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Let us give thanks to the Lord

We thank thee, Lord, For fields of grain

Gold and ripe from summer's rain,

For hillsides bright with scarlet trees

That rustle in the autumn breeze,

For friend so dear, For those we love,

For all thing sent from heaven above...

We thank thee, Lord.



TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, October 8

5:00 Vincent & Ruby Crowley *req. by the Family*
Oscar Bonaguro *req. by the Family*
Alfred Rampado *req. by Rick & Mary Ann*

Sunday, October 9

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Vincenzo Sebastiano *req. by the Family*
Adelino Marcon *req. by Theresa Marcon*
11:30 Carmene Radice *req. by the Radice Family*
Jadwiga Drozda *req. by the Glinski Family*
Plinio & Vera Argenta *req. by Anthony & Paula Capacchione*
7:00 John & Mary Dunphy *req. by the Family*
Mario Tumalak *req. by Arnel Bustamante*

Monday, October 10 Thanksgiving Day

8:00 Irene House *req. by Monique Grouix*
Daminh Hung & Joseph Bay *req. by Duy's Family*

Tuesday, October 11 St John XXIII

8:00 Kelly Morelato *req. by Belle Liberty*
Anthony Girardo *req. by the Catholic Womens League*
9:15 St. Patrick School Mass

Wednesday, October 12

8:00 Gabriel Gagliardi *req. by the Family*
Mario Lucio Tumalak *req. by the Family*

Thursday, October 13

8:00 Ellen Orsmond *req. by Laurie Warner & Family*
Jean Marie Fontana *req. by Cousins: Ange, Victor & Adua & Fam*

Friday, October 14 St Callistus I

8:00 Byard Lundy *req. by Jean & Judie Lundy*
Francisco Arrayga *req. by the Family*

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*
Dec'd mem of the Mallone & Bernardino 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

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

2016 Public Rosary Rally

As we all know, Canada is in need of more prayer and conversion! Please join this **Public Rosary Rally** in praying the Rosary for our nation on Saturday, October 15, 2016 at 12:00 Noon... at F.H. Leslie Park, 5250 Valley Way, Niagara Falls. This will be done in cities across the country. Please contact Kathleen at 905-357-0432 for more information.

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 by October 14th. A dinner will follow at Club Roma at 7pm.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Frank Pietrangelo

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, Gionni 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 Veralgito, 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'Ammizio, Kelly Laslo, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Alessia Commisso, 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: \$5,060.00
Needs of the Canadian Church: \$692.35
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!

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.
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Count your kind deeds instead of your mean.
Count your health instead of your wealth;
Count on God instead of yourself.

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Dear Friends,

I wish you a very Blessed and Happy Thanksgiving Weekend! Praise God for everything we have! Contained in this bulletin are two very important notices. One has to do with **Parish Discernment**, and the other with **The Use of Parish Facilities**.

Our Gospel for the 28th Sunday is most appropriate for this weekend. Here is Jesus traveling between Samaria and Galilee, when he encounters a colony of lepers. [Remember, those with leprosy were outcast and lived outside the towns.] So ten lepers beg Jesus for mercy! And when they are healed, only **ONE** returns to praise God and say **THANK YOU** to **Jesus**! And he was the least likely, because he was a Samaritan.



Thanksgiving gives us the opportunity to stop and reflect on all the things and people in our lives, that we have to be grateful for. I want to thank God for all of you in our parish who make things happen... who keep things moving along! Sometimes we take for granted that everything will get done, somehow, or that **someone else** will do it!

I want to take this Thanksgiving to offer a **big THANKS** to all of you in the pews.... and those who cannot get out to Mass, for your generosity and stewardship week after week. And look how many people we have been able to help over the past year because of you! Thanks to our office staff, custodians and housekeepers for your dedication and loyalty. Thanks to our Parish Council for your invaluable input and vision! Thanks to our dedicated sacristans who are here day in, and day out. Thanks to our catechists! Thanks to you who serve at our liturgies: lectors, altar servers, Eucharistic ministers, ushers, choirs, music ministers, children's liturgy, funeral servers! Thanks to you who bring Communion to the sick. Thanks to our CWL for being there to help the parish and to organize activities! Thanks to our ladies who serve the funeral luncheons, and who serve as counters. Thanks to you who help out at our Breakfast Program, the volunteers, and the donors. Thanks to our St. Vincent de Paul Society and all of you who support their ministry. Thanks to our ladies who sew and embroider our baptism garments during the year. Thanks to our Bingo Committee who work tirelessly to help our Parish financially. Thanks to all of you whom I can call upon when we need assistance on the property, our electricians, plumbers, carpenters, boiler mechanics, cement workers, welders and police! Thanks to Fr. Marc and Fr. Mike!

One of the joys of being a Christian is that we know whom to thank for our many blessings. In the bulletin today, you will find a **Thanksgiving Meal Prayer** which I encourage all of us to pray at our Thanksgiving Dinner! Enjoy your Turkeys, Hams or Vegan Delights! Let us take some sacred time this weekend to remember the ways in which God has blessed us. And then thank God, by reaching out to those who are less fortunate. **Happy Thanksgiving to you and yours!**

Fr. Gerard



Thanksgiving Day Meal Prayer

Bless this food we have before us, O God.
Let it provide the nourishment we need.
Bless our 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.
Bless us as we bless your holy name on this day of Thanksgiving.
Let us praise and thank you always in Jesus' name. Amen.

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 on Wednesday, October 19 at 7PM**. 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.

Thanksgiving Humor

What did the mother turkey say to her disobedient chicks?
If your father could see you now, he would turn over in his gravy.



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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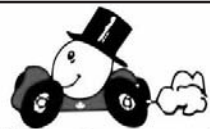


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