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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.

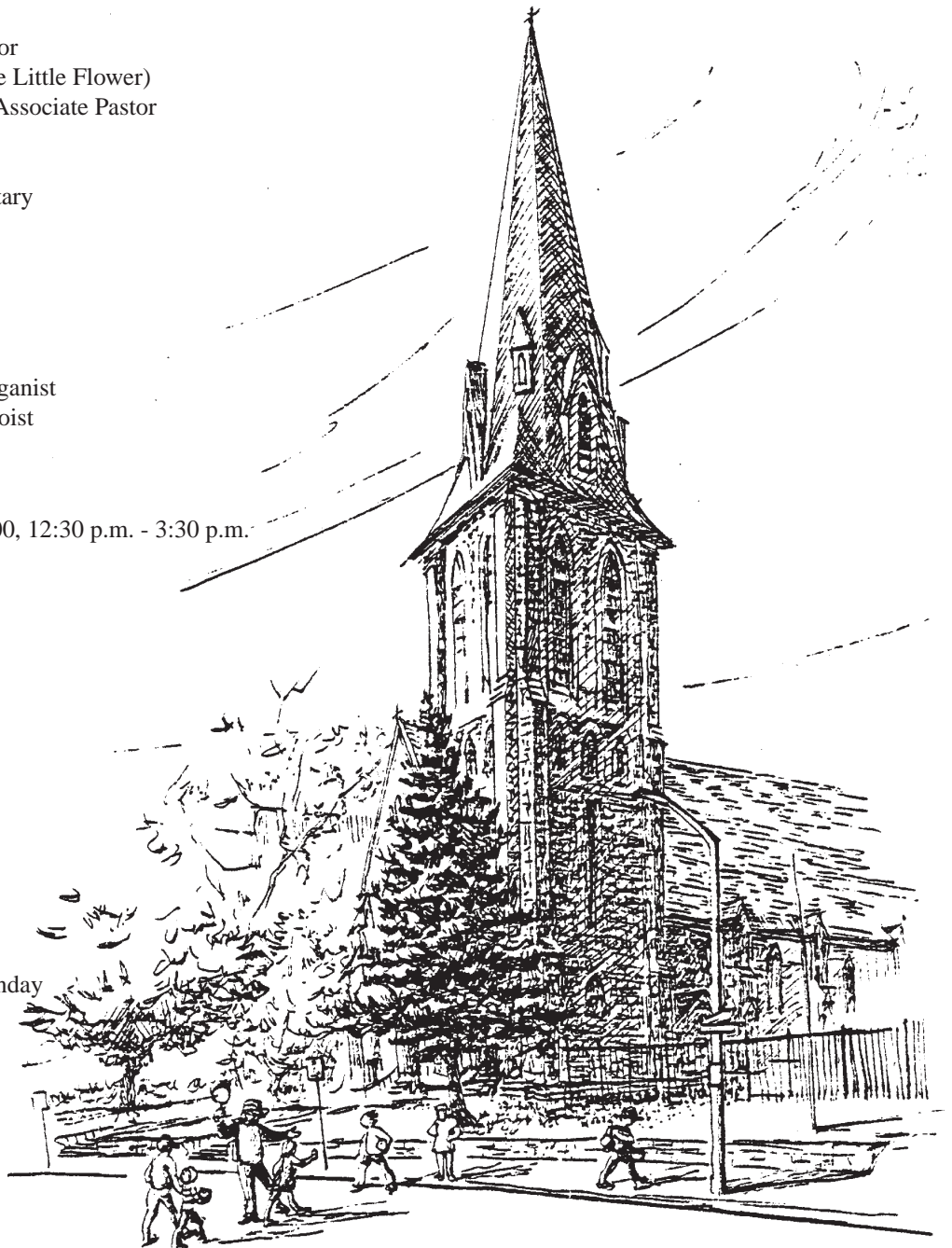
Schools

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

New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Saturday, May 17

5:00 Vincent Audibert *req by Fred & Betty*
Irene Smatana *req by the Family*

Sunday, May 18

8:00 Father Tony *req by Sherry & Howard*
Joanne & Bill Amadio *req by the Family*
9:30 Theresa Sargeson *req by Wayne*
Louie Marcon *req by Children & Grandchildren*
11:30 People of the Parish

