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Give thanks
to the Lord for
His many Blessings
On Thanksgiving



TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, October 10

5:00 Vincent & Ruby Crowley *req. by the Family*
Brian O'Brine *req. by Diana Iursich*

Sunday, October 11

8:00 Rita & Stefano DeProphetis *req. by Giulio & Family*
Marino Corradi *req. by Dina Corradi & Family*
9:30 Dec'd Mallone & Montoni Fam *req. by Joe & Loreta Antonio*
Lucia Rossi *req. by the Family*
11:30 Reno Martin *req. by Ange*
Immacolata Luciano *req. by Children: Lucy, Anna, Frank & Angela*
7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, October 12 Thanksgiving Day

8:00 Dorothy Raz *req. by Charlene Shannon*
Special intention for George & Margaret Hodgkinson *req. by Donna & Dee Mannella*

Tuesday, October 13

8:00 Adelina Sica *req. by Ron & Franca Brett*
Anthony Giorge *req. by Barbara Sacco*

Wednesday, October 14 St Callistus

8:00 Mildred (Lundy) Hansen *req. by Jean & Judie Lundy*
Albert Miner *req. by Jackie & Dave Balfour*

Thursday, October 15 St Teresa of Jesus

8:00 Joseppe & Caterina Senese *req. by Betty Serra*
Gabriel Gagliardi *req. by the Family*

Friday, October 16 World Food Day St Marguerite D'Youville

8:00 Gertrude Morgan *req. by Lillian Winslow*
Dolores Hlady *req. by Paul & Family*

Saturday, October 17 St Ignatius of Antioch

5:00 Randy Wall *req. by the Family*
Dan Trabucco *req. by Betty & Family*
Marcella & Kevin Hewitt *req. by Jeanne Lea*

Sunday, October 18 World Mission Sunday

8:00 Maria Sica *req. by Frank Sica*
Alberto Canali *req. by Giancarlo Condotta*
9:30 Vincenzo Sebastiano *req. by the Family*
Filomena & Donato Masci *req. by Lucia D'Angelo & Family*
11:30 Jerry Shugg *req. by Cecile Shugg*
Plinio & Vera Argenta *req. by Anthony & Paula Capacchione*
7:00 People of the Parish

Upcoming Weddings at St. Patrick's in October

Danielle Acker & Michael Gabrielli
Carrie Frampton & Jeremy Zanella
Megan Militello & Ryan Conte

DID YOU KNOW?



For those of you who have Celiac Disease or are allergic to wheat products, our parish has special **Gluten-Free hosts** available. If you let us know before each Mass, we will have a special host consecrated for you. Please make yourself

known to the presiding priest, and he will ensure he has it in his ciborium for you... or in a separate pyx. The onus is on you to let us know!

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 Presenter Fr. Michael Wastag, O.Carm.



Please refer to the Bulletin Board at the back of the Church for many important notices and events

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

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Baby Samantha Besaw, Margaret Nicholson, Ethal Moody, Tony Strangis, Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm.

Please pray for those who are ill

Bette Anne Chevalier, Angelo Butera, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Maria Melchiorre, Jeannette Fabian, Cleo Gagno, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Msgr Vincent Ferrando, Danielle Barranca, Carmela Fruci, Edward Power, Lucy Rizzo, Audrey Vendramin, Jeanne Lea, Gionni Bonaldo, Stan Manning, Iole Mancini, Alice Dalton, Baby Maximus, David Kealey, Joanna Daniels, Ray Sexton, Francesco Albanese, Mary Ann O'Shea, Doreen Fletcher, Rosalyn Dagleish, Susan & Rick Rogers, Kitty Decicco, Patricia Desrosiers, 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 Pivarnyk, Helen Lelievre, Tom Hilton, Maria Colalillo, Walter Wallace, Stefanie Borin, John Cox, Joyce Weaver, Marie Cleary, Rita Bruneau, Orlando Garofalo, Kerrie Such, Faith Amadio, Margaret Smith, Carmella Modenti, Margaret Waghorn, Theresa Poirier, Bruno Maiolo, Carlo Trasmundi, Vito Fuccillo, BabyHope, Cheryl D'Amizio, Kelly Laslo, Rose Vukmanich, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Commisso, Vicki Dubeau, Donna Bradley, Annette Brideau, George O'Kell, Mary Jo O'Kell, Wanda Winslow, Baby Sebastian, Mae MacLean, Dorothy Doyle, Lorraine Murray, Patricia O'Reilly, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Trina Washington, Chester Mottola, Shirley Machulla, Gerry Laffrati, Lorraine Spence

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

Collections

October 3 & 4: \$5,563.94

Needs of the Canadian Church: \$795.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2015

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on:
Sunday, Oct 25, Nov 22 & Dec 27

A **mandatory** meeting for **Parents and Godparents** will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Oct 13, Nov 10 & Dec 15 at 7:00 pm.

A Second Collection will be taken up this weekend for Syrian Refugees. Please use the Development and Peace envelopes found at the doors of the Church. Please be generous.

