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Carol Martin - Director of Music
Sandra DiCienzo - Organist
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Ashley Gallardi - 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, 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.

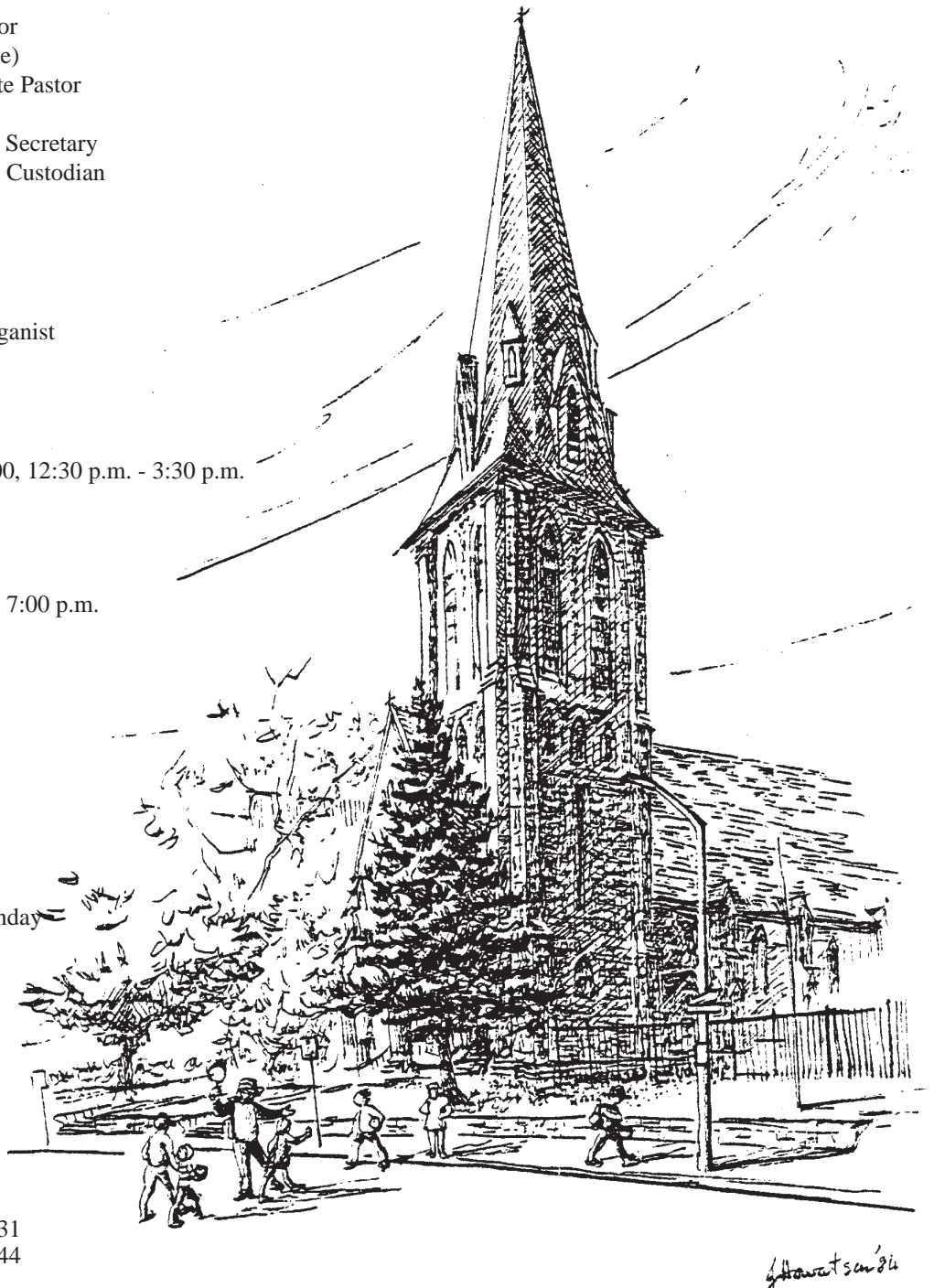
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Diocese of St. Catharines (est. 1958)

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-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, September 22

5:00 Lucrezia & Giovanni Rizzo *req. by Lidia Bonaldo & Family*
Lisa Chruscicki *req. by the Family*

