

Pastor: Father Roy Roberts
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MASSES

Weekday Masses:

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am

Sunday Masses:

Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am

& 11:30 am

Confession:

Saturday 3:30 - 4:00 pm

Baptism:

Please contact the Parish Office for a registration form, or visit our website for more information.

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.

FAITH COMMUNITY

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

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Lyndsey Laurin 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 Katie Heffernan heffernankt@gmail.com

Children's Liturgy Katie Heffernan heffernankt@gmail.com

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OTHER SERVICES

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SCHOOLS

Monsignor Castex School 705-526-2831
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Monday, Oct. 6th
St. Bruno, Priest,
Blessed Marie Rose Durocher, Virgin
9:00am Private Intention

Tuesday, Oct. 7th
Our Lady of the Rosary
9:00am Special Intention for Doug Kozy

Wednesday, Oct. 8th

9:00am Special Intention

Thursday, Oct. 9th
St. Denis, Bishop and Companions, Martyrs,
St. John Leonardi, Priest
9:00am + Eugenio Salinas
Requested by The Salinas family

THE 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, Oct. 11th

5:00 pm + Stephen Bradshaw Requested by Sharron & family

Sunday, Oct. 12th

9:00 am Special Intentions for Fr. John Michael Lee, C.P. Requested by Gord & Cathy McKay

11:00am Mass for the People



Sanctuary Lamp

The Sanctuary Lamp burns this week in memory of John Dusome

Pope's Prayer Intention for October

For collaboration between different religious traditions Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

Wavelengths

Long before the internet and YouTube, and even before cable television, in our black and white two channel tv universe, we had a complete set of the 12 volume Audubon Nature Encyclopedia in the house. Truth be known, I spent so many hours poring through the pages, engrossed in the stories and facts about animals all around the world.

My favorite animals were from the African continent and combined with the television show 'The Untamed World', I developed a fascination with the Serengeti. I am not a happy traveler, and I have little desire to journey beyond the borders of Ontario. But if I were ever to travel abroad, it would be a toss-up between the Serengeti and Australia solely rooted in the pages of the Encyclopedia.

The only other place that I could be coaxed to go would be the Camino to Santiago de Compostela in Spain, but I don't think there would ever be enough coaxing to break the inertia of my dislike for traveling. I am too much like my dad in that matter.

Anyway, I have an appreciation for the natural world, except creeping things, slithering things, or slimy things. Perhaps that is why I have a bit of a soft spot for St. Francis of Assisi, patron saint of pets. We did have a couple of pets growing up. It was a bit of a hard sell in our house because dad hated the thought of chaining up a dog, and cats, well they are just scary. The first pet we had was a cat who just showed up one day in winter and would climb through the broken screen on the door and perch herself on a window ledge.

Eventually she made it into the house and claimed residency. We soon found out it was a she when she gave birth to four kittens on my brother's bunk bed. Eventually we acquired a dog, (and I use that term loosely). It was more like part chihuahua and part rat! It was small enough to use our front yard for exercise, and so never needed to be chained up. We had that dog for over 18 years.

He was small enough that when a great horned owl took up residency across the road, ridding the big barn of all the pigeons, we would never let the dog out to do his business unless someone went outside with him – he would have been a perfect owl snack! He was the source of great amusement and affection. Sometimes it was a bit unnerving in the middle of the night when he would jump up on the bed, nudge the blankets away and crawl under the covers to the bottom of the bed and nestle quite contentedly at the feet. Eventually an abscess went to his brain and we had to put him down. Even the vet was sad because when he started his practice, our dog was one of his first

clients. School kids will generally ask me if I have a pet, and I said I had enough growing up, and the idea of stooping and scooping is just too unappealing. I tell them I am content with my pet fish, not real ones, but the ones on my screen saver – no muss and no fuss.



Happy St. Francis of Assisi feast day (October 4).



Fall Cleanup at St. Margaret's Cemetery

Sat. Oct. 25th

10am-2pm

Thank you to the parishioners who helped to keep our cemetery beautiful this year. It is time to prepare for fall and winter while the weather is still warm. We are looking for volunteers to assist with the annual fall cleanup on Saturday, October 25^{th} from 10 am -2 Water is off as we determine the best course of action to repair it. pm before the winter closing of the gates in November. We ask that you kindly remove all your summer decorations as they do not last through the winter months.

Our Cemetery Operations Manager Ms. Lyndsey Laurin would be happy to assist you with plot and monument purchases throughout the winter, before the 2026 rates come into effect January 1st

Thank you from St. Margaret's Cemetery.

Proudly serving our community with faith and compassion.

C.W.L. News

Our next meeting is on **Tuesday**, **Oct. 14**th **at 1:00pm**. Hope to see you there!

CWL Thanksgiving Pie Fundraiser

Pre-order your fresh fruit pies after Mass on Saturday, October 4 or Sunday, October 5. Cost is \$5 per 6" pie and \$15 per 9" pie. Fully cooked pies will be ready for pickup after Mass on October 11 & 12. If you would like to help with this fundraiser, please contact Lu Robitaille: 705-209-0854

LIFE CHAIN 2025

Sunday, Oct. 5th

2pm - 3pm

Life Chain is a pro-life protest against abortion. Meet in the Canadian Tire parking lot. Plan to arrive 15 minutes early to receive your sign and join in the opening prayer. For more information, call Mike at 705-533-3028.

Children's Liturgy Invitation

Children in Kindergarten through Grade 3 are invited to participate in Children's Liturgy every other week during the 11:00 AM Sunday Mass. During this time, they will hear and reflect on the Liturgy of the Word at their own level in a welcoming and age-appropriate setting.

The next Children's Liturgy will be on **October 19**. For any questions, please contact Katie Heffernan heffernankt@gmail.com

Adoration With Praise & Worship

Thursday, October 16

7 pm to 8:30 pm

Holy Martyrs of Japan, Bradford invites everyone, especially our Youth and Young Adults, to spend an evening of adoration, praise, and worship.

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<u>2025 Christmas Assistance</u> **Applications** – Oct. 8th - Nov. 26th

St. Margaret's St. Vincent de Paul Society will be providing Christmas support to those in need in our

community.

NEW: Applications must be completed <u>in-person</u> at the Parish Hall (please use Church Lane entrance). Those in need are invited to apply starting Wednesday, October 8th, from 1pm to 3pm. The final application day is November 26th. A St. Vincent volunteer will be there to review the application and assist in completion. Please provide ID for <u>each</u> person named on the application. If you are aware of any individual who could use Christmas assistance, please direct them to apply <u>in-person</u>.

If you have any questions, please call 705-526-7585 and leave a message. Someone will return your call.

Parish Givings Report for Sunday

Offertory \$4,744.40

*Amount includes PAG & Donate Now

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the following people in your

prayers: Leanne Sanderson, Maria Curvas, Antonio Guerra, Alba King, Rachel, Jenna Charlebois, David Boyce, Jenny Brock, Garry Edwards, Jose Mendoza, Lauraine Marshall, Barb Ledoucer, Grant Robitaille, Geraldine Diamago, Ralph Ladouceur, Carol Jackson, Carmen Desroches, David Morton, Dan Camp, Elaine Chiasson, Lisa Wright, Judy Martin, Michael Pontze, 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

Please pray for our recently deceased relatives and friends: Bill Courts, Mary Leduc and Bonnie Lalonde



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