

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

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 - MARCH 27TH

7:30 am - Fortunato Mirabile

TUESDAY - MARCH 28TH

7:30 am – Amelia Agnes, Rita Cassiani, Purificacion Coloma, Peter Frederick

WEDNESDAY- MARCH 29TH

7:00 pm – Erminio Bollella, Filippa Gibilaro, Natalio Sadsad, Jose Vieira, Deceased Members of Dilulio Family

THURSDAY - MARCH 30TH

7:30 am - Romana Chan

FRIDAY – MARCH 31ST

7:30 am - Remo Trifone

6:30 pm - Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

7:00 pm – Maria Marchi

7:30 pm - Stations of the Cross

SATURDAY - APRIL 1ST

9:00 am - August & Nellie Narozanski

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PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY – Very Rev. Stephen Murrin TUESDAY - Rev. Kevin D'Souza WEDNESDAY – Sisters of St. Joseph of Canada (C.S.J.)

THURSDAY – Rev. Andrew Czarny FRIDAY – Rev. Msgr. Martin Vallely SATURDAY – Rev. Michael King

"LIVE" STATIONS OF THE CROSS GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7TH, 8:30 PM

For many years our parish has presented "Live" Stations of the Cross. This takes the form of Tableaux depicting each of the 14 stations with short scripture readings, reflections and hymns. Please join us on **GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7**TH, **8:30 PM** for this presentation.

CHECK THIS OUT!

Do you like to be challenged? Are you looking for something different to do? If so, we are looking for you – some one or some persons to take on the role of organizing the "White Elephant" booth at our Parish Fall Bazaar. There are many different ways to complete the task. We would very much like to hear from you with your ideas and how we can make this happen. Please call Betty at 905-383-0360.

PORKETTA ON A BUN

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Porketta on a Bun after all Masses on **SATURDAY/SUNDAY**, **MARCH 25**TH/**26**TH. Pre-order sign-up sheets will be in the Narthex of the church or you can call Bob at 905-389-4024. Cost is \$6.00 each or three for \$15.00. Final day to order is **TUESDAY**, **MARCH 21**ST.



CWL NEWS CATHOLIC AND LIVING IT!

The CWL General meeting will take place on **TUESDAY**, **MARCH 28**TH at **7:00 PM**. We encourage all women ages 16 and up to consider joining the CWL. Your membership ensures our council can continue to serve our parish.

COMING SOON: ANNUAL CWL DINNER!

MISSION ON THE IVORY COAST

Dear parishioners of St. Margaret Mary: My name is Mary, and I am a high school student who regularly attends and altar serves here for Mass. Mission Youth is an international organization that focuses on Catholic youth missions. It is run by the Legionaries of Christ in Abidjan, Ivory Coast. I am planning to do a 2-

week mission in the Ivory Coast through Mission Youth. The first week involves staying and spending time with the local population, along with praying, going to Mass, and helping out with projects around the town. We will visit families in their homes, do catechesis with the children in the community, and help with simple home repairs. The second week will consist of other activities including visiting the local basilica. I am fundraising to join others on this important mission trip, which requires me to fundraise between \$4000 to \$5000 for flights, medical expenses, and the actual mission. To fundraise I am running a bake sale on this weekend of March 25th-26th... Please accept my thanks for any baked goods, purchases, donations, and all the prayers you can provide. May God bless you!

THE SISTERS OF THE POOR OF JESUS CHRIST

At the request of the Sisters, their **LUNCH BAG PROGRAM** will be held on **THURSDAY**, **MARCH 30**TH, **2022**. Donations can be left in the Hearth Room and will be picked up by the Sisters on **WEDNESDAY**, **MARCH 29**TH, at **12:00 NOON**. The Donation List is on the table in the Narthex across from the Adoration Chapel. The Sisters are hoping to fill 120 lunch bags. Thank you for your donations!

ENCOUNTERS WITH JESUS:

THE CONTEMPLATIVE WAY

Come join us for a 6-week prayer encounter that feeds the longing and thirsting heart to connect with God through Jesus. The encounters use Scriptural meditation and contemplation, based on the teaching of the church and the examples of the saints, such as St. Teresa of Avila, St. John of the Cross, and St. Ignatius of Loyola. In the 6 weeks you will learn more about meditative and contemplative prayer, while receiving guidance and practice to foster this form of prayer. All are welcome to join us on **Wednesday evenings after Mass** in the Hearth Room, on **March 15, 22, 29** and **April 12,19 & 26**.

"You, God, are my God, earnestly I seek you; I thirst for you, my whole being longs for you ..." (Psalm 63)

This spiritual prayer encounter will be facilitated by Gerry LaPenta, a member of the parish, who has studied at The Toronto School of Theology, Regis College, receiving his Masters of Theology and Masters of Divinity and now practices as a psychotherapist. For more information call Gerry at 905-515-6292 or email g.la.p@outlook.com.

SOME ADDITIONAL ETIQUETTE REGARDING MASS

As mentioned in a previous bulletin, sometimes it can be helpful to review a little about proper etiquette for the Holy Mass. Life happens, but it is important to try to do our best to arrive on time at Mass – even early to dispose our hearts to what will be happening. This helps us do our best to engage in 'active participation' in the Mass. This active participation is both internal and external, with the external intended to be an expression of the active participation of the whole person in divine worship – not just part of us. Pope Pius XII said in Mediator Dei, "Through this active and individual participation, the members of the Mystical Body not only become daily more like to their divine Head, but the life flowing from the Head is imparted to the members, so that we can each repeat the words of St. Paul, 'With Christ I am nailed to the cross: I live, now not I, but Christ lives in me." Praying the Mass should really change our lives to be more Christlike in every aspect. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal (GIRM) says, "For the celebration of the Eucharist is the action of the whole Church, and in it each one should carry out solely but totally that which pertains to him, in virtue of the place of each within the People of God." (5) This means we should execute the parts that belong to us at Mass (internal and external), and not the ones that do not apply to us. As a result, on Sundays when the cantors sing the verses of the responsorial psalm, we listen and meditate on the passages being sung rather than singing with them. But as soon as it comes time to sing out the response we sing that as best as we can. expressing how as the body of Christ we are making this prayer our own collectively and individually. Thank you for helping to make our worship experiences times of peace, communal love, and deeper experiences of the God who loves us!

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