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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 and 11:30 a.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 course is required.

Schools

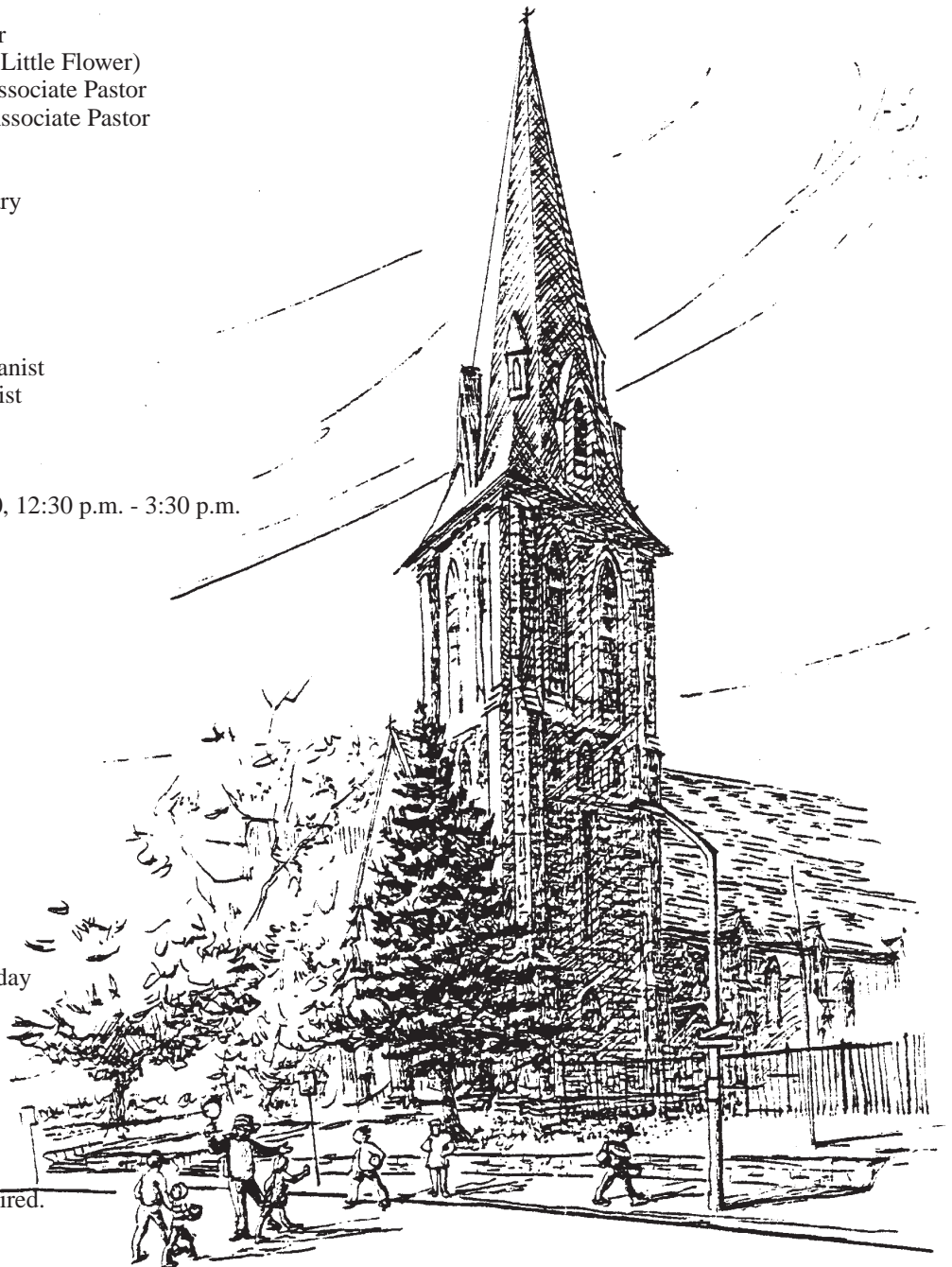
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Diocese of St. Catharines (est. 1958)

Most Rev. Gerard Bergie, D.D., Bishop

Parish Established 1858
Church Dedicated 1895

New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.



THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA IN ROME



Saturday, November 8

5:00 All Souls Novena

Sunday, November 9 The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

8:00 All Souls Novena

9:30 Gary Kneller *req by the Kneller Family*

Francesco Provenzano *req by Josephine Provenzano*

11:30 People of the Parish

Monday, November 10

8:00 All Souls Novena

Tuesday, November 11 St. Martin of Tours/Remembrance Day

8:00 Francesco D'Angelo *req by Lucia D'Angelo & Family*

Oscar & Mercedes Bonaguro *req by the Family*

Wednesday, November 12 St. Josaphat

8:00 Catone Maria Caterina *req by Maria Guerin*

Tim Foster *req by the Family*

Thursday, November 13

8:00 Vito Picca *req by Lucy & John DiPaul*

Catarina Khoi *req by the Nguyen Family*

Friday, November 14

8:00 Bill & Joanne Amadio *req by the Family*

Salvatori Sacco *req by the Family*

Saturday, November 15 St Albert the Great

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

Benito Giustini *req by the Giustini Family*

Sunday, November 16 World Day of the Poor

8:00 Sam DiCarlo *req by Mary DiCarlo & Family*

Maria DeAngelis *req by Tony & Rosa DeAngelis*

9:30 Laura Lee Carroll *req by Mary, Bernadette & Eileen*

Ody Argenta *req by David & Dina Argenta & Family*

11:30 People of the Parish

Call to Serve ...Your community needs you to share your gifts! Please consider being a minister in your community as **Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Altar Server, Funeral Server, or usher.**

Give your name to the parish office and we will train you!

Special Collection: Deo Gratias, November 8-9, 2025

Please support the **Deo Gratias Collection** this weekend, to aid retired clergy. Please be generous.

Holy Rosary

Every weekday morning at 7:30, the Holy Rosary is prayed in St. Patrick Church.

Keep Mary in mind, and Jesus will grow in your heart!

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.



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*Please do not leave the Church Bulletins in the pews.
If you do not wish to take it home, please return it to one of the
tables at the doors of the Church. Thanks*

Rest in Peace... We pray for the soul of Norman Tubbe. May he rest in peace. Please remember his family in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are ill. We are currently updating our sick list. This will be limited to parishioners and family members who are hospitalized or chronically ill. Please be advised that only an immediate family member can request a name to be added to this list.

Mary Power, Nancy McKinley, Carl Lundrigan, Howard Wales, Maureen Young, Norah Marrie, Isabell Frost, Victor Pizzolato, Peter Meisenburg Jr., Tom Murray, Norm Scott, Edward Brzozowski, Emma Corfield, Jeanne Lea, Joe Antonio, Theresa Prentice, Anna Tartaglia, Leonardo Gualtieri, Muriel Lafford, Baby Max, Robert Orsini, Rick Woram, Enzo Bellon, Kurt Stevens, Barbara Conidi, Lindsey Luby, Toni Brideau, Charlene Shannon, D.D., Scott MacLaren, Jim Crowley, Sherry Wales, Leila Khan, Maureen Tustin, Maureen Watson, Anna Hunt, Mary Jo O'Kell, Nancy Waters, John F, John Arnold, Leroy Collee, Andrew Zacharuk, Jeanne S, Patrick Macri, Christine Pritty, John & Laura Giampa, Eric Van Noort, Jim & Betty Calzonetti, Julian Cassidy, Lorraine Spence, Estelle Critelli, Rita Ross, S.H., Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, Leon French, Tony Cuvieello, Kelsey Liles, William JA DeFoe, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Sr. Prem, Samantha Jayne, Laurie Crites-Warner, Norma Zanus, Judy, Kerrie Szuch, Betty Crete, Bob Marshall, Cameron Boyes, Danielle Barranca, Kelly Laslo, Mahmat, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Teresa Hebb, Rose MacDonald, Karen Bradley, Betty & Mary Ann Quigley, Arlene Collee, John Calder, Maria Guerin, Gregory Roulston, Anna Chayer, Denise Colalillo, Patrick McCarthy, Michelle Price, Julie Nicholson, Samuel Potapczyk, Francesco Albanese, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Carmella Modenti, Bernard Martin, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Margaret Waghorn, Evelyn Rose Baker, Patricia O'Reilly, Fran Smelko, Gloria Smelko, Jackie, Faith Amadio, Vanessa Athoe, Walter Wallace, Elizabeth Stachura, Marie Brooker, Francois Chayer, Jozefa Bilski, Elda Schneider, Susana Flego, Patricia Flego, Cynthia Alegre, Josie Wojciechowska

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

Collections

November 2: \$6,979.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2025

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on:

Sunday, November 23

A mandatory meeting for **Parents & Godparents** will be held in the Church on Tuesday, November 11 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 the necessary information. We encourage parents and Godparents to make an effort to attend liturgies in the parish community. We also have a mandatory evening of preparation for parents and Godparents!

