



Pastor:

Father Roselle Cyrille R. Azares

Deacons: Anthony Ruta P.D.

Timothy Dunlop P.D.

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

589 HUGEL AVENUE, MIDLAND, ONTARIO L4R 1W3

PHONE: 705-526-6313

StMargaretsMI@archtoronto.org

stmargaretsmi.archtoronto.org

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

Choirs Saturday 5:00 pm

Adele Heins

Sunday 9:00 am

Adele Heins

Sunday 11:30 am

Diana Swift

Finance Council

Pauline Brabant

Floral Decorations

Katie Goulbourne & Ruth Dusome

Greeters & Ushers

Carol McBryan

Rectory Housekeeper

Katie Goulbourne

Parish Custodian

Richard Kitchen

GROUPS

Catholic Women's League

Lu Robitaille

705-209-0854

Knights of Columbus

Fred Chamberlain

705-529-2632

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

Burials, Plots, Niches, Monuments, Cleanings and all other services

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

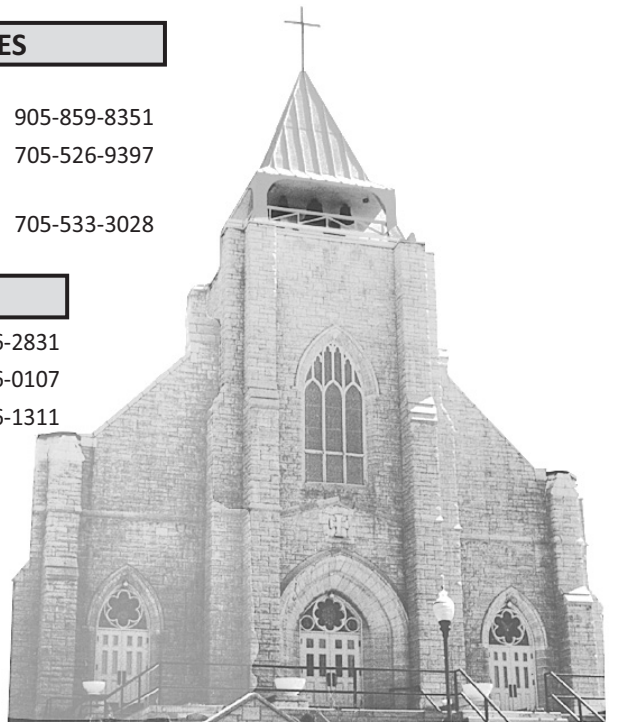
(Michael Vanden Heuvel) 705-533-3028

SCHOOLS

Monsignor Castex School 705-526-2831

Sacred Heart School 705-526-0107

St. Theresa's High School 705-526-1311





God Did Not Spare His Only Son

The First Reading and the Gospel on this Second Sunday in Lent are loosely connected by the theme of events happening on a mountain.

In the Genesis story, Abraham is commanded by God to sacrifice his son Isaac on Mt. Moriah; in the Gospel, the Transfiguration of Jesus takes place on Mt. Tabor. The first event presents the scary prospect of a young boy being killed; the second describes the glorious and awe-inspiring transfiguration of Jesus before Peter, James and John.

The narrative of Abraham's near-sacrifice of Isaac says that God sometimes puts us to the test. It is important to note that God does not tempt us in the manner the serpent seduced Adam and Eve or how Satan tempted Jesus in the desert. Temptations are aimed at making us fall; tests are intended to purify and strengthen our faith. Thus, in Abraham's story, God intervenes as Abraham is about to carry out what he is commanded to do.

While Isaac escapes death, Jesus will not be spared by the Father. Beloved Son though Jesus is, He will be offered as a sacrifice; no ram will be there to take His place. Thus, St. Paul asks that if God "did not spare his Son but handed him over for us, what can God not give us?" This is how much God loves us: He has given His only Son for our salvation.

Jesus has predicted that his enemies will plot to kill him, and he does not hide it from his close followers. At the same time, in his transfiguration, Jesus intimates to them what awaits him after he is killed. The transfiguration of Jesus – with its symbolic elements (his face shining very brightly, his garments becomingly dazzling white, the Father's voice coming from the crowd) – foretells his glorious resurrection; it is a manifestation and foretaste of his future glory.

