

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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| St. Margaret Mary | 905-383-8122 |
| St. Kateri Tekakwitha | 905-385-8212 |
| St. Anthony Daniel | 905-389-5186 |

Mass Intentions



for the Week

MONDAY – APRIL 24TH

7:30 am – Antonio & Adriana Ferrelli

TUESDAY – APRIL 25TH – ST. MARK

7:30 am – Corazon Dacillo, Antonio & Margherita Monaco, Jesse Pineda

WEDNESDAY- APRIL 26TH

7:00 pm – Eugenio & Girolama Catania, Anthony Mascarenas, Rosanne Nicoll, Natalio Sadsad, Jose Vieira

THURSDAY – APRIL 27TH

7:30 am –Manuel & Emanuel Bettencourt

FRIDAY – APRIL 28TH

7:30 am – Carlos Alberto Flores

SATURDAY – APRIL 29TH – ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

9:00 am – William & Anne Mascarenhas

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY – Rev. Alberto Ferreira

TUESDAY – Rev. Khalid Karomi

WEDNESDAY – Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent De Paul of Zagreb (S.O.C.)

THURSDAY – Rev. Gary Schlack

FRIDAY – Rev. Bradley Markus

SATURDAY – Rev. Edward Henhoeffler

PORKETTA ON A BUN

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Porketta on a Bun after all Masses on **SATURDAY/SUNDAY, APRIL 22ND/APRIL 23RD**. Cost is \$6.00 each or three for \$15.00.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE UNITY OUTREACH

The Catholic Women's League is having their monthly General Meeting on **TUESDAY, APRIL 25TH**, at **7:00 PM**. Representatives from the Diocesan Executive will present the program "Unity Outreach". Please try to attend.

CWL ANNUAL DINNER will take place on **TUESDAY, MAY 23RD**. Mass at **5:00 PM** at St. Margaret Mary Church followed by dinner, **6:30 PM**, at St. Naums of Ohrid Macedonia Church, 1150 Stonechurch Road East. Tickets are \$45.00 and will be sold at all Masses for the next four weekends. Guest speaker, Amanda Difalco, will discuss "How to be an Agent of Change".

THE SISTERS OF THE POOR OF JESUS CHRIST

The Sisters of the Poor of Jesus Christ will hold their **LUNCH BAG PROGRAM** on **THURSDAY, MAY 4TH, 2023**. Donations can be left in the Hearth Room and will be picked up by the Sisters on **WEDNESDAY, MAY 3RD at 12:00 NOON**. The Donation List is on the table in the Narthex outside the Adoration Chapel. The Sisters are hoping to fill 120 lunch bags. Thank you for your donations!

WHITE ELEPHANT at FALL PARISH BAZAAR

We will soon begin planning for our Fall Parish Bazaar and one of the big questions is . . . will we be having a White Elephant booth??? Unless some persons step up to the plate and volunteer for this, it is not going to happen! We know that there are many different ways to do this job, we are hoping someone will take on this challenge! We would like to hear from you with your

ideas! Please DO NOT DROP OFF YOUR WHITE ELEPHANT STUFF at the church until we ask for it! Look forward to hearing from you. . . Many thanks. Betty at 905-383-0360.

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.

A BAKE SALE SUCCESS

Our bake sale for Mary O'Brien was a great success. She writes, "Thank you. Thank you for your help in preparing for my mission. I appreciate all the baked goods you made, and to those that came out and made donations. As well as to those that bought the baked goods. Thank you for your prayers and endless support. I appreciate the monetary and baked good donations. Please continue to keep me in your prayers as I prepare for my mission to the Ivory Coast." - Mary O'Brien

ST. MARGARET MARY OUTREACH

Did you know about the "St. Margaret Mary Outreach" program here in our parish? It is our parish's version of the St. Vincent de Paul program. Our parish provides support to many in the community – elderly, those with mental health issues, and disabilities. Single mothers, families, single people and refugee families – all of these have access to our Outreach program. The program allows someone who lives within our parish boundaries to receive help or gift cards to provide their other needs, a set number of times per year. To access the information, you simply call the parish and speak to Sheila. This is made possible 100% by means of donations to the St. Margaret Mary Outreach program. The boxes in the Narthex go to support this program. There has been more demand since the COVID pandemic, and your help is greatly appreciated so we can continue to offer support and assistance to our brothers and sisters about whom Christ said, "you did it to me." (Matthew 25:40) The program has also assisted in the past by providing winter coats and gift cards at Christmas time

to families who are in need from our parish schools of St. Margaret Mary, St. Kateri, and St. Anthony Daniel. Please consider giving a donation of any amount you can afford to the St. Margaret Mary outreach program within the next few weeks. The parish is grateful to Denise McConnell for her excellent continued work in keeping this program going. Please pray for the success of St. Margaret Mary Outreach, and prayerfully consider offering it your financial support if the Holy Spirit moves you to.

THE CLERGY THANK YOU

Thank you to each and every one of you who gave kind cards and gifts to the clergy. We are very grateful and very touched by your generosity. May God immensely reward you.

ADDITIONAL UPDATES

- **Bishop's Easter Letter** – Bishop Crosby has written a wonderful Easter letter to the Diocese. Copies are available around the narthex.
- **Lost and Found** – Our parish's lost and found is currently just outside the reconciliation room inside that table on which paper and pamphlets are made available. If you forget or lose anything, you should always check there first and if you are still unable to find it, please just call our office during regular office hours.
- **Young Adults (18-39)** – Our next young adults' night is **Saturday night, April 29th**. Come and have an opportunity for adoration and confessions, pizza and socializing, and learn from the Sisters of the Poor of Jesus Christ about "The Real Life of a Religious Sister." Bring a friend!
- **Altar Servers** – Our parish is always looking for new younger altar servers. If you are interested, please speak to one of the clergy or call our parish office.
- **The Contemplative Way** – The Wednesday night informative prayer meetings led by Gerry continue April 26th after the Wednesday 7 PM Mass.
- **First Communions** – Our young people are preparing for their first Holy Communions. Say a prayer for them as they prepare for the incredible gift of Jesus in Holy Communion!


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