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MASSSES

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

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Sunday 9:00 am

Sunday 11:30 am

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**Mass Intentions
for the week**

Tuesday, Mar. 25th

The Annunciation of The Lord

12:05pm Special Intentions for
David & Nathalie Lacroix and family
Requested by Peter & Marie Lacroix

Wednesday, Mar. 26th

12:05pm + Josephine Small
Requested by Dolores & Charles Maguire

Thursday, Mar. 27th

12 :05pm+ In Memory of Bourgeois Family Members
Requested by Marg Bourgeois

Friday, Mar. 28th

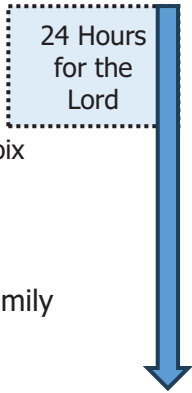
11:00 am Holy Hour

12:05pm +Marie-Rose Lesperance
Requested by Peter & Marie Lacroix

7:00pm Stations of the Cross

Saturday, Mar. 29th

10:00 am + In Memory of Ambeau Family
Members
Requested by Marg Bourgeois



Saturday, Mar. 29th

5:00 pm + Veronica Lavigne
Requested by Bill Lavigne



Sunday, Mar. 30th

9:00 am + Rosie Maguire
Requested by Dolores & Charles Maguire

11:30 am Mass for the People



A Bush and a Fig Tree

The readings this Sunday present us with two images.

From the Book of Exodus, we see Moses confronting the burning bush from within which God reveals the divine name and gives Moses his mission together with the assurance of God's care for him. In the Gospel Reading, we see Jesus confronting an unproductive fig tree with an assurance of patience and hope for a productive future if the tree will respond to the care which will be given for it. Together with Moses approaching the burning bush, we are asked to show reverence because we are in the presence of the Almighty One. But this Almighty One identifies Himself as the God of Moses' father, the God of Abraham, of Isaac, of Jacob. In other words, He is the God Who can call His people 'my people'. Not indeed a distant God, no matter how humbly Moses should show reverence.

This God has been close to the people and has been attentive to their affliction. He has heard their cries. From the fire of the burning bush, the fire of God's grace for His people reveals God's compassion for the suffering of all. And it is to Moses that this compassionate God gives the mission of being the instrument to work for the liberation of His people. We know that the history of the liberation of God's people was a history of great struggle. The people themselves even rebelled against Moses and even against God Himself. They showed themselves to be

Pope's Prayer Intention for March

For families in crisis

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

stiff-necked. At times, we are told, God even threatened to destroy them. Yet all the while, God would never abandon them. Urged by Moses, God would show Himself to be the God of patience and compassion. And it is that history of God's patience and compassion that can help us understand today's account of the fig tree. For years, this fig tree was supposed to bear fruit. But like the people of Israel, the tree refused to produce the fruit expected of it. There was a threat of the owner of the vineyard (a symbol of God) to destroy the tree, to cut it down. But just as Moses pleaded with God not to abandon the people, the vinedresser pleaded that the tree be spared so that more care could be given it. Patience and compassion again! And here, the patient and compassionate one is the New Moses – Jesus whose mission given by the Father is the mission to give life to all of us.

This season of Lent is given to us every year so that we can renew and strengthen ourselves, with the help of God's patience and compassion, so that we can bear the fruit that our Lord desires for us. Thank God for his patience and compassion! Thank God for his caring love for us!

*Grace and peace,
Father R C R A*

"24 Hours for the Lord"

Friday, March 28 – Saturday, March 29th
Join us in a 24-hour adoration for our Lord Jesus at St. Margaret's Parish, beginning at Holy Hour on **Friday, March 28, 2025 at 11:00 am** and concluding with the celebration of the Holy Mass on Saturday, March 29, 2025 at 10 am.

*"Let my prayer be counted as incense before you
and the lifting up of my hands as an evening sacrifice." -
Psalm 141:2*

Lenten Day of Reconciliation

Fri. March 28 12:30pm – 3:00pm 7:30pm - 8:30pm
Several priests will be available to hear confessions in English and French.

Sharing Our Gifts

Parish Givings Report for Sunday

Offertory \$3,542.85

**Amount includes PAG & Donate Now*

ShareLife Sunday – March 30th

Thank you for heeding the Lord's call to feed the hungry

For many children, the snacks and meals they receive in school may be the only nutritious food they eat all day. Studies show that children can't learn and thrive when they are hungry. Thanks to you, \$750,000 in Food Security Grants are making a difference across our community. Students receive the nourishment they deserve, and parents are supported in the process. The FoodShare program at ShareLife-funded agency Rosalie Hall "is a lifeline for families," says their Executive Director, Jane Kenny. "It helps parents provide food for their children, reduces their stress, and allows them to focus on being the best parents they can be."

This year our parish goal is to raise **\$21,000**. Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at sharelife.org/donate.

An Evening of Jubilation and Praise **St. Michael's Choir School Concert**

As part of our 2025 Year of Jubilee Year celebrations, St. Margaret's will have the honour of hosting the St. Michael's Choir School for a concert on Friday, May 30th, 2025.

Early Bird tickets are now on sale for \$40 each.
Regular Price starts April 1st—Get yours today!

C.W.L. News


Our next meeting is Monday, April 14th **at 1:30pm** in the Parish Hall. *(Please note the change in time.)*
Hope to see you there!!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the following people in your prayers Lauraine Marshall, Gary Edwards, Gladys Robitaille, Barb Ledoucer, Grant Robitaille, Geraldine Diamago, Ralph Ladouceur, Carol Jackson, Carmen Desroches, David Morton, Dan Camp, Elaine Chiasson, Lisa Wright, Judy Martin, Michael Pontze, , Bob Dorion, Carol Quesnelle, 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, Betty Laurin, John Gunther

Please pray for our recently deceased relatives and friends: Michael Galaski, Barbara Brennen

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