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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 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 is required.

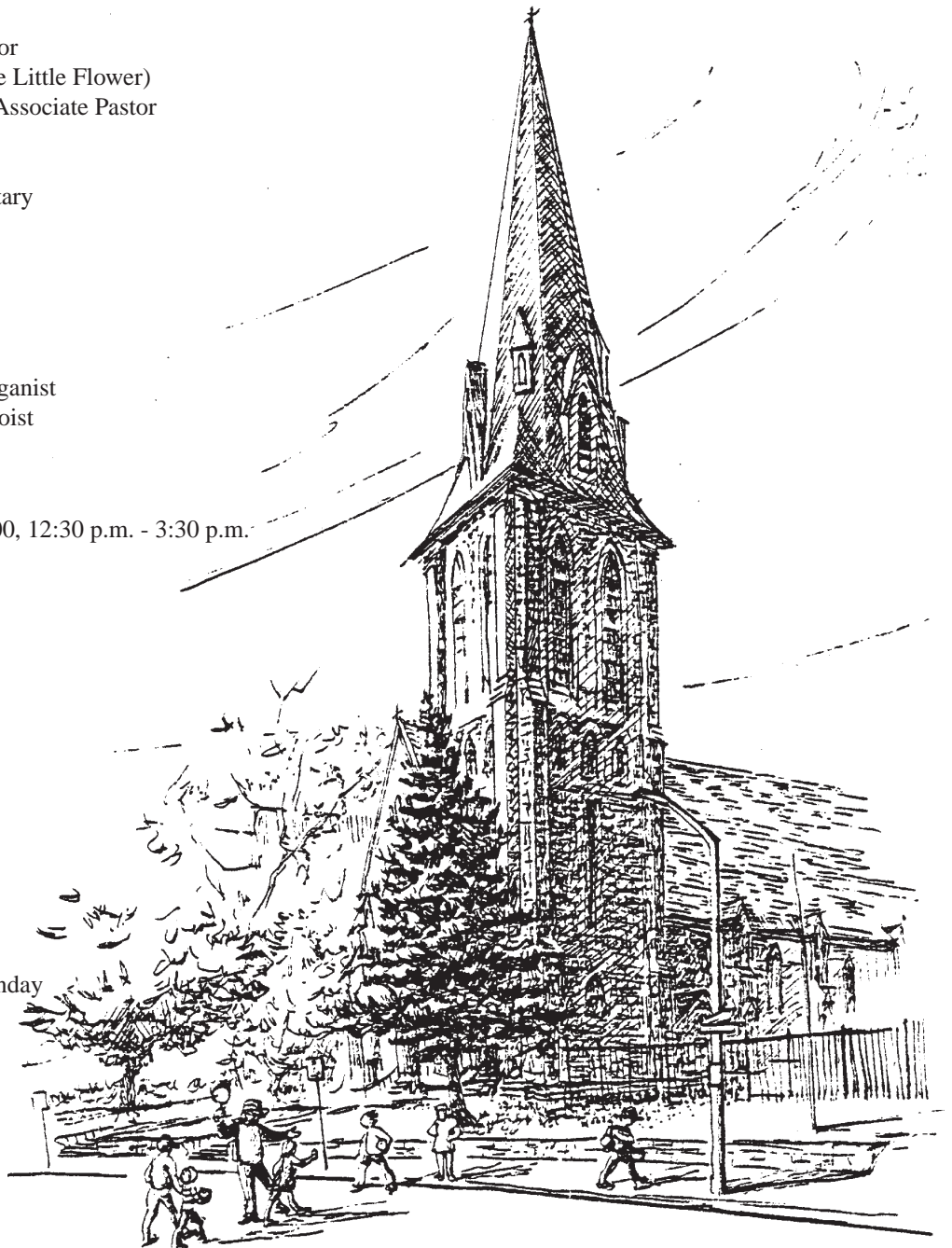
Schools

St. Patrick School 905-354-6631
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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-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

5:00 Nancy & Nick DiPaolo req by Paul DiPaul
Belle Liberty req by JoAnne & Family

Sunday, September 29 World Day of Migrants & Refugees

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Caterina Ruberto req by Teresa Ruberto
Mother Kevin & Loretto Sisters req by Former St. Pat's Students
11:30 John Rondinelli req by Ann Marie Rondinelli
Angelo Paonessa req by Tony & Rosa DeAngelis