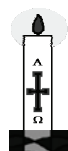
Little Flower Society Cards

Our parish office has Mass Cards in stock 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 these cards, you not only comfort a family member or friend, but you also support the mission of the Carmelites, our Vocation Efforts, and our Formation Programs in several countries.

Catholic Marriage Tribunal... If you are considering remarriage in the Catholic Church or hoping to enter a marriage with someone previously married, please speak to a priest, or contact the St. Catharines Catholic Marriage Tribunal at 905-687-8817 or tribunal@saintcd.com

Book of Life

Our **Book of Life** is placed at the sanctuary steps. Please write the names of your deceased loved ones in this book and they will be remembered at all Masses, Prayers and Rosaries during the Month of November.



Please refer to the Bulletin Boards at the back and side entrances of the Church for many important notices and events



(Please remember that you can e-transfer your Sunday Offertory as a direct deposit to stpatrick1895@hotmail.com) No password is required. Many thanks for your generosity.

Dear Friends:

This past Sunday evening we gathered at a special Mass, with the family members of those who lost a loved one over the past year. It was our **All Souls Memorial Mass**, certainly a very moving liturgy. Our Adult Choir with Carol and Sandra were accompanied by John Arnold on the trumpet! They lifted the rafters with beautiful hymns of comfort and praise! Thank you for a spectacular ministry! As I looked around the church during the Mass, I could see the loneliness, pain and tears on many faces. There's something so sacred about having a loved one's name proclaimed, and then a bell rung, and a candle lit in their honour! Dealing with a family death is never easy! But we Christians grieve in a different way! We grieve with the hope that one day we shall see our loved ones again. The death and resurrection of Jesus is our source of hope. I feel sorry for those who have no faith, or who do not believe in life after death. To face a death with that stark finality is so empty and painful. Praise God for our faith, even if it gets shaken at times.

Today is the Feast of **The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**. It may seem like an odd feast to celebrate on a Sunday, but let me explain!



Most Catholics think of St. Peter's as the Pope's main church, but not so. **St. John Lateran** is the Pope's church, the cathedral of the Diocese of Rome where the Bishop of Rome presides. The first basilica on the site was built in the 4th century when Constantine

donated land and a palace, he had received from the wealthy Laterani family. That structure and successive structures suffered fire, earthquake and the ravages of war! Pope Innocent X commissioned the present building in 1646. One of Rome's most imposing churches, the Lateran's towering facade is crowned with statues of Christ, John the Baptist, John the Evangelist and 12 doctors of the Church. Beneath its high altar rests the remains of the small wooden table on which tradition holds, St. Peter celebrated Mass.

Unlike the commemoration of other churches, this anniversary is a feast. St. John Lateran is, in a sense, **the parish church of all Catholics**, for it is the Pope's parish, the Cathedral Church of the Bishop of Rome. It's our feast too! As we celebrate the **Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica** this Sunday, we can also celebrate our own Church... our own Parish of St. Patrick! We are the **People of God**, temples of the Holy Spirit built of Living Stones, and our call is to go forth from the altar of St. Pat's to the altar of the world and spread God's peace, justice, mercy, joy and love! Have a blessed week.

Fr. Gerard



"The church is her true self only when she exists for humanity."

Dietrich Bonhoeffer

"He who does not have the church as his mother, does not have God as his father." *Augustine of Hippo*

Apologies

Last Saturday evening, there was no sound system working in the church. Someone had entered the sacristy between 4:30 and 5:00 and turned the Master Volume button and several other buttons all the way off. This is frustrating. Our deepest apologies. Everything was reset for Sunday morning. As grandmother would say, "You need eyes in the back 'a yar head."

Confirmation

Next Saturday evening, Bishop Bergie will be here for the celebration of Confirmation for some 30 of our young adults. We welcome Bishop Bergie with great joy, and we keep our young adults in prayer.

LEST WE FORGET



In Flanders Fields

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.
Lt.-Col. John McCrae

McCrae's "In Flanders Fields" remains to this day one of the most memorable war poems ever written. On this November 11th, may we each take the time to remember those who gave their lives for our freedom. And we also remember and pray for all who currently serve our country.

Prayer for Eternal Rest

Into your hands, O Lord, we humbly entrust our brothers and sisters. In this life you embraced them with your tender love; deliver them now from every evil and bid them eternal rest. The old order has passed away: welcome them into paradise, where there will be no sorrow, no weeping or pain, but the fullness of peace and joy with your Son and the Holy Spirit forever and ever. Amen

2026 Mass Intentions

The date for the opening of the Mass Book will be **Wednesday, November 12, 2025 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.**

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