

# St. Margaret Mary Parish

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**Rev. Arpee Urquico**, Pastor  
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**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

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

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



with your coins, paper money or cheque (made out to "Hamilton Right to Life"). Please pray for families affected by abortion.



### MONDAY – MAY 8<sup>TH</sup>

7:30 am – Luigi Gabriele

### TUESDAY – MAY 9<sup>TH</sup>

7:30 am – Nestor Arzadon, Ricky Torres, Souls  
In Purgatory

### WEDNESDAY- MAY 10<sup>TH</sup>

7:00 pm – Antonio DiPaolo, Florence Giambruno,  
Brian Mascarin, Horace & Alvaria  
Trudel, Jose Vieira, Deceased Members  
of Ventresca & DiNardo Families

### THURSDAY – MAY 11<sup>TH</sup>

7:30 am – Intentions of Lapelle Family

### FRIDAY – MAY 12<sup>TH</sup>

7:30 am – Jelka Rados

### SATURDAY – MAY 13<sup>TH</sup>

9:00 am – Dino & Deana Santi

### DIOCESE OF HAMILTON PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY – Rev. David Lewis

TUESDAY – Rev. Ron Cote

WEDNESDAY – Congregation of the Resurrection  
(C.R.)

THURSDAY – Rev. Michael Bennett

FRIDAY – Rev. Ralph Diodati

SATURDAY – Rev. Robert Dunn

### 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<sup>TH</sup>** and will be collected on Father's Day, **JUNE 18<sup>TH</sup>**. Please take a bottle and fill it up

**CWL ANNUAL DINNER** will take place on **TUESDAY, MAY 23<sup>RD</sup>**. 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 four weekends. Guest speaker, Amanda Difalco, will discuss "How to be an Agent of Change".

### PLANNING FOR FALL PARISH BAZAAR

Please join us in the Hearth Room on **WEDNESDAY, MAY 10<sup>TH</sup>, 7:30 PM** as we begin planning for our Fall Parish Bazaar. We welcome new volunteers with new ideas . . . hope to see you there!

We will soon begin planning for our Fall Parish Bazaar and one of the big questions is . . . will we be having a White Elephant booth??? Unless some persons step up to the plate and volunteer for this, it is not going to happen! We know that there are many different ways to do this job, we are hoping someone will take on this challenge! We would like to hear from you with your ideas! Please **DO NOT DROP OFF YOUR WHITE ELEPHANT STUFF** at the church until we ask for it! Look forward to hearing from you. . . Many thanks. Betty at 905-383-0360.

### PARISH PICNIC SAVE THE DATE

The 2023 Parish Picnic will be held on **SUNDAY, JULY 30<sup>TH</sup>**, at Marydale Park. Save the date and

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come out to enjoy a great afternoon. Please phone Nancy at 905-570-4463 if you need information or have any questions.



The Knights of Columbus will be selling “**ROSES FOR LIFE**” after all Masses on **SATURDAY/SUNDAY, MAY 13<sup>TH</sup>/14<sup>TH</sup>**. Long-stemmed roses can be purchased for \$3.00 each or 2 roses for \$5.00. All proceeds raised will be used for Pro-Life initiatives in our community.

### ST. MARGARET MARY OUTREACH

Did you know about the “St. Margaret Mary Outreach” program here in our parish? It is our parish’s version of the St. Vincent de Paul program. Our parish provides support to many in the community – elderly, those with mental health issues, and disabilities. Single mothers, families, single people and refugee families – all of these have access to our Outreach program. The program allows someone who lives within our parish boundaries to receive help or gift cards to provide their other needs, a set number of times per year. To access the information, you simply call the parish and speak to Sheila. This is made possible 100% by means of donations to the St. Margaret Mary Outreach program. The boxes in the Narthex go to support this program. There has been more demand since the COVID pandemic, and your help is greatly appreciated so we can continue to offer support and assistance to our brothers and sisters about whom Christ said, “you did it to me.” (Matthew 25:40) The program has also assisted in the past by providing winter coats and gift cards at Christmas time to families who are in need from our parish schools of St. Margaret Mary, St. Kateri, and St. Anthony Daniel. Please consider giving a donation of any amount you can afford to the St. Margaret Mary outreach program within the next few weeks. The parish is grateful to Denise McConnell for her excellent continued work in keeping this program going. Please pray for the success of St. Margaret Mary Outreach, and

prayerfully consider offering it your financial support if the Holy Spirit moves you to.

### ADDITIONAL UPDATES

- **Lost and Found** – Our parish’s lost and found is currently just outside the reconciliation room inside that table on which paper and pamphlets are made available. If you forget or lose anything, you should always check there first and if you are still unable to find it, please just call our office during regular office hours.
- **Altar Servers** – Our parish is always looking for new younger altar servers. If you are interested, please speak to one of the clergy or call our parish office.
- **Priestly Ordinations** – Bishop Crosby has ordained 4 new priests for service in the Diocese of Hamilton on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023 at 11 AM. May God bless these priests in their vocations and give us many more holy priests!
- **March for Life in Ottawa** – The annual March for Life in Ottawa is taking place this year on May 11<sup>th</sup>.
- **FORMED** – Looking to spend your time watching something good for your soul? Interested in great programming for your children? Interested in excellent audio books, daily reflection videos, or Ebooks? Check out [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) for a great selection of faith resources! If you haven’t yet watched *The Search*, *Symbolon*, or *The Chosen*, why not? You won’t be disappointed! You can even watch them with family members or friends!

### RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Three important elements help us prepare to receive our Lord in Holy Communion at Mass.

**FAST** – We are supposed to fast from food and drink (except water) for one hour before receiving Holy Communion.

**DISPOSITION** – We should recognize the immense gift given to us in the Eucharist and the privilege we have of sharing it. It is Jesus Christ truly present!

**CONFESSION** – If we are aware of serious or even mortal sins, we should celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation first before receiving Holy Communion.


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