

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
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
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St. Anthony Daniel	905-389-5186



MONDAY – JANUARY 30TH

7:30 am – Intentions of Elsie & Stanley
Bialkowski

**TUESDAY – JANUARY 31ST – ST. JOHN
BOSCO**

7:30 am – Teresa Martiniello, Victor Smith,
Mirtes Vilela, Jo-Anne Wojcicki,
Dorienne Zimmerman

WEDNESDAY- FEBRUARY 1ST

7:00 pm – Amelia Agnes, John & Maria
Arruda, Melvin Drotar, Florence
Giambruno, Antonio & Luisa Mare,
Vincent Moscoso Perez

**THURSDAY – FEBRUARY 2ND – THE
PRESENTATION OF THE LORD**

7:30 am – Stefania & Andrew Pater

FRIDAY – FEBRUARY 3RD

7:30 am – Dina Paolone

7:00 pm – Donato Tortis

SATURDAY – FEBRUARY 4TH

9:00 am – Maria Berardi & Ben DiPlacito

**DIOCESE OF HAMILTON
PRAYER CALENDAR**

MONDAY – Rev. William Trusz

TUESDAY- Rev. David Reitzel

WEDNESDAY –Hospitalier Order of St. John
Of God (O.H.)

THURSDAY – *The Presentation of the Lord*

FRIDAY – Rev. Ross Campbell

SATURDAY – Rev. Peter Robinson

THIS WEEK

Our Young Adults Group will meet on **Saturday, January 28th at 6:15 PM** for a monthly gathering. It begins with Eucharistic Adoration and confessions from 6:15-7:15 PM, followed by a **pizza social** and a talk on how to get more out of the Sacraments. See our parish bulletin board.

“Through the Passion to the Resurrection” Bible Study will take place on **FEBRUARY 2ND at 7:00 PM** in the Hearth Room.

First Friday Mass will take place on **FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3RD at 7:00 PM**. The Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus begins at **6:30 PM**.

PORKETTA ON A BUN

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Porketta on a Bun after all Masses **TODAY, JANUARY 28TH/29TH**. Cost is \$6.00 each or three for \$15.00.

**THE SISTERS OF
THE POOR OF JESUS CHRIST**

The Sisters will hold their **LUNCH BAG PROGRAM** on **THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND, 2023**. Donations can be left in the Hearth Room and will be picked up by the Sisters on **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1ST, 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.

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 7:30 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.

UPDATE RE ST. MARGARET MARY PARISH MINI BAZAAR PURCHASE

Dear Parishioners:

As promised, we are happy to report to you that with the monies raised from the Mini Bazaar, we have purchased a brand new Habco (made in Canada) refrigeration unit for the parish kitchen in the school. The cost, including taxes, delivery and removal of the old unit, is \$4,948.27. This leaves a balance of \$1,017.23 for a future purchase which will be announced. This unit will be a valued addition to the parish kitchen in the

school, allowing use for many different functions in the future.

Thank you again for your generous support to this cause. Please know that it is truly appreciated.

Blessings to all . . . Joe Pracsovics and Betty Tapuska, Convenors

COUNTDOWN TO LENT

It's not too early to begin to think about Lent! **ASH WEDNESDAY** is **FEBRUARY 22ND**. 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.

Formed.org Resources

Have you logged into www.formed.org lately? It is like the Catholic Netflix, but not only has great inspiring movies and documentaries, but also offers eBooks, and much more – including podcasts about history, mental health, evangelization, and so on. It also has great programs for children. In fact, there are daily reflections you can use in this New Year to grow closer to God every day. 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.


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