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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.

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Saturday, May 5

5:00 Ardiuno & Assunta Maiuri req. by Peter & Stefanie Maiuri
Dec'd mem. of the Olsiak & Kulesh Fam. req. by the Olsiak Family

Sunday, May 6

8:00 Madeline Rosati req. by the Grandchildren
Ivon Loro req. by the Family

9:30 Adelino Marcon req. by Theresa Marcon
Elmira, James & Danny Dick req. by Colette Empey & Yvette Dick

11:30 Jackie Cavasin req. by the Cavasin Family
Benito Giustini req. by the Family

7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, May 7

8:00 Cecil Shannon req. by Bill & Theresa Culligan
Anna Goegan req. by St. Patrick's Catholic Womens League

Tuesday, May 8 Bl. Catherine of St. Augustine

8:00 Maureen & Hank Ahrens req. by Gus & Gloria Remollino

Wednesday, May 9

8:00 Bertilla Canal req. by Lidia Bonaldo & Family

Thursday, May 10

8:00 Paul Le Su, Maria Nhuan Truong & Grandparents Le & Truong req. by the Family

Friday, May 11

8:00 Lucrezia 'Lucy' Rizzo req. by Belle Liberty

Saturday, May 12 St Nereus, St Achilles & St Pancras

5:00 Giovanni Rizzo req. by the Family
Irma Pizzolato & Pierina Baccichetto req. by Dumele & Pizzolato Families

Sunday, May 13 The Ascension of the Lord

8:00 Richard Campaner req. by Ray & Brenda Hicks & Family
Nancy Di Paolo req. by Paul Di Paul

9:30 Feliksa Brzozowski req. by the Janusz & Komor Families
Sandra Brideau req. by her Daughters

11:30 Alberto & Lucia Rossi req. by the Family
Immacolata Luciano req. by her Children & Grandchildren

7:00 People of the Parish

2018 Church Envelopes & 2017 Tax Receipts

Offertory Envelopes & 2017 Tax Receipts are at the main doors of the Church. Please pick yours up today. If you notice a discrepancy please contact the office. Thank you

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in May

Rachel Webb & Matthew Dean

Baptism Schedule for 2018

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday, May 13, June 17, July 15 & August 19
A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, May 1, June 5, July 3 & August 7 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!

Ontario Early Years Centre is located in St. Patrick School. Open Monday, Wednesday & Friday from 8:30am to 12 Noon. It is a FREE program with fun activities for the little ones. Call 905-357-2398 for more details, or check out the website: niagaracatholic.ca/oeycncf

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.

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 Lucy Rizzo, Ray St. Onge, Ronald Fabian, Susan Secord & Vito Francesco Anello (Calabria). May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Sherry Wales, Ron St. Onge, Joe Mancuso

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Ron & Elke St. Onge, Marie Cadman, James Moody Sr., John Calder, Melissa Brideau, Toni Brideau, John Nicks, Leon Dopke, Adele Morabito, Anna Hunt, John Kealey, Brenda Hyde, Helen Lelievre, Samuel Potapczyk, Baby Julian, Baby Noah, Mary Lawrence, Bernard Martin, William JA De Foe, Emily Hanover, Leo Martin, Drago Bicanic, Baby Victoria, Nancy Weiss, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffrati, Edna McDonell, Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm., Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Trudy Smelko, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Danielle Barranca, Iole Mancini, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Alice Dalton, Audrey Vendramin, Jeanne Lea, Baby Maximus, Patrick Kealey, Francesco Albanese, Rosalyn Dagleish, Kelly Dellor, Florrie Heimbigner, Kitty Decicco, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jozefa Bilski, Charlene Shannon, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, Anna Vergalito, John Jefferson, Todd Reid, Jill Leronowich, Nancy Jean Rose, Vince(Jim) Baldassarro, Patrick McCarthy, Muriel Pivarnyk, Tom Hilton, Walter Wallace, Stefanie Borin, John Cox, Joyce Weaver, Kerrie Szuch, Faith Amadio, Margaret Smith, Carmella Modenti, Margaret Waghorn, Vito Fuccillo, Baby Hope, Donna Bradley, Cheryl D'Amizio, Kelly Laslo, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Mary Jo O'Kell, Alessia Commisso, Vicki Dubeau, Baby Sebastian, Patricia O'Reilly, Mary Brennan, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Michelle Price, Brian Smith, Baby Gabriel Paraskevopoulos, Trina Washington, Shirley Machulla, Lorraine Spence, Helen Rotella, Jeanne S, Dr. Andy Fisher, Carlo Trasmundi, Frank Sica, Stacey Thomas

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

Collections

April 29: \$6,491.00

Ryan's Bowl: \$7,128.00 (to date)

Many thanks for your generosity!

