

# Saint Patrick's Church

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## Music Ministry

Carol Martin - Director of Music  
Sandra DiCienzo - Organist  
Tim Marrie - Pianist and Soloist  
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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.

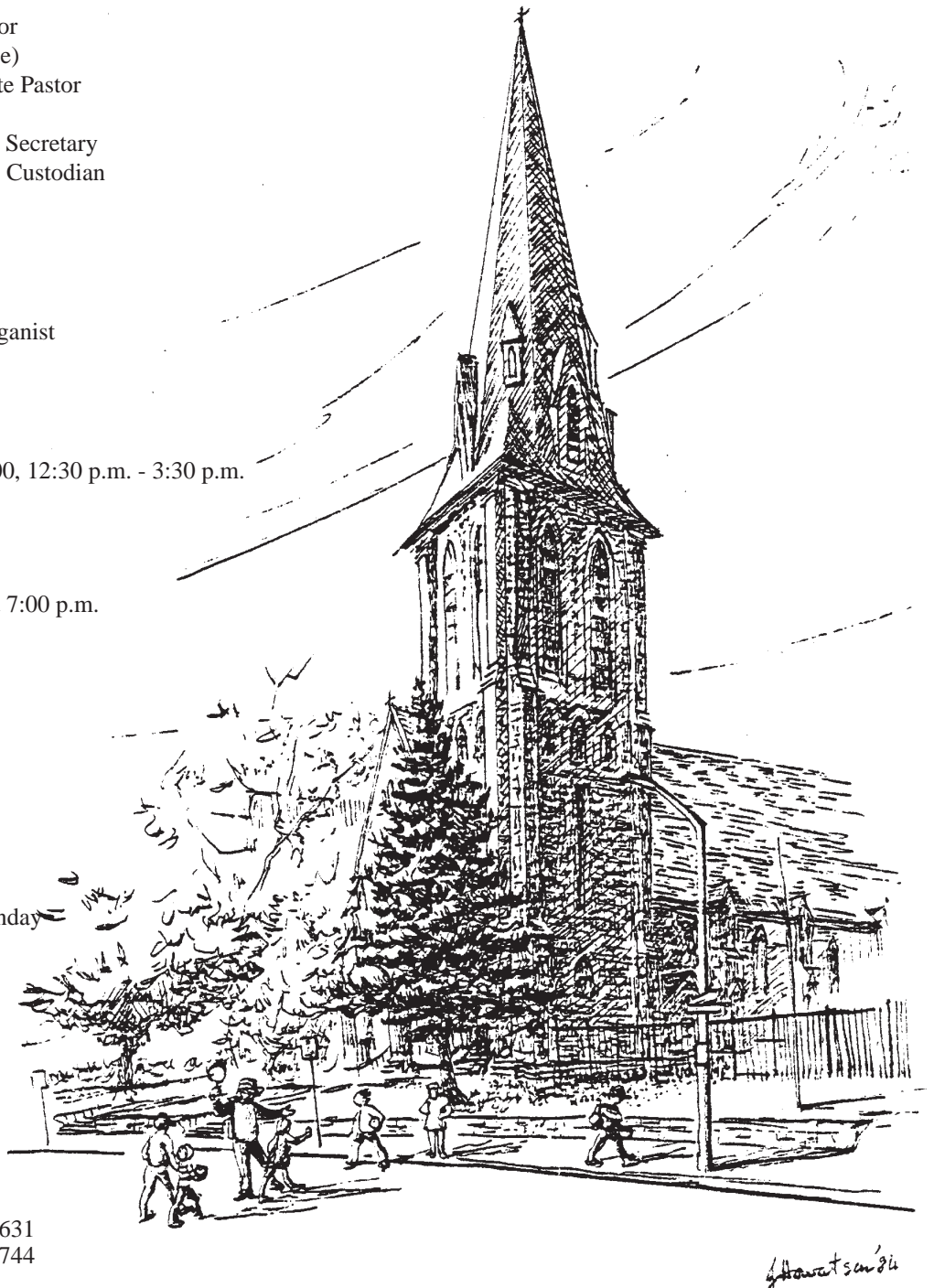
## Schools

St. Patrick School (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-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



