



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: 7:15 am

Wednesday: 7:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Available 30 minutes before all Masses.

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

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON

PRAYER CALENDAR

MONDAY – Rev. Jeff Bergsma
 TUESDAY – Rev. Michael Anderson
 WEDNESDAY – Felician Franciscan Sisters
 (C.S.S.F.)
 THURSDAY – Rev. Patrick Ohl
 FRIDAY – Rev. Laszlo Amaszka
 SATURDAY – Chancery Staff



MONDAY– OCTOBER 7TH – OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

7:15 am + Dory Isidro

TUESDAY– OCTOBER 8TH

7:15 am + John Andrews
 + Mark Bistoyong
 + Remigio Sadsad
 ++ Manuel & Emanuel Bettencourt
 - Intentions of Tony & Grace

WEDNESDAY – OCTOBER 9TH

7:00 pm + Kevin Beattie
 + Deris Giavedoni
 + Dougall McIntyre
 + Vittoria Paron
 ++ Deceased Members of McIntyre Family

THURSDAY–OCTOBER 10TH

7:15 am – Intentions of Ida

FRIDAY – OCTOBER 11TH

7:15 am + Norma Anastasio

SATURDAY – OCTOBER 12TH

9:00 am + Mafalda Trifone

**SUNDAY LITURGY
28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

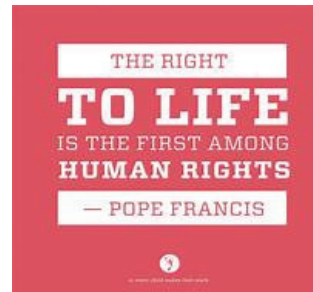
SATURDAY – OCTOBER 12TH

5:00 pm ++ Carla Ermacora & Maria Ciarelli

SUNDAY – OCTOBER 13TH

9:00 am – Living & Deceased Parishioners
 11:00 am + Robert Waters

40 DAYS OF LIFE



40 days of Life is *HERE!* We invite *YOU* (young and old) to participate in a peaceful prayer vigil across the street from McMaster Children's

Hospital; happening each day (September 25th-November 3rd) from **7:00 AM-7:00 PM**. This is our opportunity to pray for the voiceless and save their parents from the suffering abortion will bring. St. Margaret Mary Parish is responsible for the weekend of October 12th/13th. . . sign up at the back of the church.

LIFE CHAIN TODAY, OCTOBER 6TH

Join thousands across Canada standing against abortion in a peaceful prayerful demonstration! The three locations for the Life Chain are 1. In front of Juravinski Hospital on Concession Street 2:30-3:30 pm. 2. In front of McMaster Medical Center, Main St. West, 2:30-3:30 pm. 3. Upper James & Mohawk Rd. 2:30-3:30 pm.

THE HAMILTON CATHOLIC PHYSICIANS GUILD

Wondering how to live your faith as a medical student, staff physician, or health care professional? This is the big challenge in today's secular society, especially in medicine, where we are confronted regularly with ethical dilemmas in end-of-life care, freedom of conscience and the intersection of the Catholic Faith and clinical health care practice.

The Hamilton Catholic Physicians Guild comprises a welcoming group of physicians and health care professionals, who invite you to join us, attend

presentations we host, and participate in discussions pertaining to medical ethical issues, spiritual and social events. In addition, our society offers educational opportunities to attend retreats and conferences which provide a great venue for partnership. Those interested, please contact Dr. Anne Niec (nieca@mcmaster.ca) or Dr. David Chan (dchan@mcmaster.ca).

**THE ST. MARGARET MARY
WOMEN'S GROUP**

The St. Margaret Mary Women's Group will be having a book club throughout October and November. We will be reading "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe" by C.S. Lewis. Meetings will be held on Tuesday evenings, starting October 8th, at 6:30 pm in the Fr. Kennedy Room. Please bring your copy of the book, a friend, and a snack to share. Please read the chapters before the meeting. For more information please see the poster in the Narthex or email smmwomensgroup@gmail.com



**LAUNCHING ST. MARGARET MARY
CHRISTMAS BAZAAR – NOVEMBER 8 & 9**

Capital Prize Tickets available starting this weekend, **SATURDAY/SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5TH/6TH**.

