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# Saint Patrick's Church

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#### **Parish Staff**

Rev. Gerard Power, O.Carm., Pastor (Chaplain, Niagara Regional Police) Rev. Marc Bell, O.Carm., Associate Pastor Debbie Herman, Secretary Anne Marie Atkinson, Accountant Secretary Brian Kneller, Caretaker

#### **Music Ministry**

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 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





#### THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



#### Saturday, June 27 Blessed Nykyta Budka, Blessed Vasyl Velychkovsky & St Cyril of Alexandria

5:00 Ray Sexton req. by the Family Raffaele Fabiano req. by the Family

#### Sunday, June 28

8:00 Leopold Buteau req. by the Family Thomas Stranges req. by Flo Maruca & Family

**9:30** Frank Ruberto req. by Teresa Ruberto Ody Argenta req. by his Son & Family

11:30 Anna & Palmiro Goegan req. by their Children Immacolata Luciano req. by Alessandro Luciano & Family

7:00 People of the Parish

#### Monday, June 29 Saints Peter & Paul

8:00 Cecil Gozansky req. by the Family Victor Lea req. by the Lea Family

#### Tuesday, June 30 The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman Church

8:00 AnnaMarie Sacco & Josephina Sacco req. by the Family Maria Sacino req. by Christina Huntington

#### Wednesday, July 1 Canada Day

8:00 James Shepherd req. by Debbie Jane Shepherd

Maria Sa Le, Anthony Hung Nguyen & All Souls req. by the Family

#### Thursday, July 2

8:00 Mario Turra req. by Maria Guerin & Family Sr. Mary Regalata Power req. by Father Gerard

#### Friday, July 3 St Thomas

8:00 Ron Liberty req. by his Mom Darrel Levert req. by Belle Liberty

#### Saturday, July 4 St Elizabeth of Portugal, Independence Day USA

5:00 Dave Naar reg. by Mildred & John Naar & Family Johnny MacLean req. by his Dad, Mom & Bro

#### Sunday, July 5

8:00 People of the Parish

9:30 Eileen Tiller req. by the Family

Feliksa Brzozowski req. by the Komor & Janusz Families

11:30 Jackie Cavasin req. by the Cavasin Family

Tommy Serra req. by Michael & Carlo Girardo & Families

7:00 John Rondinelli req. by Alba & Ann Marie Sergio & Giovanni Simonetti req. by Amina & Family

#### Collections

June 21: \$7,724.00

Education of Seminarians: \$566.60 Cathedral Appeal: \$17,035.00 (to date)

Ryan's Bowl: \$8,169.65 (to date) Many thanks for your generosity!

#### **CHURCH ENVELOPES**

Many thanks to all of you who have been keeping up with your Sunday Offertory Envelopes. Your generosity is greatly appreciated and needed. If you wish to make a direct deposit on line please email it to:

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#### **Gardening Quotes**

"Gardening is an exercise in optimism. Sometimes, it is a triumph of hope over experience."

"Gardening is any way that humans and nature come together with the intent of creating beauty."

"Gardening is the art that uses flowers and plants as paint, and the soil and sky as canvas."

#### **Parish Gardens**

If you feel moved to lend a helping hand around the parish gardens... weeding, trimming, pruning,... come on in!!!

#### **Church Bulletins**

For the time being we are not permitted to print church bulletins. So they will be available online only.

Rest in Peace... We pray for the soul of Joseph Poirier. May he rest in peace. Please remember his family in your prayers.

#### Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Ralph Davey, Maureen Tustin, Betty Crete

#### Please pray for those who are ill

Baby M, Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Andrea Fisher, Francis Patterson, Leroy Collee, John Corfield, Fern Albert, Marie Betts, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Cyndee Matvichuk, Rosanna Ricci, Karen Bradley, Ron Winslow, Carmine Astorino, Andy Scotnicki, Corinne Journeau, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Judy, Mary Ann Quigley, Maria Nobile, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Teresa Hebb, Jarod Hickey, Julian Cassidy, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Mary Frances Pye, Gus Bagarozza, Carol DeVilliers, Joe Young, Kelly Power, 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 Zanus, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Fern Albert, Kelly Laslo, Toni Brideau, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nikki Mansfield, Lester Snow, John Cox, Leo Martin, Nicolina Compare, Dr. Andy Fisher, Alvin Learn, James Moody Sr., Nancy Jean Rose, Eric Corcoran, Carmella Modenti, Anna Hunt, Rose MacDonald, Elizabeth Stachura, Denise Colalillo, Brian Smith, Donna Bradley, Charlene Shannon, John Kealey, Margaret Smith, Anna Vergalito, Frank Sica, Helen Lelievre, Nancy Weiss, Jeanne Lea, Rebecca Evans, Samuel Potapczyk, Mary Lawrence, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Michelle Price, Emily Hanover, Donna Cormier, Margaret Waghorn, Drago Bicanic, Jeanne S, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffradi, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Vito Fuccillo, Tom Hilton, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Marie Massolin, Jeannette Fabian, Maria Melchiorre, Jozefa Bilski, Francesco Albanese, Todd Reid, Mary Brennan, Conner Hawkswell, George Teibert, 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, Alessia Commisso, Trina Washington, Mary Jo O'Kell, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Shirley Machulla, Baby Nicholas, Baby Victoria, Pepper Martin Jr.

