Saint Patrick's Church

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Niagara Falls, Ontario L2E 4B8 Served by Carmelites Since 1875

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Parish Staff

Rev. Gerard Power, O.Carm., Pastor (Chaplain, Niagara Regional Police) Rev. Marc Bell, O.Carm., Associate Pastor Debbie Herman, Secretary Anne Marie Atkinson, Accountant Secretary Adrian Elia, Caretaker

Music Ministry

Carol Martin - Director of Music Sandra DiCienzo - Organist Tim Marrie - Pianist and Soloist Anthony Scaringi - Pianist and Organist Ashley Gallardi - 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, 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 St. Mary School 905-354-6631 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.

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- Saturday, May 4 Blessed Marie-Leonie Paradis 5:00 Vincent Audibert req. by Fred & Betty & Family
- Cecil Shannon *req by Charlene* Sunday, May 5
- 8:00 People of the Parish
- 9:30 Angelo Radice req. by the Radice Family Nicola Rinaldi req by the Family
- 11:30 Ralph Greco req. by his Wife: Ida & Family Benito Giustini req by the Giustini Family
- 7:00 Walter & Mary Besaw req. by the Family
- Oscar Bonaguro req by the Family

Monday, May 6 St François de Laval

- 8:00 Madeline Rosati req. by Grandchildren Cecil Shannon req. by Bill & Theresa Culligan
- Tuesday, May 7
- 8:00 Arduino & Assunta Maiuri *req. by Peter & Stefanie Maiuri* Elvera Di Matteo & Elio D'Alimonte *req by Angelina D'Alimonte*

Wednesday, May 8 Catherine of St. Augustine

8:00 Noel Bauce req. by Bryce & Aileen Adams Pauline & Bert Miner req by Ethel O'Brien

Thursday, May 9

- **8:00** Ken Walsh *req. by M & L*
- John Buckner req. by M & L
- Friday, May 10
- 8:00 Ivan Maglicic req. by Lorenzo & Mary Leone Rita Bruno req by Ethel O'Brien

Saturday, May 11

- 5:00 Paul LeŠu,Anthony Hung Nguyen&Paul Pham Chanh req. by Family Aline Cormier req by her Dtr: Joanne
- Sunday, May 12 World Day of Prayer for Vocations Mother's Day 8:00 Iolanda DeProphetis *reg. by Giulio & Family*
- Giovanni & Lucrezia Rizzo req by Mary, Patti, John, Steve & Families 9:30 Feliksa Brzozowski req. by Komor & Janusz Families
- Adelino Marcon req by Theresa Marcon 11:30 Jackie Cavasin req. by the Cavasin Family
 - Anna Goegan req by her Children
- **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

A mandatory meeting for <u>Parents and Godparents</u> will be held in the Church on Tuesday, May 14 & June 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!

Children Sacramental Date 2019

Confirmation: Saturday, June 1, 2019 @ 5:00 PM (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.)

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. Thanks

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 souls of Rosalyn Dalgleish, Marie Cadman and Sam McEvoy. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Dr. Andy Fisher, Leon Dopke, 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 Zanus, Lily Williams, Mark Pepple, Margaret Christopher, Nikki Mansfield, Nicolina Compare, Bernadette Moore, Alvin Learn, Bruno DeLazzari, James Moody Sr., Fern Albert, Lester Snow, Rose MacDonald, Elizabeth Stachura, John Calder, Melissa Brideau, Toni Brideau, Charlene Shannon, Moira Campbell, Leon Dopke, 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 Laffradi, 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, Florrie Heimbigner, Kitty Decicco, Jozefa Bilski, Todd Reid, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, Nancy Jean Rose, Faith Amadio, Kelly Laslo, Patricia O'Reilly, Baby Hope, Patrick McCarthy, Stefanie Borin, Frank Sica, Walter Wallace, Kerrie Szuch, Carmella Modenti, Vito Fuccillo, Donna Bradley, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Mary Jo O'Kell, Alessia Commisso, Baby Sebastian, Mary Brennan, Lorraine Spence, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Peppe Martin Jr., Michelle Price, Brian Smith, Carlo Trasmundi, Jadwiga Wozniak, Baby Gabriel, Shirley Machulla, Baby Nicholas, Trina Washington, Helen Rotella, Jeanne S Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.

Collections

April 28: \$6,220.28 Easter & Easter Flowers: \$16,996.96 Ryan's Bowl (Lent to date): \$12,927.50 Many thanks for your generosity!

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in May Sherri Renneboog & Sal Medici

CWL News...

