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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.

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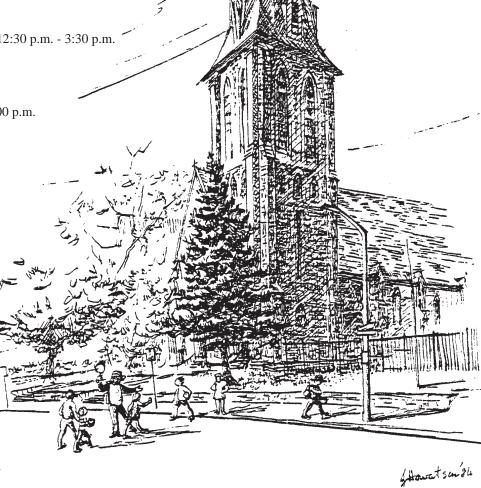
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Most Rev. Gerard Bergie, D.D., Bishop Most Rev. John A. O'Mara, D.D., Bishop-Emeritus

Parish Established 1858 Church Dedicated 1895

New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Saturday, May 13 Our Lady of Fatima

5:00 Vincent & Nina Audibert req by the Family

Dec'd mem of the Creamer & McAllister Families reg. by Mary & Family

Sunday, May 14 5th Sunday of Easter Mother's Day

8:00 Patricia Patterson req. by Gloria Pietrobon & Family

Georgette Lafferty req. by Margaret, Kevin, Paul, Michael, Danielle & Leona

9:30 Feliksa Brzozowski *req. by Janusz & Komar Families* Irma Pizzolato & Pierina Baccichetto *req. by Dumele & Pizzolato Fam*

11:30 Immacolata Luciano req. by Children & Grandchildren

Nancy Di Paolo req. by John Di Paul

7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, May 15

8:00 Philippine Buteau req. by the Family

Helen Ogilvie & Dec'd of the Ogilvie Fam req. by St Angelo & Ogilvie Fam

Tuesday, May 16

8:00 William Marsden req by John & Maureen Kealey

In Honour of Lisa & Steve Racz on their 30th Wedding Anniversary req by their Family

Wednesday, May 17

8:00 Gianni 'Johnny' Bonaldo req. by Antonio & Delfina Campagnaro Michael Brazeau req. by Stu & Mary Lou Gallardi

Thursday, May 18 St John I

8:00 Bernie Gozansky req. by the Family

Anna Kieu & Phero Hiep req. by Duy's Family

Friday, May 19

8:00 Gregory Ogilvie req by the Ogilvie Family Scott Balfour req by Mom & Dad

Saturday, May 20 St Bernardine of Siena

5:00 Irene Smatana req by the Family

Helen & John MacDonnell req. by the Family

Sunday, May 21 6th Sunday of Easter

8:00 Iolanda De Prophetis req. by Guilio & Family John Leo req. by Mom & Dad & Family

9:30 Luigi Marcon req. by D & D Argenta & Girls

Antonio Gulla Sr. req. by the Family

11:30 Giuseppe Elia *req. by Angelo & Theresa Elia & Family* Filomena Capacchione *req. by Anthony & Paula Capacchione* **7:00** People of the Parish

2017 Church Envelopes & 2016 Tax Receipts

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes & Tax Receipts as soon as possible. They are at the main doors of the Church today. Many thanks.

Upcoming Weddings at St. Patrick's in May

Kavinee Hui & Jonathan Yat Fang Hung Michelle Jedrzkiewicz & Ian Fernandes



Please continue to bring food items to Mass for Project Share! Every item helps! Project Share sends a heartfelt thanks for 668 pounds of food that we donated during March! Let's see if we can't double that!

"Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

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Congratulations to Lisa & Steve Racz on their 30th Wedding Anniversary

A Collection will be taken up next weekend for the Pope's Pastoral Works. Envelopes are at the doors of the Church today, please be generous.

