



Pastor: Father Roy Roberts  
Deacon: 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                         | Adele Heins           |
| Saturday 5:00 pm               | Adele Heins           |
| Sunday 9:00 am                 | Diana Swift           |
| Sunday 11:00 am                | Pauline Brabant       |
| Finance Council                |                       |
| Floral Decorations             |                       |
| Greeters & Ushers              | Carol McBryan         |
| Parish Custodian               | Richard Kitchen       |
| Parish Life Committee          | Rosemary Sykes        |
| Web Admin/Social Media Manager | Daniel Lucas          |

**GROUPS**

|                         |                                     |              |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|
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| Knights of Columbus     | John Sweeney                        | 705-529-9332 |
| St. Vincent de Paul     | Food Bank, donations, all inquiries | 705-526-7585 |

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**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**

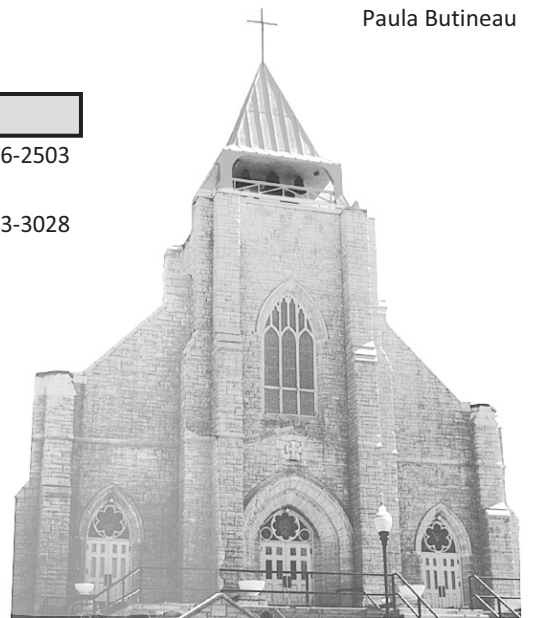
First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation Cory & Rae-Anne Rousseau  
Confirmation Paula Butineau

**OTHER SERVICES**

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| Catholic Family Services                           | 705-726-2503 |
| Hurononia Right-to-Life<br>(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 |





Mass Intentions  
for the week

**Monday, June 8<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am +Tiena Juneau

Requested by Theresa Lapointe

**Tuesday, June 9<sup>th</sup>**

**Saint Ephrem, Deacon and  
Doctor of the Church**

9:00am + Michael Pernokis

Requested by Don & Anne Butineau

And Elaine & Garry Edwards

**Wednesday, June 10<sup>th</sup>**

9:00 am Private Intention

**Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Saint Barnabas, Apostle**

9:00 am + Tara Mochan

Requested by Bernadette and family

**11<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary**  
**Time**

**Saturday, June 13<sup>th</sup>**

**11:00 am – 2:00pm Butter Tart Luncheon**

5:00pm Mass for the people

**Sunday, June 14<sup>th</sup>**

9:00am Mass for the people

11:00 am Mass for the people

**Pope's Prayer Intention for**  
**June**

***For the values of sports***

*Let us pray that sports be an instrument of  
peace, encounter, and dialogue among  
cultures and nations, and that they promote  
values such as respect, solidarity, and  
personal growth.*

**Wavelengths**

Sunday morning after Mass, I received a text: just a picture of two hands petting a dog, one bearing a ring – a shiny new engagement ring. Now I know that my niece, the mother of my grandniece, already “has a ring on it”. I also know that my oldest nephew is not on the market. That left only three options: my middle nephew, my youngest niece, or the children of friends. So, I called my brother to get the scoop.

My middle nephew had taken the dog out for a walk through the ravine with his girlfriend (as they often do). In the middle of the walk, he got down on one knee and popped the question. (I assumed that because the picture included a finger with a ring, she said “yes”.) My first reaction was joy, so happy for the two of them, but at the same time a wave of wistful nostalgia arose. Flashes of hockey games, and touchdowns, memories of baptism, first communion, and confirmation, and the swell of pride at his graduation from firefighting school. Perhaps most heartwarming was the memories of taking him to the movies, buying popcorn and a drink and having him fall asleep on my knee for most of the movie. I loved taking all the family to the show, especially when they were too young to last the whole movie and would fall asleep partway through. (It was a little sad when they outgrew the need for naptime and could watch the whole movie.)