Sunday, September 23

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Caterina Ruberto *req. by Teresa Ruberto*
Elmira, James & Danny Dick *req. by Collette Empey & Yvette Dick*
11:30 Jackie Cvasin *req. by the Cvasin Family*
Ody & Mary Argenta *req. by Paula & Anthony Capacchione*
7:00 Giuseppe Masci *req. by the D'Angelo Family*
Alex Fedorkow *req. by Muriel Lafford*

Monday, September 24 Bl. Émilie Tavernier-Gamelin

8:00 Clinton Clendening *req. by Carolyn Dykas*
Sandra Ann Madray *req. by John & Maureen Young*

Tuesday, September 25 Sts Cosmas & Damian

8:00 Ovidio & Madeline Rosati *req. by their Daughter & Grandchildren*
Deceased Carmelites

Wednesday, September 26 St John de Brébeuf & St Isaac Jogues

8:00 Betty Sargeson *req. by Wayne*
Ina Calzonetti *req. by the Family*
Ray Tan Wee Lee & Tan Poh Neo *req. by Wife & Sister-in-law*

Thursday, September 27 St Vincent de Paul World Tourism Day

8:00 John O'Brien *req. by the O'Brien Family*
Nancy Di Paolo *req. by Rosemary Panetta*

Friday, September 28 St Wenceslaus & St Lawrence Ruiz & Companions

8:00 John Buckner *req. by his Friends*
Jack & Bernice Buckner *req. by his Friends*

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

5:00 Nick Di Paolo *req. by John Di Paolo*
Jack De Giorgio *req. by the Family*

Sunday, September 30

8:00 Mark McAvoy *req. by the Family*
Louis Campaner *req. by the Family*
9:30 Anna Goegan *req. by Paul & Joan Di Paul*
Kathleen Dodge *req. by the Dodge Family*
11:30 Pellegrino Iuliano *req. by Antonietta Lanni*
Marian, Wiesiu, Waldek Chrzanowski *req. by Elizabeth Asner & Family*
7:00 People of the Parish

Upcoming Wedding at St. Patrick's in October

Stephanie Rotella & Michael Watson
Krisie Lee Rylands & Domenic De Giorgio

Baptism Schedule for 2018

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday, October 21 & November 25**

A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, October 9 & November 13 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!

Children Sacramental Dates 2019

Confirmation: Saturday, June 1, 2019 @ 5:00 PM.

First Communion: Sunday, May 5, 2019 @ 9:30 AM and 1:30 PM

Look for Registration Information in upcoming Parish Bulletins.

A special Bishop's Collection will be taken up the weekend of September 29 & 30 for the Needs of the Canadian Church. Envelopes are available at the doors of the Church today. Please be generous.

Bishop's Charities Dinner... Saturday, October 20, 2018 at Club Roma
Reception 6pm, Dinner 7:30pm. Tickets \$50 each payable to Knights
Bishop's Charity Association. Door prizes. Contact Bill: 289-456-7888,
Chuck: 905-646-5099, Martin: 905-401-5646 or Albert: 905-988-1222

Rest in Peace... We pray for the soul of Fr. William O'Malley, O.Carm.. May he rest in peace. Please remember his family in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized:

Dr. Andy Fisher, Nicolina Compare

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Marie Cadman, Colin Nicholson, Bruno DeLazzari, James Moody Sr., Fern Albert, Rose MacDonald, Elizabeth Stachura, Joe Mancuso, John Calder, Melissa Brideau, Toni Brideau, Charlene Shannon, John Nicks, Moira Campbell, Leon Dopke, Adele Morabito, Anna Hunt, John Kealey, Norah Marrie, Anna Vergalito, Helen Lelievre, Nancy Weiss, Samuel Potapczyk, Baby Julian, Baby Noah, Mary Lawrence, Bernard Martin, William JA De Foe, Emily Hanover, Leo Martin, Drago Bicanic, Baby Victoria, Bob Marshall, Gerry Laffrady, Edna McDonnell, Fred Girardo Sr., Fr Tony McNamara, O.Carm., Gloria Smelko, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Maria Melchiorre, Conner Hawkswell, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Danielle Barranca, Iole Mancini, Jeannette Fabian, Donna Cormier, Maria Rosiana, Alice Dalton, Audrey Vendramin, Baby Maximus, Jeanne Lea, Patrick Kealey, Tom Hilton, Francesco Albanese, Rosalyn Dagleish, Kelly Dettlor, Florrie Heimbigner, Kitty Decicco, Evelyn Rose Baker, Jozefa Bilski, Rebecca Evans, Marie Massolin, Maria Guerin, John Jefferson, Todd Reid, John Cox, Jill Leronowich, Nancy Jean Rose, Margaret Smith, Faith Amadio, Vince(Jim) Baldassarro, Kelly Laslo, Patrick McCarthy, Stefanie Borin, Muriel Pivamyik, Walter Wallace, Joyce Weaver, Kerrie Szuch, Carmella Modenti, Frank Sica, Margaret Waghorn, Vito Fuccillo, Baby Hope, Donna Bradley, Cheryl D'Amazio, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Mary Jo O'Kell, Alessia Comisso, Vicki Dubeau, Lorraine Spence, Baby Sebastian, Patricia O'Reilly, Mary Brennan, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pepper Martin Jr., Vital & Emmanuel Chayer, Michelle Price, Brian Smith, Carlo Trasmundi, Jadwiga Wozniak, Baby Gabriel Paraskevopoulos, Trina Washington, Shirley Machulla, Helen Rotella, Jeanne S
Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.

