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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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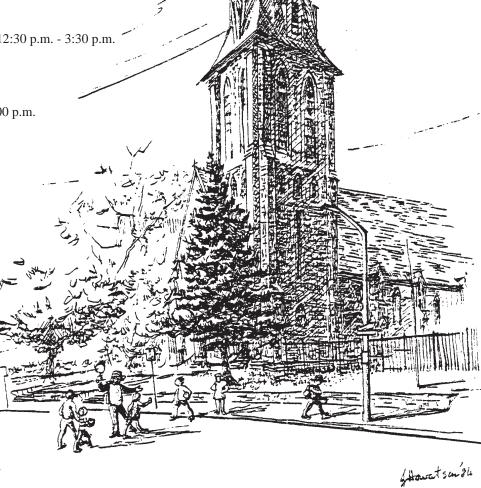
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Diocese of St. Catharines (est. 1958)

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.



Saturday, September 17 St Robert Bellarmine

5:00 Harold & Marc Bickerstaffe req. by Imelda Bickerstaffe Mario & Linda Cardinal req. by the Nicholson Family

Sunday, September 18

8:00 Ted Pante req. by Corinna Pante

Harry Bongers req. by the Bongers Family

9:30 Domenico Quiquero req. by Anna Quiquero & Family Giuseppe Masci req. by Lucia D'Angelo Family

11:30 Mary Argenta req. by Anthony & Paula Capacchione Panfilo Melchiorre req. by the Family

Mande Sekulic, Matt & Mary Grcevic, Mate Dosavich req. by the Sekulic & Grcevic Families

7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, September 19 St Januarius

8:00 Da Minh Hung & Da Minh Ba req. by Duy's Family

Tuesday, Sept 20 St Andrew Kim Tae-gon & St Paul Chong Ha-sang

8:00 Cometto Family req by the Bortolin Family

Wednesday, September 21 St Matthew

8:00 Ovidio & Madeline Rosati req. by the Family Randy Wall req. by the Bortolin Family

Thursday, September 22

8:00 Lucia Caruso req. by her Husband

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

8:00 Irene House req. by Monique Grouix

Saturday, September 24 Blessed Emilie Tavernier-Gamelin

5:00 Deacon Patrick O'Brien req. by Alessandro Luciano & Family Marcel Gautier req. by John & Anna Hunt

Sunday, September 25

8:00 Louis Campaner req. by Ray & Brenda Hicks & Family Eileen Mancuso req. by Joe & Family

9:30 Phil & Mary Campagna req. by the Clark Family

Carmela Fabiano req. by the Family

11:30 Deborrah Dowd req. by her Hsb: Kevin

Jackie Cavasin req. by the Cavasin Family

7:00 People of the Parish

Monday, September 26 St John de Brebeuf & St Isaac Jogues

8:00 Betty Sargeson req by Wayne

Louis & Frances Campaner req. by Vincent & Carol Campaner & Family

Tuesday, September 27 St Vincent de Paul

8:00 John O'Brien req by the O'Brien Family

Nancy Di Paolo req. by Rosemary Panetta

Wednesday, September 28 St Wenceslaus & St Lawrence Ruiz

8:00 Sam Radice req. by John & Marney Broderick

Thursday, September 29 St Michael, St Gabriel & St Raphael

8:00 Nick Di Paolo req. by John Di Paul

Kelly Morelatto req. by the Catholic Womens League

Friday, September 30 St Jerome

8:00 Louis Campaner req. by Vincent & Carol Campaner & Family Mark McAvoy req. by the Family

Saturday, October 1 St Therese of the Child Jesus

5:00 Lori Webb req. by Mom & Dad
John Power req. by Mary Power

Giovanni Simonetti req. by the Family

Sunday, October 2 World Communion Sunday Respect for Life

8:00 Irene House req. by Monique Grouix

Rita & Stefano DeProphetis req. by Giulio & Family

9:30 Alex Fedorkow req. by Muriel Lafford

Pietro Guerin reg. by his Wife: Maria Guerin

11:30 Dianne Goegan req. by Anna Goegan & Family

George O'Kell req. by the Catholic Womens League

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.

Ryan's Bowl Fundraiser... "Beef on a Bun Nite", at Westminster Church Hall, St. Catharines, Friday October 7, 5:30 - 7pm

\$10.00 includes salad, dessert, Coffee/Tea. Tickets available in St. Patrick's Church Office

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Anthony Girardo, Kelly Morelatto, Tracy Bungay & Clara Cader. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Gerry Laffradi, Brian Kneller

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Shanda Gale, Bob Marshall, Tony Laslo, 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 Vergalito, John Jefferson, Jill Leronowich, Vince(Jim) Baldassarro, Nancy Jean Rose, Guiseppina Paonessa, Phyllis Higgins, Patrick McCarthy, Norman Horth, Todd Reid, Muriel Pivarnyik, 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, Rose Vukmanich, 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

September 10 & 11: \$5,728.61 Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2016

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: Sunday, September 25, October 16, November 20 & December 11 A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Sept 13, Oct 4, Nov 8 & Dec 6 at 7:00 pm.

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in September

Paula Ashe & Eric Condon Stephanie Skrlac & James Antonio

CWL News... Back by popular demand, the CWL Ladies will be offering their annual pie/bake sale after the Saturday and Sunday Masses, October 1 & 2. It is so popular that even though we prepare for weeks before this fundraiser, we could still use a little help. If you are able to bake anything and donate it to our table we would be extremely grateful Donations can be delivered to the Church Hall on the morning of Saturday, October 1 between 9am & noon. We sincerely thank you for your consideration.

