

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

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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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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

Children's Liturgy Katie Heffernan heffernankt@gmail.com

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN

First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation

Confirmation

Cory & Rae-Anne Rousseau Paula Butineau

OTHER SERVICES

Catholic Family Services 705-726-2503

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(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





Monday, Nov. 24th

St. Andrew Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs

9:00am + Terry Dubeau Requested by Jane Dubeau & family

Tuesday, Nov. 25th

St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

9:00 am + Larry Sauve Requested by Theresa Laurin

Wednesday, Nov. 26th

9:00 am Special Intention For Marie Dunlop

Thursday, Nov. 27th

9:00am + Larry Sauve Requested by the Funeral Luncheon Committee

The 1st Sunday Of Advent

Saturday, Nov. 29th

5:00 pm + Capt. William Lavigne Requested by Bill Lavigne

Sunday, Nov.30th

9:00 am + Ingrid Dunbrook Requested by Adele & Kerry Heins

11:00 am Mass for the People

Pope's Prayer Intention for NovemberFor 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

Years ago, fresh out of university and a couple of years teaching up north, a friend was driving on a cold December night. He was near to Timmins when a moose jumped in front of his car. The next thing he remembered was waking in Sunnybrook hospital wearing a head brace screwed into his skull. He had been rendered a quadriplegic.

We visited him the very next day after the accident and the only signs of injury were his new "halo" (that's what they refer to the neck support screwed into the skull) and a small cut across his nose. His wife, who was sitting beside him in the car and five months pregnant, was perfectly unharmed.

When my parents visited friends in Newfoundland, the friends would not let them go driving at night as it was the season when moose were incredibly dangerous if you were unfamiliar with the area and the potential for moose accidents. Another friend became very nervous driving at night after having encountered a deer in a head-on crash that totalled her car.

Now, I have seen lots of deer driving in southern Ontario. As a passenger, I will scan the fields and wooded areas and every once in a while, I will spot a couple of deer feeding at the forest edge, but generally, they are far off from the 400 series of highways and pose little risk.

The only animal encounter I have had was a group of three raccoons that were in the middle of the road as I came over a rise. There they were, and—*smash*—there they were *not*. I didn't suffer any post traumatic stress, just a little pang of sadness, which was tempered by my lack of fondness for those varmints that too often wreaked havoc in my garbage bins.

All these memories flashed to the fore the other night when I drove to Collingwood. I had been invited to dinner (and it was absolutely delicious roast beef and potatoes with other accourtements) highlighted by the good company.

Now, on a map and in my head, Collingwood was "just around the Bay", but driving through Wasaga Beach seemed to take forever. Anyway, as I was returning home after dark, guided by a driving app. There were several dark, narrow backroads which were soothing and peaceful during the daytime trip, but at night, with little traffic and little light, they took on a less appealing tone.

Every time I checked the speedometer, I was under the speed limit, (and if any cops are reading this, that is exactly how I drive, always under the speed limit – not!) My car has automatic high beams, so they pop on and off as necessary.

Cruising along, I was pretty observant, one eye on the road and one on the map on my phone. Out of the corner of my eye, I saw some odd movement that seemed different, so I slowed down, not so much out of curiosity as those "spidey senses were tingling". As I approached the movement, I drove past a big deer along the ditch, perfectly camouflaged in the bush.

I wasn't sure if she was planning to bolt across the road, so I

blared my horn. At which point, she turned and hurriedly disappeared into the woods. So, I guess I had my first close deer encounter and lived to write about it. After the first thoughts of the possibilities of needing a new car, it was an exhilarating experience. Safe travels.



Address for Tax Receipts

Has your mailing address changed in 2025? Please notify the Parish Office if your mailing address, email address, or phone number has changed in the past year. We require current mailing addresses so you will receive your charitable donation tax receipt in the new year!

Contact the office at stmargaretsmi@archtoronto.org or call 705-526-6313 x1.

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

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

◆ Lunch \$10 ◆ Basket Draw ◆ Children's Xmas Table ◆
Dec. 15: CWL Christmas Luncheon

See the online bulletin for more information!

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

The Cemetery is now closed for the winter season. Thank you to all the parishioners who helped to keep our cemetery beautiful. A special thank you to those who participated in the October Cleanup. You made huge impact!

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 1st.

Thank you from St. Margaret's Cemetery.

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Immaculate Conception Feast & Novena

ST. ANN'S -Beginning on November 29th, parishioners are invited to come together Monday-Friday following the12:00 noon Mass, Saturday Mass at 9:00am & Sunday at 3:00pm at St. Ann's Church in Penetanguishene to pray the Novena of the Immaculate Conception.

2025-2026 Sunday Missals

The new Novalis missals are available for purchase at the Parish Office and at the side entrance of the church for \$6.00 each. The 2025-26 Sunday Missal for Young Catholics is also available from the office for \$10 each.



our community.

2025 Christmas Assistance Applications — Oct. 8th - Nov. 26th St. Margaret's St. Vincent de Paul Society will be

providing Christmas support to those in need in

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 this

Wednesday, 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 in-person.

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

Sharing Our Gifts

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Offertory \$4,032.63

*Amount includes PAG & Donate Now

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

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, 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: Robert Borley, Father Joseph Thomas Walsh, C.S.B

Sunday Nov. 23 --11 AM MASS: Please take the 2024-25 Missals home with you and recycle them!

Free Webinar **Estate Planning**

From a Catholic Perspective

Saturday November 29, 2025 9:00 A.M.

The Archdiocese of Toronto & Catholic Cemeteries Estate Planning Team will discuss:

- How YOU can avoid problems
 - in your Will
 - with the Powers of Attorney & through proper Estate Trustee selection

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- How to create your personal Catholic legacy
- Our Catholic traditions around wills, cremation, burials and funerals



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