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Sandra DiCienzo - Organist
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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.

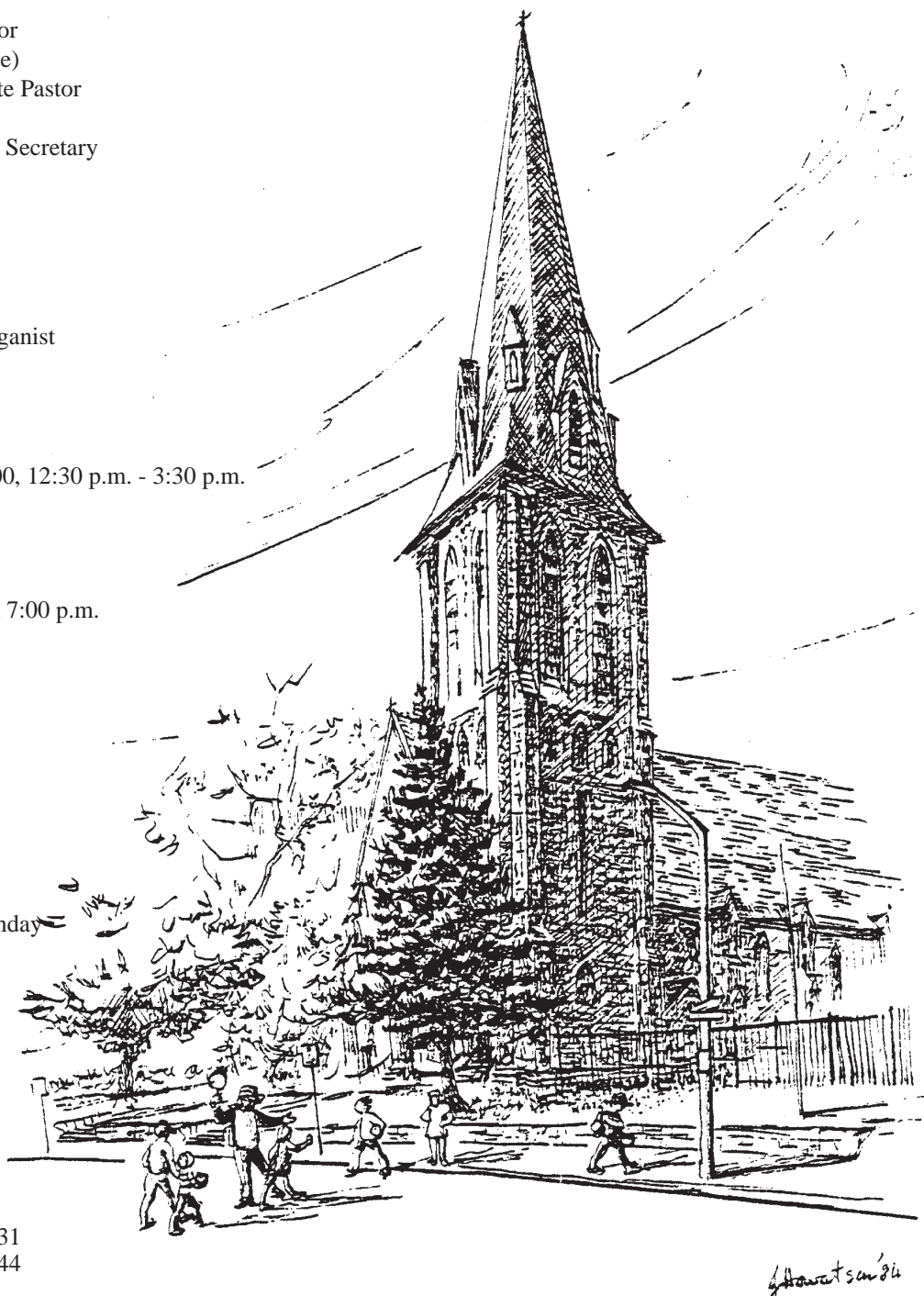
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Diocese of St. Catharines (est. 1958)

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-FOURTH & TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, September 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary

5:00 Pietro Pizzolato *req. by his Wife & Family*
Lidia Bonaldo *req. by Maria & Patrizia*

