# Saint Patrick's Church

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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

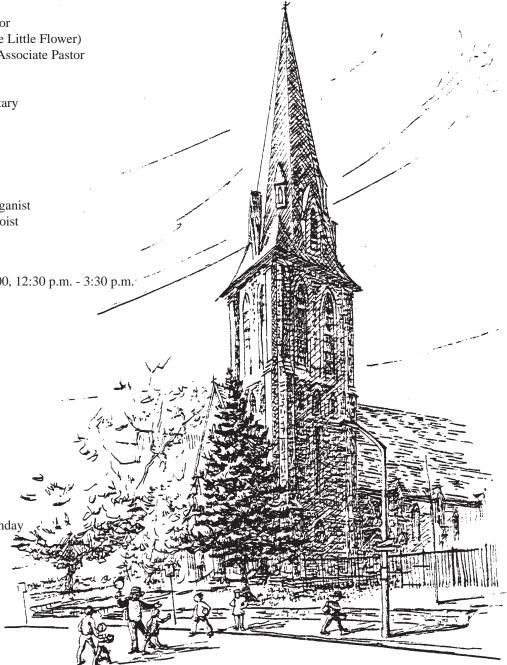
Please contact the parish office at least six months in advance. Preparation weekend is required.

#### 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

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New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.

#### **PENTECOST SUNDAY**



#### Saturday, May 18 St John I

5:00 Irene Smatana req by the Family
Domenico Marcon req by the Milani Family

#### Sunday, May 19 Pentecost Sunday

8:00 Bernard Gozansky req by the Family Scott Balfour req by Mom & Dad

9:30 Carole Finella req by Joe Finella

Louie Marcon req by Dina & David Argenta & Girls

11:30 People of the Parish

#### Monday, May 20 Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

**8:00** Richard Campaner req by the Campaner Family Theresa Sargeson req by her Son: Wayne

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

**8:00** Ray Buckborough req by his Sister: Alice Gerard Cormier req by his Daughters

#### Wednesday, May 22 St Rita of Cascia

8:00 John & Maureen Kealey req by Clara & John Fisher Nora & Charlie Daley req by Family

#### Thursday, May 23

8:00 Jerry Nieuwesteeg req by the Family

Christopher, Alana & Amy Wenger req by Aileen & Bryce Adams

Friday, May 24 Blessed Louis-Zéphirin Moreau

8:00 Intentions of the Little Flower Society

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

5:00 Annette Tessier req by Jeanne Lea & Family

Dec'd mem. Olsiak & Kulesh Families req by John & Helen Olsiak

#### Sunday, May 26 The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity

8:00 Fr. Tony req by Howard & Sherry Peter Quy req by the Nguyen Family

**9:30** Vincenzo & Angelica Lizzi req by the Pullano Family Raffaele Fabiano reg by his Children & Grandchildren

11:30 People of the Parish

#### 2024 Church Envelopes & 2023 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. If you are here at Mass on the weekends, they are on the Radiator at the back of the Church. Many thanks.

# Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in May Stephanie Audibert & Ryan Molloy

#### May is Mary's Month



May is the month that we as Catholics pay special tribute to Mary, the Mother of God. The Rosary is prayed daily at St. Patrick Church at 7:30 AM, Mon-Fri as a way of honouring Mary. You will also hear some familiar Marian Hymns throughout the month, as a way of praising Mary in song. This is a good month for all of us to renew our devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary.

#### 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.

Is God calling You?...If you feel called to serve as an Altar Server, Funeral Server, Eucharistic Minister or Lector, please call the parish office, 905-354-7451.

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

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, Norm Scott, Ted Greschuk, Barbara Conidi, Lindsey Luby, Charlene Shannon, Jim Crowley, Toni Brideau, Sherry Wales, Peter Meisenburg Jr., Maureen Young, Maureen Tustin, Maureen Watson, Michael DelGrande, Leila Khan, John F, John Arnold, David Gallina, Andrew Zacharuk, Patrick Macri, Alba Rondinelli, Antoinette Vescio, Nancy Waters, Victor Pizzolato, Jeanne S, Christine Pritty, John & Laura Giampa, Jim & Betty Calzonetti, Eric Van Noort, Isabell Frost, D.D., Jeannette Fabian, Missy Bilotta, Flori Heimbigner, Rita Ross, Anna Hunt, Leroy Collee, Leon French, Tony Cuviello, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Judy, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, William JA DeFoe, Estelle Critelli, Betty Crete, Sister Prem, Kelsey Liles, Julian Cassidy, Kelly Laslo, Mahmat, Teresa Hebb, Rose MacDonald, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Karen Bradley, Norma Zanus, Jadwiga Wozniak, Betty & Mary Ann Quigley, Bob Marshall, Arlene Collee, Danielle Barranca, John Calder, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Kerrie Szuch, Pasquale Abrunzo, Anna Chayer, Denise Colalillo, Patrick McCarthy, Michelle Price, Francesco Albanese, Mary Jo O'Kell, Maria Guerin, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Carmella Modenti, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Margaret Waghorn, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Patricia O'Reilly, Gloria Smelko, Jackie, Fran Smelko, Jozefa Bilski, Walter Wallace, Vanessa Athoe, Faith Amadio, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Pepper Martin Jr, Marie Brooker, Brian Boudreau, Samuel Potapczyk

