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#### **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

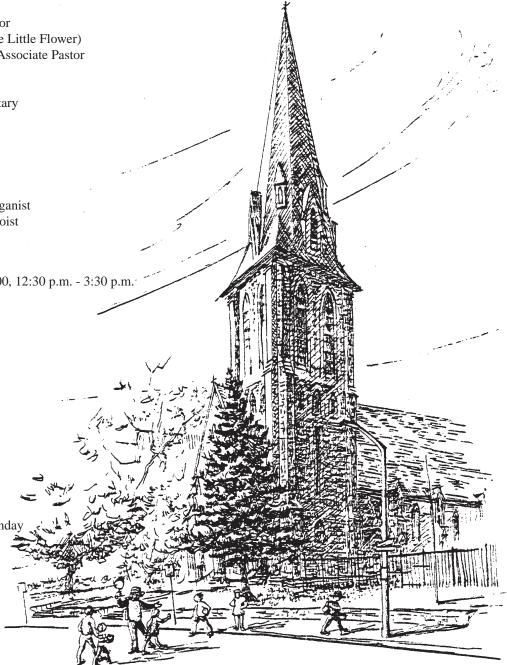
Please contact the parish office at least six months in advance. Preparation weekend is required.

#### 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 Parish Established 1858 Church Dedicated 1895

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New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.

#### **SEVENTEENTH & EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**



Saturday, July 26 St Anne and St Joachim

5:00 Brian Boudreau req by Elaine

Dec'd mem of the O'Leary & Besaw Fam req by the Besaw Family Sunday, July 27

8:00 Bruno Pietrobon and Mario & Linda Cardinal req by the Families
Eda & Leo Martin req by Friends

9:30 Leona & Omer Thibodeau req by the Family Louie Marcon req by Dina & Dave Argenta & Girls

11:30 People of the Parish

Monday, July 28

8:00 Joe Arseneau req by Stu & Mary Lou Gallardi Intentions of the Little Flower Society

Tuesday, July 29 Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus Disciples of the Lord

8:00 Mary Dang Thi Nhi req by Theresa Bang Intentions of the Little Flower Society

Wednesday, July 30 St Peter Chrysologus

8:00 Douglas Sullivan req by Stu & Mary Lou Gallardi Glenn Power reg by his Family

Thursday, July 31 St Ignatius of Loyola

8:00 John Corfield req by his Wife: Alice

Intentions of the Little Flower Society

Friday, August 1 St Alphonsus Liguori
8:00 Intentions of the Little Flower Society

Saturday, August 2 St Eusebius of Vercelli & St Peter Julian Eymard

5:00 Tullio Milani req by Giuliana & Susan Milani Dennis Bowers req by the Family

Sunday, August 3

8:00 People of the Parish

9:30 Angelo Radice req by Antonietta & Family

Alessandro Luciano req by Nicolina Compare & Family

**11:30** Benito Giustini req by the Giustini Family Neal Jackson req by Madeleine Jackson

Monday, August 4 St Jean-Marie Vianney

8:00 Vincent Bernardi req by the Bernardi Family Phil Roberto req by Stu & Mary Lou Gallardi

Tuesday, Aug 5 BI Frédéric Janssoone & Dedication of St Mary Major

8:00 Intentions of the Little Flower Society

Wednesday, August 6 The Transfiguration of the Lord

8:00 Intentions of the Little Flower Society

Thursday, August 7 St Sixtus II & Companions and St Cajetan

8:00 Fern Albert req by her Children

Intentions of the Little Flower Society

Friday, August 8 St Dominic

8:00 Giovanni Salvati req by the D'Angelo Family Intentions of the Little Flower Society

Saturday, August 9 St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross

**5:00** Gertrude Sylvia Gozansky req by the Family Antonio Gulla req by Maria Rossi

Sunday, August 10

8:00 Álberto Canali req by Ann & John Condotta Dominic Caligiuri req by the Family

9:30 People of the Parish

11:30 Carmela Fabiano req by her Children & Grandchildren Irene, Ida, Amelia, Matilde & Raffaela reg by Rachel Marcon

Catholic Missions in Canada Special Collection

On Sunday, August 3rd, there will be a special collection taken in all Catholic Churches in Canada for *Catholic Missions in Canada*. Envelopes are available at the Church doors. We ask that you place your special envelope in with the **Regular Collection**.



