

FEBRUARY 2ND, 2025~ FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Unpack the Christian faith together

TRY ALPHA

Meet new people explore the Christian faith together. Alpha is for anyone who's curious. No judgement, no pressure. Each session unpacks a big question of life, faith, and purpose, and is designed to spark conversation. Come along, see what you think.

Starting Wednesday February 5th at 6:00 p.m.

In the St. Mark room

Dinner will be provided

To register call the office 905-934-9703

or email d.conidi@hotmail.com

Celebrating Significant Weddings Anniversaries this Jubilee Year

All married couples, **especially** those celebrating significant anniversaries in 2025 are invited to attend a Mass commemorating the **2025 World Day of Marriage**. Bishop Bergie will preside at this special Mass on Sunday February 9, 2025, at 2:00pm, at the Cathedral of St. Catherine of Alexandria(3 Lyman Street, St. Catharines). All attendees are welcome to a coffee social at Knox Presbyterian Church(53 Church Street, St. Catharines) following Mass. Bishop Bergie will be available after Mass for a photo opportunity (bring your own camera) with couples celebrating significant anniversaries at the Mass.

A congratulatory certificate will be mailed to couples who register and will celebrate their 1st, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60th+ special anniversary in 2025. To receive this certificate, please contact the parish office.

CWL News

~The CWL Lenten Retreat is happening on Wed., February 19th OR Sat., March 1st at Mount Carmel in Niagara Falls. The cost is \$50 which includes lunch. Registration begins at 8 am. If you are interested in attending, you can call Lucy at 905-934-9297. The deadline to register is February 3rd.

~Our CWL meeting is on Tuesday, February 4th at 1 pm. Please note the time change.

~The Choose Life Niagara Annual dinner is on Saturday, March 1st at Club Roma. Reception at 5 pm, with dinner at 6 pm. Tickets are \$60/adult and \$30/student. The deadline is February 15th and you can call Lucy at 905-934-9297 if you would like to attend.

Tax Receipts

We are asking the parishioners who do not have an email address to please pick up their tax receipts at the office due to the high increase in postage. If you have provided an email address your tax receipt was sent via email.

WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Our Diocese is asking as many parishioners as possible to fill out the Parish Missional Assessment. This tool is meant to help us ascertain how well parishes are doing from the perspective of the person in the pew. Please take a few minutes to answer the questions provided. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Please use the QR code below to find the questionnaire.



Prayers for the Sick

Please keep the following members in our parish in your prayers who are sick or unwell: Marian Kelly, Richard D'Souza, Jane Cocco, Mel Cervantes, Michaela Gebhart, Anna Chorozy, Lisa Wong, Ron Harris, Bryan Peplinski, Nicole Dirickx, Terry Small, Paige Johnston, Patti Matheson, Frances Van Esch, Richard, Cherish Reece, Marina Subic, Marie Harris Teri Carmichael, Joe McGean, Vince Evangelista, Romulo Mercado, Basil Bruce, Roxanne, Alfred Hall, David Dewar, Hubert Pereira, Loretta Pereira, Egidio Passero, Marcia Panter, Giles Cote, Madeline Hayes, Anna Carboni, Paul Stone, Elaine Beehler, Janet Beattie, Manuel Borges, Gilles Ethier, Penny Harper, Ron Paskie, Juliann Sliwa, Fr. Brian Bevan, Alan Disik, Anne Camus, John Paul Korsmit, George Legal, Matthew McLean, Kyle Grundy, Christine Costantini, A. P

Kids Choir

Our kids choir is resuming for February to Easter Practices Thursdays 5:30-6:15 in the church. first practice is Thursday February 6th. Grades 3-8. New and returning must complete registration Register at the link below or call/text 905-328-1944