1 ... The C.W.L. are having a Mother's Day draw ... we will be selling tickets at the back of the church for the basket of goodies that you will see!! We will draw the winning ticket on Monday, May 6th so that the lucky woman will have the basket for Mother's Day!!

2... For the month of May the C.W.L. will again be Praying the Rosary in the hall at 6p.m. on Wednesday evenings except for May 22nd 3... There will be a container at the back of the church for the duration of

the month of May, it will be there collecting toiletry items for Woman's Place ... if you wish to donate anything please place it in the box and the C.W.L. will be delivering it at the end of the month!!!

2019 Church Envelopes & 2018 Tax Receipts

Please make sure you pick up your Offertory Envelopes and Tax Receipts as soon as possible. They are near the main doors of the Church by the washroom. Many thanks.

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!

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. nfcommunityoutreach.org 905-354-1640



Dear Friends:

Today's Easter Gospel (John 21: 1-19) is filled with so many interesting details! It occurs between Easter Sunday and Jesus' Ascension. Peter and his companions have returned to their old jobs, fishing. Had they lost



hope? This is the same place where Jesus called them three years earlier. After fishing all night they caught nothing. Then in the morning, Jesus appears and tells them to cast their nets to the right side of the boat. And they had a great haul of fish!!! 153 in total! It pays to listen to the Master! **153**

fish? Interesting number! Supposedly, that was the number of nations known to exist at that time. St. Jerome claimed that at Jesus' time there were **153 known species of fish** in the world! Whatever we make of it, it was a good catch. And Jesus prepares a meal over the charcoal fire! With God all things are possible.

The dialogue between Jesus and Peter cannot go unnoticed! Remember, Peter had denied Jesus three times. Now Jesus demands a triple affirmation from Peter as a negation of his triple denial on Good Friday. Peter is now being called to show that he **really** loves Jesus. How? **Care for my people, feed my lambs, tend my sheep!** Simply put, so must we. Jesus was raised from the dead so we can share in His life, and bring this life to others.

Jesus calls out to us, "Do you love me?" How do we answer? Surely, not by words alone, but by how we live our Christian lives, how we spread the Good News, how we reach out and feed his people! So many others are depending on us. Every single day. People in our town of Niagara, and from many corners of the world are looking to us. From Niagara Falls to Eastern Uganda! We have a mission to complete as members of the Body of Christ. We need to fulfill our function within the Body for the good of the world by proclaiming Jesus Christ with our lives. We have our Easter work cut out for us! In honour of the Risen Christ, may we each do one thing this week to reach out to a brother or sister in need! Have a blessed week!

Fr. Gerard



Congratulations

Congratulations and Best Wishes to our Grade Two children who will be celebrating their First Holy Communion this Sunday. May God bless them on their faith journey.

Welcome

This Saturday evening, May 4th, we will celebrate the Baptism of two of our newest parishioners, Lincoln and Odin Corupe. These are identical twin boys! May God bless mom and dad, Kayley and James, big brother, Robbie, Godparents and family!



Update on Construction

This past Monday we had a new Expansion Tank installed to the boiler system in our parish hall. The diaphragm in the old one had deteriorated. Hopefully this will remedy the many problems we experienced during this winter. Many thanks to Castle Plumbing for their wonderful service, and good price. As you

may have noticed, we had a new Refrigerator installed in our Parish Kitchen. It is a good commercial quality with two sliding glass doors. The company (Advantage) gave us a \$500 discount. (It helps when you celebrate the wedding for the owner!!!) Hopefully in the next couple of months we will be approved for a rebate program to replace the lighting in the parish hall, and the fluorescent tube lighting in the stairwells. The lighting in the gym, church, and exterior buildings have all been replaced with LED lighting. Many thanks to you, our faithful parishioners, for making these projects and updates possible.

Church Sound System

We are going to have a technician come in again and revisit the sound system in the church. No matter what adjustments we have made, we still get an echo. And some parishioners still have difficulty hearing. Lectors and commentators and presiders all have different tones of voice. We will do everything we can to address this issue. Some have noted that certain speakers in the church do not seem to work. Yet, when we check them out, they are fine. In the meantime, we will ask all presiders and lectors and commentators to slow down, and to adjust the microphone accordingly. Stay tuned!!! (Interesting to note: On Easter Sunday, the church was full to the brim, and the sound system had no echo, and was clear as a bell! Hmmmmm.)

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 will begin on May 11th. We will have all the information available next weekend. 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. 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. 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.



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



