



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

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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

Choirs Saturday 5:00 pm

Adele Heins

Sunday 9:00 am

Adele Heins

Sunday 11:30 am

Diana Swift

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Pauline Brabant

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Katie Goulbourne & Ruth Dusome

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Carol McBryan

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Katie Goulbourne

Parish Custodian

Richard Kitchen

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St. Vincent de Paul

Food Bank, donations, all inquiries

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Conrad Stenton

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Children's Liturgy

Katie Heffernan

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OTHER SERVICES

Natural Family Planning

Humanae Vitae Centre (Linda) 905-859-8351

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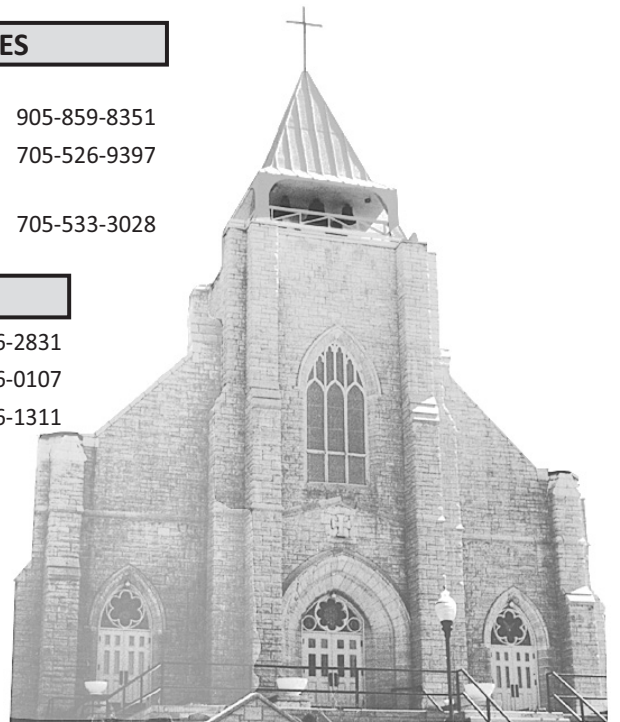
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Monsignor Castex School 705-526-2831

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Mass Intentions for the week

Tuesday March 19th

Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary

12:05pm + Elmer Lavigne

Requested by Bill Lavigne

Wednesday March 20th

12:05 pm + William Small

Requested by Dolores & Charles Maquire

Thursday March 21st

12:05 pm + Anne Marie Calhoun

Requested by Yvonne, Jim and family

Friday March 22nd

11 am – Holy Hour

12:05 pm For the Intentions of Dolores

And Charles Maguire

Requested by the family

7:00 pm **Stations of the Cross**

Saturday, March 23rd

10:00 am + Simone Flaim

Requested by the Moscon family

Palm Sunday

Saturday March 23rd

5 pm + Alex Kurczak

Requested by Lana Lyons

Sunday March 24th

9 am Mass for the People

11:30 am + Gail Bakker

Requested by the 11:30am Choir Members

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.

2024 Holy Week/Easter Schedule

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week. We Encourage parishioners to enter fully into the spirit of These sacred days by participating in the church's liturgy.

Palm Sunday

Saturday March 24th 5:00 pm Vigil

Sunday March 25th 9:00 am , 11:30 am

Holy Week

Tuesday March 26th Mass 12:05pm

Wednesday March 27th Mass 12:05pm

Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday March 28th

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 pm
Adoration at the Altar of Repose until 9:00 pm

Good Friday , March 29th

Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3:00 pm

Holy Saturday, March 30th

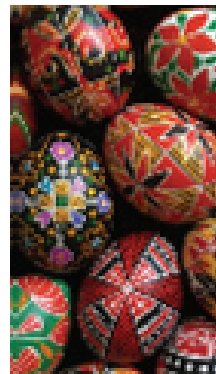
Blessing of the Easter Food 11:00 am
in the Church

Easter Vigil Mass 8:00 pm

Easter Sunday, March 31st

Easter Mass 9:00 am and 11:30am

PYSANKY – Ukrainian Easter Eggs



Parish Hall Sat. March 23

at 10:45 am Join the Parish Life Committee to decorate your own egg and learn the history and symbolism of the ancient art of pysanky. *This activity is suitable for Grade Two and up. A light lunch will be provided.*

Preregistration is required.

\$10/person \$30/family

Register at stmargaretsmi@archtoronto.org by March 20th.

Blossoming and Bearing Fruit

In the Gospel (John 12: 20-23) this Sunday (Fifth of Lent), Jesus senses that the 'hour' of his end is getting close. Being in Jerusalem and having to face his enemies, he must realize that the moment is coming. Surprisingly, Jesus confesses that his heart is troubled. However, he also declares that he will not ask the Father to save him from the 'hour', for He says that He has come precisely to face the 'hour'.

Realizing, perhaps that his disciples need to understand and be strong before his impending suffering and death, Jesus declares to them, *unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit* (verse 24).

Jesus understands that death to self is something necessary for everyone to go through in order to achieve a fuller life. The agricultural imagery illustrates very well how 'much fruit' or a 'greater harvest' can be reaped only if the seed falls to the ground and dies. We cannot keep the seed and bear fruit at the same time. This is the law of nature; this is the law of life.

Further, in this dying he is about to face, Jesus sees also his glorification. In the eyes of the Jewish authorities who put him to death, his death will mean his failure and their victory. But for Jesus and the Father, it will mark Jesus' vindication and glorification. It will also be the defeat of the evil forces. As the first chapter of the Gospel according to John foresees: *The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it* (John 1:5).

The philosopher Dietrich Bonhoeffer once said, 'There is no cheap grace, it is rather costly. There aren't any minimums. No bargaining is possible. A grain of wheat, which falls into the ground and dies, gives everything and surrenders everything.' As we wind up our Lenten journey and soon meet with Christ Jesus who suffers and dies, we too are to open ourselves to his call of surrender and self-emptying.

Grace and Peace,

Father R C R A

Stations of the Cross +

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

Summer Job Opportunity:

St. Margaret's Cemetery has a Summer Labourer (Student) position available. Please contact Rose Ladouceur at the Cemetery Office 705-526-6313 X4 for more details.

St Vincent de Paul Easter Food Drive

Donation are urgently needed for our pantry! Please drop off any food items in the basket in the Church entrance between Mar. 17 and 31st. Thank you for your generosity !



Parish Hall Dishwasher

A dishwasher has been ordered for the Parish Hall kitchen. To help cover the cost of this purchase, each parish organization will be donating to the purchase price. Parishioners wishing to contribute can be drop off their donation at the Parish Office or placed in the collection basket marked "Dishwasher".

Remember the Building Fund

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

Prayer Requests

Please remember the following people in your prayers; 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: Deacon Bill Higgins, Dorothy Burns, Lisa Delvalle, Murray Tait, and Eleanor Reid

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