### Saturday, Nov 18 The Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts Peter & Paul

5:00 Irene & Victor Smatana req. by the Family

John Leo req. by Mom, Dad & Family

### Sunday, November 19

8:00 People of the Parish

9:30 Angus Lafford req. by Muriel Lafford

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

11:30 John & Margaret Pederi req. by their Dtr: Margaret Pederi

Pellegrino Iuliano req. by Maddalena & Family

7:00 Domenic Morabito req. by Adele Morabito & Children

Ray Sexton req. by the MacDonnell Family

### Monday, November 20

8:00 Leopold Buteau req. by the Family

Nicole Taylor req. by Rose & John Horth & Family

### Tuesday, Nov 21 The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 Loretta Berrigan req. by Shizuko Yano

Anna Tomascini req. by Joseph & Anna Congrady

### Wednesday, November 22 St Cecilia

8:00 Gianni 'Johnny' Bonaldo req. by Eleanor Toneguzzo

Lina Grespan req. by Bob & Edna Palardy

### Thursday, November 23 St Clement I & St Columban

8:00 Pasquale Macri req. by Augusta Macri & Family

Patricia Desrosiers req. by Terry Porter

### Friday, November 24 St Andrew Dũng-Lac & Companions

8:00 Cecelia Lococo req. by John & Maureen Kealey

Michael Hanratty req. by John & Maureen Kealey

### Saturday, November 25 St Catherine of Alexandria

5:00 Pete Mundier req. by the Family

Bryan & Michael Brazeau req. by Paul & Angie De Marco

### Sunday, Nov 26 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

8:00 Eduardo Augello-Todino req. by the DeMizio Family

Frances Comeau req. by Alice Mokrzynski & David Malone

9:30 Angelo Butera req. by Teresa Butera & Family

Lina Grespan req. by Joanne & Frank Fortino

11:30 Mary Watson req. by the Family

Margaret Nicholson req. by the Nicholson Family

7:00 People of the Parish

### St. Patrick School Pasta Night...

Join us on Wednesday, November 30, 2017 for a delicious meal of

Penne & Meatballs! St. Patrick Church Hall

From 5 - 7:00pm...Take out/Pick up 3:00 - 4:30pm

\$9 for Adults, \$7 for Children Water, Pop Juice \$1.00 each

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

### 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.



**Breakfast Program Volunteers needed...** Please call Debbie at the Office for more info or if interested, 905-354-7451

### Church Envelopes 2018

Offertory Envelopes are available in the sacristy, to the left of the altar, please pick yours up today. Many thanks.

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

### Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Jack Horth, Dr. Andy Fisher, Carlo Trasmundi, Frank Sica

### Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, John Nicks, Melissa Brideau, Toni Brideau, Leon Dopke, Anna Hunt, John Kealey, 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 Laffrady, Wendy & John Calder, Pauline Miner, Edna McDonnell, Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm., Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Trudy Smelko, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Danielle Barranca, Lucy Rizzo, Barbara Phillips (Murray), Alice Dalton, Audrey Vendramin, Jeanne Lea, Stan Manning, Iole Mancini, Baby Maximus, David & Patrick Kealey, 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, Patrick McCarthy, Norman Horth, Muriel Pivarnik, 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, Donna Bradley, Cheryl D'Amizio, Kelly Laslo, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Commisso, Vicki Dubeau, 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, Helen Rotella, Jeanne S, Michelle Price, Mary Brennan

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

### Collections

November 11 & 12 : \$5,529.15

Many thanks for your generosity!

### Baptism Schedule for 2017 & 2018

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday, November 19, December 17, January 21, February 11, March 11 (infants only), April 15, May 13, June 17, July 15 & August 19**

A mandatory meeting for **Parents and Godparents** will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Nov 7 & Dec 5 (2018 dates to follow) 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!*

**Keep Christ in Christmas...** The Knights of Columbus Council 1652 will be selling religious Christmas cards after each Mass on November 18, 19, 25, 26th & December 2, 3rd while supplies last. The cards are boxed in various assortments of 12 to 18 cards per box, priced from \$7 to \$12. The cards are in English as well as Spanish, Tagalog, Polish, Ukrainian, Italian & French. All proceeds will go towards Project SHARE Christmas Food Baskets. Let's all "Keep Christ in Christmas"!

Patterson Funeral Home Christmas of Hope Candlelight Memorial Service will be held on Sunday, December 10, 2017 at 7:00 pm at Our Lady of the Scapular Church. All are welcome to attend. For more information please call the Funeral Home at 905-358-3513, or visit [www.pattersonfuneralhome.com](http://www.pattersonfuneralhome.com)

**Sunday, December 10th** will be our Advent Celebration as a parish, hosted by our CWL!! Please save the date and watch for further details!!

### SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS APPEAL

The members of the SSVP again seek your generosity in helping to make this Christmas a little brighter for those less fortunate in our city. This year we are anticipating a significant increase in those requiring our help and we would appreciate your financial assistance.

### Eucharistic Ministers and Lectors

If you would like to serve as Eucharistic Minister, Funeral Server or Lector, please call the parish office. We will have a training session later in the fall.