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

#### Collections

May 12: \$6,033.27 Pope's Pastoral Works: \$715.00 Many thanks for your generosity!

#### Baptism Schedule for 2024

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday May 26, June 23, July 21, Aug 18, Sept 22, Oct 20 & Nov 24.

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 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!

Parish Registration Please help keep our records up to date! You may be form to the parish office or place it in the collection.	oring this
Name:	
Address:	
City:PostalCode:	
Telephone:	
I am new in the parish and wish to register	
I wish to use contribution envelopes	
I have recently moved	
I have changed my phone number	
We have married & wish to update our information	

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

# FROM THE PASTOR

#### Dear Friends.

It's hard to believe that the Easter Season has come to an end! May we never forget that every Sunday is a 'Little Easter'! Today is the Solemnity of Pentecost, the Birthday of the Church. The church is dressed in RED, depicting the *tongues of fire* that came upon the disciples. Acts of the Apostles gives a vivid account of the day of Pentecost - tongues of fire, a violent wind, many languages, huge crowds!



John's Gospel tells us of the Risen Christ appearing through locked doors in the Upper Room on Easter evening. He breathed on the Apostles and gave them the Holy Spirit. "As the Father has sent me, so I send you," Jesus said. And with those words from the Risen Christ, they were called out of the *Upper Room* into the challenging life of proclaiming the Gospel. St. Paul talks about a variety of gifts,

services, activities and how the same Spirit activates all of them. All of us together are formed by the Holy Spirit into one Body of Christ. All sent out to proclaim the Good News!

Christ calls us out of the Upper Rooms of our lives also, out of our comfort zones... to embrace the challenges of the Gospel. He doesn't just call us... he also gives us the ability to proclaim the Gospel. He gives us His Spirit. The Spirit was poured into us at our baptism... and forms us into the Church. The Spirit allows us to speak with our lives, the language of the *Love of God*. God wants our lives to be proclamations of the Gospel, proclamations of his LOVE.

God wants to make our faith strong, give us a hope that endures, and a love that never grows cold. May the Holy Spirit of Pentecost fill our hearts and homes with love, peace and joy! May we always allow the Spirit to work in and through us!

Happy Pentecost! Happy Birthday to the Church!

#### Fr. Gerard



#### Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Breathe into me Holy Spirit, that all my thoughts may be holy. Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, may be holy. Attract my heart, Holy Spirit, that I may love only what is holy. Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend all that is holy. Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I will always be holy. Amen.

#### Weekday Rosary

Every morning at 7:30, the Holy Rosary is prayed in St. Patrick Church. Keep Mary in mind, and Jesus will grow in your heart!

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

#### Prayer for the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Grant us the Spirit of Fear Of The Lord...

that we may be filled with a loving reverence toward You.

The Spirit of Piety...

that we may find peace and fulfillment in the service of God while serving others;

The Spirit of Fortitude...

that we may bear our cross with You and, with courage, overcome the obstacles that interfere with our salvation;

The Spirit of Knowledge...

that we may know You and know ourselves

and grow in holiness;

The Spirit of **Understanding**...

to enlighten our minds with the light of Your truth;

The Spirit of Counsel...

that we may choose the surest way of doing Your will,

seeking first the Kingdom;

Grant us the Spirit of Wisdom...

that we may aspire to the things that last forever;

Teach us to be Your faithful disciples

and animate us in every way with Your Spirit. Amen.

#### Life Happens

- There is no such thing as fun for the whole family.
- They used to time me with a stopwatch... now they use a calendar.
- You know you're getting old when you stoop to tie your shoelaces and wonder what else you could do while you're down there.
- If you can't be kind, at least be vague.

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



**Project Share** is looking for <u>Volunteers</u> in their Food Room and Warehouse. If you can commit to 3.5hrs a week for at least 6 months,

please consider helping them out. The Hours of Operation are Monday – Friday, 8:30 – 3:30pm. Contact Karen Misek at 365-880-4726 or email volunteer@projectshare.ca For more details, please read the Posters on the Church Bulletin Boards at either the Back or Side entrances of the Church.

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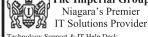


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