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



#### !!!Project Share Needs our Help!!!

Food donations are at their lowest from June to August every year, and shelves often get close to being empty ... while the need doesn't diminish. This year has been rough for the poor and the hungry. We are asked to do all we can to get them through this challenging period. Project SHARE's most needed food items include peanut butter; protein items such as canned tuna, salmon, chicken, ham; and canned beans, pasta sauce, pasta, baby food and formula; cereals.

Lord, when did we see you hungry?

#### **Food Drive-Homeless Drive**

I want to thank our many parishioners who have been bringing in food since Easter Saturday to help local families who are struggling. It's truly amazing how much food we have been able to share! The families and the schools send a huge thanks to all of you. As the weather gets warmer it is going to be difficult to keep food in the garages. If anyone wishes, you can certainly bring in gift cards for local supermarkets, Walmart, Shoppers, Giant Tiger and when people call for food assistance, we will have them on hand. Many thanks to all of you who continue to bring in personal hygiene items and snacks for the homeless in the tent city and also in the motels. The coordinators send their heartfelt thanks to all of you. St. Pat's has truly gone above and beyond with sharing love during this Pandemic. God bless all of you.

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.

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

### FROM THE PASTOR

#### Dear Friends,

Happy

This Wednesday we will celebrate Canada Day! So... Happy Canada Day to everyone, eh! May we give God thanks and praise for all the

freedoms we enjoy in this great country! We are truly blessed.

It's hard to believe July is here already! The weather has been a little out of kilter, but at least we've had nice cool

nights for sleeping. Congratulations to all our Elementary and High School Graduates! The celebrations of Graduation and Closing School Masses couldn't take place this year. You all reached a milestone! And for that we are grateful and happy. We pray that the summer will be a safe one for all our students; and that our teachers, and staff will have a relaxing break! We hope that when you return in September, we will be back to some more normalcy. It's been a rough year for everyone.

There's nothing like gracious and warm hospitality! Hospitality is highlighted in today's First Reading and Gospel. The Prophet Elisha was warmly welcomed when he entered a town, by an unnamed woman. She provided him with warm and gracious hospitality. Elisha knew she had no children and she was well beyond child-bearing years! But you guessed it! She was rewarded by God. The ancient people believed that each person should be welcomed as though one were welcoming God! Jesus moves this virtue of hospitality into Christian times in today's Gospel. Hospitality is far more than being a good host at a dinner party. Hospitality means **encountering the presence of God in others**, usually in those whom we least expect, and then nourishing that presence. When we practice genuine hospitality, then the stranger is no longer a stranger, but a member of our family! A good week to pray for an openness to God's presence in ways we least expect. Blessings for the week.

#### Fr. Gerard



#### **Prayer of Thanksgiving for Canada**



We thank You, O God for the many blessings you have bestowed on the people of Canada. We thank You for the rich gifts of this land, and for those who teach us to live in harmony with its resources.

We thank you for every person whose loving work, leadership and ministry has helped this country shine

with the light of Christ.

We ask you to bless this country of Canada; bless our families and communities with Your peace. Make us good stewards of its resources and inspire us to shine with Christ's light in all that we do. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### **Church Opening**

Our regular Mass schedule started up two weeks ago, and thus far it has been going very well. Thank you so much to the volunteers who help direct the flow and movement, sanitize the pews and doors, and assist our parishioners and visitors. The only issue we are running into is people arriving late for Mass (some 10-15 minutes after Mass begins). This can pose a problem as latecomers do not hear the special directions at the beginning of Mass. It also poses a problem with finding seating. We ask latecomers to try a wee bit harder to be on time.

#### Pandemic Prayer (Fr. Gerard)

Lord,

keep reminding us that Covid-19 is not over; the storm may have subsided a little, and we can navigate a little better, with some caution.

Help us not to become too complacent, or let our guard down.

Those winds can pick up and cross our bows very fast ... too fast when we least expect it.

Help us move about, sensibly, with each of us being responsible, having more care for each other.

May we always leave room for you, to be at the helm of our lives; our Navigator, Master Mariner. Amen.

#### **Update on Sacraments**

Please check the weekly bulletin for updates on Sacraments during this Pandemic. We are hoping to begin Baptisms soon, with limited attendance, preferably with parents, Godparents and immediate family only. You will be contacted by our parish secretary, once all the protocols are in place. First Communion and Confirmation are deferred until the fall.

#### **Funerals During the Pandemic**

Churches are now permitted to celebrate a Funeral Mass with very **limited attendance**. Once all the protocols are in place, you will be updated in the parish bulletin. For now, funeral services will be held at the funeral homes. Memorial Masses can be held with 30% capacity. Currently there is only one entrance into the church, and two exits.



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#### **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.

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