And now, his next step into his grown-up future is forcing me to confront the fact that my little bundle-of-energy nephew, my second “go-to” techie/repair guy after his father, is ready to set out on his own and cut whatever the equivalent of apron strings are for uncles. (Tool belts?) I am having dinner with the two of them to discuss dates and options later this week. With over a 1,000 or so weddings under my belt, I can do that conversation on autopilot. Marrying this succeeding generation, however, will bring a new dimension to the experience.

Of course, I offer them my best wishes, but at the same time, I think I may need to lean on my faith to survive this. Getting older means that while I am sad to say goodbye to my little movie buddy, I can be happy for the man he has become.



*Fr. Roy*

### CWL News: Butter Tart Festival

The CWL is hosting its annual Butter Tart Festival luncheon and bake sale on Sat. June 13<sup>th</sup> from 11 am to 2 pm. All proceeds go back into the community. Our success depends on our parishioners spreading the word! If you are able to help with baking, or small cash contributions, please contact CWL President Lu Robitaille at 705-209-0854.



**Marriage Preparation Courses**

Through the Marriage Preparation and Family Life Office of Catholic Family Services Toronto, St. Mary's Church in Barrie is offering in-person marriage preparation courses for engaged couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage.

**July 15 to August 19, 2026 - Wednesday evenings 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.**  
**October 3 to 31 (no class on Oct. 10) - Saturday mornings 9:30 am to 12:30 pm**  
**November 5 to December 10 - Thursday evenings 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm**  
 Cost is \$350.00 per couple.  
 To register, please visit [www.cfstoronto.com](http://www.cfstoronto.com)

### ShareLife Update: SUCCESS!!

**Your gift to ShareLife carries out the mission work of the Church**

ShareLife agencies, like the Office of Catholic Youth, are carrying out the mission work of the Church. Your gift supports the journey of those who guide, serve and uplift within the Catholic community.

“We are deeply grateful for ShareLife’s continued partnership in this mission. Your support enables us to build a vibrant, faith-filled future for our young people, parishes, and the Archdiocese of Toronto. Thank you for making this work possible.” – Fr. Paul Magyar, Director, Office of Catholic Youth, Archdiocese of Toronto.

Thus far we have raised **\$25,525.00** toward our goal of **\$25,000.00!!** Thank you for your generosity in helping us reaching our parish goal!

Please give at the parish using a ShareLife envelope, online through our parish website, or at [sharelife.org/donate](http://sharelife.org/donate).

### Sharing Our Gifts

Parish Givings Report for Sunday.

Offertory \$ 3,585.86

*\*Amount includes PAG & Donate NOW*

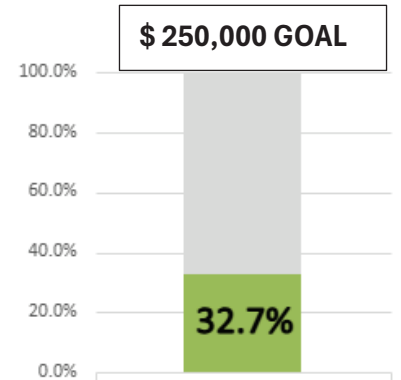
### St. Margaret’s Elevator Campaign

We are raising money for a commercial elevator that can accommodate at least five people, including one wheelchair user would provide greater accessibility between the church and lower level.

**HOW YOU CAN HELP:** Donations of any amount, payable in cash, by cheque, credit card or debit card at the Parish Office. Donation by credit and debit card can also be made at [stmargaretsmi.archtoronto.org](http://stmargaretsmi.archtoronto.org)

#### **CAMPAIGN UPDATE:**

Thus far, we have raised **\$81,825.36** –81% of our third campaign milestone of \$100,000.00 and nearly 33% of our total goal. We’re moving on up!



