



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
St. Kateri Tekakwitha	905-385-8212
St. Anthony Daniel	905-389-5186



FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

The Greeks used the word “epiphany” to describe the appearance of God among human beings. Today’s feast celebrates the manifestation of Jesus Christ to the world. Matthew’s Gospel tells us that the Magi came from the East. They were probably from Persia and followed a star that led them to Christ. The Wise Men brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. They assumed that the new ‘King of the Jews’ would be found in a palace so they first went to Herod’s palace. Herod was not pleased to hear someone else had been given this title. The contrast Matthew presents is the desire of the Magi to give homage as opposed to Herod who had no desire to recognize Christ. Today we are called to bring our gifts and homage to Jesus. When it comes to having a lasting recognition of who Jesus is, are we more like the Magi or are we more like Herod? Epiphany tells us that Jesus is a “light to the nations” and asks us to look at our response to this revelation. May our searching and seeking of Christ draw us closer to Him and to one another.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON **PRAYER CALENDAR**

MONDAY – *Baptism of the Lord*
TUESDAY- Rev. Fernando Ferreira Pinto,
C.S. Sp.

WEDNESDAY – Sisters of St. John the Baptist (C.S.J.B.)

THURSDAY – Rev. Allen Varlaki

FRIDAY – Rev. Jerzy Tomon

SATURDAY – Rev. Aurimas Paulius Rudinskas



Mass Intentions

**MONDAY – JANUARY 9TH – THE BAPTISM OF
THE LORD**

7:30 am – Jelka Rados

TUESDAY – JANUARY 10TH

7:30 am – Leovigildo & Jessica Lazagao,
Roberto & David Marques

WEDNESDAY- JANUARY 11TH

7:00 pm – John & Maria Arruda, Antonio & Luisa
Mare, Margherita Oddi, Anina
Piedimonte, Tony Pracsovics

**THURSDAY – JANUARY 12TH –
ST. MARGUERITE BOURGEOYS**

7:30 am – Intentions of Elsie & Stanley
Bislkoedki

FRIDAY – JANUARY 13TH

7:30 am – Gennaro D’Aurora

SATURDAY – JANUARY 14TH

9:00 am – Kevin Beattie

THIS WEEK

“Christ’s deeds of power: empowering us” Bible Study will take place on **THURSDAY, JANUARY 12TH**, at **7:00 PM** in the Hearth Room.

BISHOP’S CHARITY DINNER DANCE

. . . will be held on **SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH, 2023** at Carmen’s Banquet Centre (1520 Stonechurch Road East).

The Guest Speaker will be the Most Reverend Bishop Douglas Crosby, O.M.I., D.D. Limited tickets, \$75.00 per person, can be obtained by calling Mario Salvatore at 289-812-2548.

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 also a Christmas section during this season of Christmastide. There is sure to be something great for you there.

Quotes from Pope Benedict XVI

“We have come to believe in God’s love: in these words the Christian can express the fundamental decision of his life. Being Christian is not the

result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction.”

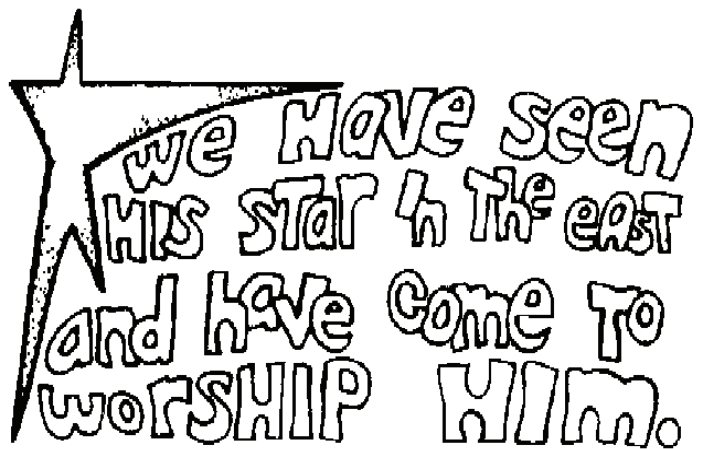
“Holiness does not consist in never having erred or sinned. Holiness increases the capacity for conversion, for repentance, for willingness to start again and, especially, for reconciliation and forgiveness.”

“Seeing with the eyes of Christ, I can give to others much more than their outward necessities; I can give them the look of love which they crave.”

Great Upcoming Events

January 7th, 6:30-9:15 PM - Hamilton Vocations Young Adults Night (Fr. Greg is co-hosting and speaking at this event) – At Annunciation of Our Lord Church, Hamilton (See the poster on our bulletin board).

January 13th – 7-8:30 PM - Encounter Night: Adoration and Confessions along with silent time for prayer and spiritual music. At St. Margaret Mary parish.



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