Monday, September 30

8:00 Louis Campaner req by the Campaner Family
Rocco Cavaliere req by Joe & Loretta Antonio

Tuesday, October 1 St Thérèse of the Child Jesus

8:00 Belle Liberty req by the Catholic Womens League
For Unborn Children req by Stu & Mary Lou Gallardi

Wednesday, October 2 The Holy Guardian Angels

8:00 Pietro Guerin req by Maria & Family
Father Tony McNamara req by Howard & Sherry

Thursday, October 3

8:00 James Ogilvie req by Sam & Chris St. Angelo & Family
Rose & Peter Putz req by the Solomon Family

Friday, October 4 St Francis of Assisi

8:00 Pietro Guerin req by Maria & Family
Mary Anello req by Domenic, Christina, Kaitlyn, Peter & Mother:
Incarnata Radice

Saturday, October 5 St Faustina Kowalska

5:00 Father Tony McNamara req by Ethel O'Brien
Carlo Pizzolato req by Angela & David Dumele

Sunday, October 6

8:00 Nicola Rinaldis req by the Family
Anna Giang req by the Nguyen Family
9:30 People of the Parish
11:30 Dianne Goegan req by Louise Goegan
Francesco Provenzano req by Josephine Provenzano

Hospital Visits

If you have a family member in hospital who would like a visit from a priest, please let the nursing station know. They will have the switchboard call for a priest. There have been several policy changes at the hospitals. Priest no longer have access to a list of patients. Beginning in September, not all parking will be covered for clergy (emergency switchboard calls only).

Little Flower Society Cards

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.

Blessing of Animals

In honour of the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi, we will have a Blessing of Animals on **Sunday, October 6, 2024 at 2:00 PM** in the church parking lot (school playground). Please make sure you keep your dogs on a leash. All animals, birds, critters of all sorts, are welcome!



A special Bishop's Collection will be taken up this weekend, September 28 & 29 for the Needs of the Canadian Church. Envelopes are available at the doors of the Church today. Please be generous.

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, Muriel Lafford, Robert Orsini, Enzo Bellon, Kurt Stevens, Barbara Conidi, Lindsey Luby, Norm Scott, Toni Brideau, Scott MacLaren, Charlene Shannon, Jim Crowley, Sherry Wales, Peter Meisenburg Jr., Leila Khan, Maureen Young, Maureen Tustin, Maureen Watson, Anna Hunt, Nancy Waters, David Gallina, John F, John Arnold, Andrew Zacharuk, Patrick Macri, Leroy Collee, Antoinette Vescio, Victor Pizzolato, Jeanne S, Christine Pritty, John & Laura Giampa, Jim & Betty Calzonetti, Eric Van Noort, Julian Cassidy, Isabell Frost, Lorraine Spence, Estelle Critelli, D.D., Missy Bilotta, Pasquale Abrunzo, Flori Heimbigner, Rita Ross, Leon French, Tony Cuvielli, Kelsey Liles, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Norma Zanus, Judy, Jadwiga Wozniak, Kerrie Szuch, William JA DeFoe, Betty Crete, Sister Prem, 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, Gregory Roulston, Anna Chayer, Denise Colalillo, Maria Guerin, Patrick McCarthy, Michelle Price, Francesco Albanese, Mary Jo O'Kell, Julie Nicholson, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Carmella Modenti, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Margaret Waghorn, Evelyn Rose Baker, Patricia O'Reilly, Fran Smelko, Gloria Smelko, Jackie, Faith Amadio, Vanessa Athoe, Walter Wallace, Marie Brooker, Pepper Martin Jr, Francois Chayer, Samuel Potapczyk, Jozefa Bilski
Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.

Collections

September 22: \$6,087.00
Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2024

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday Oct 20 & Nov 24.**

A mandatory meeting for Parents and Godparents will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Oct 8 & Nov 12 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!



DID YOU KNOW?

We have a few parishioners who struggle with perfume allergies!

Please keep this in mind as you prepare yourself for Sunday Mass. Just a little dab'll do!