### Papal Chair Returning to Martyr’s Shrine

After many years of gracing St. Margaret’s Parish, the Papal Chair is returning to the Martyr’s Shrine. First donated to St. Margaret’s by Lia Potvin in 1949, the chair was used by Pope John Paul II when he visited Midland in September of 1984.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

**Please remember the following people in your prayers:**

Norah Robitaille, Carol Baker, Kelly Jenkins, Pat Leeson, David Charlebois, Johnathan McCord, Lee-Anne Sanderson, Bruce Latanville, Donna Conlin, Maria Curvas, Antonio Guerra, Alba King, Rachel, Jenna Charlebois, David Boyce, Jenny Brock, Garry Edwards, Jose Mendoza, Lauraine Marshall, 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 Pattenau

**Please pray for our deceased relatives and friends:** Bridget York, Hans Albert Neumann, Tara Lynn Mochan

'Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. '

1 Corinthians 10:17

*June is designated as **National Indigenous History Month**, a time to honor the history, heritage, and contributions of First Nations, Inuit, and Métis peoples.*

*National Indigenous History Month is not only a celebration of culture but also a time for reflection on Canada's history and the relationships between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples. It encourages dialogue, learning, and respectful engagement to foster reconciliation and a renewed understanding of Indigenous rights and perspectives.*

## Wendat Creation Story: The Story of Sky Woman

Creation stories, those stories we tell about ourselves that help shape our spirituality and tie us to community and the land, exist all around the world, and Indigenous Peoples in what is now Canada are no exception. For the Wendat, an Iroquoian-speaking people whose ancestral lands, since time immemorial, have included the Midland/Penetanguishene area, pass their creation stories down orally, and it is only recently (the last 100 years or so) efforts have been made to record them. In 1912, Catherine Johnson, a descendant of the seventeenth-century Wendat Confederacy, shared her people's Creation story and it was recorded by ethnographer Marius Barbeau. In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, great lengths were taken by ethnographers and anthropologists to document Indigenous Peoples' creation stories and other oral histories, as it was believed, wrongly, that they were a "vanishing race" and, as such, these stories would be lost forever. Of course, Indigenous Peoples, including Canada's First Nations, Métis and Inuit, are still very much here and are a vibrant and integral part of the fabric of what is Canada today.

In the Wendat Creation story, the world began with the Legend of Sky Woman. Sky Woman, or Aataentsic, fell from her home in the clouds. As she fell, two Geese picked her up and carried her as long as they could, but they soon tired. Needing a place to lay her to rest, Turtle emerged from the water of a vast ocean, took Sky Woman from the Geese, and rested her on his back. Shortly after, Toad came to Aataentsic with a mouthful of dirt and told her, "Sprinkle it about at arm's length where you lie." With dirt in hand, Aataentsic sprinkled it on Turtle's back, and land grew from his shell all around her. Sky Woman rose from Turtle's back and walked among the land. Toad then gave her grains of corn, beans, and pumpkin (the Three Sisters), along with other seeds needed for sustenance. Soon, Sky Woman felt lonely and came across twin boys whom she cared for and raised as her own. One of them was wise and good, known as Hamendiju, who created all the people of the land. The other twin, known as Underground Dweller, wanted to destroy whatever his brother created. The Wendat believed themselves to be descendants of Aataentsic.

Creation stories hold cultural significance, and the story of Sky Woman provides the cosmological origins of Wendat society. As historian Kathryn Labelle highlights, the Wendat Creation story emphasizes the importance of leaders, women, and communal systems of power and governance, while tying the Wendat to their ancestral lands not only in the past but also in the present. To this day, many First Nations people, including the Wendat, refer to North America as Turtle Island. Next week, we will visit the Anishinaabe Creation story.

*Jason Nichols is a Graduation Coach supporting First Nations, Métis, and Inuit students with the SMCDSB and a PhD student at York University in Canadian and Indigenous history.*


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