

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:

 St. Margaret Mary
 905-383-8122

 St. Kateri Tekakwitha
 905-385-8212

 St. Anthony Daniel
 905-389-5186

MONDAY – MAY 22ND – VICTORIA DAY *9:00 am* - Amelia Agnes

TUESDAY - MAY 23RD

7:30 am – Joan Faulker, Anthony Mascarenhas, Dolores McPhail, Antonio Melina

WEDNESDAY- MAY 24TH

7:00 pm – Amelia Agnes, Antonio & Carmela Caltagirone, Francesca Cannizzaro, Yolanda Marzoli, Pietro Memmolo, Sam Speziale

THURSDAY - MAY 25TH

7:30 am – Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY - MAY 26TH -

7:30 am - Mafalda Trifone

SATURDAY - MAY 27TH

9:00 am - Nicole Gabriele

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Please note that on MONDAY, MAY 22ND, VICTORIA DAY, morning Mass is at 9:00 AM followed by refreshments in the Hearth Room hosted by our parish's Legion of Mary, *Our Lady of Perpetual Help* praesidium. Enjoy food, friendship, and fun. You'll also be able to learn more if you'd like about the Legion of Mary. See you soon!

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY – Rev. Peter Meyer
TUESDAY – Rev. Emmanuel Olusola
WEDNESDAY –Barnabite Fathers (C.R.S.P.)
THURSDAY – Rev. Gordian Okpuruka
FRIDAY – St. Philip Neri, Patron Saint of
Canadian Home Mission Work
SATURDAY – Rev. Robert Hetu



PENTECOST NOVENA

The Twinning Committee invites all parishioners to join our Pentecost Novena in solidarity with St. Gabriel's Parish in Beau Sejour. Pentecost Sunday is May 28, and the Novena will run from Friday, May 19, to Saturday, May 27. Please pray the following prayer each day: "Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you will renew the face of the earth. Come, Holy Spirit, come down upon the parishioners of St. Gabriel and St. Margaret Mary parishes and all the world. As on the day of Pentecost, come upon us with your strength and grace. Come with your many blessings, heal us, protect us, quide us. You are the endless love of the Father and the Son, hear our prayer. Together with the Father and the Son, we adore, praise and honour you, now and forever. Come Holy Spirit. "

HAMILTON RIGHT TO LIFE BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN – CHANGE FOR LIFE MOTHER'S DAY TO FATHER'S DAY

St. Margaret Mary Parish is partnering with Hamilton Right to Life for the 2023 Baby Bottle Campaign. Baby Bottles will be distributed on Mother's Day, **SUNDAY, MAY 14**TH and will be collected on Father's Day, **JUNE 18**TH. Please take a bottle and fill it up with your coins, paper money or cheque (made out to "Hamilton Right to Life"). Please pray for families affected by abortion.

CWL ANNUAL DINNER will take place on TUESDAY, MAY 23RD. Mass at 5:00 PM at St. Margaret Mary Church followed by dinner, 6:30 PM, at St. Naums of Ohrid Macedonia Church, 1150 Stonechurch Road East. Tickets are \$45.00 and will be sold at all Masses for the next two weekends or call Martha Salvatore at 289-812-2548. Guest speaker, Amanda Difalco, will discuss "How to be an Agent of Change".

CONFIRMATION Preparation Program
Information Session – Thursday, 25th May
7:00 p.m. St. Margaret Mary Parish – Hearth Room
All parents and students currently in our Parish
community attending Grade 6 or 7 who wish to receive

the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2024, are invited to an Information Session about the Parish-Based Preparation program which will begin in September 2023. We look forward to gathering with you to outline this Faith Development opportunity in supporting the formation of your child's faith together. The Program instructions and activities encourage the students to develop a deeper personal relationship with Jesus Christ. It also further enriches their Catholic faith by nurturing their desire to invite the Holy Spirit into their hearts and daily lives. The Parish Team looks forward to seeing you on Thursday, 25th May at 7:00 p.m. **FAMILY + SCHOOL + PARISH** "Working together"

SPRING MEMORIAL MASS AT HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY

The Spring Memorial Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Burlington will take place on **SATURDAY**, **MAY 27**TH, **11:00 AM**. Light refreshments will be served following the Mass. All are welcome!

PORKETTA ON A BUN

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Porketta on a Bun after all Masses **SATURDAY/SUNDAY**, **MAY 27**TH/**28**TH. Pre-order sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex or call Bob at 905-389-4024. Cost is \$6.00 each or three for \$15.00. Final day for pre-orders is **TUESDAY**, **MAY 23**RD.

PENTECOST AND CORPUS CHRISTI

On Pentecost weekend, we'll have a celebration after all Masses to commemorate the birthday of the Church. We will also have a Corpus Christi procession in honor of the Holy Eucharist on Sunday, June 11th.

THE SISTERS OF THE POOR OF JESUS CHRIST

The Sisters of the Poor of Jesus Christ will hold their LUNCH BAG PROGRAM on THURSDAY, JUNE 1ST, 2023. Donations can be left in the Hearth Room and will be picked up by the Sisters on WEDNESDAY, MAY 31ST 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!

WOMEN'S GROUP

Join the St. Margaret Mary Women's Group in a threeweek study on deepening our relationship with the Holy Trinity as Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This is a free study and will happen every two weeks, so bring your Bible, pencil, and open heart. The study is offered both on Saturdays after the 9:00 am Mass or Wednesdays after the 7:00 pm Mass in the Hearth Room. **Saturday dates:** May 20th, June 3rd, June 17th. **Wednesday Dates:** May 24th, June 7th, June 23rd. All women are welcome! For more information please email smmwomensgroup@gmail.com

PARISH PICNIC - SAVE THE DATE

The 2023 Parish Picnic will be held on **SUNDAY**, **JULY 30**TH, at Marydale Park. Save the date and come out to enjoy a great afternoon. Please phone Nancy at 905-570-4463 if you need information or have any questions.

WORLD YOUTH DAY EVENING PRAYER EVENT

Wednesday, May 31, 2023, is the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Patroness for this year's celebration of International World Youth Day in Lisbon. To mark this special occasion, we warmly invite you to join us at 7pm Mass followed by the praying of Solemn Vespers and a light reception. World Youth Day Pilgrims from our parish will take part in this special evening of prayer and celebration as liturgical ministers and ministers of hospitality. We invite you to come and get to know these amazing young people who will represent our Diocese in Fatima and Lisbon this summer. Come join alongside us as we pray for the great blessings that will come from World Youth Day in Lisbon, and for the safety and good preparations of all our Diocesan Pilgrims.

CALLED and GIFTED: A Retreat for the Discovery of "Your" Spiritual Gifts

Join us on a journey into God's purpose for your life! Do you sometimes feel that there might be more to your spiritual life? If so, you'll love to discover your Spiritual Gifts more deeply. In the New Testament, we read several times about the use of spiritual gifts. But what are they, and how can they help us live a more fulfilled life closer to GOD? This retreat will answer this question. The retreat will be held in individual units on June 9, 7-9 PM, June 10, 3-5 and 6-8 PM, June 11, 7-9 PM, and June 12, 7-9 PM. A world-renowned program that's fun, informative, exciting, and practical. Send an email to office@stmargaretmaryparish.ca for information (including costs) and to register.



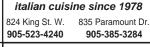
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