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# Saint Patrick's Church

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**Music Ministry** 

Carol Martin - Director of Music Sandra DiCienzo - Organist Tim Marrie - Pianist and Soloist Anthony Scaringi - Pianist and Organist Ashley Gallardi-Pietrangelo - Soloist

## **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

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

Parish Established 1858 Church Dedicated 1895

New Parishioners are asked to complete a parish registration form.



#### TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



## Saturday, October 4 St Francis of Assisi

5:00 Carlo Pizzolato req by Angela & David Dumele Pietro Guerin req by Maria Guerin

#### Sunday, October 5

8:00 People of the Parish

9:30 Francesco Provenzano req by Josephine Provenzano Mary Anello req by Domenic, Christina, Kaitlyn, Peter & Mother: Incoronata Radice

**11:30** Dianne Goegan *req by her sister: Louise* John Rondinelli *req by Ann Marie, John & Family* 

## Monday, October 6 Bl Marie-Rose Durocher & St Bruno

8:00 Nicola Rinaldi req by the Family

Anna Maria Giang Nguyen req by the Family

## Tuesday, October 7 Our Lady of the Rosary

**8:00** Leo Delaney & Joseph Hogan *req by Dave & Dorothea* Anselmo & Giuditta Pozzebon *req by Mario Pozzebon & Family* **Wednesday, October 8** 

**8:00** Pasqualina DeMizio *req by Rose Lanzetta* Intentions of the Little Flower Society

#### Thursday, October 9 St Denis & St John Leonardi

**8:00** Antonio Gulla *req by Maria Guerin* Intentions of the Little Flower Society

## Friday, October 10

**8:00** Francisco & Maria Arrayga req by the Altomare Family Alessandro Luciano req by Anthony Di Giacomo

#### Saturday, October 11 St John XXIII

**5:00** Vincent & Ruby Crowley req by the Family John Kolbuc req by Anna Mason & Irene Sawicki

## Sunday, October 12

8:00 Franciszek Rebisz reg by the Rebisz Family

Dec'd of Shannon, Coscarella & Mannarino Fam req by the Fam

**9:30** Kathryn Kneller *req by the Kneller Family* Alfino Spadafora *req by the Family* 

11:30 People of the Parish

Is God calling You?...If you feel called to serve as an Altar Server, Funeral Server, Eucharistic Minister, Lector, or with the *Children's Liturgy* please call the parish office, 905-354-7451.

*Vincent's...* The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store is looking for dedicated volunteers for 3 hours per week...Call 289-296-3807 or apply in person, 5970 Lundy's Lane. Store hours, Tuesday to Saturday 10am – 4pm. Join our team and share some hope!

A special Bishop's Collection will be taken up this weekend, October 4 & 5 for the Needs of the Canadian Church. Envelopes are available at the doors of the Church today. Please be generous.

## SEPARATED AND DIVORCED HEALING MINISTRY

Runs from September to June on the  $2^{nd}$  and  $4^{th}$  Monday of the month at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre from 7:00-8:30pm. (If the Monday is a holiday, then we meet on the Tuesday.)

## **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!



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

**Rest in Peace...** We pray for the souls of Jean Rusenstrom, Fr. Jack Welch, O.Carm. and Angelo Elia. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families 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, Peter Meisenburg Jr., Tom Murray, 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, Norm Scott, Toni Brideau, Charlene Shannon, 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, Victor Pizzolato, Christine Pritty, John & Laura Giampa, Eric Van Noort, D.D., Jim & Betty Calzonetti, Julian Cassidy, Lorraine Spence, Estelle Critelli, Rita Ross, S.H., Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, Leon French, Tony Cuviello, Kelsey Liles, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Sr. Prem, Samantha Jayne, Laurie Crites-Warner, Norma Zanus, Judy, Kerrie Szuch, William JA DeFoe, 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 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, Samuel Potapczyk, Marie Brooker, Francois Chayer, Jozefa Bilski, Elda Schneider, Susana Flego, Patricia Flego, Cynthia Alegre, Josie Wojciechowska, Elizabeth Stachura

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

## Collections

September 28: \$6,211.35 Indigenous Reconciliation Fund: \$987.00 Many thanks for your generosity!

## Baptism Schedule for 2025

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

Sunday, October 19 & November 23

A mandatory meeting for <u>Parents & Godparents</u> will be held in the Church on Tuesday, October 7 & 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!

