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Rev. Gerard Power, O.Carm., Pastor  
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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  
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.**

# FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT



## Saturday, March 5

**5:00** Fr. Brian McCulloch *req. by Cliff & Teresa Sexton*  
For unborn Children *req. by Stefanie & Peter Maiuri*

## Sunday, March 6 First Sunday of Lent

**8:00** Giuseppina Cavaliere *req. by Rocco Cavaliere*  
Tomas Le An *req. by the Nguyen Family*

**9:30** People of the Parish

**11:30** Virginia Ricci *req. by Roseanne & Anthony & Family*  
Maria Della Marca *req. by Michael & Regina De Mizio*

## Monday, March 7 St Perpetua & St Felicity

**8:00** John & Eddie Duval *req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams*  
For the Healing of Gaetan Buteau *req. by his Family*

## Tuesday, March 8 St John of God

**8:00** For the Healing of Nina Gilbert *req. by Fern Albert*  
For the People of Ukraine

## Wednesday, March 9 St Frances of Rome

**8:00** Fred Girardo *req. by Belle Liberty*  
Gus & Zorka Wach *req. by Friends*

## Thursday, March 10

**8:00** Maria & Paul DiPaul *req. by John DiPaul*  
Maria Arraga & Fransico Arraga *req. by Family*

## Friday, March 11

**8:00** Charlie Ogilvie *req. by Deb Ogilvie & Family*  
Hugh, Felicitas & William Hockton *req. by the Family*

## Saturday, March 12

**5:00** Frank Provenzano *req. by Josephine Provenzano*  
Walter Chaisson *req. by the LHPC Team*

## Sunday, March 13 Second Sunday of Lent

**8:00** Peter Viet *req. by the Nguyen Family*  
Salvatore (Sam) Mannella *req. by Eda Martin*

**9:30** People of the Parish

**11:30** John & David Kealey *req. by Maureen*  
Ody Argenta *req. by Diana Argenta*

## 2022 Church Envelopes & 2021 Tax Receipts

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes & Tax Receipts as soon as possible. Call the Office (905-354-7451) to arrange for pick up during the week. They are in the sacristy, to the left of the altar, if you are here at Mass on the weekends. Many thanks.

## The Giving Bowl

### "A Lenten Sacrifice" for St. Pat's!

Once again this Lent, we will have a special container at the front and back of the church. All donations will assist *The Giving Bowl*, which feeds up to 1200 children at local Catholic Schools in Eastern Uganda. This is the only hot meal these children get each day! They also assist with medical issues, uniforms and tuition. Please place your donations into these containers during Lent! If you wish to donate by cheque, please use a separate envelope and make cheque payable to *The Giving Bowl*. This is a Registered Charity under the CRA, and they issue their own receipts for Income Tax Purposes. Approximately 80% of their funds go directly to the Food Program. The other 20% is used for school fees for the most desperate, a school uniform to replace the most tattered, also notebooks and pencils, medical supplies, and in dire cases, to purchase a goat for very needy families. If you use the parish offertory envelopes, you must write the cheque to *St. Patrick Parish*. Then we issue a cheque to *The Giving Bowl* at the end of each month.

## 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.

Rest in Peace... We pray for the soul of Fr. David Blanchard, O.Carm.. May he rest in peace. Please remember his family in your prayers.

## Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Mary Power, Charlene Shannon, Tony Gallo, Flori Heimbigner

## Please pray for those who are ill

Brandon Agnew, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Tony Laslo, Patrick Macri, Nancy Waters, Christine Pritty, Sandra DeFoe, Natalie Speth, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Justin Vaillancourt, Betty Calzonetti, Marcellina Mativo, Rita Ross, Francis Patterson, Fern Albert, Estelle Critelli, Leon French, Joan Foell, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Dr. Andy Fisher, Ron O'Neill, Andrea Fisher, Kelsey Liles, Angelina Greco, Betty Crete, Leroy Collee, Eric Van Noort, Joe Young, Judy, Gaetan Buteau, Ralph Davey, Rose MacDonald, Kathryn Kneller, Maureen Tustin, Mahmat, Maureen Kealey, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Andy Scotnicki, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Dennis Bowers, Karen Bradley, Ron Winslow, Corinne Journeau, Carmine Astorino, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Mary Ann Quigley, Teresa Hebb, Mary Frances Pye, Nancy Weiss, Julian Cassidy, Marney Broderick, Gregory Roulston, Sister Prem, Kerrie Szuch, John Nicks, Cameron Boyes, Pasquale Abrunzo, John Calder, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Bernadette Moore, Norma Zanuz, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Kelly Laslo, Toni Brideau, Jeanne Lea, John Cox, Nikki Mansfield, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nicolina Compare, Nancy Jean Rose, Anna Vergalito, Charlene Shannon, Carmella Modenti, Anna Hunt, Elizabeth Stachura, Denise Colalillo, Brian Smith, Donna Bradley, Margaret Smith, Rebecca Evans, Samuel Potapczyk, Michelle Price, Mary Lawrence, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Drago Bicanic, Margaret Waghorn, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Vito Fuccillo, Tom Hilton, Jeanne S, Francesco Albanese, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Jeannette Fabian, Maria Melchiorre, Jozefa Bilski, Todd Reid, Mary Brennan, Conner Hawkswell, Faith Amadio, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Maria Guerin, Patricia O'Reilly, Audrey Vendramin, Patrick Kealey, Cheryl Granton, Walter Wallace, Francois Chayer, Baby Victoria, Vital & Anna Chayer, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Jadwiga Wozniak, Julie Nicholson, Stefanie Borin, Patrick McCarthy, D.D., Alessia Comisso, Mary Jo O'Kell, Pepper Martin Jr., Trina Washington, Jackie, Cheryl D'Amizio, Bob Marshall

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

## Collections

February 27: \$7,445.00

The Giving Bowl: \$1,066.75 (to date)

Heating: \$2,039.00 (to date)

Many thanks for your generosity!

