Family

Saturday, July 23 St Bridget

5:00 Irene House req. by Colin Nicholson Deacon Patrick O'Brien req. by the Catholic Womens League

Sunday, July 24

8:00 Bruno Bernardi req. by John & Helen Olsiak Ted Pante req. by Corinna Pante

9:30 Bernardino & Gaetanina Mallone *req. by Joe & Loreta Antonio* Lucy Atkinson *req. by John & Maureen Kealey*

11:30 Antonio & Anna Maria Amadio req. by Ange Martin Amela, Carmela & Ralph Persia req. by the Family

7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, July 25 St James

8:00 George O'Kell req. by John MacDonnell & Family Tuesday, July 26 St Anne & St Joachim, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:00 Caterina Giuseppe Senese req. by Betty Serra

Living & Deceased mem. of the Kealey Family req. by David Kealey Wednesday, July 27

8:00 Margaret Nicholson req. by the Nicholson Family Valerie Johnstone req. by Mary Power

Thursday, July 28

8:00 Deacon Patrick O'Brien *req. by Gianni & Lidia Bonaldo* Mario Tumulak *req. by Gus & Gloria Remollino*

Friday, July 29 St Martha, Disciple of the Lord 8:00 Bruno Pietrobon req. by Rob, Peter & Christine

Saturday, July 30 St Peter Chrysologus

5:00 Giovanni Simonetti *req. by the Family* Glenn Power & John Power *req. by Mary Power*

Sunday, July 31

8:00 Sant Donato req. by Giulio De Prophetis Santa Elia req. by Carmine & Iolanda Mancuso

9:30 Adelino & Luigi Marcon req. by Theresa Marcon

Harry Bongers req. by Barry & Margaret Peters

11:30 Enrica Pietrobon *req. by Ody & Diana Argenta* Lina Mantello & Tony, Agostino & Catherina Strangis *req. by Helen Rotella* **7:00** People of the Parish

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in July

Tiffany Nieuwesteeg & Kevin Cancian

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! **Rest in Peace**... We pray for the souls of Lucia Caruso, Mario Lucio Tumulak & Rita Bruneau. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized: Carmela Frucci

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Shanda Gale, Bob Marshall, Tony Laslo, Fran Smelko, Sharon Regular, Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm., Bette Anne Chevalier, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Danielle Barranca, Carmela Fruci, Lucy Rizzo, Barbara Phillips (Murray), Audrey Vendramin, Jeanne Lea, Gionni Bonaldo, Stan Manning, Iole Mancini, Alice Dalton, Baby Maximus, David & Patrick Kealey, Joanna Daniels, Ray Sexton, Francesco Albanese, Mary Ann O'Shea, Doreen Fletcher, Rosalyn Dagleish, Susan & Rick Rogers, Kitty Decicco, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jozefa Bilski, Charlene Shannon, Mary O'Shea, Dr. Andy Fisher, Dorothy Simon, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, Anna Vergalito, John Jefferson Jill Leronowich, Vince(Jim) Baldassarro, Nancy Jean Rose, Guiseppina Paonessa, Phyllis Higgins, Patrick McCarthy, Norman Horth, Todd Reid, Muriel Pivarnyik, Helen Lelievre, Tom Hilton, Maria Colalillo, Walter Wallace, Stefanie Borin, John Cox, Joyce Weaver, Marie Cleary, Orlando Garofalo, Kerrie Szuch, Faith Amadio, Margaret Smith, Carmella Modenti, Margaret Waghorn, Theresa Poirier, Bruno Maiolo, Carlo Trasmundi, Vito Fuccillo, BabyHope, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Kelly Laslo, Rose Vukmanich, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Commisso, Vicki Dubeau, Donna Bradley, Annette Brideau, Mary Jo O'Kell, Baby Sebastian, Dorothy Doyle, Lorraine Murray, Patricia O'Reilly, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Trina Washington, Chester Mottola, Shirley Machulla, Gerry Laffradi, Lorraine Spence, Baby Gabriel Paraskevopoulos, Mary Wilkes-Matthews, Patricia Desrosiers, Helen Rotella, Darlene Wancha, Brian Smith

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

Collections

July 2 & 3: \$6,134.00 July 9 & 10: \$5,422.10 Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2016

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday, July 24, no Aug Baptisms, Sept 25, Oct 16 A mandatory meeting for <u>Parents and Godparents</u> will be held in the Church on Tuesday, July 12, Sept 13, Oct 4 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!



<u>PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND</u> (just 3 seats left) Fr. Gerard is leading a 10-Day Pilgrimage to Ireland from September 14-24, 2016: *Churches and Shrines of Ireland*! There are brochures in the parish office and also at the back of the church. We will fly direct from Toronto to Dublin, 9 nights in 4-star hotels in Newry, Donegal,

Galway, Cork, Kilkenny, and Dublin, experiencing many great sights and sounds, prayers and Masses! Daily Irish Breakfast, eight 3-Course Dinners, Irish Party Show, ferry ride, Luxury Coach, Guide etc!!! This pilgrimage is limited to 40 people!!! Cost is \$3495 per person (including taxes and fuel surcharges), based on double occupancy. Don't miss out!!! Last call!!! (Unfortunately, 3 people had to cancel due to illness... so 3 seats left.) Book now!