## Sacramental Date for 2025

Confirmation: Saturday, November 15, 2025 @ 5:00pm Mass (If you are a parishioner at St. Patrick Church, and have a child who does not attend St. Patrick or St. Mary Schools, and would like to celebrate their sacraments here, please contact the parish office for the registration forms.)

#### □ Children and Adult Choirs □

Calling all Children and Adults!!! Our Choirs have begun their new season. If you wish to join, please see Carol or Sandra. Children please gather on Sundays at 9am and Adults at 10:45am around the Piano. Let's get back into *the swing of things*!

## Upcoming Weddings at St. Patrick's in October

Brittany Valente & Pietro Leone Kaitlin Sanderson & Tyler Kelly

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

## The Pastor's Pen

(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,

October is here! It's hard to believe that next weekend is Thanksgiving! May we take the sacred time to thank God for the abundance we enjoy. May God stir our hearts to always be there to help those who lack the basic necessities of life.

Today is the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time. In today's Gospel, the Apostles ask Jesus to "Increase our faith!" And Jesus says, you only need faith the size of a mustard seed! Just a little bit of faith can work marvels! Jesus even says that faith can tell a mulberry tree to be uprooted and planted in the sea! There's a powerful teaching here! FAITH... even in a small quantity, has great power.

As a priest, there is nothing as beautiful as being with a faith-filled family during a time of crisis or death. It makes such a huge difference.

**Haith** 

You can feel God's presence and God's hand right there, helping the family through the crisis. Sadly, I've encountered people who claim to have no faith... or who have lost their faith, or have never used their faith. In

times of crisis or struggle or death, they don't know where to turn. They seem empty and lost. Faith is available to everyone! We don't need more faith. We have it. But we must use it.

A wonderful week to ask God for a FAITH LIFT! May our faith be released and give us the blessed assurance that with God, all things are possible, and that we can get through anything! And please take time to pray for those who are struggling with their faith.

#### Fr. Gerard



WAS BLESSED WITH A VERY LARGE MUSTARD SEED OF FAITH

#### Faith

"O God, I don't pray for enough faith to move mountains. I can get enough dynamite and bulldozers to do that. What I need and ask for is enough faith to move me."

"Everything is possible for the one who believes." - Mark 9:23 It is good to serve God in darkness and trial! We have only this life to live by faith. St. Therese

We must abandon the future into the hands of God. St. Therese

## **Hospital Calls**

If you have a family member in the hospital, please let the nursing station know if you require a priest for the Anointing of the Sick. Switchboard will notify the on-call priest. There is a priest available 24-7. Fr. Gerard, Fr. Joi and Fr. Marvin covers hospital calls from Tuesday 8 AM until Wednesday 8 AM.

## 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 honour 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 valour 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. 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 Christendom. The Rosary is prayed at St. Patrick Church weekdays at 7:30 AM.

## **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.

## LIFE CHAIN

Today, October 5th, Canadians will gather at 350+ locations to peacefully raise awareness about the truth of abortion during the 35th annual nation-wide Life Chain. One of these locations is Lundy's Lane at Prince Edward Ave, Highland Ave & Dorchester Road from 2:30-3:30 pm. Upon arrival, you will be greeted by the organizer and given signs to hold. Participants are encouraged to spread out along the sidewalk and spend time in quiet prayer. This is a unique, family-friendly event advocating for innocent pre-born children. As Christ reminds us in Matthew 25:40: "As you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you did it to me."



Project Share sends a big thank-you to our parishioners who continue to donate food. We are really making a difference! School snacks would be great, and also Macaroni and Cheese, canned Tuna, Peanut Butter, canned pasta, sauce and meats! If you prefer, Project Share also distributes toiletry items: soaps, shampoos, toothpaste, washcloths/towels. "Lord, when did we see you hungry?"

## **Smiles**

Why did Noah have to punish and discipline the chickens on the Ark? They were using foul language.

The pastor asked, "What do you want to thank God for today?" Elderly woman: "That I remembered it was Sunday."

## CONFIRMATION FORMS

Our Confirmation Information and Registration Forms have been distributed to the Grade 8's from St. Mary and St. Patrick Schools. They must be returned by Thursday,

October 8, 2025. If you have a child in another school who wishes to be confirmed here at St. Patrick Parish, please arrange to pick up the Information Forms at the parish office as soon as possible.



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