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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.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, September 30 St Jerome

5:00 Mark McAvoy *req. by the Family*
Louis Campaner *req. by Ray & Brenda Hicks*

Sunday, October 1

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Celeste Lanni *req. by Concetta & Family*
James, Elmira & Danny Dick *req. by Yvette Dick & Colette Empey*
11:30 Dianne Goegan *req. by Anna Goegan & Family*
Beates, Dec'd Hsb & Dec'd Mem. of her Family *req. by DM*
7:00 Ray Sexton *req. by the St Vincent de Paul Society*
Giovanni Simonetti *req. by Amina Simonetti & Family*

Monday, October 2 The Holy Guardian Angels

8:00 Pietro Guerin *req. by Maria & Family*
Frances Comeau *req. by Jeanne Lea*

Tuesday, October 3

8:00 Clare, Jean & Paul Meagher *req. by the Family*
James Ogilvie & Dec'd of the Ogilvie Fam *req. by St Angelo & Ogilvie Fam*

Wednesday, October 4 St Francis of Assisi

8:00 Pietro Guerin *req. by Maria & Family*
Butch & Lucy Kitney *req. by Andrea & Wayne*

Thursday, October 5

8:00 Betty Coyle *req. by Margaret Lysick*
Gianni 'Johnny' Bonaldo *req. by Eleanor Toneguzzo*

9:15 St. Mary & St. Patrick School Mass

Friday, October 6 Bl Marie-Rose Durocher & St Bruno

8:00 David Jonathan Collins *req. by Colleen O'Shea*
Kelly Morelatto *req. by Aileen & Fern*

Saturday, October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary

5:00 Carlo Pizzolato *req. by Adua & Family*
Vincent & Ruby Crowley *req. by the Family*

Sunday, October 8

8:00 Rita & Stefano DeProphetis *req. by Guilio & Family*
Maria Khen Luu & Anthony Hung Nguyen *req. by the Nguyen Family*
9:30 Cyril O'Leary *req. by David & Dorothea Besaw*
Vincenzo Sebastiano *req. by the Family*
11:30 Jerry Shugg *req. by the Family*
Maria Janina Brzozowski *req. by Ed Brzozowski*
7:00 People of the Parish

Regenerate(d) Youth Rally 2017...Saturday, November 18 at the Scotiabank Convention Centre in Niagara Falls. Speakers include Genevieve Broadley, Jennifer Fulwiler, Trent Horn, Ante and Robert Skoko, and beats by Joe Zambon. The main celebrant & homilist is Fr. Rico Passero. For purchase of youth group tickets please email; gbroadley@branchesoftheword.org or check out their website at go2branches.com

Ryan's Bowl fundraising supper - Beef-on-a-Bun, Beans, 2 Salads & Dessert

Friday, October 6th Westminster United Church
180 Queenston Street, St. Catharines \$15.00 each
For Tickets: Call Ken 905-357-2703

Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre Presentations:

7020 Stanley Avenue, 905-356-4113 carmelniagara.com

Carmelite Spirituality: The discussion group, Elijah's Well, meets the 2nd & 4th Friday at 7pm at Mt Carmel Spiritual Centre, Contact Jean 905-975-5326

Separated & Divorced Healing Ministry Support Group meets every second & fourth Monday of the month, (Tuesday, October 10 due to Thanksgiving) from 7 - 9pm at Mt Carmel Spiritual Centre.

For information call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154

Carmelite Spirituality Group ...You are invited to Mt Carmel Monastery on the second Sunday of each month to explore Carmelite spirituality.
Mt Carmel Spiritual Centre, 2 - 5pm www.carmelniagara.com

Monday to Friday Daily Mass at 11:15am

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Harold Hughes & Father Benedict Vanco. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Jack Horth

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, John Nicks, Melissa Brideau, Toni Brideau, Leon Dopke, Anna Hunt, 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 Laffradi, 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 Pivarnyk, 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'Ammizio, 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

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

Collections

September 23 & 24 : \$5,442.77

Bishop's Collection: \$881.30

Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2017

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday, Oct 22, Nov 19 & Dec 17**

A **mandatory** meeting for **Parents and Godparents** will be held in the Church on **Tuesday, Oct 10, Nov 7 & Dec 5 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 CWL is hosting a Halloween Party for the Parish in the Hall & Gym!! Costumes optional but there will be a Costume Contest!! Tickets are \$5.00 each or \$15.00 per family!! There will be games & activities from 6 - 8pm and food to purchase!! From 8 - 10pm we will watch a movie, bring your pillow/blanket to cuddle with!! Tickets will be available October 14 & 15 at all the Masses, and in the Office during the week.

During the month of October, the Knights of Columbus, Council 1652, will be praying the Rosary every Tuesday evening at 7pm at their downstairs lounge at 6101 North Street, Niagara Falls. Refreshments will follow.

Caution-Thieves

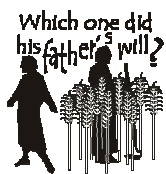
Last Sunday some parishioners had their cars rummaged through during the 8 AM Mass. Although you are attending church, please lock your car doors. And also lock any valuables in your trunk! We should be doing this no matter where we park.