Congratulations and best wishes to Simon Herman, Luke Besaw, Asher Fricke, Dianne Griem & Noemi Vipari-St John who were recently baptized

Call to Serve ... Your community needs you to share your gifts! Please consider being a minister in your community as Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server, Funeral Server, or usher.

Give your name to the parish office and we will train you!

**Rest in Peace...** We pray for the souls of Anna Ven Nguyen, Michelle Camillo, Pasqualina DeMizio and Fernando Hinca Pie. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are ill. We are currently updating our sick list. This will be limited to parishioners and family members who are hospitalized or chronically ill. Please be advised that only an immediate family member can request a name to be added to this list.

Mary Power, Jack Holjak, Carl Lundrigan, Howard Wales, Maureen Young, Norah Marrie, Peter Meisenburg Jr., Edward Brzozowski, Emma Corfield, Jeanne Lea, Joe Antonio, Theresa Prentice, Anna Tartaglia, Leonardo Gualtieri, Muriel Lafford, Isabell Frost, Robert Orsini, Rick Woram, Enzo Bellon, Baby Max, Kurt Stevens, Barbara Conidi, Lindsey Luby, Norm Scott, Toni Brideau, Charlene Shannon, Scott MacLaren, Jim Crowley, Sherry Wales, Leila Khan, Maureen Tustin, Maureen Watson, Anna Hunt, Mary Jo O'Kell, Nancy Waters, David Gallina, John F, John Arnold, Leroy Collee, Andrew Zacharuk, Jeanne S, Patrick Macri, Victor Pizzolato, Christine Pritty, John & Laura Giampa, Eric Van Noort, Jim & Betty Calzonetti, Julian Cassidy, Lorraine Spence, Estelle Critelli, D.D., Rita Ross, Leon French, Tony Cuviello, Kelsey Liles, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Sister Prem, Samantha Jayne, Laurie Crites-Warner, Norma Zanus, Judy, Jadwiga Wozniak, Kerrie Szuch, William JA DeFoe, Betty Crete, Bob Marshall, Cameron Boyes, Danielle Barranca, Kelly Laslo, Mahmat, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Teresa Hebb, Rose MacDonald, Karen Bradley, Betty & Mary Ann Quigley, Arlene Collee, John Calder, Maria Guerin, Gregory Roulston, Anna Chayer, Denise Colalillo, Patrick McCarthy, Michelle Price, S.H., Julie Nicholson Francesco Albanese, , Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Carmella Modenti, Bernard Martin, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Margaret Waghorn, Evelyn Rose Baker, Patricia O'Reilly, Fran Smelko, Gloria Smelko, Jackie, Faith Amadio, Vanessa Athoe, Walter Wallace, Samuel Potapczyk, Marie Brooker, Francois Chayer, Jozefa Bilski, Elda Schneider, Susana Flego, Patricia Flego, Cynthia Alegre

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

#### Collections

July 13: \$5,607.15 July 20: \$6,203.00 Many thanks for your generosity!

#### Baptism Schedule for 2025

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

Sunday Aug 24, Sept 21, Oct 19 & Nov 23

A mandatory meeting for <u>Parents & Godparents</u> will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Aug 12, Sept 9, Oct 7 & Nov 11 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!

#### Sacramental Date for 2025

Confirmation: Saturday, November 15, 2025 @ 5:00pm Mass (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.)

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Shrine, located on 4706 Millar Road, Port Colborne, operates May to October. Every Thursday at 7:00pm in the Chapel, the Rosary is recited followed by the celebration of Holy Mass at 7:30pm. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. For more information please visit www.rosaryshrineniagara.com



#### Carmelites in Niagara Falls- 150 Years

This year the Carmelites are celebrating 150 years in Niagara Falls. There are three events planned to celebrate

this milestone: St. Pat's (May 3<sup>rd</sup>;)Mount Carmel/Our Lady of Peace (June 18<sup>th</sup>); & Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre (October 26<sup>th</sup>).

## The Pastor's Pen

This Bulletin is for July 27th and August 3rd (Please remember that you can e-transfer your Sunday Offertory as a direct deposit to <a href="mailto:stpatrick1895@hotmail.com">stpatrick1895@hotmail.com</a>) No password is required.