Monday, May 19 Victoria Day

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

Tuesday, May 20 St Bernardine of Siena

8:00 Bernard Gozansky *req by the Family*
Richard Campaner *req by the Campaner Family*

Wed, May 21 St Eugène de Mazenod & St Christopher Magallanes

8:00 Ray Buckborough *req by his Sister: Alice*
Intentions of the Little Flower Society

Thursday, May 22 St Rita of Cascia

8:00 Intentions of the Little Flower Society
Deceased Carmelites

Friday, May 23

8:00 Intentions of the Little Flower Society
Fr. Tony & Fr. Bruce *req by Staff*

Saturday, May 24 Blessed Louis-Zéphirin Moreau

5:00 J. Michael Speth *req by Stefanie & Peter Maiuri*
Antonio Gulla *req by the Family*

Sunday, May 25 The Pope's Pastoral Works

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Dec'd Conidi & Conidi-Rocuzzo Fam. *req by Conidi Family*
Tadeusz & Helena Chrzanowski *req by Elizabeth & Family*
11:30 Thomas & Ethel Leahy *req by Muriel Lafford*
Immacolata & Alessandro Luciano *req by Children & Grandchildren*



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 3rd), Mount Carmel/Our Lady of Peace (June 18th); & Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre (October 26th).

A Collection will be taken up next weekend,

May 24-25 for the Pope's Pastoral Works.

**Envelopes are at the doors of the Church today,
please be generous.**

Vincent's... The Society of St. Vincent de Paul's Thrift Store is looking for dedicated volunteers for 3 hours per week...Call 289-296-3807 or apply in person, 5970 Lundy's Lane. Store hours, Tuesday to Saturday 10am – 4pm. Join our team and share some hope!

Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner

Thursday, May 22 from 4 – 7pm Columbus Hall 6990 Stanley Ave
Spaghetti, Meatballs, Salad, Dessert, Coffee & Tea
\$15 Adults, \$8 12 & under Pay at the Door

DID YOU KNOW?

For those of you who have Celiac Disease or are allergic to wheat products, our parish has special approved **Gluten-Free** hosts available. The onus is on you to let the presiding priest know before each Mass. He will ensure that he has it in his ciborium for you.



We have a few parishioners who struggle with perfume allergies!
Please keep this in mind as you prepare yourself for Sunday Mass.
Just a little dab'll do!

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, Carl Lundrigan, Howard Wales, Maureen Young, Peter Meisenburg Jr., Emma Corfield, Norah Marrie, Jeanne Lea, Joe Antonio, Theresa Prentice, Anna Tartaglia, Joyce Weaver, Leonardo Gualtieri, Muriel Lafford, Isabell Frost, Robert Orsini, Rick Woram, Enzo Bellon, 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, Patrick Macri, Victor Pizzolato, Jeanne S, Christine Pritty, John & Laura Giampa, Jim & Betty Calzonetti, Eric Van Noort, Julian Cassidy, Lorraine Spence, Estelle Critelli, D.D., Rita Ross, Leon French, Tony Cuvieello, Kelsey Liles, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Samantha Jayne, Laurie Crites-Warner, Norma Zanus, Judy, Jadwiga Wozniak, Kerrie Szuch, William JA DeFoe, Betty Crete, Sister Prem, 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., Francesco Albanese, Julie Nicholson, 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, Marie Brooker, Francois Chayer, Samuel Potapczyk, 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

May 11: \$6,999.99
Building Fund: \$1,490.00
Giving Bowl: \$11,968.90 (to date)
Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2025

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on:
Sunday June 22, July 20, Aug 24, Sept 21, Oct 19 & Nov 23
A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, June 10, July 8, 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 Dates for 2025

First Communion: Sunday, May 25, 2025 @ 9:30am & 1:30pm
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.)