Is God calling You? If you feel called to serve as Eucharistic Minister, Lector, Altar Server, or Funeral Server, please call the parish office, 905-354-7451.

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During the months of July and August, we will publish our Parish Bulletin every second week. **Our next bulletin will be published on July 30th**.

Dear Friends:

July is a special month for us Carmelites! Saturday, July 16th is the *Solemnity of Our Lady of Mount Carmel*. And this Wednesday, July 20th, we will celebrate the *Solemnity of Elijah*! This weekend we are celebrating all our Masses as Votive Masses to Mary, patroness of our Carmelite Order. We Carmelites were founded on Mount Carmel in the Holy Land in the late 12th Century. Our first hermits built a chapel in the middle of their cells. This was the center of their lives where they gathered each day to celebrate Eucharist. This chapel was dedicated to *Our Lady of the Place*. The first Carmelites took Mary as their patroness, promising her their faithful service and expecting her protection and favour. They were proud to bear the title of *Brothers of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Mount Carmel*. For us Carmelites, Mary is a constant presence in our lives, guiding us and protecting us as we seek to follow Christ.

Many of you are familiar with the Brown Scapular. For centuries this has summed up the Carmelite's relationship with Mary. In 1251, Mary appeared to the Prior General of the Carmelite Order, Simon Stock, at Aylesford, England. In this apparition, Mary gave Simon what we call the Brown Scapular, a garment that has become the symbol of the bond between Our Lady and the Carmelites. The scapular is a piece of cloth based on the traditional Carmelite friar's garb. Wearing the scapular is a sign of consecration to Mary, the Mother of God, and is a symbol showing that the person is putting on the virtues of Mary and is protected by her. Mary symbolizes for the Carmelites, everything that we hope for to enter into an intimate relationship with Christ, being totally open to God's will and having our lives transformed by the Word of God.

Our Lady did not give the Scapular just to the Carmelites. She gave it to the whole Church so that all her sons and daughters could wear an outward sign of her love for them. As a "cloak" of grace and love, the Scapular represents the protection and security we find in Mary's love. The Scapular is not a magical charm to protect us, or an automatic guarantee of salvation or an excuse for not living up to the demands of the Christian life. The Scapular holds us to live as authentic Christians in line with the teaching of the Gospel, to receive the sacraments, and to profess our special devotion to the Blessed Virgin. May all of us seek to live in spiritual intimacy with Mary so that we can learn from her how to live as God's children. May God bless you and Mary keep you! Happy Feast Day!

Fr. Gerard

"There is not in the world a kind of life more sweet and delightful than that of a continual conversation with God." -Brother Lawrence

"Why is it important that you are with God and God alone on the mountain top? It's important because it's the place in which you can listen to the voice of the One who calls you the beloved. To pray is to listen to the One who calls you 'my beloved daughter,' 'my beloved son,' 'my beloved child.' To pray is to let that voice speak to the center of your being, to your guts, and let that voice resound in your whole being." - *Henri Nouwen*



Help our Local School Children

I know it's only the middle of July, but St. Pat's Parish is gladly accepting



boys and girls clothing donations, and school supplies for our local school children. Please drop off any new or gently used clothing in all sizes and colours! Most importantly, for the school uniforms, we will need white shirts and blue pants in all

sizes! This will help clothe our kids when school starts. Also, if you are out shopping and see a sale, please feel free pick up any school supplies: pencils, pens, erasers, rulers, crayons, scribblers, exercise books, etc. If you have any good used back packs, or lunch boxes on hand, they would be gratefully appreciated too! Let's lighten the load of our less fortunate families. God Bless!

July 24, 2016 17th Sunday

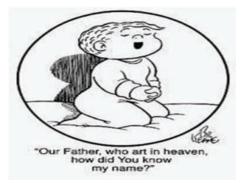
In today's Gospel one of Jesus' disciples asks him to **teach us to pray!** And Jesus teaches them the *Our Father* Prayer! Christians have been praying that prayer ever since! We see in Luke's Gospel, how often Jesus goes off to pray. The disciples notice this, and so they want to learn from the Master

Himself! Prayer is what Church, but as people Christ. We need to conversation with him! life. At Mass we pray the community and we us in the Eucharist. We each day, whether



we are about, not just in committed to Jesus nurture our dialogue, our That's called our prayer Lord's Supper as a reverence the Lord within are to pray throughout morning prayer, grace

before meals, devotional prayers like the Rosary, or night prayer. Our days are meant to be united to our God in prayer. Prayer truly expresses who we are, children of God. Then flowing from our prayer... are our Christian acts and deeds... springing our prayers into action! We must **say** our prayers and also **do** our prayers!!! Have a blessed week.



July 20th - Feast of the Prophet Elijah- Father of Carmelites The prophet Elijah appears in Scripture as a man of God who lived always in God's presence and fought zealously for the worship of the one true God. He defended God's law in the solemn contest on Mount Carmel, and afterwards was given on Mount Horeb, an intimate experience of the living God. The inspiration that was found in him from the very beginnings of the Order so pervades its whole history that the prophet may deservedly be called the founder of the Carmelite ideal... the Father of our Order.

Gardening Quotes

- ... Gardening is an instrument of grace
- ... With fronds like you, who needs anemonies.
- ... The kiss of the sun for pardon; The song of the bird for mirth; One is nearer to God in a garden; Than anywhere else on earth.
- ... Give a weed an inch and it will take a yard.

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