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Rev. Marc Bell, O.Carm., Associate Pastor
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Music Ministry

Carol Martin - Director of Music
Sandra DiCienzo - Organist
Tim Marrie - Pianist and Soloist
Anthony Scaringi - Pianist and Organist
Ashley Gallardi-Pietrangelo - 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 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.

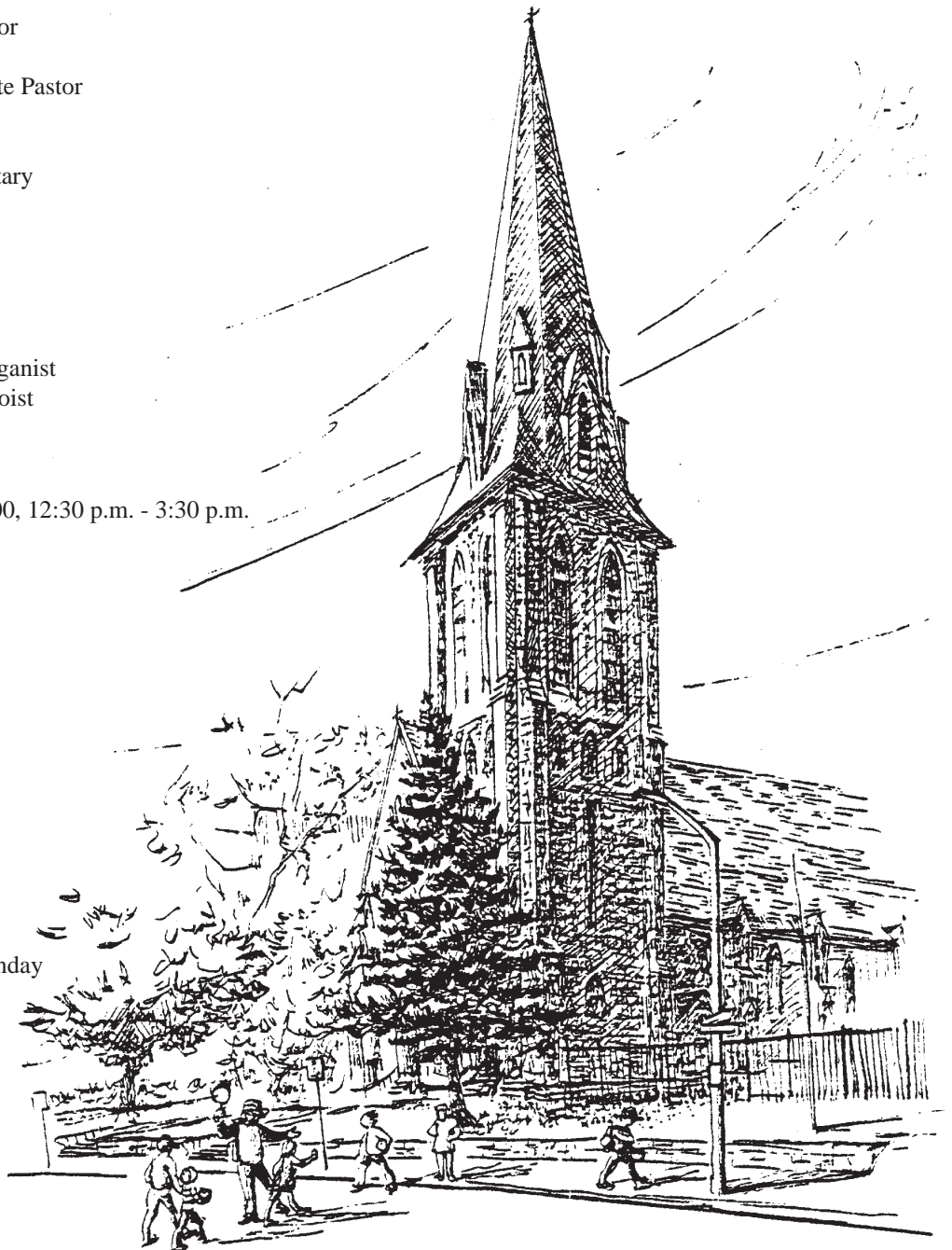
Schools

St. Patrick School 905-354-6631
St. Mary School 905-354-7744

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-THIRD & TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