Sunday, September 13

8:00 Marco Bortolin *req. by his Wife: Anna & Family*
Vincenzo Grottola *req. by his Wife & Family*
9:30 Ovidio & Madeleine Rosati *req. by the Grandchildren*
Elmira, James & Danny Dick *req. by Yvette Dick & Colette Empey*
11:30 Andrew & Rondinelli Family *req. by Dora & Jim Spencer*
Immacolata Luciano *req. by Alessandro Luciano & Family*
7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, September 14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00 Elizabeth Beam *req. by St. Patrick's Catholic Womens League*
Anthony Girardo *req. by Friends*

Tuesday, September 15 Our Lady of Sorrows

8:00 Cyndi Carroll *req. by Friends*
All Grieving Parents

Wednesday, September 16 St Cornelius & St Cyprian

8:00 Don Liberty *req. by his Wife & Family*
Madeline & Ovidio Rosati *req. by the Family*

Thursday, September 17 St Robert Bellarmine

8:00 John F. Power & Glenn Power *req. by Fr. Gerard*
Kelly Power *req. by the Power Family*

Friday, September 18

8:00 Lidia Bonaldo *req. by Louise Goegan*
Palmiro Goegan *req. by the Louise Goegan*

Saturday, September 19 St Januarius

5:00 Stanley Potapczyk *req. by Mary & John Kolbuc*
Emma Looby *req. by Friends*

Sunday, September 20

8:00 Giuseppina Cavaliere *req. by Rocco Cavaliere*
Battista 'Bob' Sacco *req. by Marie & Family*
9:30 Phil & Mary Campagna *req. by Carol Ann Morin*
Angelo Radice *req. by his Wife: Antonietta Radice & Family*
11:30 Jackie Cavin *req. by the Cavin Family*
Mary Malamas, Salome Europa & Consejo Gemoranon *req. by Eva Nelson*
7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, September 21 St Matthew

8:00 Battista 'Bob' Sacco *req. by Marie & Family*
Deceased Carmelites *req. by Fr. Gerard*

Tuesday, September 22

8:00 Attilio Toneguzzo *req. by Eleanor Toneguzzo*
Mary & Jack Dunphy *req. by the Family*

Wednesday, September 23 St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)

8:00 Lidia Bonaldo *req. by Anna Bortolin & Family*
Giuseppina Volpato *req. by the Family Bortolin*

Thursday, September 24 Blessed Émilie Travernier-Gamelin

8:00 James & Susan Brushett *req. by Mary Power*
Theresa & Walter Power *req. by Mary Power*

Friday, September 25 Sts Cosmas & Damian

8:00 Ruth McQuade *req. by the Parish Staff*
Melissa Brideau *req. by Parish Staff*

Saturday, September 26 St Jean de Brébeuf & St Isaac Jogues

5:00 John O'Brien *req. by his Family*
Gus & Zorka Wach *req. by John & Helen Olsiak*

Sunday, September 27

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Caterina Ruberto *req. by Teresa Ruberto*
Alex Fedorkow *req. by Muriel Lafford*
11:30 Vincent Bernardi *req. by his Wife & Family*
John Buckner *req. by his Friends*
7:00 Sergio & Giovanni Simonetti *req. by Amina & Family*
John Rondinelli *req. by Alba & Ann Marie*

Collections

August 30: \$4,545.30

September 6: \$5,167.51

Many thanks for your generosity!

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Bert Massi, Renee Horth, Hilda Power and Flaviano Quiquero. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Ralph Davey, Fr. Terry Cyr, O.Carm., Armando Rossi, Maureen Kealey

