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Carol Martin - Director of Music
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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



New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Saturday, May 18 St John I

5:00 Helen & Gregory Ogilvie req. by St. Angelo & Ogilvie Families
Domenico Marcon req. by Tullio Milani & Family

Sunday, May 19

8:00 Richard Campaner req. by the Family
Anthony (Tunney) Lococo req. by DeMizio & Lococo Families
9:30 Bernie Gozansky req. by Ethel & Family
Francesco Mastropiero req. by the Family
11:30 Scott Balfour req. by Mom & Dad
Immacolata Luciano req. by her Children
7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, May 20 Victoria Day St Bernardine of Siena

8:00 Ivan Peter Maglicic req. by Lorenzo & Mary Leone
Mass of Thanksgiving req. by Duy Nguyen

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

8:00 Marie Cadman req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams

Wednesday, May 22 St Rita of Cascia

8:00 Bruno Marcello DeLazzari req. by Eda & Leo Martin
Sergio Simonetti req. by John & Lucy Sills

Thursday, May 23

8:00 Addolorata Crisci req. by Augusta Macri

Fri, May 24 Bl Louis-Zéphirin Moreau, World Day of Prayer for Church in China

8:00 Gus & Zorka Wach req. by Friends

Sat, May 25 St Bede the Venerable, St Gregory VII & St Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi

5:00 Irene Smatana req. by the Family
Luigi Marcon & Family req. by Dina, Liana, Gino & Families

Sunday, May 26 The Pope's Pastoral Works

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Antonio Gulla req. by the Family
Peter Quy req. by the Nguyen Family
11:30 Dec'd Heximer & Croghan Families req. by the Family
Filomena, Benito & Lidia Capacchione req. by Anthony & Paula Capacchione
7:00 Lawrence & Lucy Kinney req. by Evelyn Kemp
Thomas Stranges req. by Flo Maruca & Family

Baptism Schedule for 2019

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

Sunday, May 26, June 23, July 21, Aug 25, Sept 22, Oct 20, Nov 24 & Dec 15

A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, May 14, June 11, July 9, Aug 13, Sept 10, Oct 8, Nov 12 & Dec 3 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!

Ministries... If you would like to serve as Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server, Lector, Usher, Funeral Server, or **Children's Liturgy** please let the parish office know, and with great joy we will provide the necessary training! Please call the office at 905-354-7451 if interested.

Upcoming Weddings at St. Patrick's in June

Sabrina Cardamone & Andy Silveira
June Slee & Thomas Chevalier

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.



Please continue to bring food items to Mass for Project Share! Every item helps! "Lord, when did we see you hungry?"



Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Joshua Power & John Paul Reid. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Dr. Andy Fisher, Pauline Vaillancourt

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Kelly Power, Gregory Roulston, Nancy Huber, Wilf Manuel, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Norma Zanous, Lily Williams, Mark Pepple, Margaret Christopher, Nikki Mansfield, Nicolina Compare, Bernadette Moore, Alvin Learn, James Moody Sr., Fern Albert, Lester Snow, Rose MacDonald, Elizabeth Stachura, John Calder, Melissa Brideau, Toni Brideau, Charlene Shannon, Carmella Modenti, Moira Campbell, Anna Hunt, John Kealey, Anna Vergalito, Helen Lelievre, Nancy Weiss, Leo Martin, Samuel Potapczyk, Baby Julian, Denise Colalillo, Mary Lawrence, Bernard Martin, William JA De Foe, Emily Hanover, Drago Bicanic, Baby Victoria, Joyce Weaver, John Cox, Margaret Waghorn, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffrati, Edna McDonnell, Fred Girardo Sr., Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Danielle Barranca, Iole Mancini, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Jeanne Lea, Maria Rosiana, Tom Hilton, Jill Leronowich, Audrey Vendramin, Baby Maximus, Patrick Kealey, Margaret Smith, Evelyn Rose Baker, Francesco Albanese, Frank Sica, Florrie Heimbigner, Kitty Decicco, Jozefa Bilski, Todd Reid, Rebecca Evans, Nancy Jean Rose, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, Faith Amadio, Kelly Laslo, Brian Smith Patricia O'Reilly, Baby Hope, Patrick McCarthy, Stefanie Borin, Walter Wallace, Francois Chayer, Kerrie Szuch, Vito Fuccillo, Donna Bradley, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Mary Jo O'Kell, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Comisso, Baby Sebastian, Jadwiga Wozniak, Lorraine Spence, Mary Brennan, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Helen Rotella, Michelle Price, Carlo Trasmundi, Baby Gabriel, Shirley Machulla, Baby Nicholas, Jeanne S, Trina Washington

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

Collections

May 12: \$5,395.00

Ryan's Bowl (to date): \$13,012.50

Many thanks for your generosity!



Congratulations and best wishes to those who were baptized in February, March & April... Clyde, Mavric & Scarlet O'Brien, Vyella Diaz, Alexander Seca, Leia Size, Victoria Vergalito, Milo Callara, Evelina Jaski, Colton DaCosta MacLeod, Curtis Leong, Brooke Clark, Melissa Gold, Stephen Moss, Juliet Ryan, Julien, Landyn & Mila Clark, Charlotte Grebenc & Archer Moss.

