

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: 7:15 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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MONDAY-FEBRUARY 12[™]

7:15 am - Dorothy Pelletier

TUESDAY – FEBRUARY 13[™]

- 7:15 am + Amelia Agnes
 - + Dominic Colasurdo
 - + Reynaldo Guibao, Jr.
 - + Michael Hockridge

SEASON OF LENT

ASH WEDNESDAY- FEBRUARY 14TH

7:15 am + Mark Bistoyong

- 7:00 pm + Joao Arruda
 - + John & Maria Arruda
 - + Jimmy Blackman
 - + Tom Clement
 - + Antonio & Maria Mare
 - + Anthony, John & Maria Mascarenhas

THURSDAY- FEBRUARY 15TH

7:15 am + Brenda Feria

FRIDAY – FEBRUARY 16TH

7:15 am + Denis Allan

6:30 pm – Stations of the Cross

7:00 pm + Jean DeKleyn

SATURDAY - FEBRUARY 17TH

9:00 am + Pietro Ferrelli

SUNDAY LITURGY -1ST SUNDAY OF LENT

SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 17TH

5:00 pm + Jane Smith

SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 18TH

9:00 am - For living & deceased parishioners

11:00 am + Nestore Berardo

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY - Rev. Michael McHugh TUESDAY – Rev. Msgr. Theodore Slaman WEDNESDAY – **Ash Wednesday** THURSDAY - Rev. William Trusz FRIDAY - Rev. Vincent Kim Van Toan SATURDAY – Rev. Msgr. Edward Sheridan

SEASON OF LENT - 40 days of prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

Lent is the yearly celebration by the Church of its corporate conversion in Jesus Christ. During Lent, the Liturgy prepares catechumens to celebrate the Paschal Mystery by the various stages of Christian Initiation. It also prepares the faithful for Easter as they recall their Baptism and do penance in preparation for the Greatest Feast of the year. Lent has two major purposes: It recalls or prepares for Baptism and emphasizes a spirit of penance. Through forty days of closer attention to God's Word and of more fervent prayer, believers are prepared to celebrate the Paschal Mystery. (Ordo).

ASH WEDNESDAY — February 14th

Universal day of fasting and abstinence from meat. Fasting among Christians is a penitential discipline intended to open our hearts to God and others, a means of purification and spiritual liberation, a witness of the depth of our faith. The law of abstinence from meat binds those who are 14 and older and the law of fasting (1 main meal and 2 light meals) binds those from 18 to 59 years of age.

Masses are: 7:15 am and 7:00 pm

STATIONS OF THE CROSS every Friday of Lent at 6:30 pm.

If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross every day and follow me. (Lk 9,23)

We carry with us in our body the death of Jesus so that the life of Jesus, too may be visible in our bodies. Indeed, while we are still alive, we are continually being handed over to death, for the sake of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus, too, may be visible in our mortal flesh. (2 Cor 4,10-11)

40 DAYS FOR LIFE

Looking for something to do this Lent? 40 Days for Life Hamilton invites you to pray for Hamilton's preborn children! YOU can participate in a peaceful prayer vigil across the street from McMaster Children's Hospital, from February 14th - March 24th between 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. Please consider signing up for an hour or more of prayer this Lenten season!

SIGN UP ONLINE:

https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/hamilton.

Opening Mass and social will be held at 7 pm at St. Lawrence Parish (125 Picton St E, Hamilton).

THE DIOCESAN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2024? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, May 26, 2024 at the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton at 1:30 pm. (Space allows room for Anniversary couples only - those married 60 years or more may bring one guest if you require assistance). Registration is now available online at hamiltondiocese.com.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Once again it is time to renew your membership, \$35.00, is currently due. Place your blue envelope in the collection basket at Sunday Mass or submit it to the parish office. Cash, or cheque made out to "St. Margaret Mary Catholic Women's League", is acceptable.

ST. MARGARET MARY WOMEN'S GROUP

The St. Margaret Mary Women's Group will be gathering to take part in a 4-part lecture series about "The Letters of Pope John Paul II to Women". The lectures, delivered by Sr. Mary Madeline Todd, O.P., can be found on Formed. All women, on ages 18 & up, are invited on Saturdays, February 25th, March 9th, 24th and April 6th, to the Hearth Room following the 9:00 am Mass. For more information email Kathleen at smmwomensgroup@gmail.com

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

... are needed for the Saturday 5:00 pm Mass. Please contact Bruce Coughlan at 905-577-7601. If you are interested in this ministry for the other Sunday Masses, please let Bruce know.



PORKETTA ON A BUN

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Porketta on a Bun after all Masses on Saturday/Sunday, February 24th/25th. One bun is \$6.00 or three buns for

15.00. Pre-order sheets are in the Narthex. Last day to pre-order is Tuesday, February 20^{th} .



I would like to share with our faith community wonderful news! We are resuming **Bible Study** and extend an invitation to parishioners to join this biblical group. Bible presentations and discussions of

Gospels will be presented each Thursday evening 7:00 to 8:30 pm during Lent, in the Hearth Room. Presenter and discussion leader; **Dr. Eldon Tunks.**



NOTE FROM the SISTERS of the POOR of JESUS CHRIST

We, The Sisters of the Poor Of Jesus Christ, will be selling Religious items at Saint Margaret Mary's

Church this weekend to support our Mission here in Hamilton. Our main service is to encounter our brothers and sisters on the street to help them find again their value as a child of God and as a member of the Body of Christ. The way we do "Street Ministry" is preparing sandwiches, lunch bags with snacks. We also provide clothing, toiletries, and shoes. Your donations will be well received to support our Mission house and our ministry with the privileged of God's kingdom.



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