Please pray for those who are ill

Baby M, Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Sharon Bruder, Rita Ross, Mahmat, Andrea Fisher, Francis Patterson, Leroy Collee, Maureen Tustin, Maureen Kealey, Fern Albert, Betty Crete, Sean Sandel, Marie Betts, Gerry Laffrati, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Cyndee Matvichuk, Rosanna Ricci, Karen Bradley, Ron Winslow, Carmine Astorino, Andy Scotnicki, Corinne Journeau, Arlene Collee, Betty & Joe Power, Judy, Mary Ann Quigley, Maria Nobile, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Teresa Hebb, Jarod Hickey, Julian Cassidy, Carole Ann Ogilvie, Mary Frances Pye, Gus Bagarozza, Carol DeVilliers, Joe Young, Kelly Power, Marney Broderick, Sister Prem, Kerrie Szuch, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Pasquale Abrunzo, Alice Dalton, John Nicks, John Calder, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praekel, Bernadette Moore, Norma Zanuz, Patricia Williams, Mark Pepple, Nancy Huber, Danielle Barranca, Fern Albert, Kelly Laslo, Toni Brideau, Edward Brzozowski Jr., Nikki Mansfield, Lester Snow, John Cox, Leo Martin, Nicolina Compare, Dr. Andy Fisher, Alvin Learn, James Moody Sr., Nancy Jean Rose, Eric Corcoran, Carmella Modenti, Anna Hunt, Rose MacDonald, Elizabeth Stachura, Denise Colalillo, Brian Smith, Donna Bradley, Charlene Shannon, John Kealey, Margaret Smith, Anna Vergalito, Frank Sica, Helen Lelievre, Nancy Weiss, Jeanne Lea, Rebecca Evans, Samuel Potapczyk, Mary Lawrence, William JA De Foe, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Michelle Price, Emily Hanover, Donna Cormier, Margaret Waghorn, Drago Bicanic, Jeanne S, Bob Marshall, Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Evelyn Rose Baker, Lorraine Spence, Vito Fuccillo, Tom Hilton, Robert & JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Marie Massolin, Jeannette Fabian, Maria Melchiorre, Jozefa Bilski, Francesco Albanese, Todd Reid, Mary Brennan, Conner Hawkswell, George Teibert, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Maria Guerin, Patricia O'Reilly, Audrey Vendramin, Faith Amadio, Patrick Kealey, Cheryl Granton, Walter Wallace, Florrie Heimbigner, Francois Chayer, Jadwiga Wozniak, Julie Nicholson, Stefanie Borin, Patrick McCarthy, Alessia Commisso, Trina Washington, Mary Jo O'Kell, Cheryl D'Ammizio, Baby Nicholas, Baby Victoria, Pepper Martin Jr.

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



!!!Project Share Needs our Help!!!

This year has been rough for the poor and the hungry. We are asked to do all we can to get them through this challenging period. Project SHARE's most needed food items include peanut butter; protein items such as canned tuna, salmon, chicken, ham; and canned beans, pasta sauce, pasta, baby food and formula; cereals. Now that school will be open, lunch snacks would be a great help also. *Lord, when did we see you hungry?*



Galassi Family- Update

As announced in our last Bulletin, a young family in our parish and school are in need of help. A single mother, Sandra Galassi, has lost her battle to cancer. She has four children, three of whom are in St. Patrick and Saint Paul Schools: Michaela, 10; Matteo, 11; Kaylina, 16; and Anthony, 18.

There is a GoFund Me Page, or you can also drop off donations to St. Patrick Parish Office. Please make cheques payable to "Anthony Galassi". Gift cards for grocery stores or clothing stores, Walmart, Shoppers, would also be very much appreciated. The GoFundMe page is at <https://www.gofundme.com/f/sandra-galassi-final-wishes>. God bless you for any help you can give. May Sandra rest in God's gentle peace. And may her children be comforted and supported by our prayers and charity.



Little Flower Society Cards

Did you know that St. Patrick 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 those cards, you not only comfort a family member or friend, but you also support the mission of the Carmelites, our Carmelite Vocation Efforts, and our Carmelite Formation Programs in several countries.

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



This Bulletin is for September 13th and 20th

24th Sunday (September 13) Forgiveness

In today's Gospel, Peter asked Jesus, "How often should I forgive my brother or sister if they sin against me? As many as seven times?" Jesus replied, "Not seven times but seventy-seven times!" Jesus told them a parable about a servant who had a huge debt of 10,000 talents, forgiven by a king. The servant then went out and refused to forgive a fellow slave who owed him 100 denarii. How ruthless. How selfish. How hypocritical! When the king heard this he threw the man in jail until he paid his entire debt!

How easy do I forgive? What does resentment do to us? It destroys us!!! Even destroys our relationship with God, and others. We've all been offended by others. I sure have offended some people. And I have also been hurt by others. But we have a choice. We can get angry and nurse that anger for a long time, and let it grow into deep resentment and hatred. Or we can nip it in the bud early on, and make amends. What has someone done to me that has had a negative effect on my life? What are my personal battle stories? Against whom do I harbour resentments? What have I done that I can't forgive myself for? These are deeply spiritual questions. The past is past. Maybe a great week to Let Go and Let God! Who needs my hand in forgiveness... in reconciliation... this week? Who needs to hear me say, "I'm sorry," or "I was wrong," or "I forgive you?" Let this be a week to bring peace and unity back into our souls and back into our families.

