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Monday December 24th – Christmas Eve

The Nativity of our Lord

- 5 pm Missa Pro Populo
- 8 pm + All names listed on our poinsettias
- 10 pm + All names listed on our poinsettias
(Incense will be used at the 10 pm Mass)

Tuesday December 25th – Christmas Day

The Nativity of our Lord

- 10 am + All names listed on our poinsettias

Wednesday December 26th – Boxing Day

Feast of St. Stephen

- 10 am + Michael Dubbin
 Requested by wife Helen

Thursday December 27th

Feast of St. John, Apostle

- 12:05 noon + Antonin & Lydia Borysek
 Requested by Tony & Janice Borysek

Friday December 28th

Feast of The Holy Innocents

- 12:05 noon + Rade Macut
 Requested by Bill Lavigne

Saturday December 29th

Fifth Day within the Octave of the Nativity

- 10 am + Souls in Purgatory

Sunday Masses
Feast of the Holy Family

Saturday December 29th

- 5pm + Gordon Lavigne
Vigil Mass Requested by Bill Lavigne

Sunday December 30th

- 9 am Intentions of Patti Belanger
 Requested by the Bible Study Group
- 11 am Missa Pro Popula
- 7:30 pm + Irene Small
 Requested by Charles & Dolores Maguire



Christmas Greetings

On behalf of myself and the St. Margaret's staff I would like to say Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of the parishioners and your families this year.

A special thank you to all of you who are working so hard to help our St Vincent de Paul clients, to our musicians, cantors and choirs, ushers and lectors and catechists, the CWL, the Knights of Columbus, the Funeral luncheon ladies, and all who volunteer their time to enrich the life of St. Margaret's Parish.

Sometimes it seems as though the world has gone mad, but Christmas reminds us that God loves the world and hasn't given up on it. We are worth saving!

May God richly bless you and your loved ones, and may the peace of the Christ child dwell in your hearts and in your families this year.

Merry Christmas everyone! Fr. Jim



From St. Margaret's Clergy and Staff:

Fr. Jim, Deacon Mike, Deacon Bill, Deacon Tony, Deacon Tim, Edwina, Sandy, Jim, Ava, Adora

Rusty  & Sunny

Wishing you.....



Daily Mass Readings

Parishioners throughout the Archdiocese of Toronto can now find the Canadian daily readings on their archdiocesan and parish websites. Working with our publishing partners at Living with Christ/Novalis, the Archdiocese of Toronto has been able to include this new feature on the www.archtoronto.org website and all parish websites within the archdiocesan website network.

Securing access to these online readings for the day is significant because the vast majority of daily readings found online are from the United States Lectionary. There are some key differences between the American and Canadian Lectionaries in translations, the arrangements of some readings and feast days, as well as some differences in the instructions for readers. By partnering with Living in Christ, we are ensuring website visitors will find the same readings they would hear in their local parish Mass.

The Daily Readings tab can be found under the Our Catholic Faith drop-down menu on the archdiocesan and St. Margaret's parish website stmargaretsmi.archtoronto.org



The Society of St. Vincent de Paul

- To everyone who took tags from the Giving Tree
- To those who sponsored a family
- To those who generously responded to our poor boxes

Thank YOU

You have "made" Christmas for our many families

Tax Receipt Reminder

2018 is coming to a close very quickly. All donations you wish to make to either the parish or the Society of St. Vincent de Paul and be included in your 2018 tax receipt must be received by Sunday December 30th, 2018.

Tax Receipts will be mailed the last week of January 2019.

Thank You for all the ways you generously support St. Margaret's Parish.

2019 Envelopes

THE 2019 WEEKLY ENVELOPES are available at the back of the church for pickup and are in alphabetical order by Last Name. If you cannot find your name please do not take someone else's box, visit the parish office during the week or simply take a new unassigned box of envelopes and put your name and mailing address on the new envelopes for the first month.

Thank you for your co-operation.



*"Love came down at Christmas,
Love all lovely, Love divine
Love was born at Christmas,
star and angel gave the sign"
(Christina Rossetti)*

Dear Parishioners,

During this most hopeful and joyous time of year, the Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board joins together with our larger Catholic family in preparation for Christmas.

This year, our school communities are focusing on our annual theme *Called To Be Our Story*. This theme calls us to "live" Jesus' story through our actions and the choices we make. We will see this theme come to life over the Christmas season as our students and staff model our Saviour's message of love, peace and care through celebrations of faith, charitable activities and acts of kindness.

This year's Christmas card artwork (pictured here) was submitted by Elise Holla a Grade 8 student from Monsignor Clair Catholic School. Her work will grace the front our official Christmas card, which will be distributed to our partners in Catholic education across the province.

We continue to be grateful for the relationship we share with our parish community. Together, we celebrate the gift of faith, the joy of hope and the blessing of His love. May the miracle of Christmas fill your hearts.

Yours in Faith,

Brian Beal

Director of Education

Simcoe Muskoka Catholic District School Board

Prayer Requests

Please pray for those who have asked for prayers:

Christian Neuman; Ben Corosky; Shelley Smith;
Anne Marie Radko; Anne Marie Calhoun; Dawn Sweeney;
Vincentia Beelen; Lea Sheils; Deacon Bill & Florence Carson;
Joe Kingston; Ralph Ladouceur; Colin Herring; Jim Walsh;
Meagan; Victor Farrugia; Kim Bailey;

Please pray for our recently deceased relatives and friends

Angelo Ingriselli Sr.; Stephanie Belanger; Adjutor Belanger;
Fr. Francis Voorwerk; Mariama Chacko;

Sanctuary Lamp

December 23 ~ 29

This week the light burns in memory of
Morde Laughlin & Bernice Beauchamp

Holiday Hours-Parish Office

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and are Tuesday to Friday: 9-12 & 1:30-5pm

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