Congratulations to John & Rose Horth

On the celebration of their 60th Wedding Anniversary

Please refer to the Bulletin Boards at the back and side entrances of the Church for many important notices and events, including information on Children's Summer Camp

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Dear Friends,



After the sadness of Pope Francis' passing on Easter Monday, there was great surprise and jubilation at the election of a new Pope on May 8, 2025, after less than 24 hours in the Conclave. **Cardinal Robert Prevost** will be known as **Pope Leo XIV**, the

first Pope ever born in the United States... an Augustinian Friar from the South-Side of Chicago. He spent over 20 years ministering in Peru. Welcome to Pope Leo. We hold him deep in prayer as he begins his Papal Ministry.

...
In today's Gospel, on this 5th Sunday of Easter, we have a scene from the Last Supper. Jesus is at Table with his friends for one last time. After Judas had departed, Jesus said, *I give you a new commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you.* These words and this command should be embedded deeply into our Christian hearts and souls! The basic command for Christian life. "By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."



As I have loved you? How has he loved us? The greatest love story of all human history! Imagine, God became one of us. Took on our flesh and blood, to save us. He held nothing back. Even

nailed to a cross for me and you. From that dark Good Friday, all that is Christian stems. All love stems! We certainly know how Jesus loved us. But how do we **love one another**? This is not a gentle invitation, **this is a command from Jesus!**

My prayer is that we will take some time this week to reflect on this Gospel, and ask ourselves, **how are we doing as His disciples!** Maybe we can renew our commitment to follow this commandment of love. This command calls for a way of life, modeled on Jesus' life. I'm sure if we look into our hearts, we will find things there that are not in keeping with Jesus' command. Maybe its pettiness, negativism, self-centeredness, judging, un-forgiveness, jealousy, racism, sexism, ageism, greed, anger! Whatever we may find in our hearts and souls that is contrary to Jesus' love, maybe we can do something about it this week! God has enough grace and mercy for everyone to change! Have a loving week!

Fr. Gerard



"Harmony is when you find two notes that love one another."

Pray the Rosary in May

May is the Month of Our Lady! St. Patrick Parish prays the Rosary every weekday morning at 7:30.

Keep Mary in mind and Jesus will grow in your heart!



"Spread love everywhere you go: first of all in your own house. Give love to your children, to your wife or husband, to a next door neighbour... Let no one ever come to you without leaving better and happier. Be the living expression of God's kindness; kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile, kindness in your warm greeting."

-- St. Teresa of Calcutta

What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of people. That is what love looks like. --St. Augustine of Hippo

First Communion Sunday

Next Sunday, May 25, 2025, we will celebrate First Holy Communion for 35 little children. At 1:30 PM we will have a special Mass for St. Mary and St. Patrick Schools. And there will be 11 children celebrating their First Holy Communion at the 9:30 AM Mass. Let's welcome our little children to the Table of the Eucharist!

Prayer for Pope Leo XIV

Heavenly Father,
You have raised Your servant, Pope Leo XIV, to the Chair of Saint Peter. Pour out Your abundant blessings upon him.
Through him, guide Your pilgrim Church along the path to Heaven. Grant him wisdom to discern Your will, Courage to fulfill it, And charity to shepherd Your people with the Heart of Christ.

In this time of transition,
Bring peace to troubled hearts,
Joy to those who suffer,
And hope to the despairing.
May he be a faithful successor to Saint Peter,
A humble servant of Your Word,
And a fearless herald of Your Divine Mercy and Truth.

Strengthen him with the grace of the Holy Spirit,
That he may lead the Church in unity, holiness, and fidelity.
We entrust him to the maternal care of the Blessed Virgin Mary,
And to the prayers of all the saints. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Easter 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!

A Weekly Reminder

Without GOD, our week would be:

Sinday, Mournday, Tearsday, Wasteday, Thirstday,
Fightday & Shatterday.

Remember: Seven days WITHOUT GOD makes One WEAK!!

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

Little Flower Society Cards

St. Patrick Parish Office has Mass Cards in stock from the Carmelite's Little Flower Society. We have Healing Mass Cards, Living Intentions, Five-Year Memorial Cards, and also Perpetual Memorial Cards. By using those cards, you not only comfort a family member or friend, but you also support the mission of the Carmelites, our Carmelite Vocation Efforts, and our Carmelite Formation Programs in several countries.

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