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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.

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, November 9 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

5:00 All Souls Novena

Sunday, November 10

8:00 People of the Parish

9:30 Angelo Radice *req. by the Radice Family*

Francesco D'Angelo *req. by Lucia D'Angelo & Family*

11:30 Ralph Greco *req. by his Wife: Ida & Family*

Benito Giustini *req. by the Giustini Family*

7:00 All Souls Novena

Monday, November 11 Remembrance Day

8:00 Ray Tan Wee Lee & Tan Poh Neo *req. by Wife & Sister-in-law*

Mario Turra *req. by Maria & Family*

Tuesday, November 12 St Josaphat

8:00 Al Massi *req. by the Family*

Catone Maria Caterina *req. by Maria & Family*

9:30 St. Patrick & St. Mary's School Mass

Wednesday, November 13

8:00 Louis Vendramin *req. by his Wife: Audrey*

Madeline & Ovidio Rosati *req. by the Family*

Thursday, November 14

8:00 Marie & Phil Lococo *req. by the Family*

Bruno Bortolussi *req. by his Wife: Jacqueline*

Friday, November 15 St Albert the Great

8:00 Francesco Provenzano *req. by his Wife: Josephina & Family*

Genowefa Wojciechowska *req. by the Family*

Saturday, November 16 St Margaret of Scotland & St Gertrude

5:00 Irma & Julia Pizzolato *req. by Angela & Dave Dumele*

Nina Audibert *req. by Fred, Betty & Family*

Sunday, November 17 World Day of the Poor

8:00 Dec'd of the Quiquero & Fiore Families *req. by Anna*

Rev. Anthony McNamara, O.Carm. *req. by Cliff & Teresa*

9:30 Gino Pullano *req. by the Pullano Family*

Francesco Provenzano *req. by his Wife: Josephina & Family*

11:30 Ernesto Gualtieri *req. by his Dtr: Ida & Family*

Ody Argenta *req. by Diana Argenta*

7:00 People of the Parish

Children Sacramental Dates 2020

Confirmation: Saturday, May 30, 2020 @ 5:00 PM

First Reconciliation: Tuesday, March 3, 2020 @ 7:00 PM

First Communion: Sunday, May 3, 2020 @ 9:30 AM and 1:30 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.)

2020 Mass Intentions

The date for the opening of the Mass Book will be **Friday, November 15, 2019 at 9:00 am** for the members of our parish. Because of the limited number of announced Masses available, we ask that you limit your intentions to **4 per family**. You might consider having a general intention for the deceased members of your family. We also ask that you be flexible with your dates. We will be recording the Mass intentions in the Office, or you may place them in the Sunday collection.

We will not be taking intentions over the telephone.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults

If you or a family member/friend is interested in becoming a Roman Catholic through a **Profession of Faith**, or desiring Baptism, or other Sacraments of Initiation (Eucharist or Confirmation), please give your name to our Parish Office as soon as possible. Our first RCIA meeting will be held during the Advent Season. The sessions will resume after Christmas. During Lent we will meet once a week. This is also a wonderful opportunity for anyone who wants to "refresh or renew" their faith and theology! More information will be forthcoming.

Regenerate(d) 2019... YOU ARE CALLED, Scotiabank Convention Centre on November 23, 2019 Doors open at 7:45am www.branchesoftheword.org

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 Wendy Fisher. May she rest in peace. Please remember her family in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Joe Young

