



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:

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Mass Intentions



MONDAY – MAY 1ST

7:30 am – Estrino & Lucia D’Inocentro & Aurora Santos

TUESDAY – MAY 2ND – ST. ATHANANSIUS

7:30 am – Efren Caradang, Pauline Frost, Louis Habermas

WEDNESDAY- MAY 3RD – ST. PHILIP & ST. JAMES

7:00 pm –Joao Arruda, John & Maria Arruda, Domenica Leone, Antonio & Luisa Mare, Pietro Memmolo, Antonio Monaco, Corey Pezik, Ronald Prawudzik

THURSDAY – MAY 4TH

7:30 am –Amelia Agnes

FRIDAY – MAY 5TH

7:30 am – Dina Paolone
6:30 pm – Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus
7:00 pm – Donato Tortis

SATURDAY – MAY 6TH – ST. FRANCOIS DE LAVAL

9:00 am – Guiseppa DiPlacito

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY – Rev. Joe Selvanayagam
TUESDAY – Rev. William Foote
WEDNESDAY – Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate (S.S.M.I.)
THURSDAY – Rev. Terence Sehl
FRIDAY – Rev. Scott Whitfield
SATURDAY – *St. Francis De Laval, Patron of the Bishops of Canada*

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”.

HAMILTON RIGHT TO LIFE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN – CHANGE FOR LIFE MOTHER’S DAY TO FATHER’S DAY

St. Margaret Mary Parish is partnering with Hamilton Right to Life for the 2023 Baby Bottle Campaign. Baby Bottles will be distributed on Mother’s Day, **SUNDAY, MAY 14TH** and will be collected on Father’s Day, **JUNE 18TH**. Please take a bottle and fill it up with your coins, paper money or cheque (made out to “Hamilton Right to Life”). Please pray for families affected by abortion.

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.

PARISH PICNIC SAVE THE DATE

The 2023 Parish Picnic will be held on **SUNDAY, JULY 30TH**, at Marydale Park. Save the date and come out to enjoy a great afternoon. Please phone Nancy at 905-570-4463 if you need information or have any questions.

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

- **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** – Say a prayer our young people prepare for the incredible gift of Jesus in Holy Communion! Congratulations to all who have received Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time! May the love we have for Jesus truly present in the Eucharist continue to grow with each Mass we attend!
- **Priestly Ordinations** – Bishop Crosby will ordain 4 new priests for service in the Diocese of Hamilton on Saturday, May 6th, 2023 at 11 AM. All are welcome! May God bless these priests in their vocations and give us many more holy priests!
- **March for Life in Ottawa** – The annual March for Life in Ottawa is taking place this year on May 11th.
- **FORMED** – Check out www.formed.org for a great selection on faith resources!


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