#### July 27, 2025 17th Sunday

In today's Gospel (Luke 11:1-13), one of Jesus' disciples asks him to teach *us to pray*! And Jesus teaches them the *Our Father* Prayer! Christians have been praying this prayer ever since! We see in Luke's Gospel, how often Jesus goes off to pray alone. The disciples notice

this, and so they want to learn from the Master Himself! Prayer is what we are about, not just in Church, but as people committed to Jesus Christ. We need to nurture our dialogue, our conversation with Him! That's called our prayer life. At Mass we pray the Lord's Supper as a community and we reverence the Lord within us in the Eucharist. We



are to pray throughout each day, whether 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 good deeds... springing our prayers into action! We must say our prayers and also do our prayers!!!

#### August 3, 2025 18th Sunday

Our Gospel this Sunday has Jesus telling the crowd, "Take care! Be on your quard against all kinds of greed; for one's life does not consist in the abundance of possessions." This can be an eye-opener for all of us, especially those who hoard and gather. Jesus went on to tell a parable about a man who had so many crops that he had nowhere to store them. So he built bigger barns. And the man said to himself, "I have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry." But God called him a fool and told him his life will be demanded of him this very night. He warns those who store up treasures for themselves, but are not rich toward God. What are the priorities in my life? Family? Things? Job? Spiritual Life? Do things take precedence over people? Do activities take precedence over God? Do I hoard things while so many people lack for these very things? Am I generous toward those who struggle to survive... who struggle to put food on the table? Maybe we can open our hearts during the summer to Project Share, St. Vincent de Paul, or some local charity. As one saint said, "The only things we can take to heaven with us are the things we gave to the poor!" Did Jesus not say, "...give to the poor and you'll have treasure in heaven!" May you have a blessed August month, and may others benefit from our generosity!



"... because havin' her here makes life GRAND!"

## World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly Sunday, July 27, 2025

The fifth World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly will be celebrated this year on Sunday, July 27th 2025. Pope Francis instituted this World Day in 2021 to be celebrated by the universal Church every July, on or near the Memorial of Saints Joachim and Anne, grandparents of Jesus. This year's theme is "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" (Sir 14:2). Pope Leo XIV, in a written message on the occasion, reminds us that the Bible abounds with examples of men and women "whom the Lord called late in life to play a part in his saving plan." World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly is an excellent opportunity for families and faith communities to seek ways to cherish and care for our elders, uplifting them as signs of hope for future generations.

#### **Grandparent Quotes**

- "I used to think I was too old to fall in love again, then I became a grandparent."
- "If I had known grandkids were so much fun, I would have had them first."
- "I don't spoil my grandkids, I'm just very accommodating."

'Seek by reading and you will find by meditating. Knock by praying, and it will be opened to you in contemplation.' *St. John of the Cross* 

And if we ask how are we to know where our hearts are, the answer is just as simple - everything which hinders us from loving God above all things and acts as a barrier between ourselves and our obedience to Jesus is our treasure, and the place where our heart is." Dietrich Bonhoeffer

#### Feast of St. Titus Brandsma, O.Carm



July 27th is the Feast of our Carmelite Saint, Titus Brandsma. Fr. Brandsma drafted the Dutch Catholic bishops' widely- circulated pastoral letter condemning anti-Semitism, which was read in Catholic parishes throughout the country. During WW

II, he wrote and spoke against the Nazis' anti-Jewish marriage laws and propaganda. In 1942, he was arrested after trying to persuade Dutch Catholic newspapers not to print Nazi propaganda (as was required by the Nazi occupiers). He was transferred to the concentration camp at Dachau. In July of that year, he was executed by lethal injection. He forgave the nurse who administered the injection and gave her a rosary. Though not religious at the time, she later became Catholic.

#### **Emails from Ron Huntley Ministries**

For those who completed a Parish Health Survey in May, you may be receiving emails from Ron Huntley Ministries. At the bottom of the email is an "un-subscribe" button. Please click on that to avoid receiving any further emails.

#### **New Carmelite**

With great joy, we will be welcoming another Carmelite to our parish in early August. Fr. Marvin Diongzon, O.Carm. (whom I've known for two years), is from Fr. Joi's Province in the Philippines. He has applied for a Religious Worker Visa. Since July 2023 he has been studying full time at the *Toronto School of Management*, and serving on weekends with our Indian Carmelite Community in Mississauga. Fr. Marvin has visited our parish a few times over the past year. This will be an opportunity for Fr. Marvin to be trained for pastoral ministry in Canada.

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