Collections

September 16: \$5,308.16

Breakfast Program: \$2,197.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

CWL News...

Sunday, September 23, after the 9:30 Mass, the CWL will have a Potluck Breakfast in the Hall with guest speaker. ***All are invited to attend and please bring your favourite dish to share.***

- Thank you so much for all of the pre ordering of pies!! We had over 90 pies preordered!!! If you preordered a pie they will be available for pick up on Saturday, September 29th from 9am - 11am, in the Hall
- The CWL will be hosting a Bake Sale on the weekend of September 29 & 30th, all donations of baked goods will gladly be accepted

Regenerate(d) 2018... Saturday, November 17 at the Scotiabank Convention Centre in Niagara Falls. Speakers include Dr. Edward Sri, Thomas Sullivan, David Patterson, Ante and Robert Skoko, Fr. Paul McDonald and Fr. Rico Passero. The main celebrant & homilist is Bishop Bergie. For more info check out their website at branchsoftheword.org

Join **Life Chain...** Sunday, September 30, 2018 2:00 - 3:00pm

Registration begins at 1:45 Lundy's Lane outside of Dr. WH Little's office - Prince Edward & Lundy's Lane Rain or Shine

Retrouvaille... A Lifeline for Marriage- Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Retrouvaille has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels. For confidential information about, or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on **October 12, 2018** at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre in Niagara Falls, please call 905-664-5212 or email: hamiltonretrouvaille1@cogeco.ca or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org

Diocesan **SEPARATED AND DIVORCED HEALING MINISTRY** support group monthly meetings. Meetings are the second and fourth Mondays from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Mount Carmel Spiritual Centre, 7020 Stanley Avenue, Niagara Falls.
For a pamphlet or information call 905-356-4113 or 905-684-0154, or email separatedanddivorced@saintcd.com. No pre-registration required.

Dobbie's Florist 130th Anniversary... Sunday, September 23 -11:30am - 3:30pm, 5144 Victoria Ave. Charity BBQ & Draws; proceeds to Women's Place & Niagara Falls Humane Society

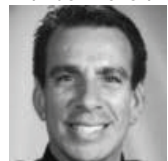
Special Birthday wishes go out to Wilf Manuel on the celebration of his 102nd Birthday



Dear Friends,

Welcome to Autumn! A new season! Before long, our leaves will be changing and falling! Thanksgiving is just around the corner! Time flies. The only constant in everything, is God!

This Sunday, with great joy, we welcome Fr. Paul Henson, O.Carm. here with us. He is the Vocation Director for the Carmelites! Fr. Paul will



speak at four of our Masses- 5:00/8:00/9:30 & 11:30! Fr. Paul's ministry is such a sacred one, and it certainly has its challenges. One thing for certain, there is a shortage of vocations in North America. We pray for vocations all the time, but did you ever consider actually going to someone and saying, "You

would make a great Carmelite... you would make a great priest, religious. Why don't you consider a vocation?" Sometimes all it takes is to plant that seed.

I have been serving on the Carmelite Parish Commission for the past two years. We will be having our fifth meeting in Chicago next month. We are facing a stark reality: **we have too many Parishes and not enough priests.** We have had to give some parishes back to local dioceses over the past few years. And that's a painful thing to have to do. Our Carmelites are aging fast, and we have many retiring in the next 3-5 years.