Dear Friends,

It was wonderful having eleven of my siblings and nieces here for the long weekend (Wednesday to Tuesday). They thoroughly enjoyed our parish and our parishioners. Many thanks for your hospitality and kindness to them... from pizzas, to cookies, to cakes, to gifts, to car rides!

Our Church year is coming to an end. Next Sunday is **Christ the King!!!** And then, Advent. This time of year, our scriptures always address the end times. St. Paul says that *the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night*, and he urges us to *keep awake and be sober!* He also tells us to live as children of the light.

In Matthew's Gospel, Jesus addresses the end times, in the *Parable of the Talents*. The master entrusts his possessions to three of his servants, and then goes on a journey. When he returns he calls them in! He rewards the first two who had invested well... and he punishes the third who buried the talent in the ground. Matthew says, *about the day and hour of the coming of the Son of Man... no one knows only the Father*. When the time comes for each of us to meet our God face to face, it will be great to hear God say, *"Well done, good and trustworthy servant... enter into the joy of your master!"*



Who will share in the Master's joy? Will you? Will I? I'm sure it will be those who do God's work here on earth; those who are faithful to God and God's people; those who have a good relationship with God, those who truly make sacrifices for the poor. It doesn't hurt to

ask, *What must I do to be more fully prepared for the coming of the Lord?* Maybe the answer is: Use God's grace, and the gifts that God has given us... and use them for others... use them to build up God's Reign here on earth! Am I living in "blessed hope?" If not, why not? We have a responsibility to God to take the life that he has given us, treasure it, develop it, celebrate it, share it, and set the world on fire with His Love. God has given us this awesome gift of life! It's too bad if we waste it and squander it. No one wants to be caught off guard.

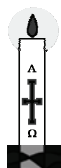
As the Church year winds down, we can ask ourselves, *What am I doing with everything I have been given... my time, my talents, my treasures!* May we have the courage to be fully Christian, fully alive, and more than prepared ... when the Lord comes! Have a blessed week.

Fr. Gerard



### Book of Life

Our *Book of Life* has been placed in the sanctuary. Please write the names of your deceased loved ones in this book. They will be remembered at all Masses, prayers and Rosaries during the month of November.



### Today is World Day of the Poor

At the conclusion of the Jubilee of Mercy, I wanted to offer the Church a **World Day of the Poor**, so that throughout the world Christian communities can become an ever greater sign of Christ's charity for the least and those most in need. To the World Days instituted by my Predecessors, which are already a tradition in the life of our communities, I wish to add this one, which adds to them an exquisitely evangelical fullness, that is, Jesus' preferential love for the poor.

I invite the whole Church, and men and women of good will everywhere, to turn their gaze on this day to all those who stretch out their hands and plead for our help and solidarity. They are our brothers and sisters, created and loved by the one Heavenly Father. This Day is meant, above all, to encourage believers to react against a culture of discard and waste, and to embrace the culture of encounter.

This new *World Day*, therefore, should become a powerful appeal to our consciences as believers, allowing us to grow in the conviction that sharing with the poor enables us to understand the deepest truth of the Gospel. The poor are not a problem: they are a resource from which to draw as we strive to accept and practice in our lives the essence of the Gospel. (Pope Francis)

### Thank You



Thanks to our children from St. Patrick School for sharing with us their Remembrance Day art, that was displayed throughout the church last weekend! May we never forget the many sacrifices that were made for our freedom.

### Just a Heads up!

#### Christmas and New Year's Schedule 2017-2018

##### 4th Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 23- 5:00 PM

Sunday, December 24- 8:00 AM / 9:30 AM / 11:30 AM

##### Christmas Eve- Sunday, December 24

4:30 PM- (Children's Mass with Pageant)

4:30 PM- Gymnasium - Overflow Mass

6:30 PM- Adult Choir with Caroling

12:00 AM- Midnight Mass

##### Christmas Day-Monday, December 25

8:00 AM / 9:30 AM / 11:30 AM... (No Evening Mass)

##### Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Saturday, December 30- 5:00 PM

Sunday, December 31- 8:00 AM / 9:30 AM / 11:30 AM

##### Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Sunday, December 31- 5:00 PM (New Year's Eve)

Monday, January 1, 2018- 11:30 AM (New Year's Day)

##### Advent Reconciliation Service

Tuesday, December 12- 7:00 PM

##### Decoration of Church

Wednesday, December 20- 7:00 PM

### Sacramental Dates for 2017-2018

First Reconciliation- February 7, 2018 @ 7pm

Confirmation- April 14, 2018 @ 5pm

First Communion- May 6, 2018 @ 9:30 & 1:30

(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.)



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