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

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Loretta Bagnulo and Conrad Loisel. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Bette Anne Chevalier, Samuel Potapczyk, Winifred Andrews, Baby Noah, Helen Lelievre, Mary Brennan, Pellegrino Iuliano

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, John Nicks, Melissa Brideau, Anna Hunt, Lena Grespan, Matteo Parente, Loreto Rey, Frances Comeau, Mary Creamer, Mary Lawrence, Leon Dopke, Bernard Martin, William JA De Foe, Emily Hanover, Leo Martin, Drago Bicanic, Baby Victoria, , Nancy Weiss, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffradi, Wendy & John Calder, Pauline Miner, Edna McDonell, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, Sharon Regular, Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm., Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Danielle Barranca, Lucy Rizzo, Barbara Phillips (Murray), Audrey Vendramin, Jeanne Lea, Stan Manning, Iole Mancini, Alice Dalton, Baby Maximus, David & Patrick Kealey, Joanna Daniels, Ray Sexton, Francesco Albanese, Mary Ann O'Shea, Rosalyn Dagleish, Kelly Detlor Kitty Decicco, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jozefa Bilski, Charlene Shannon, Dr. Andy Fisher, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, Anna Vergalito, John Jefferson, Todd Reid, Jill Leronowich, Vince(Jim) Baldassarro, Nancy Jean Rose, Guiseppina Paonessa, Phyllis Higgins, Patrick McCarthy, Norman Horth, Muriel Pivarnyik, Helen Lelievre, Tom Hilton, Walter Wallace, Stefanie Borin, John Cox, Joyce Weaver, Kerrie Szuch, Faith Amadio, Margaret Smith, Carmella Modenti, Margaret Waghorn, Theresa Poirier, Carlo Trasmundi, Vito Fuccillo, Baby Hope, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Kelly Laslo, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Commisso, Vicki Dubeau, Donna Bradley, Mary Jo O'Kell, Baby Sebastian, Lorraine Murray, Patricia O'Reilly, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Trina Washington, Shirley Machulla, Baby Gabriel Paraskevopoulos, Brian Smith, Lorraine Spence, Patricia Desrosiers, Helen Rotella, Maria Benevento, Jeanne S, Michelle Price, Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.

Collections

May 6 & 7: \$6,918.75 Ryan's Bowl: \$10,072.15 (to date) Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2017

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday, May 28, June 25, July 23 & Aug 27

A mandatory meeting for <u>Parents and Godparents</u> will be held in the Church on Tuesday, May 16, June 13, July 11 & Aug 15 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!

Knights of Columbus Hennepin Council 1652 All you can eat Spaghetti and Meatball Dinner

Including Salad, Dessert, Tea and Coffee.

Wednesday May 17, 2017 4:00pm – 7:00pm 6101 North Street \$10.00/person, children under 10 \$5.00 (Takeout available)

CHANGE FOR LIFE Baby Bottles for Hannah House

This weekend, we will be handing out Baby Bottles to help support **Hannah House**. Fill the bottle with either coins, bills or a cheque. Bottles will then be returned to St. Pat's Church on June 18, Father's Day.

Hannah House provides women, ages 21 and under, with a safe environment to share the joys of pregnancy and gain effective parenting skills, when it seems there is nowhere left to turn.

Annual USC Retreat...Mt. Mary Immaculate Retreat Centre, 413 Wilson St, Ancaster, ON May 26-28, 2017 mountmary.ca Estelle 905-374-3176

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



Dear Friends:

Today's Gospel is so familiar to us. It's filled with so much divine food for our Christian souls! I'll tackle it in 3 points:

How often I have proclaimed the first part of this Gospel at funerals. "If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself." These words of Jesus give comfort and hope to families at the time of a death. It leaves mourners with the assurance that there is a place prepared for us, when we die. In context, Jesus speaks these words to his disciples shortly before his own death. And it was to prepare them for what was about to happen to him. It gave them hope because he promised he would come back again and take them to himself. That same promise is made to me and you. All the more reason to be faithful to him. Keep the faith alive and active! Keep the message of Christ alive!!!