Extended invitation for all interested to attend:

Bazaar Planning Meeting – Thursday, October 10th, 7:00 pm in the Hearth Room. We have a role for everyone!

Craft meeting - Wednesday, October 16th, 1-3 pm in the Hearth Room.

We would be grateful for your donations to support any of the following:

ATTIC TREASURES – Sports gear, tools, toys, puzzles, electronics, mugs & glasses, jewelry, books, paperbacks (adult & children), Christmas & religious items., housewares (**NO DISHES**), **NO CD'S OR DVD'S**. All items must be **CLEAN & IN GOOD REPAIR**. Items will be received **1 hour prior to all Masses beginning on Saturday, September 7th until**

Sunday, October 20th at the parish garage. Please do not leave items at other times.

CRAFTS – Items can be placed in the labelled **'CRAFT'** box in the **Hearth Room** and will be picked up regularly. All items must be **NEW** and **handcrafted**.

PENNY SALE – seeking **NEW** items such as household appliances, gift baskets, toys, games, craft sets, nonperishable food, personal care, alcohol, gift cards. Please note that gift cards should be placed in an envelope with your name and Marked **"BAZAAR"** and **dropped in the collection baskets with the weekend collections or to the parish office. All other items can be placed in the labelled "PENNY SALE" box located in the Hearth Room** to be picked up regularly by the convenors.

KID'S KORNER – looking for prizes for **Fish Pond** – from Dollar Store such as Bubbles, Play Doh, Dinky cars, stickers, crayons, glow stick bracelets. Please place donations in "Kid's Korner" box located in the **Hearth Room**.



This past weekend we welcomed into the family of God:

EVELYN VIOLET VUCICEVIC

Daughter of Michael & Jennifer

Congratulations to the Parents, Godparents,
Grandparents and Families



**SUNDAY COLLECTION
SEPTEMBER 29TH, 2024**

Regular Sunday envelopes + Loose Cash	\$6,403.35
Building Fund	397.00
St. M. M. Parish Outreach	116.00
Haiti Project - General	20.00
Needs of the Canadian Church	480.00
Confirmation Fees – 17 X \$40.00	<u>680.00</u>
	\$8,096.35



ST. MARGARET MARY Roman Catholic Church

October 2024 Updates

Parish Feast

On **Sunday, October 20th**, St. Margaret Mary Parish will celebrate the feast of its patroness. For this special occasion, we have invited our former pastor and the current Ordinary of the Diocese of St. Catharines, Bishop Gerard Bergie. His Excellency will preside and deliver the Word of God at the 9:00 AM and 11:00 AM Masses. After each Eucharist (as well as after the Saturday evening Mass), all are invited to the parish hall for refreshments and fellowship. Tea, coffee, and delicious Polish donuts from Sweet Temptation in Toronto will be served. We look forward to celebrating together!

St. Margaret Mary, pray for us!



Wednesday Morning Mass with Students

Starting on October 23rd, our church will begin celebrating an additional Eucharist every Wednesday at 9:00 AM, with the students of St. Margaret Mary Elementary School in attendance. This additional Mass time will also be suitable for parishioners who prefer to attend a later morning service. During these Masses, the students will have the opportunity to deepen their faith, learn about the Mass, and strengthen their relationship with God. All are welcome to attend this Mass.

Church Lights Update

Changing the church ceiling lights cost \$22,649,89. Changing the light switch panel and breakers panel cost \$20,073.73. The total cost of the project was \$42,723.62. The 2023 Bazaar profit of \$11,845.39 went towards these expenses. Thank you for the financial support of this great investment.

Candles

The state of hardware, such as candle sticks, nylon shells, wicking, and sockets was like that of many older churches, in need of upgrades. To address these issues, the church has acquired new, secure-fitting sockets, shells, and high-quality processional candles and altar candles.

The chosen products burn soot-free liquid premium-grade paraffin with meager operating costs. They also have wicks that require no trimming or pulling and can be changed without a tool. These features will reduce operating costs, eliminate staining and dripping, and ease maintenance. The purity of the grade-one liquid paraffin will result in clean furniture, walls, and ceilings, negating the need for future cleaning and painting for many years.