Congratulations and best wishes to
Emma Nicholson & Reese Lostracco
who were recently baptized

Upcoming Weddings at St. Patrick's in October

*Bianca DiBellonia & Vince Rosati
Chique De La Rosa & Dylan Holditch*

Sacramental Dates for the Upcoming Year

Confirmation: Sunday, November 17, 2024 @ 11:30am Mass
First Reconciliation: Wednesday, February 26, 2025 @ 7:00pm
First Communion: Sunday, May 18, 2025 @ 9:30am & 1:30pm
(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.)

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



This Sunday we have the annual **Collection for the Needs of the Church in Canada**. This annual initiative assists the Bishops in their ministry of accompanying, teaching, guiding, sanctifying and caring for the Church in Canada. As part of their episcopal ministry, the Bishops will continue to work together on important doctrinal and ethical questions; ecumenical initiatives and interreligious dialogue; international relations; evangelization, faith education and catechesis; questions of social justice; responsible ministry, the development of a culture of life and family, as well as on relations with Indigenous peoples. There are yellow envelopes available at the doors of the church this weekend. Please place them in with the regular collection.

Dear Friends:

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks about the reward for those who help others in his name, even giving someone a *cup of water*! Because we are Christian, everyone in need has a claim on us. Every single person is dear to God, for he created all in his own image and likeness. God created us in love **for love**.

I believe that we are most free and happy when we love as he loves. The love and charity we show to our neighbor and to the poor, should be an expression of our gratitude for the abundant mercy and kindness God has bestowed upon us. Jesus never refused help to anyone in need. We are called to be kind and generous like the Master.

Maybe each of us can find one person or one cause to help this week. We don't need to look too far! Have a blessed week.

Fr. Gerard



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If you can't feed a hundred people, then feed just one. *Mother Teresa*
 "On the day of my conversion Charity entered into my heart and with it a yearning to forget self always; thenceforward I was happy." *St. Therese*

A Children's Prayer for Peace

God of love,
 We pray for peace in our world,
 and an end to war.
 Instead of hatred, let there be love.
 Shelter your children and protect us.
 Guide us and keep us from harm,
 so we can build a world of love
 and live our lives in peace. Amen.



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

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 (.13th Cent. heretics). 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 the Church. **The Rosary is prayed in St. Patrick Church each weekday at 7:30 AM.**

Feast of St. Therese, The Little Flower



October 1st, is the Feast of our great Carmelite Saint, *St. Therese of Lisieux*, Patroness of the Missions! She lived a short 24 years from 1873-1897, in Alencon and Lisieux, France. She has become the most popular saint of all times. Her autobiography, *The Story of a Soul*, has been translated into over 50 languages! St. Therese

taught us the "Little Way!" And that is finding God in the ordinary everyday activities of life! When Pope John Paul II declared her Doctor of the Church in 1997, he called her "a young Carmelite who was filled with the love of God, who offered herself completely to his love, and who knew how to practice love of neighbour in the ordinary things of daily life." That is certainly a call to all of us! Therese wrote, "Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest right and doing it all for love!" She also said, "You know well enough that Our Lord does not look so much at the greatness of our actions, nor even at their difficulty, but at the love at which we do them."

!!!Project Share Needs our Help!!!

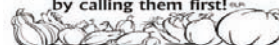
Food donations are struggling! While the need for help doesn't diminish, we are asked to do all we can to help Project Share! The most needed food items include peanut butter; protein items such as canned tuna, salmon, chicken, ham; and canned beans, pasta sauce, baby food and formula; cereals, nutrigrain bars. ***Lord, when did we see you hungry?***

2024 Special Wedding Anniversaries... Bishop Bergie will send a congratulatory certificate to married couples who have celebrated or will celebrate a 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th Anniversary in the year 2024.

To receive a certificate, please complete a registration form available at the parish Office by November 8th.

CALL TO VENDORS! St. Thomas More CWL Fall Harvest Homemade Craft Show & Bake Sale – Saturday, October 5th @ 10am-4pm – Please come out and enjoy browsing the beautiful Artisan Crafts, Carmine's Pizza & Salad Lunch, Hot Apple Cider, Raffles, and Bake Sale! Many delicious home-baked treats just in time for Thanksgiving! **If you are interested in participating as a craft vendor, we'd love to hear from you. Contact Dina Marchionda at 905-380-0522 or dina.marchionda@gmail.com at your earliest convenience.**

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