Syrian Family Organizing Committee...will have their first meeting on Wednesday October 14 at 7pm in the Church Hall

Ryan's Bowl Annual Porchetta Supper

St. Patrick's Hall Sat. October 24th 6:00 PM

Adults: \$15. Children under 12: \$7

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Tickets: Call 905-357-2703 or available at St. Pat's Office

Warehouse of Hope Recycling: The Niagara Warehouse of Hope is able to recycle used electronics, small appliances, stereos, TVs, computers & accessories (working or not). Bring items Monday - Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm and place them in the drop-off at the back of the warehouse, 46 Broadway Avenue, St. Catharines.

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. St. Patrick Parish covers the on-call pager for GNGH from Tuesday 8 AM until Wednesday 8 AM. The hospital staff can put you in touch with the on-call chaplain at any time.



Dear Friends,

Today is the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time! And it's also Thanksgiving Weekend! Today's Gospel is about the **Rich Young Man** who asked Jesus what he must do to inherit eternal life. This man had kept all the commandments since his youth... so Jesus "looked at him, **and loved him** and said, *'You lack one thing, go sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.'*" The man was shocked and went away grieving for he had many possessions. Wow! What can we learn from that? Oh yes, at times, as Hebrews reminds us in the Second Reading, ***The Word of God is sharper than a two-edged sword.***



We are reminded this Thanksgiving about how much we have! We are truly a blessed people. How grateful are we? Do we take things for granted? I think the challenge from Jesus to the Rich Man, and to his disciples is also extended to me and you. He doesn't literally mean for us to go out today and sell everything we have! But perhaps we can do a little more; maybe take an extra step, go that extra mile to use our wealth and riches to help others. We have many riches: Material wealth, talents, gifts, skills, time, health, energy... and the list goes on and on! Our God loves a cheerful giver!

When we look around our world this Thanksgiving, we can't help but think of the many people who have nothing. It's sad. Deep in our hearts are the terrible images we see of the children and families fleeing Syria as refugees, hoping to find a new life. We can only imagine. We have an opportunity this Thanksgiving Weekend to assist Development and Peace to offer some immediate assistance to these families. Our federal government will match our donations!

Maybe this Thanksgiving and during this week, being inspired by this Gospel, and also by the First Reading from the Book of Wisdom, we can re-examine what really matters in life. The ***Wisdom of God*** is what's really needed... To see things as God sees them; To understand as God understands; To enjoy the fruits of creation as God wants them to be enjoyed; To use our talents and gifts, and riches to come closer to God, and to all our brothers and sisters, especially those who are in need of our help! We can go forth this week and be a reflection of God's love! May we take some sacred time this Thanksgiving to remember the ways in which God has blessed us... and then show our thanks to God by reaching out to those who have less than we have! Enjoy your Turkeys, Hams and Vegan Delights! Blessings!

Fr. Gerard

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I SENSE THAT SOME OF YOU ARE FOCUSED MORE ON YOUR THANKSGIVING DINNERS THAN ON MY SERMON

HOW TO OBSERVE THANKSGIVING

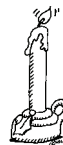
Count your blessings instead of your crosses;
Count your gains instead of your losses.
Count your joys instead of your woes;
Count your friends instead of your foes.
Count your smiles instead of your tears;
Count your courage instead of your fears.
Count your full years instead of your lean;
Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.
Count your health instead of your wealth;
Count on God instead of yourself.

Thanksgiving Meal Prayer

Bless this food we have before us, O God.
Let it provide the nourishment we need.
Bless this family and our friends gathered around this table.
Let us be nourished by our love and care for one another.
Bless those who have less than we have.
Let our eyes be open to their needs.
Especially the hungry children
and the many refugee families in the world.
Bless us as we bless your holy name on this day of Thanksgiving.
Let us praise and thank you always, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

All Souls Memorial Mass

This year our **All Souls Memorial Mass** will be celebrated in St. Patrick's Church on **Sunday, November 1st at 7:00 PM**. The names of our loved ones who died during the past year will be proclaimed during this Mass. Bells will be chimed by our choir and a candle will be lit after each name is announced. Families who have lost a loved one in our parish over the past year are encouraged to attend. All parishioners are invited! Our CWL will host a light reception in our parish hall following Mass.



All Souls Novena of Masses

Envelopes are available at the doors of the church for our **Nine Day All Souls Novena of Masses**. This Novena will begin on All Souls Day. Please submit your envelopes at your earliest convenience. May our loved ones rest in the peace of the Risen Christ.

"The Value of Life" Speaker's Workshop, being offered by St. Catharines Right to Life, is coming up Saturday, October 24, 2015, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at St. Alfred's Parish Hall, 272 Vine St., St. Catharines. Lunch and refreshments provided. Learn how to speak for life and brush up on the life issues. Everyone welcome. There is no fee. For more information and to register, call 905-684-7505 or email info@chooselife.ca

Diocesan Anniversary Mass & Dinner – Married couples celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th Anniversary in 2012 are invited to the Diocesan Anniversary Mass on **Wednesday November 25, 2015 5:30pm** at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria. Please fill out a form, found by the back Bulletin Board or contact Debbie at the office 905-354-7451 by **October 15th**. A dinner will follow at Club Roma at 7pm.



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

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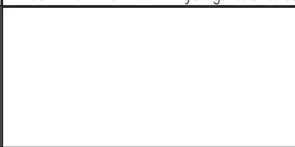


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