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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-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, October 15 St Teresa of Jesus

5:00 Linda Cardinal req. by Jackie, Tony, Vicky & John
Caterina Giuseppe Senese req. by Betty Serra

Sunday, October 16 World Food Day

8:00 Maria Luu Khen & Granparents Luu & Nguyen req. by the Nguyen Fam
Bernardino Mallone & the Mallone Fam req. by James & Krista Antonio

9:30 Michela De Nicholas req. by Augusta Macri & Family

Luigi Marcon req. by D & D Argenta & Girls

11:30 Danny Trabucco req. by Betty & Family

Gerald Shugg req. by Cecile Shugg

7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, October 17 St Ignatius of Antioch

8:00 Deacon Pat O'Brien req. by Anna Bortolin

Dolores Hlady req. by Paul & Family

Tuesday, October 18 St Luke

8:00 Maria Sica req. by Vince & Angela Catone

Harry Bongers req. by the Bongers Family

Wednesday, October 19 St Paul of the Cross

8:00 Mildred Lundy Hansen req. by Jean & Judie Lundy

Georgette & Stephen Lafferty req. by the Family

Thursday, October 20 St Hedwig & St Margaret Mary Alacoque

8:00 Anthony Girardo req. by the Antonio Family

Rose Vukmanich req. by Florrie Heimbigner

Friday, October 21

8:00 Kelly Morelato req. by Fern Albert & Family

Ellen Orsmond req. by Elizabeth Beam

Saturday, October 22 St John Paul II

5:00 Raymond H Weaver req. by Joyce Weaver

Tom & Elizabeth Kobik req. by the Family

Charles Ogilvie req. by Jackie & Tony Phillip

Sunday, October 23 World Mission Sunday

8:00 Antonella & Enrico Migliorelli req. by Rocco & Giuseppina Cavaliere

Victor Smatana req. by the Family

9:30 Dante Rossi req. by the Family

Trevor Watson req. by the Family

Joseph Downes req. by Rita & Family

11:30 Reno Martin req. by Ange Martin

Maria Fabiano Nicoletta req. by her Dtr: Tina

7:00 People of the Parish

Children's Sacramental Dates 2017

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

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

Look for Registration Information in upcoming Parish Bulletins.

St. Mary Catholic Elementary School has a DELICIOUS opportunity for parishioners and families! On Tuesday, November 1, 2016, from 4-7pm, St. Mary School will be hosting a Pasta Night- Fundraiser held at St. Andrew Church Hall on Morrison Street! This evening promises to be fun, nutritious and delicious. All proceeds will go to support our school. Call St Mary School for tickets 905-354-7744 Adults: \$10, Children under 10 \$6 & Seniors 65+ \$8 Takeout available

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.

World Mission Day Collection will be taken up next weekend.
Envelopes are available at the doors of the Church today.

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

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

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Shanda Gale, Bob Marshall, Tony Laslo, Gerry Laffradi, Brian Kneller, 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, Gianni Bonaldo, Stan Manning, Iole Mancini, Alice Dalton, Baby Maximus, David & Patrick Kealey, Joanna Daniels, Ray Sexton, Francesco Albanese, Mary Ann O'Shea, Doreen Fletcher, Rosalyn Dagleish, Susan & Rick Rogers, 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 Pivarnyk, 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'Amazio, Kelly Laslo, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Comisso, 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 1 & 2: \$5,637.00

October 8 & 9: \$5,814.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2016

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday, October 16, November 20 & December 11

A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Nov 8 & 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... This Thursday, October 20th our Ladies will be hosting their CWL Fall Convention. It will begin at 6:30pm with Mass in the Church followed by a Guest Speaker in the Hall and refreshments.

- the Ladies of the CWL would like to invite all to the **Annual Snowflake Bazaar on Saturday, November 12 from 10am - 2pm**. Raffle tickets will be available after each Mass starting next weekend until November 6. Tickets are \$1.00 each. Please support the Bazaar Raffle

Bishop's Charities Dinner, Saturday October 22 at

Club Roma, 125 Vansickle Rd, St. Catharines
reception 6pm-dinner 7pm with proceeds going to Catholic charities
Tickets \$50 each payable to Knights Bishop's Charity Association
For info call Bill 289-456-7888, Albert 905-988-1222,
Chuck 905-646-5099 or Chris 905-643-3375 or Martin 905-401-5646

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Oktoberfest Schnitzel & Sausage Dinner Saturday October 22
Music by Dance Master DJ's \$20 each Bar opens at 6pm Dinner at 7pm All
proceeds to Project Share Christmas Baskets



Dear Friends,

I hope everyone enjoyed Thanksgiving Weekend! I was reminded by the children at our School Mass this past Tuesday, of the many things we need to thank God for! The kids mentioned, family, houses, water, food, God, pets, soap, friends, and the list of big and small things went on and on! May we never take for granted what we have, or what we enjoy here in Canada. Thanks to all of you who came out for the Blessing of Animals last Sunday. It was a huge and happy gathering of families and pets!