So dear friends, **PRAY FOR VOCATIONS** to the Priesthood and Religious Life! Prayer for strong marriage vocations, dedicated vocations to the single life! Encourage our youth. Here is a prayer that I encourage all of us to pray! It's a prayer for all vocations in life. **Fr. Gerard:**

Creator of the Universe, God of the Nations,
Your people are longing to hear your word.

Send labourers into your harvest - women and men on fire with your love:

Dedicated single people - who incarnate your presence in their daily lives,
whose availability enables them to respond to a diversity of needs.

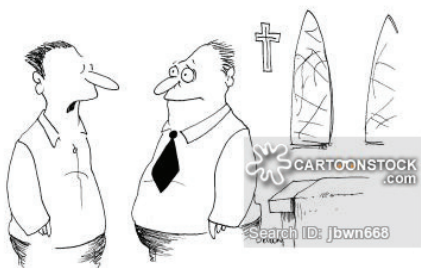
Married couples - whose relationships serve as a sign of your fidelity to your people,
whose love overflows to their children and neighbours.

Ordained Ministers - who gather the prayers and longing of your people,
who serve as a channel of your presence through the sacraments.

Religious sisters, brothers, and priests - whose life in community
foreshadows our eternal unity in Christ,
whose service brings your life to the world.

May each of us respond with courage and generosity
to our particular vocations, and may the Church recognize
the Spirit's call to men and women of good will,
trusting in your abundance to answer all our needs. Amen.

"For each one of us, there is only one thing necessary: to fulfill our own destiny, according to God's will, to be what God wants us to be." - **Thomas Merton**



"So, does God always call people to ministry or can he text also?"

Scripture this Sunday

James, who is one of the most practical biblical writers, calls a spade a spade in the 2nd reading this Sunday. He says, where there's envy and selfish ambition there is disorder and wickedness of every sort. He calls us to live lives based on **Wisdom**, and that is a life that is **peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits.** Not a bad way to live!

Peaceable? Where is there disunity and disharmony in my life, in my family? What am I doing about it? **Gentle?** How do I treat others? Do I lord my authority over them... or am I patient and understanding, reasonable and fair? **Willing to yield?** Am I hard-headed, headstrong, stubborn? Do I embrace change? Or is it always my way or the highway? **Full of mercy?** How do I treat those who are downtrodden: the hungry, the homeless, the destitute? Remember, what we do to those, we do to Christ! **Good fruits?** Am I charitable? Do I respond to the cries around me? Am I present and compassionate to the sick, the shut-ins, the dying, the grieving? Or am I totally wrapped up in myself?

It's never too late to stop and do an examination of conscience. This week is as good as any to stop and reflect on our Christian journey. And if we feel we are off-track in any of these areas, then allow Christ in more deeper, to help us. With God, all things are possible! Have a fruitful, merciful, peaceful, yielding, and gentle week!

Blessing of Animals



In honour of the Feast of St. Francis, we will have a Blessing of Animals on **Saturday, October 6, 2018 at 11:00 AM** in the church. Please make sure you keep your pets on a leash or in a crate. All animals, birds, critters of all sorts, are welcome!

"Each of you has a personal vocation which God has given you for your own joy and sanctity. When a person is conquered by the fire of His gaze, no sacrifice seems too great to follow Him and give Him the best of ourselves. This is what the saints have always done, spreading the light of the Lord ... and transforming the world into a welcoming home for everyone."

- **Pope Benedict XVI**



Trillium Award

On Wednesday evening I attended the City of Niagara Falls Trillium Awards and received the Gold Trillium on behalf of our Parish. This is the highest



rating a property can receive. "To achieve such honours, the property owner(s) has proven that they are committed to their property and that they strive to reach a level of excellence. Gold Trillium recipients are examples for the community to follow. Once a property has been recognized as a Gold Trillium recipient, the property can still be recognized in the following year by the Committee with an Award of Excellence. The property would need to be nominated and maintain at a Gold Trillium standard in order to receive this recognition."

Many thanks to all who help around the gardens!

Student Employment

St. Patrick Parish is hiring a student (Grade 12 or older) to work each Saturday from 10:00 AM-4:30 PM. It will involve cleaning, snow removal, among other duties. This could also lead into a full-time Summer Job at St. Patrick's. If you are interested, please drop off a resume to the office as soon as possible. The position is available immediately! Preference will be given to active parishioners!

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