<https://forms.gle/3iwaJZpVaupnaozJ6>

Daily Mass Intentions

Monday Feb 3- Sunday Feb 9

Mon	Feb 03	8:00 a.m.....Tina DiFrancesco/ Helen Choma
Tues	Feb 04	8:00 a.m.....Andie Lemarie/ Ida Donatelli
Wed	Feb 05	9:00 a.m.....Alfonso Limoncelli/ Filomena Tota
Thur	Feb 06	8:00 a.m.....Gaetana Pilato/ Morgan Gallagher
Fri	Feb 07	8:00 a.m.....Peter Duke Nguyen/ Donald Hall
Sat	Feb 08	8:30 am.....Viola Wicks/ Rosina Moretti 5:00 p.m.....Murray Urquhart/ Markham Family
Sun	Feb 09	7:30 a.m.....Missa Pro Popolo 9:30 a.m.....Giovanni DiPietro/ Anna Zeppetella 11:30 a.m.....Mike D'Orante/ Special Intention

NIAGARA CATHOLIC DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD
RANKED HIGH ON THE YEAR 2025

FORBES LIST OF CANADA'S BEST EMPLOYERS

Every January the Forbes list of Canada's top employers is released and figures recently published for year 2025 show that Niagara Catholic, with a ranking of 101 out of 300 Canadian employers listed, is an outstanding place to work. Adding to that remarkable achievement, Niagara Catholic is the highest-ranking school board amongst the six other Canadian school boards which made the list.

The excellent achievement was well received by Director of Education Camillo Cipriano and Board Chair Danny Di Lorenzo with both extending compliments and gratitude for the contributions made by all employees throughout the entire Niagara Catholic system.

Director Cipriano stated, "When I was appointed Director of Education for Niagara Catholic in 2020, I knew I was joining an outstanding organization that fosters an inclusive culture where everyone is welcome and celebrated as beloved children of God. The recent Forbes Niagara Catholic ranking is proof positive of what many of us have known for quite some time".

In welcoming the Forbes high ranking, Board Chair Danny Di Lorenzo commented, "through the leadership and team effort of the Human Resources department, supported by senior staff and my fellow trustees, and by engaging all staff in ways that recognize their value to our organization, Niagara Catholic will continue to build leadership in every area of our system. We will make every possible effort in carrying out our responsibilities to ensure that students in our trust achieve their hopes and dreams of a successful and rewarding Catholic education".

Holy Hour of Adoration

Friday February 7th at 7:00p.m.

All are welcome for prayer, adoration, and community.

FESTA DELLA PRESENTAZIONE DEL SIGNORE

FEBRUARY 2, 2025

Ora Santa

Venerdì 7 febbraio ~19:00

Tutti sono benvenuti

Celebrazione di importanti anniversari di matrimonio

in questo anno giubilare

Tutte le coppie sposate, in particolare quelle che celebrano importanti anniversari nel 2025, sono invitate a partecipare a una messa commemorativa della Giornata mondiale del matrimonio del 2025. Il vescovo Bergie presiederà questa messa speciale domenica 9 febbraio 2025 alle 14:00 presso la cattedrale di Santa Caterina d'Alessandria (3 Lyman Street, St. Catharines). Tutti i partecipanti sono invitati a un caffè sociale presso la chiesa presbiteriana di Knox (53 Church Street, St. Catharines) dopo la messa. Il vescovo Bergie sarà disponibile dopo la messa per una foto (porta la tua macchina fotografica) con le coppie che festeggiano anniversari importanti alla messa. Un certificato di congratulazioni verrà inviato per posta alle coppie che si iscrivono e che festeggeranno il loro 1°, 25°, 40°, 50°, 60° o 60°+ anniversario speciale nel 2025. Per ricevere questo certificato, contattare l'ufficio parrocchiale.

Notizie CWL

~Il nostro incontro CWL è martedì 4 febbraio alle 13:00. Si prega di notare il cambio di orario.

Ricevute fiscali

Chiediamo ai parrocchiani che non hanno un indirizzo e-mail di ritirare le ricevute fiscali in ufficio a causa dell'elevato aumento delle spese postali. Se hai fornito un indirizzo e-mail, la ricevuta fiscale è stata inviata tramite e-mail.