Like many older churches, ours faced several issues related to church hardware and the use of electric candles that needed attention. The old Altar Candles and Acolytes were quite unsightly and weathered. The Altar Candles were sitting on top of the Altar, resulting in less space available on the Altar.

The new candle type fills the need for Altar Candles and processional candlelight. The candle shells were selected for several reasons.

a) The shells are fabricated from a solid nylon rod, resulting in the desired length and diameter to display proportionately and suit our visual needs, and for ease of cleaning, refilling, wick changing, and better economy.

(b) Utilizing solid machined nylon makes for a beautiful leak-proof shell for an unlimited lifetime of service, and any fingerprints or smudges come clean with a damp cloth and mild soap.

(c) Refilling with a pump kit and squeeze bottle allows drip-free replenishment of the pure, grade-one liquid paraffin.

(d) Top-quality liquid paraffin means no smell, no stains, and no dripping.

(e) The liquid paraffin system requires no trimming, pulling, or changing of wicks unless a candle wick is burned dry. That way, the wick can be easily replaced.



The factory settings of the wicks should be left undisturbed. In any case, no tools are required.

In summary, the changes made will result in a clean, soot-free, allergen-free, and toxin-free burn with a very low-cost, low-maintenance system that will last for decades.

The cost to the church, including shipping and tax, is \$10,464.31, including an initial fuel supply. An anonymous donor donated \$2,890.00 towards this project. Any donation to help pay off the debt from the purchase of new candles is appreciated.

Join Us in Creating Our Parish Bulletin

Our weekly bulletins are an essential part of our parish life, keeping us informed and connected. To enhance our community's engagement and share our announcements, we are excited to announce that we would like to start printing our own bulletins each week.

We are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to form a team that will help in the creation, design, and printing of these bulletins. This is a wonderful opportunity to contribute to our parish community, showcase our events, and share important information. As this project begins, we need volunteers to connect with local businesses and manage advertisers. If you are able to help with advertisers, or have skills in writing, graphic design, printing, or simply a willingness to lend a hand, we would love for you to join us! Your help will not only make this project successful, but it will also foster a spirit of collaboration within our parish.

Please let Fr. Adam know if you would be interested in joining our team so that we can decide how to best move forward to discuss ideas and share responsibilities. Thank you for considering this opportunity to serve our parish community. Together, we can create a vibrant and informative bulletin that reflects the spirit of St. Margaret Mary Parish.

New Roman Missal

On behalf of the entire parish community, I want to extend our heartfelt thanks for the beautiful gift of the new Roman Missal for the celebration of the Holy Mass. Your generosity and thoughtfulness, given in the name of your entire family, will enrich our liturgical life and bring us all closer to the sacred mysteries of our faith. We are deeply grateful for your kindness and the blessing this Missal will be for our community. May God bless you and your family abundantly for your contribution, and may this gift inspire us all to deepen our devotion and love for the Eucharist.

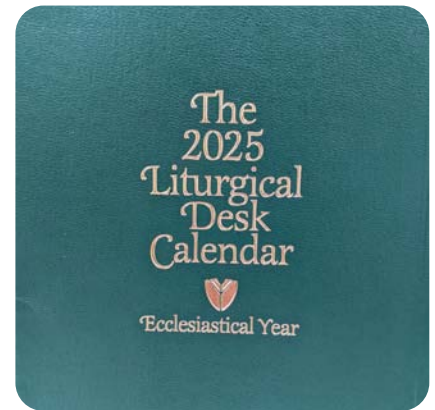
Mass Intentions Request Form

At St. Margaret Mary Parish, we have established a procedure for requesting Mass intentions in two stages:

(1) Jubilarians celebrating a special wedding anniversary (25th, 50th, 60th, etc.) are asked to come to the office during the month of June to reserve a date for their Mass of thanksgiving for the following year — four months before the Parish office begins accepting other parishioners' intentions. At this time, we are only accepting Mass intentions for the couple celebrating their wedding anniversary.

(2) Requests for all other Mass intentions will start being accepted during the first week of October.

You may request your Mass intentions by filling out the form and presenting it to the parish office. Forms are available on the parish website and in the narthex. Intentions are not accepted over the phone.



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