CWL News...

For the month of May the C.W.L. will be Praying the Rosary in the hall at 6p.m. on Wednesday evenings except for May 22nd

There will be a container at the back of the church for the duration of the month of May. Please place toiletry items for Woman's Place. We will be delivering it at the end of the month!!!

St. Patrick's CWL will hold their Pot Luck dinner and meeting on Wednesday, June 5 at 6:30 pm in the Hall. All are invited to attend and please bring your favourite dish to share.

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!

Host Families Needed to host International Students coming to Niagara to attend Summer and Fall Short & Long term programs with local Niagara School Boards. Host Families can be large or small, we are looking for people with an interest in showing hospitality and learning about other cultures through opening their homes to young students. For more information please contact us at 905-688-8119 or info@hospitalitecanada.com

Please do not leave the Church Bulletins in the pews. If you do not wish to take it home, please return it to one of the tables at the doors of the Church. Thank you

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



Dear Friends:

It's Spring, but the weather has been frightfully bad! Hopefully before long, we will be able to put away our wool hats and scarves.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is at Supper 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 vital command from Jesus!** My prayer is that we will take some time this week to reflect on this Gospel, and see how we are really doing as His disciple! Maybe we can renew our commitment to follow this commandment of love. This command calls for a way of life, modeled on his life. Maybe we can look deep into our hearts! I'm sure we'll find things there that are not in line with Jesus' command. Perhaps it's pettiness, negativism, self-centeredness, judging, un-forgiveness, jealousy, racism, sexism, ageism, greed, anger! Whatever we 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 blessed week!

Fr. Gerard



Pray the Rosary in May

May is the Month of Our Lady!

St. Patrick Parish prays the Rosary every morning at 7:30
Keep Mary in mind and Jesus will grow in your heart!



Big Thank You

Many thanks to the students at St. Patrick School who raised \$450 for Ryan's Bowl Food Program! God bless them for their generosity.

"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

Parking at Mobi-Fly

It has been brought to our attention that a security company is blocking the entrance to the parking lot across the street on the weekends (Victoria and Queen). There has been a few issues with people parking there during funerals. We must remember that this is a private parking lot. We have tried to initiate a dialogue with the owners, but to date we have had no success. For the time being, maybe it is a good idea to use designated street parking, or park in the church parking lots. We will keep you informed.

Student Summer Employment



St. Patrick Parish is once again hiring a high school grad/college student (18+) for **June 1st to September 1st** to assist our Care Taker with maintenance, cleaning, painting, gardening, lawn care, etc. Preference will be given (but not limited to) active parishioners (any parish). Must be a self-starter.

Occasional heavy lifting, and ladder climbing involved. You may choose 30-40 hours weekly (8 AM-4 PM). If interested, please call **Fr. Gerard** for an interview, **905-354-7451**, or email (stpatrick1895@hotmail.com). If you have a resume, drop it off at the parish office asap!

Cathedral Appeal

On Thursday, May 1st, all priests in the Diocese attended a very important meeting with Bishop Gerard Bergie and the Diocesan



Business Managers. This was to address the work and restoration desperately needed for our Diocesan Cathedral, St. Catharine of Alexandria. Every parish in the Diocese is expected to help. We must remember, this is our Mother Church. And we all have to take

care of our Mother! The first phase of this appeal began last Sunday with a pulpit letter. All the information is available at the doors of the church. And there is a lot of information available on line. Every parish has been assessed, so St. Patrick parishioners are asked to raise \$16,000 this year, which is 3% of last year's income. There are also opportunities for parishioners to consider donating toward a specific project, eg. mural, art, statue, restoration of a Station of the Cross, etc. And these contributions can be credited to the parish. A thermometer for the appeal is at the side door and main entrance of the church! Stay tuned. Check out: <http://www.saintcd.com/bishop-announces-cathedral-restoration-project/>

LIVING ROSARY

During the month of May, the Knights of Columbus, Council 1652, will be conducting the Living Rosary every Tuesday evening at 7 pm in their downstairs Lounge at 6101 North Street, Niagara Falls. This year, we'll be using the "Scriptural Rosary" version which features a story line after each rosary prayer. Everyone is welcome; please come and join us. Coffee and light refreshments will follow the Rosary prayers.

The Soup Kitchen, Niagara Falls Community Outreach...

Here's how you can help: These items are needed on an ongoing basis: *coffee, napkins, cranberry juice, iced tea, flour, pudding & sugar*
We are looking for volunteers for setup and serving of meals, especially Saturday lunchtime

Cash donations are appreciated as we receive no government funding.
nifcommunityoutreach.org 905-354-1640

St. Vincent de Paul Society Trivia Night...Friday, May 31, Tickets are \$20 each includes Pizza & Snacks... Door Prizes, Silent Auction & Penny Sale Prizes at **St. Alfred Church, 272 Vine St.** Doors open at 6:30, game starts at 7pm sharp. Proceeds to SVdPCamp 905-329-8568 or shelleysvp@gmail.com

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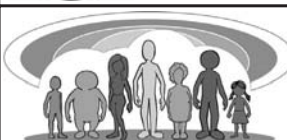
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