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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



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 Kitney *req. by Evelyn Kemp*

Thomas Stranges *req by Flo Maruca & Family*

Monday, May 27 St Augustine of Canterbury

8:00 Ken Walsh *req. by St. Patrick Catholic Womens League*

John Buckner *req. by Friends*

Tuesday, May 28

8:00 Marie Cadman *req. by Joan Barden*

Wendy Calder *req. by the Parish*

Wednesday, May 29

8:00 Betty Anne Chevalier *req. by Tom & Family*

Fr. Tony McNamara, O.Carm. *req by the Parish*

Thursday, May 30

8:00 Giovanni Rizzo *req by Mary, Patti, John, Steve & Families*

Carrie-Lynne Sones-Taylor *req. by Friends*

Friday, May 31 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 Addolorata Crisci *req. by Maria DeMizio*

Frances McEvoy *req. by the Carmelites*

Saturday, June 1 St Justin

5:00 Antonio Marcon *req. by Tullio Milani & Family*

Bridget Mundier *req by her Family*

Sunday, June 2 The Ascension of the Lord

8:00 Irma Amadio *req. by the Family*

Aldo & Pat Visentin *req by Marilyn Lococo*

9:30 Bruno Bortolussi *req. by his Wife: Jacqueline*

Bernardino & Gaetania Mallone *req by the Antonio Family*

11:30 Raffaele Fabiano *req. by his Children & Families*

Ivon & Robbie Loro *req by the Family*

7:00 People of the Parish

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!

Ministry... We are in need of 5 volunteers to help with our Children's Liturgy.

It runs from September until the end of June at our 9:30 Mass. We are looking for both adults and high school students. 2 volunteers are needed for each Sunday and are usually scheduled once a month. If you are interested, please let the parish office know, 905-354-7451 and with great joy we will provide the necessary training!

Upcoming Weddings at St. Patrick's in June

Sabrina Cardamone & Andy Silveira

June Slee & Thomas Chevalier

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.



Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Pauline Vaillancourt and Lori Bird. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Dr. Andy Fisher

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 Zanuz, 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'Amizio, 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 19: \$5,594.00

Cathedral Appeal (to date): \$1,485.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

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
- 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!

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. ncommunityoutreach.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 shelleyssvp@gmail.com



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

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



Dear Friends:



Today is the *National Collection for the Pope's Pastoral Works*. When disasters happen in the world, or when humans are in crisis, immediately many countries jump in to assist. Prominent among such aid is the financial help offered by the Holy Father to people in need. This annual

collection (formerly, Peter's Pence) makes these funds available for distribution. In the name of Catholics everywhere, Pope Francis displays Christ's love and compassion for those who suffer.

Our Gospel for this Sunday continues from last Sunday's Gospel. It's Jesus' *Farewell Address*. He speaks these words to his closest followers on the evening before his death. These are the ones who will continue his presence in the world, and help spread the Good News. Jesus tells them, "**Those who love me will keep my word.**" He knows that his death will be tough on his friends and followers. So he gives them his *peace* and says, **do not be afraid**, and **do not let your hearts be troubled**. He even promises that he will send them an *Advocate, the Holy Spirit*. And of course, he does! Praise God!

This is so comforting. God ensures that no one will ever have to walk alone. We have an *Advocate* to help us through life. No matter what we face in our personal lives, our struggles, our battles or storms, through the Holy Spirit, God is right there as **Comforter, Guide and Consoler**. May we do our best to "**keep His word**," and to love like him. Christ is alive and always at our side. That's joy! That's Easter! Have a great week!

Fr. Gerard

Pastor Sheep



Next Saturday at the 5:00 PM Mass, Bishop Gerard Bergie will be here to celebrate Confirmation with our Grade VIII students. God bless Bishop Bergie in his wonderful ministry, and God bless our students as they confirm their faith and receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit!



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!

The Bible tells us to love our neighbours, and also to love our enemies; probably because generally they are the same people. (*Chesterton*)

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

Update on Parking Across the Street

As we published last Sunday, there has been a security company blocking the entrance to the parking lot across the street on the weekends (Victoria and Queen St. -Blue Building). There's been issues with people parking there during weekday funerals. Understandably, we cannot do that during the business week. It is a private parking lot. We reached out to the owner of the property (**Keefer Development**), to get some clarification, and they informed us that we are not permitted to park there anymore. If we do park there, the owner of the vehicle may be "charged a parking fee"! For the time being, it is advisable to use designated street parking, or the church lots. This is being investigated further by one of the tenants of the building, and if there are any updates, or conversion of heart, we will gladly let you know.

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

In the first week of the Cathedral Appeal, we have reached 10% of this year's goal. Many thanks. Anyone wishing to donate by credit card, can do so through Canada Helps.

Go to: **www.canadahelps.org**

Search: **Diocese of St. Catharines**

Choose: "**Cathedral Appeal**"

Fill in parish name and complete donor information.

Canada Helps issues tax receipts.

The Diocese will get a monthly report which will show what parish the donation is from. Canada Helps will deposit donations in the diocesan bank account. On a monthly basis the diocese will provide parishes with updates if parishioners have donated through Canada Helps. Let's see how quickly we can reach our goal!

Little Flower Society Cards



Did you know that 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 our 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.

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.

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. Thanks

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