



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

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	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

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
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

Catholic Family Services	705-726-2503
Huronian Right-to-Life	
(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





22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday, Aug. 29th

The Passion of St. John the Baptist

5:00pm Mass for the People

Sunday, Aug. 30th

9:00 am Mass for the People

11:00am Mass for the People

Monday, Aug. 31st

9:00am Private Intention

Tuesday, Sept. 1st

9:00am Private Intention

Wednesday, Sept. 2nd

9:00am Private Intention

Thursday, Sept. 3rd

9:00am Private Intention

Pope's Prayer Intention for August

For evangelization in the city

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.



Wavelengths

My dad usually scheduled his weeks of vacation at the start of August. There was a rustic camp that was used infrequently by family members. There were a couple of deficits. It was on a property on a private lake. (Well, maybe a large pond would be a more apt description). In an earlier generation, it had served as a hunting camp, so it was out of the way. Lighting at night was provided by naphtha lamps. There was no electricity, no running water, no stoves and no indoor facilities. And once the lamps were extinguished, the darkness was filled with the sound of scampering mice. It was absolutely silent, save for the sounds of nature, and no other light after dark. The night sky was incredible to see.

For a person whose idea of roughing it is the Holiday Inn Express, our trip to the "cottage" was not something I looked forward to. The car was crammed full with two adults, four boys, enough food and water for a week, and all their clothing. (Not that there was a great need for much other than swimsuits, weather permitting).

In the wild days before seat belt laws, the space in the rearview window was a legitimate and prized place to lay down for the two-and-a-half-hour drive. There was a constant chorus of "Are we there yet?" as we ventured north. One year we even made a day trip to Santa's Village in Bracebridge.

Each year, we would stop into a souvenir shop near Burk's Falls. Perhaps the scariest trip was the scouting expedition to check out potential commercial properties to buy. Mom and Dad were thinking of purchasing a resort property with cottages, boats – a vacation wonderland. They even tried to sell us on the idea of being hunting and fishing guides. (I don't do hunting or fishing.) The deciding factor was the complication of bus rides to school. The uncertainty of passable roads from fall to spring, and the distance to the high schools made the project thankfully prohibitive. (Personally, I did not share in the family's disappointment.)

Dad's vacation was a signal that the summer was almost over. I think I was only the second happiest person closing up the cottage. Looking back, it had to be way more work for Mom, and I am sure that she never referred to it as vacation. May your family time be a blessing,

Father Roy



C.W.L. News

Our first meeting is Monday, Sept. 14th at 1:00pm after the noon Mass. It will be a baby shower for Compassion Place. Hope to see you there!

3rd Annual Symposium on Housing Save the Date!

St. Mary's Church, Barrie is hosting our 3rd Symposium on Housing on Thursday, September 17, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. Come and hear information about housing initiatives, resources in our community, the complexity of needs and practical ways to be involved in changing how we respond to the lack of housing. Speakers include *Erin Dej, Ph.D.; Staff from Redwood Builds; Community Bonds; Compassionate Care without Barriers and others.*

See our online bulletin for additional updates!

St. Margaret's Elevator Campaign

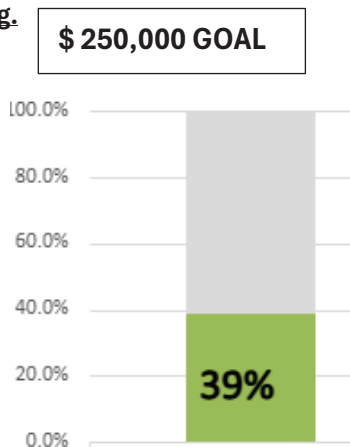
We are raising money for a commercial elevator that can accommodate at least five people, including one wheelchair user would provide greater accessibility between the church and lower level.

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.

CAMPAIGN UPDATE:

Thus far, we have raised **\$97,015.56**—over 95% of our third campaign milestone of \$100,000.00 and 39% of our total goal. Let's keep going!

Please remember to make cheques out to "St. Margaret's Parish".



Sharing Our Gifts

Parish Givings Report for Sunday, August 23, 2026

Offertory \$ 3,616.42

**Amount includes PAG & Donate NOW*

Thank You, Parish Picnic Volunteers!

