

St. Margaret Mary Parish

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Rev. Arpee Urquico, Pastor

Rev. Gregory Merkley, Associate 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: 7:30 am

April to November 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



MONDAY – FEBRUARY 6TH – ST. PAUL MIKI & COMPANIONS

7:30 am – Deceased Members of Stjepah Rejhar Family

TUESDAY - FEBRUARY 7TH

7:30 am – Amelia Agnes, Luigi Amati, Rowena Cansino, Emily Kusmirski

WEDNESDAY- FEBRUARY 8TH

7:00 pm –Diosdado Bergantinos, Ann Cupido, Paul & Madelyn Daly, Deszo Miglecz, Dr.Tony Pracsovics, Domenico Tullo

THURSDAY - FEBRUARY 9TH

7:30 am - Intentions of the Moniz Family

FRIDAY – FEBRUARY 10TH – ST. SCHOLASTICA

7:30 am - Jelka Rados

SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 11TH

9:00 am - Francesco Colsurdo

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY – Rev. Matthew Durham TUESDAY- Rev. Kevin Upendran WEDNESDAY – Missionaries THURSDAY – Rev. Leszek Szczygiel FRIDAY – Rev. Tom Moisan SATURDAY – Rev. David Weise

FIRST COMMUNION

St. Margaret Mary School – **SUNDAY, APRIL** 23RD, 2:00 PM

St. Anthony Daniel & St. Kateri Schools – SUNDAY, APRIL 30TH, 2:00 PM

FIRST COMMUNION - PARENT MEETING

Parents of all children who will be celebrating their First Communion this year are reminded of the upcoming meeting on **THURSDAY**, **FEBRUARY 9**TH at **7:00 PM** at St. Margaret Mary Parish church. It is very important that parents attend this meeting. We look forward to seeing you.

SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S PROGRAM

Our parish just completed the 12 week "Into the Breach" program and will once again be hosting a Saturday Morning Men's Program, beginning on February 4th and running for 10 weeks until Divine Mercy Sunday April 15th (no session on April 8th Easter Saturday). The spiritually fulfilling sessions begin at 7:00 am and end at approximately 8:30 am each week and there is no cost for the program. Coffee and treats are provided each week.

The 10-week program we will be facilitating is the highly acclaimed series "Divine Mercy: The Second Greatest Story ever Told" led by Father Michael Gaitley.

We were very blessed that 15-20 men participated in the "Into Breach Program" but strongly encourage and pray that more men consider joining us each Saturday morning. It is guaranteed to spiritually uplift. It is also not exclusive to only the men of St. Margaret Mary Parish, so please feel free to invite your friends who may be interested.

Please email Jeff directly (jctoole9@yahoo.ca), if you are interested in getting involved or have any questions.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The Knights of Columbus PANCAKE BREAKFAST will take place on SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH after the 9:00 & 11:00 am Masses in the school gym. Tickets are on sale after all Sunday Masses February 4th/5th and February 11th/12th and available from the parish office weekdays until Feb.10th. Adults \$10, children 12 and under \$5. The menu includes pancakes, sausages, scrambled eggs, coffee, tea, and juice. Gluten free is available on request. Special quest entertainer Father Gregory.



RECENT BAPTISMS

ARABELLA CLARK & BENSON CLARK, children of Amos & Melissa

ELLE LILY DUCHARME, daughter of Daniel & Jessica

AIDEN BRENT GUMBLEY & HUNTER ROY GUMBLEY, sons of David & Danielle

EMILIA PUNTILLO, daughter of James & Danielle

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Membership fees, \$35.00, are now due for 2023. Please use the blue envelope contained in your box of parish envelopes. Please write your full name, email address and telephone number on the envelope and drop the envelope into the collection, drop at the parish office or mail it.

Thank you for the members who have already paid.

We invite every woman (16 years of age and over) in this parish to join!

COUNTDOWN TO LENT

It's not too early to begin to think about Lent! **ASH WEDNESDAY** is **FEBRUARY 22**ND. Lent is a 40-day period of prayer, fasting, and works of charity to prepare for the joy of Easter. It might be a good idea to have a plan for Lent. What do I plan to give up or take on in Lent? Will I participate in the Stations of the Cross? Can I fit weekday Mass into my daily schedule for Lent? How about some family prayer? How can I support the *Share Lent* annual collection? All these actions and more help us journey through Lent and grow in our spiritual life. May this year's Lent prepare us to renew the promises of our baptism at Easter and strengthen us to live as missionary disciples.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOUR HELP!

Are you creative or make hand crafted items? Do you knit, crochet, or sew? Do you like to work independently, or do you prefer to work in a group setting? Do you have craft items that you wish to donate to the Craft Table for our Parish Bazaar in the fall? Items such as table or Christmas tree decorations, wreaths, knitted or crocheted blankets, slippers, etc.? Do you have craft supplies waiting to be used or possibly donate? Your donations of finished items, craft supplies such as wool, netting, wire coat hangers in good condition, etc. would be gratefully received by placing in the labeled box just inside the Hearth Room door here at the church. We would be delighted to know if you would be interested in being involved with the Craft Table, coming out and meeting new friends. For more information please contact Betty 905-383-0360. God bless!

Formed.org Resources

Check out www.formed.org for great Catholic resources of so many kinds. To access this all you have to do is go to www.formed.org and register using our parish's postal code (L8T 1V9). In the past we've recommended you check out *The Search*, *Symbolon*, and *The Chosen*. There is sure to be something great for you there.

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 look at Chapter 3 – The Moral Life of the Church. 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.

The 2023 Diocesan Wedding Anniversary - Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, or 60+ Wedding Anniversary in the year 2023? If you are, you are cordially invited to join couples from across the Diocese of Hamilton for a Wedding Anniversary Mass on Sunday, April 16, 2023 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 1 guest if you require assistance). Register at www.hamiltondiocese.com, or call the Family Ministry Office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.



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