

St. Margaret Mary Parish

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Office Hours:

Monday-Friday: 9 am - 12 noon, 1-5 pm. July & August: 9 am - 12 noon, 1-4 pm.

Sunday Masses:

Saturday – 5:00 pm Sunday – 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Daily Masses:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 7:30 am

Wednesday: 7:00 pm Saturday: 9:00 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Available 30 minutes before all Masses or by appointment.

Parish Devotions:

Eucharistic Adoration: Mon-Fri: 8:00 am-8:00 pm.

Sat: Benediction 8:45 am.

Baptisms: are celebrated by appointment only. Participation in a Baptismal Preparation Session is required. Please contact the parish office (905-388-2200) well in advance.

Marriage: Parishioners who are planning to marry should contact the parish office at least six months before the proposed wedding date.

Visits to the Sick: If you or someone you know is in need of a visit in home or hospital please call the parish office.

New to the Parish: Please register by completing a registration form (available in the Narthex). We also ask that you notify the office of any change in address or telephone number.

Schools:

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 905-383-8122

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MONDAY - APRIL 3RD

7:30 am – Intentions of Maureen Browne & Family

TUESDAY - APRIL 4TH

7:30 am – Efren Carandang, Elaine Hanson,

Anthony Mascarenhas

WEDNESDAY- APRIL 5TH

7:00 pm – Joao Arruda, Duarte Costa, Ernesto Della Nebbia, Isabella Della Nebbia, Bernd Faulman, Pasquale Frenza, Stanley Matecki

HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 6[™]

7:00 pm – Mass of the Lord's Supper followed by Exposition until 10:00 pm.

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 7TH

11:00 am – Solemn Good Friday Liturgy
3:00 pm – Solemn Good Friday Liturgy
8:30 pm – Stations of the Cross in Tableaux

HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 8TH

1:00 pm – Blessing of the Easter Foods 8:30 pm – Solemn Easter Vigil followed by Social

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY – Rev. Paul Patrick, O.M.I.
TUESDAY - Rev. Msgr. Pierre-Philippe Jean-Pierre
WEDNESDAY – Oblates of Mary Immaculate (O.M.I.)
THURSDAY – *Holy Thursday*FRIDAY – *Good Friday*SATURDAY – *Holy Saturday*

"LIVE" STATIONS OF THE CROSS GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7TH, 8:30 PM

For many years our parish has presented "Live" Stations of the Cross. This takes the form of Tableaux depicting each of the 14 stations with short scripture readings, reflections and hymns. Please join us on **GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7**TH, **8:30 PM** for this presentation.

CHECK THIS OUT!

Do you like to be challenged? Are you looking for something different to do? If so, we are looking for you – some one or some persons to take on the role of organizing the "White Elephant" booth at our Parish Fall Bazaar. There are many different ways to complete the task. We would very much like to hear from you with your ideas and how we can make this happen. Please call Betty at 905-383-0360.

Evenings with His Excellency

Bishop Wayne Lobsinger invites everyone to join him for "Evenings with His Excellency". This is an opportunity to learn more about our Catholic Faith based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Class is the second Friday of each month, at 7pm - 8:30 p.m. at St. Ann Church, Ancaster. This month we will continue our look at The 10 Commandments. It is also available by livestream on St. Ann's YouTube channel. No cost, no homework, just an opportunity to learn about our faith, all are welcome.

Young Adults Night – May 6, 2023 – Hamilton

Fr. Mark Morley invites all young adults (ages 20s and early 30s) of our diocese to attend a night of Adoration, Fellowship and Praise Music. Arrival and Holy Hour (6:30pm-7:30 pm), Social with Food (7:30pm-8:30pm), Praise Night and Vocation Testimony (8:00pm-9:00pm), and Compline (9:00pm) on Saturday, May 6 th , at Canadian Martyrs Catholic Church and Chaplaincy, 1349 Main Street West, Hamilton Ontario. Sponsored by the Vocations Office of the Diocese of Hamilton. For more information, please contact vocations@hamiltondiocese.com.

ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS:

THE CONTEMPLATIVE WAY

Come join us for a 6-week prayer encounter that feeds the longing and thirsting heart to connect with God through Jesus. The encounters use Scriptural meditation and contemplation, based on the teaching of the church and the examples of the saints, such as St. Teresa of Avila, St. John of the Cross, and St. Ignatius of Loyola. In the 6 weeks you will learn more about meditative and contemplative prayer, while receiving guidance and

practice to foster this form of prayer. All are welcome to join us on **Wednesday evenings after Mass** in the Hearth Room, on **April 12,19 & 26**.

"You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you ..." (Psalm 63)

This spiritual prayer encounter will be facilitated by Gerry LaPenta, a member of the parish, who has studied at The Toronto School of Theology, Regis College, receiving his Masters of Theology and Masters of Divinity and now practices as a psychotherapist. For more information call Gerry at 905-515-6292 or email g.la.p@outlook.com.

The Serra Club of Hamilton

The Club is holding their annual Vocations Recognition Dinner on **TUESDAY, MAY 2ND**, **2023** at Liuna Station. Tickets are \$90.00. Please email SerraHamilton1965@gmail.com or leave a message at 905-628-5682.

NET Canada Do Something Amazing Retreat:

Are you between 18-30? Do you want to deepen your faith and share it with youth across Canada alongside other young Catholic adults like you? NET Canada invites YOU to a Do Something Amazing Retreat on Saturday, April 15th from 9:30 am to 5:00 pm at Merciful Redeemer Parish in Mississauga, ON. Come find out what's it like to be a NET missionary and how you can radically change the lives of young people across Canada through the life-changing message of the Gospel! Interested or know someone who would be? Register at netcanada.ca/apply! Have questions? Email recruit@netcanada.ca or call/text 613-292-9991!

SOME ADDITIONAL ETIQUETTE REGARDING MASS

As mentioned in a previous bulletin, sometimes it can be helpful to review a little about proper etiquette for the Holy Mass. Life happens, but it is important to try to do our best to arrive on time at Mass – even early to dispose our hearts to what will be happening. This helps us do our best to engage in 'active participation' in the Mass. This active participation is both internal and external, with the external intended to be an expression of the active participation of the whole person in divine worship – not just part of us. Pope Pius XII said in Mediator Dei, "Through this active and individual participation, the members of the Mystical Body not only become daily more like to their divine Head, but the life flowing from the Head is imparted to the members, so that we can each repeat the words of St. Paul, 'With Christ I am nailed to the cross: I live, now not I, but Christ lives in me." Praying the Mass should really change our lives to be more Christlike in every aspect. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) says, "For the celebration of the Eucharist is the action of the whole Church, and in it each one should carry out solely but totally that which pertains to him, in virtue of the place of each within the People of God." (5) This means we should execute the parts that belong to us at Mass (internal and external), and not the ones that do not apply to us. As a result, on Sundays when the cantors sing the verses of the responsorial psalm, we listen and meditate on the passages being sung rather than singing with them. But as soon as it comes time to sing out the response we sing that as best as we can, expressing how as the body of Christ we are making this prayer our own collectively and individually. Thank you for helping to make our worship experiences times of peace, communal love, and deeper experiences of the God who loves us!



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