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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

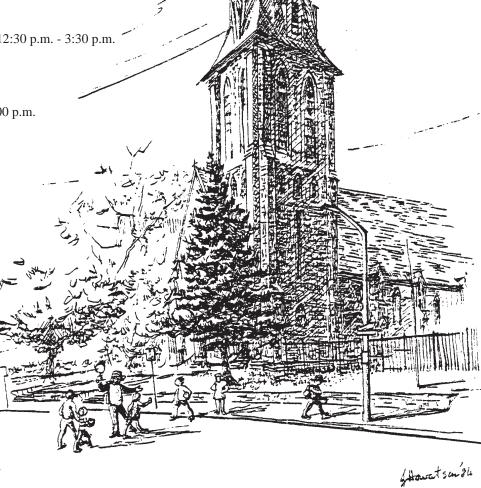
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Most Rev. Gerard Bergie, D.D., Bishop Most Rev. John A. O'Mara, D.D., Bishop-Emeritus

Parish Established 1858 Church Dedicated 1895

New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.



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Saturday, November 5

5:00 All Souls

Sunday, November 6

8:00 All Souls

9:30 Angelo Radice req. by the Family

Raffaele & Carmela Fabiano req. by the Family

11:30 Gimino Cardamone req. by Fiorina Cardamone & Family Immacolata Luciano req. by Alessandro Luciano & Family

7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, November 7

8:00 All Souls

Tuesday, November 8

8:00 All Souls

Wednesday, November 9 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:00 All Souls

Thursday, November 10 St Leo the Great

8:00 All Souls

Friday, November 11 St Martin of Tours Remembrance Day

8:00 Radice & Genovese Families req. by the Family Turra & Guerin Families req. by Maria Guerin

Saturday, November 12 St Josaphat

5:00 Benito Giustini req. by the Family
Anthony Girardo req. by his Family
Catone Maria Caterina req. by Maria Guerin

Sunday, November 13

8:00 Salvatore Sacco req. by the Family

Albert Massi req. by the Family 9:30 Gino Pullano req. by the Family

Mr. & Mrs. Lazzarin req. by Louise Marcon

11:30 Beatrice Hudson req. by Pat Hudson

Louis Vendramin req. by Audrey Vendramin George O'Kell req. by Ann Brazeau

7:00 People of the Parish

Children's Sacramental Dates 2017

Confirmation: Saturday, February 25, 2017 @ 5:00 PM.

First Reconciliation: Wednesday, March 8, 2017 @ 7:00 PM

First Communion: Sunday, May 7, 2017 @ 9:30 AM and 1:30 PM

RECONCILIATION & FIRST COMMUNION

For the parents of children in St. Patrick parish who <u>do not</u> attend St. Patrick or St. Mary elementary schools.

If you wish your child to make their Sacraments here, would you give your name and your child's name to the parish office as soon as possible. We want to be able to keep in touch with you, keep you up to date and meet with you and your child to help you prepare for these important sacraments.

Diocesan Anniversary Mass & Dinner – Married couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th Anniversary in 2016 are invited to the Diocesan Anniversary Mass on **Friday November 25, 2016 5:30pm** at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria. Please fill out a form, found by the back Bulletin Board or contact the office at 905-354-7451. A dinner will follow at Club Roma at 7pm.

2017 Mass Intentions

The date for the opening of the Mass Book will be Tuesday, November 8, 2016 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**.



Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Jean Meagher and Emma Rosa Espinosa Espinosa. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Patsy Power, Nancy Weiss, Shanda Gale, Bob Marshall, Tony Laslo, Gerry Laffradi, Pat Ferro, Jean Lundy, Pauline Miner, Manfred Hawlitzky, Edna McDonell, Fran Smelko, Sharon Regular, Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm., Bette Anne Chevalier, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Danielle Barranca, Carmela Fruci, Lucy Rizzo, Barbara Phillips (Murray), Audrey Vendramin, Jeanne Lea, Gionni Bonaldo, Stan Manning, Iole Mancini, Alice Dalton, Baby Maximus, David & Patrick Kealey, Joanna Daniels, Ray Sexton, Francesco Albanese, Mary Ann O'Shea, Rosalyn Dagleish, Kitty Decicco, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jozefa Bilski, Charlene Shannon, Mary O'Shea, Dr. Andy Fisher, Dorothy Simon, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, Anna Vergalito, John Jefferson, Jill Leronowich, Vince(Jim) Baldassarro, Nancy Jean Rose, Guiseppina Paonessa, Phyllis Higgins, Patrick McCarthy, Norman Horth, Todd Reid, Muriel Pivarnyik, Helen Lelievre, Tom Hilton, Walter Wallace, Stefanie Borin, John Cox, Joyce Weaver, Marie Cleary, Kerrie Szuch, Faith Amadio, Margaret Smith, Carmella Modenti, Margaret Waghorn, Theresa Poirier, Carlo Trasmundi, Vito Fuccillo, Baby Hope, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Kelly Laslo, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Commisso, Vicki Dubeau, Donna Bradley, Annette Brideau, Mary Jo O'Kell, Baby Sebastian, Dorothy Doyle, Lorraine Murray, Patricia O'Reilly, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Trina Washington, Shirley Machulla, Lorraine Spence, Baby Gabriel Paraskevopoulos, Mary Wilkes-Matthews, Patricia Desrosiers, Helen Rotella, Darlene Wancha, Brian Smith, Maria Benevento, Jeanne S

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

Collections

October 29 & 30: \$6,679.00 Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2016

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday, November 20 & December 11

A mandatory meeting for <u>Parents and Godparents</u> will be held in the Church on Tuesday, *Nov 8 at 7:30pm* & Dec 6 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!

CWL News...the Ladies of the CWL would like to invite all to the



Annual Snowflake Bazaar on Saturday, November 12 from 10am - 2pm. Anyone who would like to donate baked goods for the Bazaar can drop them off in the Church Hall on Friday November 11 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.
-Raffle tickets will be available after each Mass until November 6.
Tickets are \$1.00 each. Please support the Bazaar Raffle

"Vincent's" the New St. Vincent de Paul Store opening on November 19
If you have 4 Hours to spare and would like to volunteer at the
St. Vincent de Paul Store 5970 Lundy's Lane (few steps from Main & Ferry)
Please call Nicole 905-358-4687 and leave a message



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

FROM THE PASTOR



This weekend all parishes in our Diocese will be taking a **second collection for Haiti**. Needless to say, the Haitian people are in dire need. We can only imagine. The people had not yet recovered from the January 2010

earthquake... and now, Hurricane Matthew has ravished their lives! If we each make some small sacrifice, together we can make a big difference.

Dear Friends

November is always set aside to remember all who have died. Many thanks to all who came out Wednesday night for our annual *All Soul's Memorial Mass*. It was a wonderful celebration. Many thanks to Carol and Anthony, John and our Adult Choir; and to 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. The Church also tells us 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 you inscribe 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 remember the **Souls in Purgatory**. He told us never to forget to **pray for the dead**, especially those who have no one left to pray for them. Every 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 are so perfect and so good and so 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." Every time 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 *him/her/them*, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon *him/her/them*. May *he/she/they* rest in peace. Amen.] Let's make this a November to Remember! Have a blessed week!

Fr. Gerard

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.



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 Prayers in our community throughout the month of November.

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

St. John Bosco- "You can fly to Heaven on the wings of confession and Communion."

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.

Today, our Confirmation Candidates will be attending the 9:30am Mass for a Parish Commitment Ceremony. This is part of their preparation process and we will promise to journey with them in prayer.

The RCIA -- Rite of Initiation of Adults

Do you, or someone you know, wish to become a member of the Catholic Church?

As a Catholic do you wish to deepen and share your own faith? The RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) is an invitation to grow in faith by learning and praying with a small group between **fall and Easter**. Exact starting date to be determined.

If you are interested or need more information please contact the Parish Office at 905-354-7451.

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

St. Patrick School Pasta Night...Penne & Meatballs in St. Patrick Church Hall on Wednesday November 30th 5 -7pm, take out available from 3 - 4:30pm Tickets available at the school \$9/adults & \$7/kids

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in November

Janet Tykoliz & Aldo Seca

Hospital Visits... If you have a family member in hospital, and would like a visit from one of our priests, or wish to celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please let the parish office know, 905-354-7451. St. Patrick Parish covers the on-call pager for GNGH from Tuesday 8 AM until Wed 8 AM. The hospital staff can put you in touch with the on-call chaplain at any time.

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