In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples a parable about their need *to pray always and not to lose heart!* He tells of a widow who consistently asks a harsh judge to grant her justice. She will not relent. She hounds him, and in the end her request is granted! The Gospel ends with a question,

"...when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?" We know very well what he will find happening around the world... painful and sad indeed.

But, will he find us **persevering** in prayer and faith. We need to pray constantly. Morning, noon and night. How many people give up on prayer when the prayer seems to go unanswered? The most powerful of all prayers, I believe, is the **"Our Father!"** In that prayer we are telling God to **"let His will be done!"** Not mine, **His will!** And that's a very trusting thing. It's called surrendering! That's putting God in control. Because God always knows what's best for us.

My experience is that it's the people who are constant in prayer, have good prayer habits, who are the ones who easily accept God's Will! We can be experts at telling God everything we need. The problem is, **we do all the talking.** Have we ever truly **listened to God?** That takes practice. Someone once said, *God gave us two ears and one mouth, so we should listen twice as much as we speak.* To be a good listener calls for attentiveness, quietness, stillness..., certainly a commodity these days! God speaks very clearly...it's us who need to work on our listening! God also speaks to us through other people. May God give us the strength to deepen our prayer lives. Can we make it a daily practice? Oh God, give us the courage to pray, the courage to let you be God, and the courage to accept your holy Will!

Have a prayerful week!

Fr. Gerard

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"If I send my prayer as a text message,
will I get a faster reply?"

Thought for the Week

By perseverance, the snail reached the ark.

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 Wednesday, 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.

All Souls Memorial Mass



This year our All Souls Memorial Mass will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church on **Wednesday, November 2, 2016 at 7:00 PM**. The names of our loved ones who died during the past year will be read aloud at this Mass. Bells will be chimed, and a candle will be lit after each name is read. Families who have lost a loved one during the past year, (whose funeral was celebrated at St. Pats or by our priests) are encouraged to attend. All parishioners are invited! Our CWL will graciously host a reception in our parish hall after Mass.

Parish Discernment



Our Diocese of St. Catharines is currently undergoing a process to determine the viability and necessity of all our parishes. Last year the Welland Deanery went through this Parish Discernment Process, after which recommendations were made for the future of, or amalgamation of some parishes. Niagara Falls Deanery has now begun this process. The first meeting was held on September 17th. Part of the process is to have a St. Patrick's gathering of interested parishioners to discuss and share our parish story! There will be a gathering for this purpose in our **Parish Hall this Wednesday, October 19th at 7:00 PM!** So come out and be part of this process! Our story and fruits of our sharing will be written and presented at the next Diocesan Discernment Group Meeting. Some questions we will look at are: Why did St. Patrick Parish come into existence? What were the needs at the time? Have those needs changed? What generated energy? What do we want to celebrate about our parish story? Who, individuals or groups, assist us to be true to our mission? What impact have we had upon the civic community? **Please call the parish office if you plan on attending**, as we will prepare some refreshments!

Use of Parish Facilities



Please note that our Insurance Company (Catholic Mutual Canada) recently completed an extensive Audit of our Parish and Buildings, etc. They were quite impressed at how well everything is maintained and up-dated, and up to code. During this audit, we were notified of a new policy. As you may know, St. Patrick Parish **does not** rent our facilities, nor do we carry a rental insurance. Our parish has never needed this option to survive. Praise God! Our facilities have always been made available for regular parishioners, with a donation. **This will no longer be possible.** Anyone using the Hall, Gym or any Parish Facility for **non-parish events**, must carry an insurance for such an event... and a certificate of insurance must be provided. The cost will vary depending on the nature of the event, the size of the gathering, or the use/non-use of alcohol. This can be done **simply** through contacting your home-owners insurance, for a one-time event, or on-going event. We also have at our disposal, an insurance company provided through the Diocese. For example, a Baby Shower with 25-40 persons, may cost \$30. The parish office can assist you when you inquire about the use of our facilities.

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