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Andy Scotnicki, Anita Archambault, Roger Paradis, John Corfield, Arlene Collee, Gus Bagarozza, Betty & Joe Power, Jarod Hickey Fred Girardo Sr., Carole Ann Ogilvie, Carol DeVilliers, Kelly Power, Marney Broderick, Sister Prem, Gregory Roulston, Pasquale Abrunzo, Alice Dalton, John Nicks, Wilf Manuel, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Bernadette Moore, Norma Zanus, Lily Williams, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Fern Albert, Toni Brideau, Kelly Laslo, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nikki Mansfield, Lester Snow, Nicolina Compare, Dr. Andy Fisher, Alvin Learn, James Moody Sr., Carmella Modenti, John Calder, Rose MacDonald, Elizabeth Stachura, Charlene Shannon, Anna Hunt, John Kealey, Margaret Smith, Anna Vergalito, Helen Lelievre, Nancy Weiss, Denise Colalillo, Leo Martin, Nancy Jean Rose, Samuel Potapczyk, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Brian Smith, Joyce Weaver, Michelle Price, Mary Lawrence, Emily Hanover, Drago Bicanic, Jeanne S, John Cox, Margaret Waghorn, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffradi, Rebecca Evans, Fred Girardo Sr., Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Lorraine Spence, Jeannette Fabian, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Iole Mancini, Vito Fuccillo, Donna Cormier, Jeanne Lea, Maria Rosiana, Tom Hilton, Frank Sica, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jill Leronowich, Audrey Vendramin, Patrick Kealey, Francesco Albanese, Florrie Heimbigner, Jozefa Bilski, Todd Reid, Marie Massolin, Stefanie Borin, Maria Guerin, Faith Amadio, Patricia O'Reilly, Patrick McCarthy, Walter Wallace, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Commisso, Kerrie Szuch, Donna Bradley, Helen Rotella, Mary Jo O'Kell, Cheryl D'Amazio, Jadwiga Wozniak, Mary Brennan, Shirley Machulla, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Trina Washington, Pepper Martin Jr., Baby Nicholas, Baby Victoria

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

Baptism Schedule for 2019

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday, Nov 24 & Dec 15** A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Nov 12 & Dec 3 at 7:00 pm.

Collections

November 3: \$6,127.00

Cathedral Appeal (to date): \$14,415.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

Cathedral Appeal

After 5 months of the Cathedral Appeal, we have reached **91%** of our goal of \$16,000. Many thanks to all of you who have made a sacrifice. We have until the end of November to reach this goal. So if everyone makes some small sacrifice, we should be able to do this soon. 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 the 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!

Annual Snowflake Bazaar on Saturday, November 16 from 9am - 2pm.

Anyone who would like to donate baked goods for the Bazaar can drop them off in the Church Hall on **Friday, November 15 between 9am - noon**. The Linen table, Penny Raffle and Silent Auction are also in need of donations, new and like new items will be happily accepted.

Thank you for helping the St. Pat's Catholic Womens League.

CWL Ladies please note that in your box of envelopes you have another CWL dues envelope in the month of November, even though you had one in January. This is because we are actually supposed to pay them before the first of the year. So we need to give you the envelopes earlier in order to submit our dues on time!!! If you have any questions please call Maggie at 905-246-6212

**Next weekend the Deo Gratis Collection will be taken up.
Envelopes are at the doors of the Church today.**

St. John Vianney - "We must say many prayers for the souls of the faithful departed, for one must be so pure to enter heaven."



Dear Friends:

The month of November is set aside each year to remember all who have died. Many thanks to all who came out last Saturday evening for our annual *All Soul's Memorial Mass*. It was a wonderful celebration. Many thanks to Fr. Marc, to Carol and Sandra, John Arnold and our Adult Choir; to our lectors, gift-bearers, our servers, and CWL!



The most frequent questions I get as a priest have to do with the next life... Heaven, Hell, Purgatory! And yes, there is a next life... that's our Easter faith! This Sunday's Gospel tells us that even those who have died **are alive!** Jesus says, **"He is a God, not of the dead, but of the living!"**

The last time I checked, there is still a Heaven, a Purgatory, and there is still a Hell, that eternal separation from God, *exclusion from Christ's Kingdom* through mortal sin "that is not redeemed by repentance and God's forgiveness." However, the Church tells us, "we must entrust judgment of persons to the justice and mercy of God."