Jesus says, "I am the way, the truth and the life." Maybe we can reflect on how we are following the "way, the truth and the life." If we are faithful to him in life, he promises to be faithful to us in death! God has plenty of time for me and you... but what sort of time do we leave for God? For personal prayer? Community worship? Acts of charity? Good deeds? When I run into families whom I haven't seen at Church in a while, I always ask how they're doing, or that I have missed seeing them. I get the all too familiar responses, "I've been so busy!"; "My Sundays are filled with so many activities!"; "It's the only day I have to sleep in!"; "My kids have hockey, soccer, baseball, ... and many other activities!" Lame excuses to say the least! I always remind them about Saturday evening Mass and Sunday night Mass! Maybe we can encourage others, especially our younger family members to give God 45-50 minutes a week for community worship and service!

Today's Gospel begins with Jesus' words, "Do not let your hearts be troubled." A great week to bring our troubled hearts, our grieving hearts, our restless hearts, our lackadaisical hearts to God for comfort, healing and encouragement. May we feel His Divine presence this week! Blessings! Fr. Gerard



"Every parting gives a foretaste of death; every coming together again a foretaste of the resurrection"

While we are mourning the loss of a loved one, others are rejoicing to meet them behind the veil.

Happy Mother's Day

Happy Mother's Day to all our moms in the parish! A special prayer will be prayed at all Masses this weekend for our mothers, living and deceased. May God shower our mothers with many blessings.

Mother's Day Prayer

May the blessing of the Divine Be an especially bright benediction Upon mothers everywhere On your blessed day -On Mother's Day! Amen



Pray the Rosary in May

May is the Month of Our Lady! The Rosary is prayed in our Church every morning at 7:30! *Keep Mary in mind and Jesus will grow in your heart!*

Every Wednesday in May, the Rosary will be Prayed in the Lower Hall at 7pm, followed by Refreshments hosted by the CWL

May the Mother of Jesus and our Mother, always smile on your spirit, obtaining for it, from her Most Holy Son, every heavenly blessing. Saint Padre Pio

My Favourite Things

On Sunday, May 28, at 3:00 PM, one of our young parishioners, **Sarah Dufresne**, Soprano, will be performing at the LeMarsh Room in the Niagara Falls Public Library. This is a fundraiser (Free will donation) to assist Sarah to sing at Accademia Europea dell'Opera. Please come out and support Sarah. She will be accompanied by Anna Ronai on the piano. Let's celebrate and support our local talent!

Student Summer Employment

St. Patrick Parish is hiring a post high school/collage-age student for the Summer... Victoria Day to Labour Day, to assist with maintenance, painting, cleaning, yard work. Must know the difference between weeds and garden plants! Must be a self-starter. Some heavy lifting and ladder climbing involved. Must be committed for the entire summer. Preference given to parishioners. 40 hours weekly @ \$12 per hour. Please drop off a Resume or call Fr. Gerard for an interview, 905-354-7451. Deadline: Friday, May 19, 2017.



Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre Presentations:

Separated & Divorced Healing Ministry Support Group meets every second & fourth Monday of the month, (changed to Tuesday May 23 due to Victoria Day) from 7 - 9pm at Mt Carmel Spiritual Centre.

For information call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154

Carmelite Spirituality Group ... You are invited to Mt Carmel Monastery on the second Sunday of each month to explore Carmelite spirituality.

Mt Carmel Spiritual Centre, 2 - 5pm www.carmelniagara.com

Warehouse of Hope: -Accepting used electronics, small appliances, TVs, etc. working or not. Bring items Monday to Friday 9 - 5pm and place them in the drop-off house at the back of the building, 46 Broadway Ave., St. Cath.

Pilgrimage to St. Anne De Beaupre July 24 to July 27, 2017 for information Please contact Maria Chiovitti @ 905-356-9794



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