Saturday, September 3 St Gregory the Great

5:00 Gino Rampado req. by Rick & Paula Rampado & Family
For the Healing of Myah G req. by Mary Ward Staff

Sunday, September 4

8:00 Giulio Canali req. by John & Anne Condotta
Mary Brodie req. by Eleanor Adams

9:30 People of the Parish

11:30 Ody Argenta req. by Diana Argenta
Immacolata Luciano req. by her Children

Monday, September 5 Labour Day

8:00 Gerry Fassett req. by Marci McDonnell
Fern Albert req. by Aileen & Bryce Adams

Tuesday, September 6

8:00 Carole Ann Ogilvie req. by Lillian Winslow
John Prentice req. by Bill Albert

Wednesday, September 7

8:00 Antonetta Picca req. by the Family
Leo Martin req. by Eda Martin

Thursday, September 8 The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

8:00 Palmiro Goegan req. by the Family
Doug & Nodi Caverson req. by Daria Newport & Family

Friday, September 9 St Peter Claver

8:00 Andrew Rondinelli req. by Jim & Dora & Family
Betty Sargeson req. by Wayne

Saturday, September 10

5:00 Stanley Potapczyk req. by Les & Peggy Potapczyk
Gus & Zorka Wach req. by John & Helen Olsiak

Sunday, September 11

8:00 Giuseppe DeMizio req. by Pasqualina DeMizio & Family
Victims & Families of September 11, 2001

9:30 Ovidio & Madeline Rosati req. by the Grandchildren
Anthony & Lena Girardo req. by the Girardo Family

11:30 People of the Parish

Monday, September 12 The Most Holy Name of Mary

8:00 Mother Kevin, IBVM req. by Rick Worum
Fern Albert req. by Jeanne Lea

Tuesday, September 13 St John Chrysostom

8:00 Gerry Fassett req. by Helen Lelievre
John Prentice req. by Howard & Sherry Wales

Wednesday, September 14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:00 Fred Girardo Jr. req. by Tony & Jackie Phillip
Ria Van Noort req. by the Skubel Family

Thursday, September 15 Our Lady of Sorrows

8:00 Jimmy Lepp req. by Friends
Ralph Martens req. by Marina Martens

Friday, September 16 St Cornelius & St Cyprian

8:00 Maria Pettinato req. by Camillo & Family
Stanley Potapczyk req. by Les & Peggy Potapczyk

Saturday, September 17 St Robert Bellarmine & St Hildegard of Bingen

5:00 Audrey Vendramin req. by Rob & Arlene Nicholson
For the Healing of Myah G req. by Mary Ward Staff

Sunday, September 18

8:00 People of the Parish
9:30 Caterina Ruberto req. by Teresa
Elmira, James & Danny Dick req. by Colette & Yvette
11:30 Manda Sekulic req. by the Sekulic Family
Mary & Mate Grcevic & Mate Dasovich req. by the Grcevic Family

Upcoming Weddings at St. Patrick's in September

Crystal Murdock Hill & Jonathan Cirillo
Amy St. Jean & Alexander Pedro

Gardening Quotes

... Plant carrots in January and you'll never have to eat carrots.
... I like gardening. It's a place where I find myself when I need to lose myself.
... A garden is a silent, loyal friend and a great listener.

Rest in Peace... We pray for the souls of Ria Van Noort and Susan Atkinson. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in your prayers.