INTRODUCTION TO CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER WORKSHOP

Do you long to become closer to God? Learn to sit in silence and consent to God's loving presence and action within. Following the Christian heritage of St. Augustine, St. John of the Cross, Fr. Thomas Keating. Presented by **Contemplative Outreach Ontario**, Saturday, October 1, 9:30-3:30 pm, Our Lady of the Scapular Church, Niagara Falls. Cost: \$25. Bring your own lunch.

Registration: Contact Brenda 905-646-1995 or bcoleman@bell.net

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

FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Friends,

Our group of 41 pilgrims will be in Ireland until September 24. So today's bulletin will be for September 17th and 24th. Please keep us in prayer, as we will remember the People of the Parish in all our prayers and Masses throughout this Pilgrimage.

25th Sunday September 18th

In our 1st reading today, the Prophet Amos speaks up for the poor. He denounces all the unjust business practices of his day. Merchants were getting rich off the backs of the poor. This upsets God! Psalm 113 proclaims, "Praise the Lord who lifts up the needy!" In the Gospel Jesus says, "You cannot serve God and wealth." When we hear readings like this, it's an occasion to reflect on the things we have, our possessions, our treasures. We ask, "Did I acquire these things in an honest way? Did I trample on anyone to get ahead?" Money, when it is not our master or a 'little god,' can do wonderful things. But how often have we heard, that "money is the root of all evil." We must constantly examine our use of material possessions. Material things can trap us and divert our attention from what truly matters in life: storing up treasures in heaven! How often have we seen families divided over possessions and inheritances; marriages ruined and lives torn apart for the sake of the almighty dollar? So many people make gods out of money and things. May we never forget that using our wealth to do good, is a wisdom. Using some of our resources to help the poor and hungry is a Gospel command. Our parish and community have many opportunities to offer a helping hand. May each of us find the strength and courage to make wise Gospel-use of our time, talents and treasures.

26th Sunday September 25th

Our passage from Luke's Gospel this Sunday is the parable of *Lazarus and the Rich Man*. It is addressed to the Pharisees, directed at their lack of concern for the poor. The parable is not meant to criticize those who have worked long and hard for their financial position in life. It's meant to help us to recognize the responsibilities we have toward the poor. Here we have a rich man who ignored a poor man, Lazarus, all during life. Both have died! The poor man is in Heaven and the rich man in Hades! Why? Because he treated Lazarus with contempt during life. Now he finds his fortunes reversed. In God's economy, those who hold on possessively to what they have, lose it all in the end, while those who share generously receive back much more than they gave way. The rich man could not see beyond his material wealth. He not only had everything he needed, he selfishly spent all he had on himself. He was too absorbed in himself to notice the needs of those around him, especially Lazarus! He lost sight of God and the treasure of heaven! He served wealth rather than God. In the end the un-named rich man became a beggar!

Those who put their hope and security in heaven will not be disappointed! We ask God this week to give us all a generous heart that we may freely share with others the spiritual and material treasures God has bestowed upon us!



Thought for the Week

If you want to feel rich, just count the things you have that money can't buy.



Happy Birthday Wilf Manuel!

On September 23, 2016, Mr. Wilf Manuel will be celebrating his 100th Birthday! May God continue to bless him with good health and happiness! Wilf will be attending the 11:30 Mass on Sunday, September 25th. He is pictured here with his dear friend, Muriel Lafford, at the St. Patrick Statue.



Monday, September 26th

Today we honour eight martyrs of North America, six Jesuit priests and two lay assistants, who died in Canada and Upstate New York between 1642 and 1649. They were canonized in 1930. Their names are: Sts. Isaac Jogues, Jean de Brébeuf, Jean de Lalande, René Goupil, Anthony Daniel, Gabriel Lalemant, Charles Garnier, and Noel Chabanel. They are copatrons of Canada! Faith and heroism

planted belief in Jesus Chris deep in our land. The Church in Canada and North America sprang from the blood of martyrs. God bless and protect all our missionaries, who put their lives at risk for the Gospel!

Our Newest Saint: St. Teresa of Calcutta

Pope Francis invoked St. Teresa of Calcutta on Wednesday, in his final



"God doesn't call you to be successful, He calls you to be faithful." words to pilgrims and tourists before imposing his Apostolic Blessing. "This past Sunday, we celebrated the canonization of Mother Teresa of Calcutta," said Pope Francis in special greetings to the sick, to young people, and to newlyweds in St. Peter's Square for the occasion.

"Dear young people," he continued, "become like her: artisans of mercy." St. Teresa of Calcutta, pray for us!

Blessing of Animals



Our Blessing of Animals in honour of St. Francis of Assisi will be celebrated on Sunday, October 9th at 2:00 PM in the church. Bring your pets, all creatures great and small, four-legged, two legged, scaled, winged, finned, furried or feathered! Our Lord God made them all!

Spiritual Reading Bookclub: Come out and join lively discussions on inspirational books chosen to deepen the Catholic faith. Last Thursday of every month, September - June, 6:30pm at St. Denis Parish, St Catharines. First meeting is September 29, 2016, and the book is Heaven in Stone & Glass by Robert Martin. For more information contact 905-656-1995.

Knights of Columbus Hennepin Council 1652 All you can eat Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner

includes salad, dessert, tea & coffee Wednesday, September 21 4 - 7pm 6101 North St \$8/person, children under 10 \$5 (takeout available)

Join Life Chain...Sunday October 2nd 3:00 - 4:00pm Registration begins at 2:45 Lundy's Lane outside of Dr. WH Little's office - Prince Edward & Lundy's Lane Rain or Shine

A special Bishop's Collection will be taken up the weekend of September 24 & 25 for the Needs of the Canadian Church. Envelopes are available at the doors of the Church today. Please be generous.



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