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



Dear Friends,

Welcome to October! Hopefully now, we will get more seasonal temperatures. September was one hot month! The work commenced this past Wednesday on our new storm drain. It is quite an undertaking, but will solve a lot of problems in the future. We apologize for any inconvenience during the work. Daily Mass worshipers can park in the Huron Street lot or along designated areas on the street.



In today's Gospel, Jesus tells a parable to some political and religious leaders of his day! It's about two sons. The father asks both to go into the vineyard and work. The first says **NO**, but changes his mind and goes. The second says **YES**, but does not go! Both changed their minds! The **first son**

represents the tax collectors, prostitutes, and other sinners. The **second son** represents the Jewish authorities. The first son was blatantly rude: "I will not go," but he had a change of heart. He came out all right. The second son knew what to say to his father. "I will certainly go, sir," but he blew it in the end. Jesus was poking fun at the scribes and Pharisees for their pride in having all the externals perfectly in order, while being blind to God's call in their lives. They did not heed John the Baptist! Jesus tells them that they had a chance to hear what John had to say about justice and righteousness, but they chose to remain fixated on external laws. Jesus clearly divides people into those **who act** and those **who don't**.

Having knowledge of Jesus' words and sayings, or knowing the Bible inside out, is one thing, but we have to build our lives **by actions** and by **love-put-into-practice**. Good intentions are not enough. Promises are useless if they are not kept. Jesus uses the faith of the tax collectors and prostitutes who heard John's message and then changed their ways, as a model for his followers.

Where am I in all this? Am I part of the **YES** crowd or the **NO** crowd? Do my actions match my words? Do I walk the Christian talk? That's the challenge for us, to have our deeds match our words. Being Christian needs to be evident in the way we live. There must be no chasm between our words, actions, and faith. I know we can all try harder. If we do **mess up**, or stray off the path, our God of second chances gently invites us back, ready to forgive us and love us! Have a blessed week!

Fr. Gerard



YEARS AGO, YOU TOLD ME THAT SOMEDAY YOU'D REALLY BE RAKING IT IN. HERE'S YOUR CHANCE, SPORT.

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Each Wednesday during the month of October, at 7:00 PM, our CWL will lead us in praying the Holy Rosary in the Hall. Please also remember, the Holy Rosary is prayed daily, Monday to Friday at 7:30 AM in the church.

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

Bishop's Charities Dinner... Saturday, October 21, 2017 at Club Roma Reception 6pm, Dinner 7pm. Tickets \$50 each payable to Knights Bishop's Charity Association. Door prize is a Smart TV. Contact Bill: 289-456-7888, Martin: 905-401-5646 or Chris: 905-643-3375



Blessing of Animals

Our **Blessing of Animals** in honour of St. Francis of Assisi will be celebrated on **Saturday, October 7th at 11:00am** in the church. Bring your pets, all creatures great and small, four-legged, two legged, scaled, winged, finned, furried or feathered! Our Lord God made them all!

Youth Programs and Activities

We need some volunteers to assist us in putting together some youth activities in our parish. A couple of people have showed interest in helping. With that said, our CWL, who has some new young members, will be assisting us with two upcoming youth activities, involving prayer and fun... **Halloween and Advent!** More details will be forthcoming. I want to call on young parents to **please** call the parish office and volunteer to be part of a team to organize spiritual and social activities for our children. Without your help and commitment, we will never get this off the ground. Our children are the future of the Church!!! Thanks to our CWL for getting the ball rolling!

October, Month of the Holy Rosary

The month of October is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. The liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on October 7th. It was instituted to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the



protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful. The feast was introduced by Pope St. Pius V (1504-1572) in the year 1571 to commemorate the miraculous victory of the Christian forces in the Battle of Lepanto on October 7, 1571. The pope attributed more to the "arms" of the

Rosary than the power of cannons and the valor of the soldiers who fought there. Legend tells us that the Rosary as a form of prayer was given to St. Dominic (1170- 1221) by Mary, the Mother of Our Lord, who entrusted it to him as an aid in the conflicts with the Albigensians (.13th Cent. heretics). The Dominican pope, St. Pius V, did much to further the spread of the Rosary and it thereafter became one of the most popular devotions in the Church.

Feast of St. Therese, The Little Flower



This Sunday, October 1st, is the Feast of our great Carmelite Saint, *St. Therese of Lisieux*, Patroness of the Missions! She lived a short 24 years from 1873-1897, in Alencon and Lisieux, France. She has become the most popular saint of all times. Her autobiography, *The Story of a Soul*, has been translated into over 50 languages!

St. Therese taught us the "Little Way!" And that is finding God in the ordinary everyday activities of life! When Pope John Paul II declared her Doctor of the Church in 1997, he called her "a young Carmelite who was filled with the love of God, who offered herself completely to his love, and who knew how to practice love of neighbour in the ordinary things of daily life." That is certainly a call to all of us! Therese wrote, "[Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love!](#)" She also said, "You know well enough that Our Lord does not look so much at the greatness of our actions, nor even at their difficulty, but at the love at which we do them."

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