25th Sunday (September 23rd) Generosity of God

In the first reading today, Isaiah writes, "*For my thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways my ways, says the Lord!*" It's difficult to comprehend God's ways! This goes hand in hand with today's Gospel, where we have a Parable about those hired last, receiving the same wages as those hired first. It seems so unfair. God's ways are not our ways! Workers in the vineyard were hired at different times during the day and promised a fair wage! Some laboured the whole day in the heat, while some worked just the last hour or so. Yet, they all received the same pay! Fair? Not really. But who can knock the employer? He did nothing wrong! He was generous! Well, so too is God! God gives grace freely to all of us, in ways we can't imagine, whether we came to know Him early in life, or late! And we are all part of God's plan whether our role is little or big, whether we have worked for the Lord all our lives or have recently returned to the Lord. God sees the individual effort and rewards it. The worst thing we can do is to **DO NOTHING!!!** Imagine standing around all our Christian lives and letting others **DO** the Gospel work! There's no reward for that! Sometimes we hear people say, "I am not as good as him or her." That's wrong! We should never compare ourselves to others. None of us is better or worse than anyone else. Times we feel inadequate, and we give up. We are each created to be unique reflections of God's love. We simply need to do our best, to be our best, try our best and let God take care of the rest. God will reward us according to the way we use the grace he gives each of us. As someone once said: *Working for the Lord doesn't pay much, but the retirement plan is out of this world!*



Volunteers Needed

After Labour Day Weekend, we will be able to print our Sunday Bulletin. They will be available at the **Church Exits** at the end of Mass. We need two volunteers to pass out the bulletins. The guidelines state that we cannot leave any printed materials to be touched and handled by everyone. So the volunteers would need to sanitize their hands and pass a bulletin to each family as they leave the side exits. Please let the parish office know at which Mass you can assist. Given that some people have returned to work, we could also use some more volunteers at the 9:30 AM and 7:00 PM Sunday Masses.

SACRAMENT UPDATES

First Communion

When schools open up and when things have settled, we will be in touch with last year's Grade 2's, who still need to celebrate their First Holy Communion. We are also in the process of contacting the parents of our Grade 3 children [in schools other than St. Mary and St. Patrick] so we can celebrate First Communion with them also. We have a lot of catching up to do with our Sacraments! So please be patient.

Confirmation

We had a Zoom Conference with Bishop Bergie to discuss the celebration of Confirmation for those who were scheduled for May 30, 2020. The new date is October 20, 2020 at 7:00 PM. Please see the Diocesan Guidelines on our Parish website. Because of Covid Restrictions, and limited space, the Confirmation celebration will be for the Confirmation Candidates and their parents only. They will still maintain their Sponsor, but the Sponsor will be unable to attend the liturgy. The Pastor will be the Sponsor by Proxy for all Candidates. Letters have been mailed to all Confirmation candidates.

Parish Office

Our parish office will be open with regular hours after Labour Day. All business will be conducted at a special table inside the office door. Masks are mandatory in the office. Please call ahead so we can have certificates or Mass cards etc. prepared for you. God bless!



Congratulations and best wishes to those who were recently baptized

Miley Finkbeiner, Carmine Girardo, Bennett Seca, Owen Seca and Leo Spooner

St. Patrick Breakfast Program

Each year from September to June, our parish provides a breakfast for the needy children in our schools. With school opening this year during a Pandemic, we have received new guidelines. We cannot cook a hot breakfast anymore, and kids from all grades cannot come into parish hall together. We can only have pre-packaged breakfasts which must be dropped off at the school door by 8:30 AM. We cannot make any homemade muffins, toast etc. so this will affect how we prepare the breakfast this year. It will now be **Breakfast in a Bag**. In each bag we can put a juice Box, health bars; nutigrain bars, individual cheese and crackers, Bear Paws, etc. There are many other pre-packaged options. If you are out and about shopping, please feel free to pick up any of those items and drop them to the parish office or to the church. We want no child going to school hungry. God bless you for whatever you can do to help feed the kids!

Mass Intentions

For those who wish, there are still some openings for Mass Intentions between now and December 31, 2020. Please drop your intentions in the Sunday Collection, bring them to the Parish Office, mail them to us, or email the fee to our direct deposit at stpatrick1895@hotmail.com. A Mass Intention is \$10.00. One of the greatest honours we can do for our deceased loved ones is to pray for them, and have Masses offered for them.

Rescheduled Confirmation Date

from: Saturday, May 30, 2020 @ 5:00 PM
to: October 20, 2020 at 7:00pm

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