Please pray for those who are hospitalized: Anna Vergalito

Please pray for those who are ill

Mary Power, Erika Bell, Sherry Wales, Cole Farnham, Robert Power, Tony Laslo, Andrew Zacharuk, Patrick Macri, Nancy Waters, Natalie Speth Jerry Slak, Jeanne S, Christine Pritty, Antoinette Vescio, Charlene Shannon, Sandra DeFoe, Missy Bilotta, Mary Lou Gallardi, Robert Morningstar, Flori Heimbigner, Leona French, Toni Brideau, Elaine Pampena, Tony Cuvillo, Rita Ross, Dr. Andy Fisher, Karen Watt, Ron O'Neill, Maureen Kealey, Teresa Calzonetti Spiller, Justin Vaillancourt, Betty Calzonetti, Eric Van Noort, Francis Patterson, Marcellina Mativo, Sr. Carol Forhan CPPS, Judy, D.D., Estelle Critelli, Andrea Fisher, Leroy Collee, Bernadette Moore, Kelsey Liles, Julian Cassidy, Kelly Laslo, Mahmat, Angelina Greco, Maureen Tustin, Betty Crete, Teresa Hebb, Joe Young, Gaetan Buteau, Rose MacDonald, Kathryn Kneller, Sister Prem, Edward Brzozowski, Jeannette Fabian, Lori Ann Pizzolato, Andy Scotnicki, JoAnne Biamonte Ely, Pat DiLorenzo Jr., Karen Bradley, Joe Power, Corinne Journeau, Tom Hilton, Carmine Astorino, Arlene Collee, Betty & Mary Ann Quigley, Nancy Weiss, Marney Broderick, Mark Pepple, Anna Hunt, Gregory Roulston, Cameron Boyes, Bob Marshall, Danielle Barranca, Kerrie Szuch, John Nicks, Pasquale Abrunzo, Samuel Potapczyk, John Calder, Victor Sincich, Nancy Praakel, Jeanne Lea, Norma Zanus, Patricia Williams, Nancy Huber, John Cox, Nikki Mansfield, Nicolina Compare, Nancy Jean Rose, Anna Vergalito, Brian Smith, Carmella Modenti, Donna Bradley, Elizabeth Stachura, Denise Colalillo, Margaret Smith, Rebecca Evans, Michelle Price, William JA De Foe, Vito Fuccillo, Bernard Martin, Joyce Weaver, Drago Bicanic, Emmanuel & Aline Chayer, Anna Chayer, Margaret Waghorn, Vicki Lea-Dawson, Lorraine Spence, Patricia O'Reilly, Evelyn Rose Baker, Francesco Albanese, Gloria Smelko, Conner Hawkswell, Jackie, Fran Smelko, John Smelko, Jozefa Bilski, Todd Reid, Robert & Maria Melchiorre, Mary Brennan, Faith Amadio, Cheryl Granton, Alessia Comisso, Maria Guerin, Trina Washington, Mary Jo O'Kelly, Isabell Frost, Jadwiga Wozniak, Baby Victoria, Patrick Kealey, Walter Wallace, Francois Chayer, Julie Nicholson, Patrick McCarthy, Stefanie Borin, Pepper Martin Jr., Cheryl D'Amazio, Cecil Amadio
Please help us update our list of those who are homebound, infirm, or hospitalized by calling the parish office.

Collections

August 21: \$5,433.00

August 28: \$5,405.00

Many thanks for your generosity!

Baptism Schedule for 2022

Baptisms will be celebrated in St. Patrick Church at 1:00 PM on: **Sunday, Sept 25, Oct 23 & Nov 27.** A mandatory meeting for **Parents and Godparents** will be held in the Church on Tuesday, Sept 13, Oct 11 & Nov 15 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!



Congratulations and best wishes to

Storm Cizmar, Amelia Lostracco,
Annie Corupe & Olivia Hyde
who were recently baptized

Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Shrine, 4706 Miller Road, Port Colborne welcomes Bishop Bergie on Thursday, September 8, 2022, the Feast of the Nativity of Mary. The rosary will be prayed at 7:00 p.m. and Bishop Bergie will celebrate Mass at 7:30 p.m. – **EVERYONE IS WELCOME.** The Shrine operates May to October. Every Thursday at 7:00 p.m., in the Chapel, the Rosary is recited followed by the celebration of Holy Mass. For more information please call Shelley Tamas 905-714-7677 or visit www.rosaryshrineniagara.com



Happy Labour Day to all! It's the last weekend before school opens. May God bless our students, teachers, vice principals, principals and staff. And God's many blessings for our college students, especially those leaving home for the first time! Keep Christ in your life!

23rd Sunday September 4th

In today's Gospel, Jesus is speaking to a large crowd about discipleship, and its demands! ***Whoever comes to me and does not hate their father and mother, spouse and children, brothers and sisters, and even their life itself, cannot be my disciple.*** Wow! Not something we usually hear from Jesus! He is not literally telling us to hate our loved ones. The word ***hate*** is translated as ***'preferred less' or 'love less.'*** Jesus does not want any**ONE** or any**THING** to stand in the way of our following Him. That is to say, nothing should take precedence or first place in our lives, over God. God must come first.