One of the greatest things we can do for those who have died, is to offer the **Holy Sacrifice of the Mass** for them. And to **pray** for them. We can also **offer alms** and **fast** in their honour. It is most fitting to pray the **Rosary** for the deceased, and to **light a candle**. In our parish we celebrate a **Nine-Day Novena of Masses** for All Souls, and we remember all the names that are inscribed in the **Book of Life**. Never underestimate the power of prayer!

I recall as a child, when we knelt every evening for the Rosary, my father would always pray for the **Souls in Purgatory**. He told us not to forget to **pray for the dead**, especially those who have no one left to pray for them. Each time we celebrate Mass, we remember **"all our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in the hope of the resurrection!"**

Why do we need to pray for those who have died? Simply put, I don't think too many humans, if any, are so perfect and so good and holy, that when they die, they go directly to heaven! Someone once referred to *Purgatory* as *The Waiting Room of Heaven!* They need our prayers as much as we need theirs. Every time I pass a cemetery, I pray the **"Eternal Rest Prayer."** Or when I visit a grave, I pray that prayer. Every time I hear that someone has died, I pray that prayer. Every Christian should know that prayer off by heart. ***Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls, and all the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*** Let's make this a November to Remember!

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Gerard



"I don't know where you got the idea that you couldn't bring your fishing pole with you, but you should've. Because we've got the best saltwater fishing ever up here."



Please continue to bring food items and toiletries to the church for Project Share. "Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

November is All Souls Month

As is our Catholic tradition, we will honour our deceased family and parishioners with prayer throughout November. On November 2nd, we began a Nine-Day of Novena of Masses for All Souls. There is also a **Book of Life** near the Sanctuary. We invite you to inscribe the names of your deceased loved ones in this Book. They will be remembered at all Masses and Prayers throughout the month of November.

Remembrance Day Prayer November 11th



God of mercy and love, we thank You for all who have served in the armed forces of this country. We thank You for the freedom their sacrifice has earned and guarded for us. Help us to prize this freedom and use it well. We ask You to bless all living veterans in a special way

today, as well as the families of all veterans. Comfort those who grieve for those who gave the last full measure of devotion.

Strengthen those who bear physical, emotional, and spiritual wounds. Stand with those who provide care to them. Move us to reach out to sisters and brothers who are veterans, or relatives of veterans, or who currently serve in the military. We pray for the day when no one needs to serve in the military. Help us to live now in anticipation of that day, as people who long for peace, who pray for peace, and who seek to be peacemakers in this world. Amen.

IN FLANDERS FIELDS

Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae

In Flanders fields the poppies blow

Between the crosses, row on row,

That mark our place: and in the sky

The larks still bravely singing fly

Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are the dead: Short days ago,

We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,

Loved and were loved: and now we lie

In Flanders fields!

Take up our quarrel with the foe
To you, from failing hands, we throw

The torch: be yours to hold it high

If ye break faith with us who die,

We shall not sleep, though poppies grow

In Flanders fields

Composed at the battlefield on May 3, 1915

during the second battle of Ypres, Belgium



Christmas Cards

The Knights of Columbus will be at the main entrance of the church on the weekends of November 16/17 and 23/34, selling **Religious** Christmas Cards. This is part of their "Christ in Christmas" campaign. They have beautiful cards in several languages. Get them early and avoid disappointment! All proceeds will go to Project Share Christmas Food Vouchers.

Little Flower Society Cards



St. Patrick Parish Office has Mass Cards available 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 throughout the world.

Vincent's Thrift Store is having its **Third Anniversary Celebration** on **Saturday, November 16, 2019** from 11am- 4pm. We would be happy if you could join us for a special sale and some goodies to mark the occasion of three years of "sharing hope." We are located at **5970 Lundy's Lane** in Niagara Falls. Drop by and see what we're all about.

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!**

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