

Pastor: Father Roy Roberts Deacons: Anthony Ruta P.D. Timothy Dunlop P.D.

#### **MASSES**

#### Weekday Masses:

Monday - Thursday 9:00 am

#### **Sunday Masses:**

Saturday 5:00 pm Sunday 9:00 am

& 11:00 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

# 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 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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**Greeters & Ushers** Carol McBryan Richard Kitchen Parish Custodian Parish Life Committee Rosemary Sykes Web Admin/Social Media Manager **Daniel Lucas** 

#### **GROUPS**

Catholic Women's League Lu Robitaille 705-209-0854 **Knights of Columbus** John Sweeney 705-529-9332 St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank, donations, all inquiries 705-526-7585

#### ST. MARGARET'S CEMETERY

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

Children's Liturgy heffernankt@gmail.com

#### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN

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## **OTHER SERVICES**

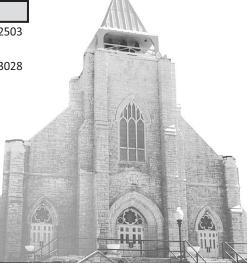
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#### **SCHOOLS**

Monsignor Castex School 705-526-2831 Sacred Heart School 705-526-0107 St. Theresa's High School 705-526-1311





# Monday, Nov. 10th

**Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church** 9:00am Private Intention

# Tuesday, Nov.11th

Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop

9:00am Private Intention

# Wednesday, Nov.12th

Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr

9:00am + Joseph & Irene Czaplinski Requested by Frances Ezman

# Thursday, Nov. 13th

9:00am Private Intention

# 33rd Sunday In Ordinary Time

## Saturday, Nov. 15th

5:00 pm + Anne Marie Radko Requested by Larry Radko and family

6:00pm SPAGHETTI DINNER

# Sunday, Nov.16th

St. Margaret of Scotland

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

11:00 am Mass for the People

# **Pope's Prayer Intention for November**For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are tempted to commit suicide might find the support, care and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

**9-8-8** Suicide Crisis Helpline offers 24/7/365, trauma-informed and culturally appropriate suicide prevention crisis support in English and French by phone and text for everyone living in Canada.

# **Wavelengths**

In our small town, we had two special homes devoted to caring for adult men with special needs. Most had a daily routine which included walking around town.

There was one particular gentleman who was bent at the waist, at almost a 45-degree angle. We would see him wandering all over town and on the roads leading into the town, and it was a great curiosity how he could walk with this stoop without tipping over (or being incredibly sore). His town nickname was "Pop Bottle Pete" because he also sported a bag or two for collecting discarded bottles which he traded in for money. He roamed the streets for years and everyone knew him as Pop Bottle Pete.

One day, I received a call from my mom. In a rather excited voice, she asked me who she saw at the Post Office. Now the Post Office was the hub of the community. There was no chance of going in and getting out on a "quick" errand. This was the place where all the news was disseminated. If you wanted to know who the big German Shepherd bit last week, this was the place. If you wanted to know who was getting married, this was the place. If who wanted to be up on all the current events, this was the place. On this day, Mom encountered Pop Bottle Pete, though she didn't really recognize him, he was standing straight up. She stared in amazement as he walked out the door and quickly resumed his stooped posture and patrolled the roads again. My mom blurted to the Postmaster, "In over 30 years, I have never seen him upright!" The explanation was quite simple. Along with collecting bottles, Pop Bottle Pete was on the lookout for dropped coins, and his days were spent looking for money. Now I admit that when I would find a coin on the sidewalk, it was an exciting day —"Find a penny and pick it up and the rest of the day you'll have good luck."

Back then, anything a nickel and above was redeemable for candy or other treats, so maybe Pop Bottle Pete was onto something, and even though I still discover coins on the ground, their value determines the effort. I have reached that point in my life that seeing a coin and retrieving said coin are two vastly different operations. The ability to stoop or bend to pick it up with any sense of poise and dignity (or guarantee that I wouldn't fall flat on my face) has long gone. Is public embarrassment worth a dime? I had to weigh that question when I spotted a quarter near my car in the Walmart parking lot. As I hovered over it, there was an instant tug of war going on in my head. Having

left fallen items on the kitchen floor for longer periods of time than necessary, So I decided that 25 cents wasn't worth the risk, and I hoped that some young kid would spot it and excitedly celebrate the newfound treasure, though part of me was jealous at the agility.



Fr. Roy

#### C.W.L. News - Save the Date!!

Nov. 29: Christmas Tea & Bake Sale 11am – 2pm

Dec. 15: CWL Christmas Luncheon

# **Spaghetti Dinner**

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a Spaghetti Dinner on Saturday, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> after the 5:00pm Mass. It will be a free will offering. All are welcome!



## St Mary's Christmas Bazaar

St. Mary's Women of Faith are having their Christmas Bazaar on Saturday November 22 from 11 AM to 2 PM at the Oakwood Community Centre, in Victoria Harbour.

We are having a luncheon, bake table, penny sale, crafts, mystery bags, and raffles. Take out is available. The price is \$12 for adults and \$5 for children. Children under 6 are free. Come and enjoy.

# <u>St. Margaret's Cemetery – Closed for</u> Season

The Cemetery will be closed for the winter season mid-November. Thank you to all the parishioners who helped to keep our cemetery beautiful.

Our Cemetery Operations Manager, Ms. Lindsey Laurin is happy to assist you with the purchase of plots or monuments throughout the winter before the 2026 rates come into effect January 1<sup>st</sup>.

Thank you from St. Margaret's Cemetery. Proudly serving our community with faith and compassion.



# **2025 Christmas Assistance Applications** — Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> - Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> 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 8<sup>th</sup>, from 1pm to 3pm. The final application day is November 26<sup>th</sup>. 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.

# <u>Standing with Persecuted Christians on</u> Red Wednesday – November 19, 2025

On Wednesday, November 19, 2025, Canadians are invited to participate in Red Wednesday, led by Aid to the Church in Need (ACN). In Toronto, a Mass at 5:30 p.m. will be celebrated at St. Michael's Cathedral Basilica, where Bishop John Boissonneau, Auxiliary Bishop of Toronto will preside. The day is dedicated to remembering Christians who face violence, discrimination, or death for their faith. The colour red symbolizes the blood of martyrs and reminds us that millions still suffer today. Join by praying, wearing red, or raising awareness. More info: www.acn-canada.org/rw. Contact: el@acn-canada.org or (416) 785-0498. An ACN Canada initiative with archdiocesan support.

# **Sharing Our Gifts**

Parish Givings Report for Sunday, November 2, 2025

Offertory \$3,755.38 Building Fund \$918.00

\*Amount includes PAG & Donate Now

## <u>Dedication of the Lateran Basilica - November 9, 2025</u>

Our God is a God of the living not of the dead. Have you had an experience of this living God and want to share it with others? You may be called to the priesthood, diaconate, or religious life. If God is calling you contact Fr. Matt McCarthy, Director of Vocations, Archdiocese of Toronto at 416-968-0997.

Email vocations@archtoronto.org www.vocationstoronto.ca

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

## Please remember the following people in your prayers:

David Charlebois, Bill Shurben, Ken King, Johnathan McCord, Lee-Anne Sanderson, Bruce Latanville, Donna Conlin, 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, Christine Morton, 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, Lilah Bates, Shelley Smith, Peter Pattenaude, Betty Laurin

Please pray for our recently deceased relatives and friends: Gerry Therrien, Larry Swift and Joe Braunstein



Ken King

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