C.W.L. News alert... -We will be praying the Rosary as a community every Wednesday in Mass starting at 6p.m in the Hall!! Please come and join us!!

-Read all about it ... we are planning a trip to the Midland Shrine ... \$35 a person ... that includes your coach bus trip as well as entry into the Shrine, a guided tour & Mass ... Saturday, May 26th, 2018 ... reserve your spot, (call the office 905-354-7451 or Maggie 905-246-6212) check out the flyer at the entrances of the Church!!

-Mother's Day ... we as a C.W.L. are asking for donations of soaps, shampoos, other toiletries to donate to Women's Place in May! Please place them in the boxes at the doors of the Church



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

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!

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 _____



Dear Friends!

This Sunday we will be celebrating First Holy Communion for some 30 little children. It is always such an exciting day for them, for their families, and certainly for the Church. May God bless our children! One of the little girls who will be celebrating her First Communion is Celena Maalouf. We sponsored her family from Syria a year ago! It is such a joy to have Celena singing in our children's choir on Sundays! May God bless the Maalouf Family, the Krait Family and all our refugee families as they continue to grow and prosper among us! They always express their gratitude to our community!!!



Today's 2nd reading from 1 *John*, and the Gospel from *John 15* speak about the command to Love. John reminds us that God has first loved us. He has showered His Mercy on us, and has chosen us to be the recipients of his love. In the Gospel we hear that we are to **love one another** as Jesus

loves us! And look what he did out of love for me and you! He laid down his life! We are called to that same sacrificial love. And the Mercy of God is always available for us. God does not give up on us even when we have not loved as we should.

We come before God's mercy today and we ask him to forgive us for our past selfishness and help us start anew. Then we can respond to Jesus' command to love others as He has loved us. If we love others, in the sacrificial love of Christ, everything else will fall into place.

St. Augustine said it best when he wrote: *"Once and for all, a short rule is laid down for you: Love and do what you will. If you keep silence, do it out of love. If you cry out, do it out of love. If you refrain from punishing, do it out of love. Let the root of love be within you. From such a root, nothing but good can come."* May we take the time this week to put love where there's no love! God's blessings!

Fr. Gerard



"Look, Mommy! We're pretending to love each other."

From the Cross, Christ teaches us to love even those who do not love us. *Pope Francis*

People who love each other fully and truly are the happiest people in the world. They may have little, they may have nothing, but they are happy people. Everything depends on how we love one another. *Mother Teresa*

Pilgrimage to St Anne De Beaupre Quebec

July 24 to July 27 for information please call Maria Chiovitti @ 905-356-9794

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 during the year at St. Patrick Church at 7:30 AM, Mon-Fri as a way of honoring 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.

PRAYER TO OUR LADY

Most holy, immaculate Virgin Mary,
to your motherly heart Jesus entrusted his disciples
and to us He has given you.

I thank you, O most beautiful and noble of women,
that you have always loved me as a mother,
and I want to provide afresh for you
an honoured place in my life.

Obtain for me from Jesus
the gift of a new beginning and a new heart:
a heart open and obedient to God's Word;
a heart simple as a child's; a heart bold in sacrifice;
a chaste heart; a thankful heart;
a compassionate heart; a heart like yours, O Mary.

Enfold in your mercy, dear Mother,
all my dear ones especially....(pause)
and all who have a special need for your help. Amen

Thank You

Many thanks to Mr. Joseph Desrosier for replacing our laminate Mass prayer cards, in memory of his mom and dad, Patricia and Joseph Sr.

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. Everyone is welcome; please come and join us. Coffee and light refreshments will follow the Rosary prayers.

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!

Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre Presentations:

7020 Stanley Avenue, 905-356-4113 carmelniagara.com

Carmelite Spirituality: The discussion group, Elijah's Well, meets the 2nd & 4th Friday at 7pm at Mt Carmel Spiritual Centre, Contact Jean 905-975-5326

Separated & Divorced Healing Ministry Support Group meets every second & fourth Monday of the month from 7 - 9pm

For information call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154
separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com

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

Are you tired of living alone? Consider Mount Carmel Home in St. Catharines. A retirement home operated by the Carmelite Sisters, offering assisted living in an affordable and caring family tradition. Care services include meals, housekeeping and medication management.
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