



Pastor:

Father Roselle Cyrille R. Azares

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#### MASSES

Seating is on a first come first serve basis.

#### Weekday Masses:

Tuesday - Friday 12:05 noon  
Saturday 10:00 am

#### Sunday Masses:

Saturday Vigil 5:00 pm  
Sunday 9:00 am  
11:30 am

#### Holy Hour:

Friday 11:00 am

#### Confessions:

Saturdays 4:30 - 4:55 pm  
Sundays 8:30 - 8:55 am &  
11 - 11:25 am

#### Baptism:

Call to make arrangements

#### MARRIAGE

Twelve months notice and Marriage Course usually required

# ST. MARGARET'S PARISH

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#### OFFICE HOURS

Tues-Fri. 9:30 am -4:00pm

For parishioners to get mass intentions and other items.

Please call 705-526-6313 ext 1 and we will be happy to assist you with your other needs.

#### PARISH LIFE

Parish Secretary	Juanita Wootton-Radko
Custodian	Jim Lamers
Choirs	Adele Heins
Saturday 5:00 pm	Adele Heins
Sunday 9:00 am	Adele Heins
Sunday 11:30 am	Pauline Brabant
Finance Council	Katie Goulbourne & Ruth Dusome
Floral Decorations	Shelley LeBoeuf
Greeters & Ushers	Katie Goulbourne
Rectory Housekeeper	

#### GROUPS

Catholic Women's League	Sandra Morson	705-527-6375
Knights of Columbus	Robert Sykes	705-529-6718
Marian Prayer Group	Lillian Latanville	705-526-3892
St. Vincent de Paul	Food Bank, donations, all inquiries	705-526-7585

#### ST. MARGARET'S CEMETERY

Rose Ladouceur email: stmargaretsmicemetery@archtoronto.org 705-526-6313 ext. 4  
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#### CHILDREN & YOUTH MINISTRIES

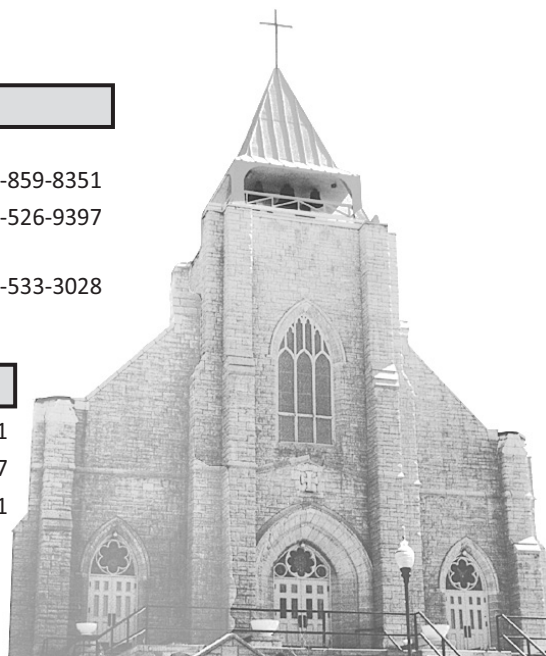
Catechesis of the Good Shepherd	Patricia Stenton	705-956-0632
	Conrad Stenton	705-529-1403
Children's Liturgy	Katie Heffernan	heffernankt@gmail.com

#### OTHER SERVICES

Natural Family Planning	
Humanae Vitae Centre (Linda)	905-859-8351
Catholic Family Services	705-526-9397
Huronian Right-to-Life	
(Michael Vanden Heuvel)	705-533-3028

#### SCHOOLS

Monsignor Castex School	705-526-2831
Sacred Heart School	705-526-0107
St. Theresa's High School	705-526-1311



**Upside Down**

We are all in search of happiness and the society around us offers different formulae. A long-term research study at Harvard University across generations revealed that 80% of young people seek happiness in wealth and possessions; 50% seek to find happiness in popularity or fame. A great majority strive for achievements in life. But, experience has shown us that the attainment of these goals does not bring us the happiness we seek. They still leave us feeling empty.

We feel that, if we have this or that, we would be happy. "If I get accepted to my favorite school, I will be happy." "If I get that job, I will be happy." "If I win the lotto, I'd be happy." "If I marry that charming girl (or that rich guy!), I'd be happy."

Though our society offers us many formulae for happiness, in the end, we are not really happy. We are not satisfied. We find that, once we achieved what we have desired, we still find ourselves empty. We do not find the happiness we are looking for.