To place any relationship or possession above God is a form of idolatry. If a relationship with someone leads us away from God, then we need to look at that. If we are caught up in material things and possessions, to the point that they have become little 'gods', then we need to take a serious look at that! We must ***love less*** anyone or anything that keeps us from God.

Jesus also adds that whoever does not ***carry their cross and follow me cannot be my disciple!*** What does this mean? A "cross" is never inflicted on anyone. Taking up a cross involves sacrifice, the sacrifice of laying down our lives each day for Jesus' sake. It can mean sacrificing



my time for a needy family member, friend or stranger; sacrificing my treasure to help the poor, sacrificing my talent to assist someone! May we find some concrete ways to serve God, and to make sacrifices this week!!!!

24th Sunday September 11th

In the long version of today's Gospel we have three parables! First, a shepherd rejoicing over finding a lost sheep; a woman rejoicing over finding a lost coin; and the Parable of the Prodigal Son. These parables are in response to the Pharisees and scribes grumbling about Jesus eating with sinners: ***"This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them!"*** Eating with someone is a beautiful way of expressing acceptance, friendship and love. Jesus does not argue that he is eating with sinners. His whole point is that He ***has called them to God***, and they have accepted the invitation. They are his friends, and he loves them and welcomes them. He is full of joy that they have come home to the Father.

He is also filled with joy when we turn back from sinful ways too! We all stand in need of God's grace and forgiveness. It's so easy to sit back and focus on other's lives. Some people feast on this! This Gospel calls us to focus on ***ourselves***... and to celebrate God's abundant grace, love and mercy. Maybe we can ask ourselves this week: Would there by chance, be any Pharisee in me? How quick am I to judge others? Do I ever catch myself deeming others as unworthy? Do I focus on other people's faults and sin... and fail to look at my own? Do I spend time being critical of others? Maybe we will find the courage this week to turn our eyes inward, and do a little of our own personal house cleaning, vacuuming and dusting away any traces of the Pharisee!

Check out our website: <http://www.stpatricknf.ca> and watch Mass on our Facebook page

Please continue to bring food items to Mass for Project Share! Every item helps! ***"Lord, when did we see you hungry?"***



Children's Liturgy and Children's Choir

We starting up Children's Liturgy beginning on Sunday, September 18th at the 9:30 AM Mass. We need volunteers, and new ideas! If you wish to volunteer, please call the parish office asap. We will also be starting up our Children's Choir again. If you wish your child to join, please see Carol Martin or give your child's name to the parish office. The first rehearsal will be after the 9:30 AM Mass, Sunday, September 18th! Let's get back into *the swing of things*! Look for more details in future bulletins.

Remembering September 11, 2001

We hold a special place in our hearts and in our prayers for all those who died in the terrorist attacks in the U.S. twenty-one years ago. We remember their families, friends, and co-workers as we pray:



Merciful God, whose loving care extends to all the world, we remember this day your children of many nations and many faiths whose lives were cut short by the fierce flames of anger and hatred. Console those who continue to suffer and grieve, and give them comfort and hope as they look to the future. Give us the grace to examine our relationships with those who perceive us as the enemy, and show our leaders the way to use our power to serve the good of all for the healing of the nations. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Little Flower Society Cards



Our 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 these cards, you not only comfort a family member or friend, but you also support the mission of the Carmelites, our Vocation Efforts, and our Formation Programs in several countries.

Ministry to the Homeless

Fr. Gerard still has an outreach to the homeless on the streets, and to those living in tents off Victoria Avenue. There are currently 12 people in the woods, including two females. Items needed are **bottled water; sodas, snacks; canned meats, fruits, and vegetables with pull tab; peanut butter, jam, socks.** We still have some Tim Horton's Cards available, but will run out over the next month or so. All items can be dropped off anytime in the white porch at the side of the rectory. Tim Horton's Cards can be dropped off at the office or in the church on Sundays. "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty?"

Bloopers from Actual Church Bulletins

- Ushers will eat latecomers.
- Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00 pm. – prayer and medication to follow.
- If you would like to make a donation, fill out a form, enclose a check and drip in the collection basket.

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