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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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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

Monday, May 22 Victoria Day St Rita of Cascia

8:00 Paul Lemire req. by Anita Archambault
Deacon Pat O'Brien req. by Liz Wood & Dave Gignac

Tuesday, May 23

8:00 Bart Martel req. by his sister Leila & Jim Henderson
Jean Baptic Ban, Joseph Tai & Maria Vi req. by Duy's Family

Wednesday, May 24 Bl Louis-Zephirin Moreau

8:00 John MacDonnell req. by Stu & Mary Lou Gallardi
Anna Maria Bardin req. by the Bortolin Family

Thursday, May 25 St Bebe the Venerable, St Gregory VII, St Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi

8:00 Sarah Eka req. by Agatha Eka
Gianni 'Johnny' Bonaldo req. by Antonio & Delfina Campagnaro

Friday, May 26 St Philip Neri

8:00 Dec'd of the Willi & Albert Families req. by Fern Albert
Patricia Patterson req. by Anna Luciano

Saturday, May 27 St Augustine of Canterbury

5:00 Gianni 'Johnny' Bonaldo req. by Mary Profeta
Tony Strangis, Catherine & Augustino Strangis req. by Helen Strangis

Sunday, May 28 The Ascension of the Lord

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Leahey Family req. by Muriel Lafford
Lena Girardo. req. by the Girardo Family
11:30 Peter Quy & Ana Tam req. by the Family
Dec'd of the Croghan & Heximer Families req. by Elizabeth Heximer
7:00 Lawrence & Lucy Kitney req. by Evelyn Kemp
John & Mary Dunphy req. by the Family

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 & June

Michelle Jedrzkiewicz & Ian Fernandes

Veronica Navarro & Adam King



Please continue to bring food items to Mass for Project Share! Every item helps!

"Lord, when did we see you hungry?"



A Collection will be taken up this 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>

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.

Rest in Peace... We pray for the soul of Sharon Regular. May she rest in peace. Please remember her family 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 Laffrady, Wendy & John Calder, Pauline Miner, Edna McDonnell, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, 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 Dettlor, 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 Pivarnyk, 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 Comisso, 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 13 & 14: \$5,942.00
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 Parents and Godparents 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!

CWL News... St. Patrick's CWL will hold their Pot Luck dinner and meeting on Wednesday June 7 at 6:30 pm in the Hall. All are invited to attend and please bring your favourite dish to share.

CHANGE FOR LIFE Baby Bottles for Hannah House

Pick up a Baby Bottle 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.

Festivals of Families - Hosted by Niagara Catholic District School Board & the Diocese of St. Catharines...Mark your calendars for Thursday, May 25 from 4 - 8pm at St Michael High School, McLeod Rd. Join us to watch participating clergy of the Diocese and Niagara Catholic staff & parents face off in a soccer game against an all-star team of Niagara Catholic students! Bishop Bergie will be attending. The evening will include a BBQ, family activities and Christian band competition. Please visit www.niagaracatholic.ca for more information.

Dear Friends:



May is moving right along! We now begin the Sixth Week of Easter. Next Sunday we will celebrate the *Ascension of the Lord*, and the following Sunday will be *Pentecost*!



In our readings today we hear all about the *Spirit*. In *Acts of the Apostles*, Peter and John laid their hands on many people in Samaria, and they received the Holy Spirit! In 1st *Peter*, we are reminded that Jesus was put to death in the flesh, but made *alive in the Spirit*. In John's Gospel, Jesus promises his disciples that after his death, he will ask the

Father to give us an *Advocate*, the *Spirit of Truth* to be with us forever. The Good News is, we are never left alone; we are never orphaned! That's the joy of being an Easter people!

It is the Holy Spirit abiding in us, who boosts our hope ... strengthens us, comforts us, guides us, and inspires us. It is the Holy Spirit who enables us to interpret the signs of the times in ways very different from the world. It is the Holy Spirit who works through us for the transformation of our lives, our families and our world. It is through the Holy Spirit that we are able to live out our Baptismal Promises... and keep following the "*way, the truth and the life!*"

As we draw near to the Great Feast of Pentecost, maybe we can ask God to reignite the Holy Spirit in all of us. Then set us on fire to proclaim the Gospel! Have a blessed week.

Fr. Gerard



TWO NEW SAINTS

Last Sunday Pope Francis canonized St. Jacinta and St. Francisco, two of the youngest saints in our Church! The Blessed Virgin appeared to three children six times in 1917, in a field near Fatima where they grazed their sheep. Jacinta was 7 years old and Francisco, 9 when they first witnessed the apparitions on May 13, 1917 along with their 10-year-old cousin, Lucia dos Santos. While the Marito siblings died two years later during the Spanish flu pandemic, Lucia became a Carmelite nun and died in 2005. Efforts are underway to beatify her, too, but couldn't begin until after she died.



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 7:00pm, followed by Refreshments hosted by the Catholic Womens League



National Collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works

There are special envelopes in our pews today for Pope Francis' Pastoral Works (Peter's Pence). A disastrous flood or earthquake strikes a nation at the other end of the world. Immediately many countries rush in food, medicine, blankets, money and trained people. Prominent among such aid is the financial help offered by the Holy Father to people in need. In the name of Catholics everywhere, he displays Christ's love and compassion for those who suffer. Each year at this time, Canadian Catholics are asked to give generously to this papal collection, which is passed on to the Holy Father for his use among those stricken by natural disasters. Let's help the Holy Father help others!

My Favourite Things

Next 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!



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

Diocese of St. Catharines - Year of the Rosary - A Marian Event
Saturday, June 24, 2017 9am - 2:30pm at Mt Carmel Spiritual Centre Cost \$20 pay at the door (includes lunch)
Register by June 8 905-684-0154 ext 207



let the presider know before Mass.

DID YOU KNOW?

For those of you who have Celiac Disease or are allergic to wheat products, our parish has special **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... or in a separate pyx. If you wish, you can also receive the Precious Blood from the Chalice. Simply,

Parish Registration

Please help keep our records up to date! You may bring this form to the parish office or place it in the collection.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: _____

I am new in the parish and wish to register _____

I wish to use contribution envelopes _____

I have recently moved _____

We have married & wish to update our information _____

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