In today's Gospel, in the Beatitudes, Jesus gives us his instructions for a happy life. Jesus gives us the specific things we need to do to get the most of living our faith and live a really good life. The God who loves us and calls us to discipleship is a God of surprises. God does not act in the way we would expect. God chooses to work through the poor and the meek, the peacemakers, the sorrowing and those who are powerless.

Happiness is in what you are, not in what you have. It does not matter if you are sickly or healthy, rich or poor, strong or weak, a hockey phenom or a computer wizard, have crooked teeth or stunning beauty. Being a follower of Christ gives you the grace and the opportunity to be happy now.

The Beatitudes challenge us to take God and each other seriously. They give us specific actions and attitudes, concrete ways of living the Gospel in the ordinary situations and challenges of our lives. They are ideals and goals that point to the path of holiness and true happiness.

Grace and peace,  
Fr. R C R A

**Tuesday January 31****St. John Bosco**

12:05 +Stephen Bradshaw  
Requested by Ruth Dusome

**Wednesday February 1**

12:05 + Margaret Carney  
Requested by Beth & Bob Bray and family

**Thursday February 2****The Presentation of the Lord**

12:05 +Josephine Dipisia  
Requested by Dolores Maguire

**Friday February 3****St. Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; St. Ansgar, Bishop**

11am – Holy Hour  
12:05 noon +Perpetua Graham  
Requested by Dolores Maguire

**Saturday February 4****Blessed Virgin Mary**

10 am +Stephen Bradshaw  
Requested by Theresa Laurin

**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time****Vigil Mass – Saturday February 4**

5 pm +Aldo Santa  
Requested by the Donald Anderson family

Building  
Fund

**Sunday – February 5**

9am +Rheal, Julie and Reg  
Requested by the family  
11:30 am Mass for the people

**The Pope's Prayer Intention  
for February**

*For Parishes*

We pray that parishes, placing communion at the centre, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

## **Give the Gift of Music!**

We love to worship together and praise God through music. Help us celebrate Him in song by donating towards the purchase of new Gather hymnals for St. Margaret's Parish. Any amount is welcome, and for donations of \$45 or more, parishioners wishing to make donations in memory of a loved one can have their name inside the hymnal.

Special envelopes available at the back of the church or at the parish office.



Our goal is to purchase 300 Gather 4<sup>th</sup> edition hymnals for the pews. So far, we have raised **\$5,430.30** Which is enough money to purchase 140 books. Our target is \$12,000.00. Keep up the good work!

## **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd**

The Catechesis Of The Good Shepherd is an internationally recognized approach for the religious formation of children, which highlights essential aspects from Scripture as well as from Catholic Liturgy that nurture the child's capacity to enjoy and contemplate God's presence.

The "Atrium" is a specifically prepared room in which children and catechists gather to listen together to the Word of God, to work with hands-on materials that help to ponder the Christian message and to celebrate the mysteries of our faith.

### **NEW LEVEL I CLASSES**

Families with children ages 3 to 6 are invited to join the program in a new session beginning early February. Interested parents can contact Patricia by email [patricia.stenton@gmail.com](mailto:patricia.stenton@gmail.com) or by phone 705 956-0632.

## **Church Bulletin Advertising**

Liturgical Publications will be setting up the advertisements for our church bulletin. The advertising will begin in April 2023 and supports the bulletin service. Please support the bulletin and advertise your product or service.

Call Liturgical Publications at 1-800-268-2637

## **KOC District Basketball Free Throw:**

Registration starts at 12:30pm on Sunday, Feb. 12, 2023, at St. Theresa's Catholic High School.

## **Exemplification for New Members:**

Wednesday, Feb. 15, 2023, at 6:30pm  
St. Margaret's Church followed by Council Meeting.  
ALL KNIGHTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND TO WELCOME OUR NEW MEMBERS. Our regular Council Meeting will follow the exemplification.

## **CWL News**

Our next meeting will be on **Monday Feb. 13, at 1:00 pm**. All ladies interested in joining and/or learning about our activities are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing everyone together again.



The position is for a three-year term and the primary role is to assist the Board of Trustees in fulfilling its duties related to governance and oversight.

More details about the duties, meeting obligations and eligibility requirements can be found on our website - [smcdsb.on.ca](http://smcdsb.on.ca)

<https://bit.ly/3XDon7N>



**Please remember the following people in your prayers:** Romelda Morson; Nicole Marchildon; Stephen Roach; Lilah Bates; Shelley Smith; Nadine Adams; Peter Pattenau; Bob Kokron; Brenda Bylow; John Jerome  
**Please pray for our recently deceased relatives and friends:** Mary Graham; Mary McCarthy;




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