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Fiat Voluntas Tua

Blessed Mary, how could you have known that your simple “yes” would mean so much to the world? You gave us all a new lease on life. By welcoming Jesus into your womb, you enabled our salvation to draw near. God could forgive our sins and make us whole again—all because you said “yes”!

How did you do it? What immense love must have been in your heart—love for God and love for his people! More than any other person, you could sense God’s love as it showered down from heaven, and you wanted nothing more than to return that love as fully as possible.

I can just picture you rising every morning, eager to see what wonders God had in store for you that day. I can just imagine how much you looked forward to hearing his voice in your heart and to finding new ways to glorify him. That “yes” that you said at the Annunciation was one in a long line of “yeses,” and I am so grateful that you lived so faithful a life!

O Mary, conceived without sin, teach us how to say “yes” as you did! Teach us how to trust God and how to allow things in our lives that may seem strange and different at first. Teach us how to stop and listen for that whisper of the Spirit asking us to make choices for God and not ourselves. Pray for us that we would have the courage to stand in faith on God’s promises, just as you did every day of your life.

Virgin Mary, you told the stewards at the wedding feast at Cana, “Do whatever he tells you” (John 2:5). This was no new revelation for you but a reflection of the way you lived every day. Intercede for us that we would have the same open, trusting, and obedient heart. Please inspire us always to listen to Jesus and do what he says, so that like you, we can become a channel of his grace and blessing to the world around me.

Grace and peace,

Father R C R A

Tuesday, Dec. 31st

Saint Sylvester 1, Pope

12:05pm + Dominic Pepin

Requested by the Pepin Family

Wednesday, Jan. 1st

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Holy Day of Obligation

10:00 am Mass

Thursday, Jan. 2nd

**Saints Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen
Bishops and Doctors of the Church**

12 :05pm + Jean Pepin

Requested by the Pepin Family

Friday, Jan. 3rd

Holy Name of Jesus

11:00 am Holy Hour

12:05pm Special Intentions for the Duquette family

Requested by Suzette Duquette

The Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday, Jan. 4th

5:00 pm Mass for the People

Sunday, Jan. 5th

9:00 am + Claude Moreau

Requested by Tante Noella

11:30 am + Ted & Audrey Percival

Requested by Diane Percival

Pope’s Prayer Intention for January

For the right to an education

Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

Sanctuary Lamp

December 29 – January 4

For the intentions of
Brenda Bylow



Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Holy Day of Obligation

Vigil Mass—Tuesday December 31st

5:00 pm

Wednesday January 1st, 2025

10:00 am

Epiphany of the Lord

Vigil Mass—Saturday January 4th

5:00 pm

Sunday January 5th

9:00 am, 11:30 am

Baptism of the Lord

Vigil Mass—Saturday January 11th

5:00 pm

Sunday January 12th

9:00 am, 11:30 am

Office Holiday Hours

The Parish Office will be closed from December 22, 2024, until January 3, 2025.

ShareLife Funds for St. Vincent de Paul

ShareLife, based on the recommendation of the St. Vincent de Paul Greater Toronto Central Council, will allocate \$15,000 toward the food/meal program at St. Margaret's parish. Please note that these funds are provided by ShareLife, Catholic Charities, and a generous parishioner in the Archdiocese of Toronto.

We are pleased to be able to support this program at your parish. The ShareLife Advisory Board has made it a priority to provide funds for the purpose of supporting food and meal programs across the archdiocese, and we thank Catholic Charities and our donor for their financial support of this initiative.

As we enter the final weeks of the campaign, we would encourage parishioners to contribute to the ShareLife campaign. All contributions made before December 31 will be matched up to \$500,000.

The support of your parish community has helped to make this grant possible. We are grateful for all that you are doing to provide food and meals to those in need, helping to live the Gospel by providing for those in need.

NEW Online Payment Option for Votive Candles

If you have found that you are carrying cash less often these days, good news! We have been working on a solution that allows payment by debit or credit card.

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2024 Donations and Tax Receipts

All donations must be received by the Parish Office by December 31st, 2024 to be included on your 2024 receipt. Tax receipts will be mailed out late January 2025.

Happy New Year

From St. Margaret's Clergy and Staff

Fr. Roselle, Deacon Tim, Deacon Tony, Juanita, Katie, Richard, Rose, Sharron

2025 Missals Now Available!

You can purchase your 2025 missal for \$6 at the side entrance to the church or stop at the Parish Office

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the following people in your prayers :

Barb Ledoucer , John Charlebois, 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

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