



# St. Margaret Mary Parish

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**Rev. Adam Wroblewicz, CR, Pastor**  
**Rev. Mr. Rene Marechal, Deacon**  
**Mrs. Marilyn Sturtevant, Parish Minister**  
**Miss Sheila Campbell, Secretary**

## 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: 7:15 am

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Available 30 minutes before all Masses.

## 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

## THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK



#### MONDAY– DECEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup>

7:15 am +++ Apolonio, Albina & Ernesto Sandoval

#### TUESDAY– DECEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup>

7:15 am – Intentions of Elsie & Sam Bialkowski  
+ Phyllis Britton  
+ Laura Perea

#### WEDNESDAY – DECEMBER 18<sup>TH</sup>

9:00 am – Intentions of Elsie & Sam Bialkowski

7:00 pm + Thomas Clement  
+ Pasquale Di Persio  
+ Manus McGowan  
+ Apolonio Sandoval  
+++ Vivian, Francesco, Azzadine & Emily Porto

#### THURSDAY– DECEMBER 19<sup>TH</sup>

7:15 am + Dane McDowell (Cherwinski)

#### FRIDAY – DECEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup>

7:15 am ++ Pietro & Rosaria Memmolo

#### SATURDAY – DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>

9:00 am + Remo Trifone

#### SUNDAY LITURGY FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### SATURDAY – DECEMBER 21<sup>ST</sup>

5:00 pm + Mario Di Carlo

#### SUNDAY – DECEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>

9:00 am – Living & Deceased Parishioners  
11:00 am + Marilyn Hyde

### DIocese of Hamilton

#### PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY – Rev Ljubo Branimir Lebo, O.F.M.

TUESDAY – Rev. Stipe Rotim, O.F.M.

WEDNESDAY – Voluntas Dei Institute (i.v.Dei.)

THURSDAY – Rev. Ilija Petkovic

FRIDAY – Rev. Vinko Nenadic

SATURDAY – Rev. Pierre Caouette, L.C.



#### ST. JOSEPH SYRO-MALABAR CATHOLIC PARISH

will celebrate Christmas Holy Qurbana on Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at 7:30 pm at St. Margaret Mary Parish.

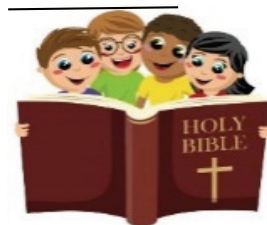
#### CHRISTMAS FLOWERS



During the Christmas season, when we celebrate the birth of Jesus, the Saviour of the world, and the beginning of his life in the Holy Family of Nazareth, we are particularly mindful of the members of our own families.

We fondly remember those who have gone before us in death. Parishioners, who wish, can make a donation for sanctuary Christmas flowers in memory of deceased loved ones. Mass for them will be celebrated on Christmas Day, December 25<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 am. Deadline is Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. Names of the deceased will be included in the bulletin. Name of the person to be memorialized should be clearly printed on the back of the envelope.

#### BIBLE STUDY



The final document of Synod on Synodality, signed by Holy Father Pope Francis Oct. 26, 2024 will be the subject of our Bible Study group Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 to 8:30 PM in the Hearth Room. All are

welcome to hear the main recommendations of the Synod and to participate in the discussion led by Dr Eldon Tunks.

#### CHRISTMAS TREE OF HOPE

Once again our parish will be collecting gifts for the Good Shepherd to distribute to the less fortunate in our community. This year they are asking for the following:

1. Unwrapped gift only for ages 0-9 years.
2. Wal Mart gift cards in a \$25.00 denomination which will be given to all those 10 years and over. (This ensures fair distribution.)

The tree will be in the Narthex until **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22<sup>ND</sup>**. All gifts must be delivered to the Good Shepherd by **MONDAY, DECEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup>**.

Please place unwrapped gifts under the tree. Please place Gift Cards in an envelope marked "Tree of Hope" into the collection baskets. Thank you so much for your generosity.

**VOCATIONS INSERTS**

**Third Sunday of Advent – December 15, 2024**

Could God be calling you to be a priest, deacon, brother or sister and announce the Good News to His People as John the Baptist did? Contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988. Email [vocations@hamiltondiocese.com](mailto:vocations@hamiltondiocese.com)

**ST. MARGARET MARY PARISH BAZAAR**

The St. Margaret Mary Parish Bazaar Committee is excited and pleased to announce that the profit from our Bazaar this year was \$17,871.53, which is \$6,083.40 more than we made last year. This outcome is the result of the generous cooperation of you, our parishioners as donors, volunteers & supporters, the school community of St. Margaret Mary, the community as a whole & the fantastic hard work of our committee. This money will be utilized in a responsible manner for the needs of our parish. To date we have purchased a Whirlpool Upright Freezer for the church/school kitchen for \$1,039.39 and donated \$500.00 to the Sisters of the Poor to provide a Christmas dinner for the homeless. The committee will be meeting in January to review further details.

We extend our best wishes to you and your loved ones for a Blessed Christmas with Health & Happiness in the New Year!

Joe Pracsovics & Betty Tapuska,  
Bazaar Committee Co-Chairs

**UNCLAIMED BAZAAR PRIZES**

Penny Sale – Yellow 03047, 03436, 03495, 03649  
TiCat Tickets for 2025 – White 0364773.  
Please call the Parish Office at 905-388-2200.

**MAIN HYDRO SERVICE LINES REPLACEMENT**

Last fall, the engineering firm referred by the Diocese recommended replacing the main hydro service lines


coming into the building from the street. For some time, water was coming through the main conduit supplying high voltage to the building, causing some occasional flooding in the basement electrical/boiler room, and had compromised the main hydro switches and panels, with a significant risk of a catastrophic failure. This major project was approved by the Parish & Diocese Building & Finance Committees. Plans were developed, approved, and certified, with permits and fees paid. Modifications to the storage and electrical/boiler rooms were made to accommodate the new equipment. Once all the parts and equipment became available (including a new transformer and vault outside), and scheduling finalized, the work was completed at the end of October this year by Alectra and the licensed electrical contractor through the Diocese, with the total expense of \$199,000. We now have a safe and secure electrical supply with the capability to accommodate future needs for many years.

This past weekend we welcomed into the family of God:



**ARAM SEERWAN**  
**DAN SEERWAN**  
Sons of Mohammed & Fatima

Congratulations to the Parents, Godparents,  
Grandparents and Families



**SUNDAY COLLECTION**  
**DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2024**

Regular Sunday Envelopes + Loose Cash	\$7,065.70
Christmas Envelopes	1,160.00
Needs of the Canadian Church	15.00
Building Fund	175.00
St. M. M. Parish Outreach	431.00
Haiti Project – Education	123.00
1 Funeral	300.00
2 Funeral Receptions	450.00
Missals – 5 X \$5.00	25.00
Christmas Flowers	<u>880.00</u>
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