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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

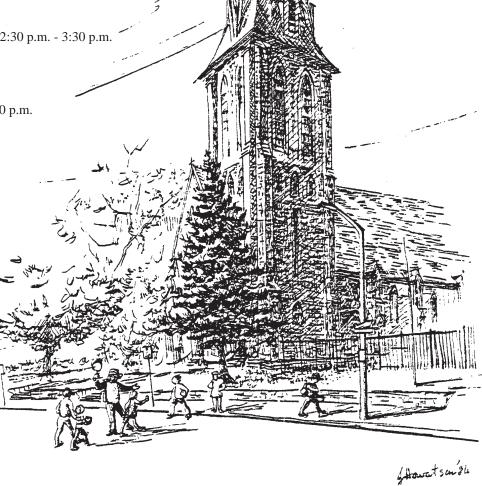
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Diocese of St. Catharines (est. 1958)

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.





Saturday, November 2 Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed

5:00 All Souls Novena Sunday, November 3

People of the Parish

Mr. & Mrs. Lazzarin req. by Louise Marcon

Feliksa & Jozef Brzozowski req. by the Komor & Janusz Fam

11:30 All Souls Novena

7:00 Ody Argenta req. by David, Dina & Granddaughters Gimino Cardamone req. by Fiorina Cardamone & Family

Monday, November 4 St Charles Borromeo

8:00 All Souls Novena Tuesday, November 5 8:00 All Souls Novena Wednesday, November 6 8:00 All Souls Novena Thursday, November 7 8:00 All Souls Novena

Friday, November 8

8:00 All Souls Novena

Saturday, November 9 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

5:00 All Souls Novena Sunday, November 10 8:00 People of the Parish

Angelo Radice req. by the Radice Family 9:30

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

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.)

Diocesan Anniversary Mass & Dinner – Married couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th Anniversary in 2019 are invited to the Diocesan Anniversary Mass on Monday November 25, 2019 5:30pm at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria. Please contact the office at 905-354-7451 as soon as possible. A dinner will follow at Club Roma at 7pm.

2019 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.

Congratulations and Best Wishes to Phillip & Barbara Murphy on their 40th Wedding Anniversary

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in November

Emma Thompson & Nik Terpak

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Jazz Terrio-Tompkins, Kitty Decicco, Chad Morris and Madonna McLean. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Joe Young, Jarod Hickey

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, Fred Girardo Sr., Carole Ann Ogilvie, Carol DeVilliers, Kelly Power, Marney Broderick, 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'Ammizio, 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

October 20: \$5,203.60 October 27: \$5,829.19 World Mission: \$801.40 Cathedral Appeal (to date): \$14,215.00 Many thanks for your generosity!

Cathedral Appeal

After 5 months of the Cathedral Appeal, we have reached 90% 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 our 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!

CWL News...Attention Ladies...The next CWL General Meeting will be held on TUESDAY, November 5th at 6:30pm down in the Hall.

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

Dear Friends:



It's not good to feel lost! Very uncomfortable. Whether lost while driving, lost in the crowd, lost in life! I'm sure we've all experienced being lost at times. Ask any new parent, or new student, or employee, or a person recently unemployed... or separated, or retired, or widowed. It's not a comfortable feeling. It can be so painful and frightening.



We get a glimpse of this in today's Gospel. Jesus was entering Jericho, and there was a huge crowd. And Zacchaeus, who was "short in stature", really wanted to see Jesus! Now Zacchaeus was a tax-collector, a sinner, despised by society, he was lost! So he ran ahead and

climbed a tree in order to see Jesus. If it ended there, that would be great! He got a glimpse of him! BUT Jesus was looking for him! Aha! And Jesus even called out, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today!" Wow! What a story! And then a conversion took place. Lost Zacchaeus is now found... he is saved! Jesus said, "Today, salvation has come to this house!" Zacchaeus promised to give half of his possessions to the poor. He found his bearings in Jesus!

When we are separated from God, we too are lost. We lose contact with the source of our life, even with the reason for our being. We end up making choices that compromise who we are. We fail to see the needs of others. Or could care less! No matter where we have felt lost, or where we have strayed, Jesus is always seeking us out! And he wants us to climb that spiritual tree and receive what he has to offer, SALVATION!!! Jesus stands under our family tree too, under our marriage tree, and he says, "Kay, Joe, Jim, Lisa, Bob, come down! I want to stay at your house today... and forever." Let's accept his invitation this week, once and for all. No one wants to come down out of the tree, and remain lost!

Fr. Gerard





FOR A BRIEF, FRENZIED PERIOD ZACCHAEUS WAS A WII LITTLE MAN

November is All Souls Month

As is our Catholic tradition, we will honor our deceased family and parishioners with prayer throughout November. Beginning November 2nd, there will be a Nine-Day of Novena of Masses for All Souls. We will also have 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 Rosaries and Prayers in our community throughout the month of November.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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

All Souls Novena of Masses

Envelopes are available at the doors of the church for our 9-Day All Souls Novena of Masses. This Novena will begin on November 2nd. It is an important duty to pray for those who have died. May our deceased loved ones, rest in the peace of the Risen Christ.

You Asked!!!

Several people have asked me over the years, why do we have to pray for the dead? Or offer Masses for their souls? Is there still a Purgatory? I take you into the Catechism of our Church. Article 1030-34 tells us that all who die in God's grace and friendship, but still imperfectly purified, are indeed assured of their eternal salvation; but after death they undergo purification, so as to achieve the holiness necessary to enter the joy of heaven. The Church gives the name *Purgatory* to this final purification of the elect, which is entirely different from the punishment of the damned. This teaching is also based on the practice of prayer for the dead, already mentioned in Sacred Scripture: "Therefore [Judas Maccabeus] made atonement for the dead, that they might be delivered from their sin." From the beginning, the Church has honored the memory of the dead and offered prayers in suffrage for them, above all the Eucharistic sacrifice, so that, thus purified, they may attain the beatific vision of God. The Church also commends almsgiving, indulgences, and works of penance undertaken on behalf of the dead: "Let us help and commemorate them. If Job's sons were purified by their father's sacrifice, why would we doubt that our offerings for the dead bring them some consolation?" Let us not hesitate to help those who have died and to offer our prayers for them.



Happy 95th Birthday

May God grant Bishop John O'Mara, Bishop Emeritus of our Diocese, good health, happiness and many blessings on his 95th Birthday! The priests in our Diocese had a special dinner with him on Tuesday evening. He shared many wonderful stories of his ministry. Bishop O'Mara still celebrates Daily Mass at Holy Rosary Parish in Thorold.

Thanks to our Grade Five Students

Many thanks to Mr. Pascoe and his Grade 5 students at St. Pat's who collected over 90 pairs of socks during the month of October! God bless them for following the Gospel call to help the poor.

Thanks to Mary Ward School

A call was put out to the parents and students at Mary Ward School, led by Jack Castrilli and the Student Council, to donate Halloween costumes to our St. Patrick Students! Before we knew it, some 70 costumes arrived! The kids were so grateful! That's what the Gospel is all about! Filling children's hearts with warmth and joy!



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 those 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.

Bishop's Award for Service

Congratulations to three of our Altar Servers who have received the Bishop's Altar Server's Award this year: Annmarie Binoy, Charlotte Clark and Teagan Clark. God bless all our servers and many thanks for sharing your time and talent with your community. We are always looking for new servers, especially for the 5:00 PM Saturday evening Mass.



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

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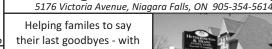
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