

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.

FAITH COMMUNITY

Parish Secretary				
Choirs	Saturday	5:00 pm		
	Sunday	9:00 am		
	Sunday	11:30 am		
Finance Council				
Floral Decorations				
Greeters & Ushers				
Rectory Housekeeper				
Parish Custodian				
Parish Life Committee				
Web Admin/Social Media Manager				

Juanita Wootton-Radko Adele Heins Adele Heins Diana Swift Pauline Brabant Katie Goulbourne & Ruth Dusome Carol McBryan Katie Goulbourne Richard Kitchen Rosemary Sykes & Katie Goulbourne Daniel Lucas

GROUPS

Catholic Women's League Knights of Columbus St. Vincent de Paul

Lu Robitaille Fred Chamberlain

Food Bank, donations, all inquiries

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

Children's Liturgy

Patricia Stenton Conrad Stenton Katie Heffernan 705-956-0632 705-529-1403 heffernankt@gmail.com

705-209-0854

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SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN

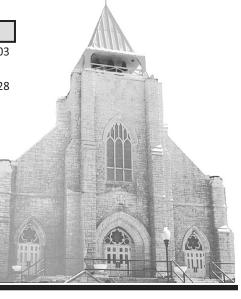
First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation Confirmation

OTHER SERVICES

Catholic Family Services	705-726-2503
Huronia 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	



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Tuesday, Dec. 3rd

St. Francis Xavier, Priest 12:05pm + Rita Proulx Requested by Adele Heins

Wednesday, Dec. 4th

St. John Damascene, Priest and Doctor of the Church 12:05pm Special Intentions for Larry Radko Requested by The Wootton-Radko family

Thursday, Dec. 5th

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 12 :05pm + Stephen Bradshaw Requested by Sharron & family

Friday, Dec. 6th

St. Nicholas, Bishop 11:00 am Holy Hour 12:05pm + Jamie Maloney Requested by Daniel Maloney & family

Saturday, Dec. 7th

St. Ambrose, Bishop And Doctor of the Church 10:00 am Private Intention

<u>The Second Sunday of</u> <u>Advent</u>

Saturday, Dec. 7th

5:00 pm Mass for the People

Sunday, Dec. 8th

9:00 am + Sister Dymphna Rooney Requested by Charles & Dolores Maguire

11:30 am For the Intentions of the Families of St. Margaret's Parish Requested by St. Vincent de Paul

Pope's Prayer Intention for December

For pilgrims of hope

Let us pray that this Jubilee strengthen us in our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

From Fear to Joy

The season of Advent tells us to prepare for the coming of God's salvation. Advent is a period of prayerful waiting for the gift of hope and salvation that comes to us in the person of Jesus when the Son of God was born a child in Bethlehem. Advent is also a time of prayerful waiting for the Lord's coming in glory at the end of time.

We experience many forms of waiting in our daily lives: we wait for meals to be served, for transportation to come, for people to come for work or meetings or social gatherings, for work to end on time. We wait for key moments in our lives: for a child to be born, for schooling to end, for plans to bear fruit, for broken relationships to heal. Waiting is an inevitable part of human experience At the earlier part of Advent, our Mass readings are more about the coming of the Lord at the end of time, as his second coming as King and Judge of the universe. Our readings today present two aspects in waiting: one of fear or apprehension and one of joy. We fear for what may come, for what we do not know or control. Students fear exams they may not be fully ready for, employees fear reports to their bosses, the sick fear as they wait for their laboratory results. This type of fear is natural and real: it can paralyze and cloud our capacity to see things clearly. We find joy in things that we love: joy at airports as friends and family arrive, joy of the expectant father at his first child, joy as a couple pronounce their marriage vows. This type of joy energizes and propels us to be more grateful and more generous The first reading this Sunday (Jeremiah 33: 14-16) reminds us of God's special relationship with Israel, sealed with a covenant in the desert, and his great saving deeds for his beloved people. The second reading (1 Thessalonians) and the Gospel (Luke 21: 25-28, 34-36) reading advise us to be always ready, living our lives in accordance with the Lord's commands, so that we would always be ready to meet him when he comes.

We wait not in fear but in hope that God who loves us will fulfill his promises to save us.

Grace and peace, Father R C R A

Journey to Bethlehem

Friday, December 6th at 6:30 PM Embark on a spiritual journey to Bethlehem this Advent season as we prepare for the birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. This is an opportunity for all ages to come together in faith and fellowship while experiencing something unlike anything before at St. Margaret's.

Service of Remembrance

Wed. December 4th at 6:00pm at St. Ann's Church Families dealing with loss over the Christmas season are invited to a multi-faith service organized by the staff of Nicholls and Penetanguishene Funeral Homes.

R.C.I.A. ADULT CATECHISM

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), restored following the Second Vatican Council, is the normative way for adults to prepare for baptism. The program will begin later this fall. This course is also intended for other baptized Christians who are considering entering into full communion with the Catholic Church or those who were baptized Catholic but never confirmed. For more information, please call the office 705-526-6313 ext. 1

<u>Sharing Our Gifts</u>

Parish Givings Report for SundayOffertory\$3,704.84Building Fund\$ 183.38*Amount includes PAG & Donate Now

Advent Candles



Advent Candle sets are available for purchase at the parish office for \$16/set. Bring the light of the season into your home Limited supply – don't delay!

2025 Missals Now Available!

You can purchase your 2025 missal at the side entrance to the church or the Parish Office.



Sanctuary Lamp

Dec. 1 – Dec. 8 In memory of Roy Francis Arbour

2024 Christmas Mass Schedule Nativity of Our Lord

Christmas Eve

5 pm 8 pm 11 pm

Christmas Day

Wednesday December 25 10 am

Feast of the Holy Family

Vigil Mass—Saturday, December 28th 5:00 pm

> Sunday December 29th 9 am 11:30 am

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Wednesday January 1st Note: this is a holy day of obligation for all Catholics 10 am

Epiphany of the Lord

Vigil Mass -- Saturday January 4th Note: no 10am mass today 5 pm

> Sunday January 5th 9 am 11:30 am

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the following people in your prayers : Barb Ledoucer , John Charlebois; Corwyn Ophelders, Grant Robitaille, Geraldine Diamago, Ralph Ladouceur, , Carol Jackson, Carmen Desroches, David Morton, Dan Camp, Elaine Chiasson; Lisa Wright; Judy Martin; Michael Pontze; Frank Whitkins; Bob Dorion; Carol Quesnelle; Barrett Smith; Alex Latondress; Malachy Maguire; Nick Tardif; Lynda Stanek; Mary Fletcher; Sherry Archer; Abigail Brown; Romelda Morson; Nicole Marchildon; Stephen Roach; Lilah Bates; Shelley Smith; Peter Pattenaude; Brenda Bylow; Betty Laurin; John Gunther

Please pray for our recently deceased relatives and

friends: Aileen Cadeau, Esther McCallum, Claude Vanin