Tuesday Feb 27th

12:05pm For the Intentions of Alex Cameron
And Debbie Collins
Requested by Colleen

Wednesday Feb. 28th

12:05 pm In Thanksgiving
Requested by Elizabeth Landry

Thursday Feb. 29th

12:05 pm In Thanksgiving for
Mirek Lukus and the Lukus Family
Requested by Mirek Lukus

Friday March 1st

11 am – Holy Hour
12:05 pm Special Intentions for Toddy & Theresa
Requested by Mila Benedicto
7:0 pm **Stations of the Cross**

Saturday, March 2nd

10:00 am + Roy Tang
Requested by Pauline Tang

Third Sunday Of Lent

Saturday March 2nd

5 pm + Eugenio & Caterina
Requested by the Moscon family

Sunday March 3rd

9 am Special Intentions for Fr. John Michael Lee C.P.
Requested by Gord & Cathy McKay

11:30 am Mass for the People

The Pope's Prayer Intention for March

For the new Martyrs

We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

Jesus does not promise an easy life for us, his disciples. He is very honest in declaring that we will meet the same fate that He met from those who rejected Him. But even as we face these challenges, let us remember that trials and challenges make us stronger, and God is always on our side. Even when we can enjoy the fullness of God's triumph and journey only in His eternal kingdom, we can experience now on earth the joy of living the Good News of our Lord Jesus.

Grace and Peace,
Father R C R A

Adult Faith Formation Series

St. Margaret's Parish Hall
A light lunch will be provided after each session—free-will offering gratefully accepted.

Passion of Jesus Christ

Sat. March 2 and 9th 10:45 am – 11:45 am
Go deeper in your faith this Lenten season with Fr. Wayne Bolton's in-depth speaking series illustrating the Passion narratives of the gospels.

Celtic Spirituality

Sat. March 16 10:45 am – 11:45 am
Fr. Wayne Bolton covers monasteries, missionaries and the sacred spaces of the Emerald Isle.

World Day of Prayer

St. Margaret's Parish Fri. March 1, 2024 at 2:00 pm
The prayer service has been prepared by the women of Palestine. The theme is "I Beg You...Bear With One Another in Love" Ephesians 4:13
Please join with the churches of Midland and gather for this service. *Refreshments will be served.*

Stations of the Cross +

There will be Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings at 7:00 pm starting on Friday, Feb. 16th.

Remember the Building Fund

In 2023, St. Margaret's Parish had several necessary repairs which depleted the Building Fund. Please remember to give to St. Margaret's Building Fund to help cover future maintenance needs.

The Second Collection on March 2-3 will be for the Building Fund.

WHAT IS LENT?

Lent is a time of **prayer and penance**, when Christ wants to lead us back to our baptismal promises of **dying to sin and of living for God.**

WHEN IS LENT?

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and continues until the afternoon of Holy Thursday. It runs for about 40 days.

WHY 40 DAYS? The "40 days" (not including Sundays) of fasting, prayer, and penance before Easter reflect Jesus' 40 days in the wilderness.

WHAT SHOULD WE DO DURING LENT?

1. **Turn away from our sins and turn back to God.** Detach from habits and tendencies that are contrary to God's will. Lent is a time of conversion.
2. **Open our hearts to our Father**, so that we may live with Christ for God. Jesus is calling us to be people of praise and prayer, and living signs of his love for all.

"This time of fasting opens the gates of heaven to us. Let us welcome it and pray that when Easter comes we may share the joy of the risen Lord."
LENTEN RESPONSORY

Archdiocese of Toronto www.archtoronto.org
Text from Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops' "Living Lent"

Show your love through ShareLife

ShareLife Sunday is March 17.

Through your kindness, over 40 Catholic organizations and social service agencies can help marginalized members of our community. No one is turned away due to inability to pay. This is all possible through your support. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate



Please remember the following people in your

prayers: Murray Taite; Marie Logan; Lisa Wright; Judy Martin; Mark Charlebois; Michael Pontze; Frank Whitkins; Dottie Whitkens; Bob Dorion; Carol Quesnelle; Barrett Smith; Alex Latondress; Malachy Maguire; Nick Tardif; Lynda Stanek; Lloyd Leroux; Mary Fletcher; Sherry Archer; Abigail Brown; Romelda Morson; Nicole Marchildon; Stephen Roach; Lilah Bates; Shelley Smith; Nadine Adams; Peter Pattenaude; Brenda Bylow; Marshal Laurin; John Gunther; Marilyn Dalton

Please pray for our recently deceased relatives and

friends: Vincentia Beelen; Julia Vanbiesbrook; Bob Kokron; Rev. Joseph Kwok Cheung Ho

OWEN QUILTY Professional Corporation
Chartered Professional Accountant
408 King Street 705-528-2222 Quilty.ca