Heartfelt thanks to all the volunteers who helped make our Parish Picnic such a wonderful success. Your time, generosity, hard work, and joyful spirit created a welcoming and memorable day for everyone. May God bless you for your service to our parish community.

Please Help St. Vincent de Paul Food Bank

If you have been to the grocery store, then you have seen that food prices have increased as much as 40%. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul, St. Margaret's Conference has been active in supporting needs in our community. In the month of May, the Food Bank had 160 visits, serving 344 people, including 109 children. This is also a 40% increase over last year and an indicator of the continuing need to care for the vulnerable members of our community. Financial donations to SVDP can be made at the church entrances or at the Parish Office.

A Back to School Prayer

God of the journey,
we ask that you guide us in all of our works.
Inspire us to use our gifts in your service
to the best of our abilities.
Empower us with inner strength to persevere
in all of our endeavours.
We ask this through your Son Jesus,
our leader and teacher.
Amen

Please keep our students, educators and staff in your prayers as the new school year begins.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Annette Parker, Karen McKeown, Mary Ann Wilfling, Phyllis Agostino, Robert Whitkens, Norah Robitaille, 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, Dan Camp, Elaine Chiasson, Lisa Wright, Judy Martin, 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 : Norma Clare Cunningham

JOIN US! ANNUAL CATHOLIC MOMS GROUP LEADER BREAKFAST & SUMMIT



SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 19 2026
9.00AM - 4:00PM, LE TREPORT, MISSISSAUGA



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Dorothy Pilarski and the team at CatholicMomsGroup.com invite you to learn more about our ministry! Dorothy is the founder of **CatholicMomsGroup** and the annual **Dynamic Women of Faith** conference. She warmly invites you to meet some of our Catholic Moms Group Leaders, hear a series of inspiring talks, and explore the variety of tools we've developed to minister to moms. Learn more about Dorothy at www.dorothypilarski.com

What Does It Take to Be an Effective, Flourishing Catholic Leader? | Fr. Tom Lynch

At this year's Catholic Moms Group Leaders Summit, Fr. Tom will challenge and inspire leaders to embrace the courage of authentic Catholic leadership by looking to Our Blessed Mother as the perfect model of motherhood, relying first on God's grace rather than their own strength, and leading with the conviction that transforms lives. What does it take?

Too often, Catholic Moms Group leaders can become coordinators rather than leaders. A coordinator organizes calendars. A leader forms hearts. A coordinator asks, "Did the meeting run smoothly?" A leader asks, "Are women growing in holiness?"

Fr. Tom Lynch is a priest of the Diocese of Peterborough, where he has faithfully served since his ordination in 1984. A respected moral theologian, educator, and speaker, he has dedicated much of his priesthood to helping Catholics understand and live the Church's teachings with clarity, compassion, and conviction.

The Art of Hospitality and Social Graces | Adeodata Czink

Adeodata will entertain and educate us about making a first impression, hospitality, mingling, and meeting etiquette. As Catholic Moms Group Leaders, the way we welcome a new mom, introduce her to others, and help her feel included can make all the difference in whether she feels she belongs and wants to return. Along the way, you may even pick up a few practical tips to pass on to your own children. And who knows? You may even be inspired to invite Adeodata to speak at one of your own Moms Group meetings!

Adeodata Czink raised in the diplomatic community in Stockholm, Sweden, and received her etiquette training right from the cradle. In 1989, she founded Toronto's oldest etiquette consultancy, Business of Manners, providing seminars on international etiquette, formal dining, and social graces. She is a keynote speaker, guest lecturer at Canadian and American universities, a protocol consultant for the film industry, and a favourite with the media.

The Four S's of a Catholic Moms Group | Nelcy Lopez

Nelcy explains how the heart of a Catholic Moms Group is to revive the vocation of motherhood by strengthening mothers in their faith and equipping them for their God-given responsibility to educate their children. Discover the four key areas!

Nelcy Lopez is an accomplished legal scholar with a graduate degree from Yale University. She now devotes her time and wisdom to her family and has served as the Catholic Moms Group Leader at St. Benedict Parish in Milton for five years.

Keep them Coming Back! 3 Surprising, Refreshing Secrets | Dorothy Pilarski

You do so much work in preparing for a meeting -- and sometimes you hope that more moms would show up! This highly interactive talk will show you creative ways to get them coming back! If you're in need of a spiritual "pick-me-up," this talk is for you.



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