## Children Sacramental Dates 2022

**Confirmation:** Saturday, April 30, 2022 @ 7:00pm

**First Communion** for this year's Grade 2's will be celebrated on Sunday, May 15, 2022 at 1:30pm.

(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.)

40 DAYS FOR LIFE runs from Ash Wednesday, March 2 – April 10, 2022 on the sidewalk outside GNGH on Portage Road. You may sign up at [www.wpcprolife.com](http://www.wpcprolife.com) For further information, please contact Annette: loeffenlife@gmail.com, 905-325-1251.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in all parishes in the Diocese of St. Catharines on Saturday, April 2, 2022 10am–2pm.

## Weekday Mass Schedule for Lent

Monday- Friday: 8:00 AM

## Stations of the Cross

Friday 7:00 PM followed by *Benediction* and *Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*





Dear Friends,

Today is the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent. It was so joyful last weekend to see many people, young and old returning to Mass after two years. We are slowly easing back to 'as normal' as we can. The ribbons have been removed from the pews and the markings removed from the floors. However, we will still have to wear a mask until further notice. Our choir started up again on Ash Wednesday night. Hymn books and worship aids are placed back in the pews. Our ushers will be taking up the Sunday Collection at the regular time. We will be able to enter and exit at which ever door we wish.

We have had sanitizer at our church entrances since 2003, and we will continue to do so. It is always wise, that if you are not feeling well, to stay at home. We still have to decide about the safety of bringing the gifts to the altar. And we will update you on when we can safely begin Children's Liturgy at the 9:30 AM Sunday Mass. Depending on church attendance, we will make a decision whether or not we need to continue with the 7:00 PM Sunday Mass. We want to ease into things using caution, and we will continue to update you in our parish bulletin and also on our parish website. God bless,

Fr. Gerard

### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent – March 6, 2022

Dear Friends:

In today's Gospel, Jesus is led by the Spirit into the wilderness for 40 days, where he is tempted by Satan. He fasted for 40 days, as his human flesh cried out for food. He was so vulnerable. Satan knew this and tempted him **three times!** *Turn this stone to bread... worship me and this kingdom will be yours... throw yourself down from here!* These temptations were spurned by Jesus, as he hurled **scriptural grenades** back at Satan! The three temptations offered Jesus a quick fix, an easy way out. But Jesus **resisted** each one. Oh that we could do the same!



What are the **temptations** in our lives? Where do we look for our quick fixes? Lent is a season to look seriously at our response to temptations. We all have them! They're everywhere. Do we give in to the wrong foods, the wrong activities, alcohol, drugs, pornography, peer-pressure, gambling, greed, desires of the flesh? To whom or to what do we give control over our lives... over our decisions? Hopefully we can learn from the Master... and ward off all the little satans out there that keep popping up! Lent is a sacred time to face our temptations and deface them gracefully. May we allow Jesus and his POWER to help us grow in this **'spring-time' of the soul!!!** We pray for each other along this Lenten journey! Blessings! Fr. Gerard



### Three Traditional Lenten Practices

**Prayer, fasting and almsgiving** are three traditional spiritual exercises to consider during Lent. Properly approached and utilized, they will indeed facilitate a change of heart and conversion in our lives. As one writer says, **"prayer, fasting and almsgiving are not the point of Lent, they are the tools of Lent."** They are like three legs of a tripod. **Prayer** nourishes our spirits; **Fasting** disciplines our bodies and puts us in solidarity with those who suffer from hunger; and **almsgiving** enlarges our hearts as we commit ourselves to the good of others.



### First Communion

Congratulations and best wishes to our Grade 3 children at St. Mary and St. Patrick Schools who finally celebrated their First Holy Communion last Sunday. May God bless them on their journey.

### Food Month

Let's make March **FOOD MONTH!** We are all invited to bring Macaroni and Cheese; canned pasta, canned soups, canned meats or tomato sauce to Mass on the weekends. Let's make a difference in the lives of the hungry!

### Parish Office

Our Parish Office is now officially open to visitors again. If you require a Mass Card, Little Flower Card, or Baptism Certificate, etc. please call ahead and we will gladly have it ready for you.

### A Prayer for Ukraine

Loving God,  
We pray for Ukraine, its leaders and people,  
that you will make your presence known to them in this time of war.  
We pray for their protection and for an end to the Russian invasion.  
We pray for the innocent, the frightened, the injured,  
and for those who have lost loved ones, homes and family.  
We pray that you will bless the endeavours  
of those who work for peace and for an end to this war.  
Have mercy on Ukraine.  
May your peace rule in the hearts and minds of all leaders,  
especially the leaders in Russia.  
Stir up all world leaders to work together  
for the good of all.  
Through Christ our Lord, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

### SYNOD 2021-2023, Journeying Together

#### Prayer for the Synod

*We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.  
With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;  
Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.  
We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.  
Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.  
Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.  
All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.*

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