BOURGEOIS MIDLAND
BOURGEOIS MOTORS LTD.
Serving the Community Since 1945
SALES • SERVICE • LEASING
281 Cranston Cres.
705-526-2278

WYE RIVER FLOORING CO. LTD.
Hardwood Flooring
Ceramic Wall & Floor Tile
8262 Hwy 93 705-526-1083

HURONIA STEEL SALES AND BUILDING SUPPLIES
Since 1988
Roofing & Siding Supplies
Windows, Doors, Insulation
Custom Metal Flashing
8945 County Rd 93 705-526-0199

SWISS CHALET Ken King
1340 Hwy. #93, Midland
705-526-7115
www.swisschalet.com

HARVEYS
www.harveys.ca

Golden Seam Professional Alterations
255 Midland Avenue
705-528-0115

Uncle Roy's Restaurant
Chinese and Canadian Food
Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner
Dine-in • Take-out • Delivery
289 King St. 705-526-2076

Remember...
Let our advertisers know you saw their ad here.

Minds Alive
Your Wow! Store Toys, crafts, books
Janet & Jeff Weersink
Huge selection of new toys, crafts and books
313 King St., Downtown Midland
705-526-6662
www.mindsalive.on.ca

Midland Home hardware building centre
199 Fourth St Midland
705-526-5416
midlandhhbc.com

Independent Shop Local!
277 King St 705-526-5140
Family Owned & Operated since 1983!

St. Theresa's Catholic High School
Midland, Ontario 705-526-1311
Proudly serving Huronia for over 50 years

RE/MAX
Georgian Bay Realty Ltd., Brokerage
Roger Gignac
Sales Representative
705.527.4724

SANDERSON MONUMENT
Est. 1872
"Professional Monument Specialists"
Leif Frostad
775 Balm Beach Rd.
705-526-2924

Call 1-800-268-2637 for this space

GARTHSIDE LTD.
Heating • Cooling • Duct Cleaning
24 Hr. Emergency Service
Craig Stewart 705-549-2861

co-operators Jill Richards 705-526-7777
Investments. Insurance. Advice.
Jill Charlebois-Richards Insurance/Financial Services Inc.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS LAURIER COUNCIL 2004
Council Meetings:
3rd Wednesday of the Month
September to June

NOFRILLS
990 Jones Road, Midland
www.nofrills.ca

IT'S WISE to ADVERTISE!

GEORGIAN BAY BOOKS
247 King St
705-526-4750
www.georgianbaybooks.ca

NORMAN'S GARDEN GALLERY
Your Growing Success Is Our Goal
830 Yonge Street
705-526-4361

J.H. Lynn Chapel - Since 1878
290 First St. Midland - 24 hr. 705-526-6551
www.CarsonFuneralHomes.com
Affordable Cremation Options
Proudly Family Owned

The Mortgage Centre
Jenna Lorette
MyMidlandMortgage.ca
705-526-5445

CARSON FUNERAL HOMES
"Midland and area's only family owned and operated funeral home."

THE PERFECT SPOT TO ADVERTISE YOUR BUSINESS!
TO ADVERTISE IN THIS SPACE PLEASE CALL 1-800-268-2637

Shopping Locally Saves Gas

C. MALONEY AIR CONDITIONING & REFRIGERATION INDUSTRIAL CHILLERS
9803 HWY. 93
705-549-2341
1-800-353-0362

KING PLACE
An Oxford Living Retirement Residence
LIFE IS BETTER HERE

750 King Street, Midland
C: 705-526-0514
E: tcadeau@oxfordliving.ca

THE VILLA Retirement Lodge
Proudly serving Midland and Penetanguishene for over 50 Years!
CALL 705-527-3267

THE VILLA RETIREMENT LODGE
689 Yonge Street, Midland, ON

BAYSHORE LANES
5 Pin Bowling
"GLOW IN THE DARK"
Youth, Adult, Senior Leagues
Kids Birthday & Adult Parties
Licenced LLBO • Call for Open Play times
705-526-4887

We GUARANTEE the most affordable cremation options in Simcoe County.

Salon Funéraire Penetanguishene Funeral Home
Penetangfuneral.ca
705-549-3155
Nicholls Funeral Home
Nichollsfuneral.ca
705-526-5449

LECLAIR CREMATION CENTRE
an affordable funeral alternative
565 King St. 705.527.8955
www.leclaircremationcentre.ca

Arbor Memorial

Arbor Memorial