



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	
Sunday 11:00 am	
Finance Council	Pauline Brabant
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	Marie Dunlop	705-527-3115
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
Confirmation

OTHER SERVICES

Catholic Family Services	705-726-2503
Huron 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



**Monday, Oct. 26th**

9:00 am Intentions of Elizabeth

And John Gaudet

Requested by Susan Wicks

Tuesday, Oct. 27th

9:00am + Larry Sauve

Requested by Mary & Jim Sauve

And family

Wednesday, Oct. 28th**Saint Simon and Jude Apostles**

9:00 am + Eugenio Caterina Moscon

Requested by John Moscon & family

Thursday, Oct. 29th

9:00 am + Andrew Matijosaitis

Requested by Paula

ALL SAINTS DAY**Saturday, Oct. 31st**

5:00pm Mass for the people

Sunday, Nov. 1st**All Saints Day**

9:00am Mass for the people

11:00 am Mass for the people

**Pope's Prayer Intention for
October***For mental health ministry*

Let us pray that the mental health ministry
be established throughout the Church,
helping to overcome the stigma and
discrimination of persons with mental
illnesses.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Please send in bulletin submissions by
Friday noon.

Wavelengths

Growing up, there was a superstition that you had to hold your breath when you passed a cemetery. I am not sure why, but it was almost like a game. There was a large cemetery that we drove by on the way to my grandparents. Sometimes Dad would slow down his driving to a mere walk until we burst out gasping for breath long before passing the cemetery.

At our local cemetery, we were infrequent visitors, but at the time several generations of grandparents were buried there. Mom and dad too were buried making three generations of Roberts', and when my turn comes, I already have my plot making me the fourth generation.

There is something ancient and mystical about such places – thousands of stories and characters who have all graced this earth. It invites silent ponderances. We had a cemetery in downtown Holland Landing. It surrounded the Anglican Church and was populated by huge, old gnarly trees that were in themselves characters in the mystic of the place. We always gave that place a wide berth, especially on Halloween usually crossing the road to the other side, just in case...

Anyway, one of the social events in our Parish was the annual cleaning up in the Fall. It was generally nicer than the Spring ones – it was mostly bug free. It would also take longer than it should because everyone told and re-told stories of their loved ones as the leaves were raked up. The coordinator would have to go around reminding people that the rakes were not to be leaned on over conversations but put to the ground to clean up the fallen leaves. There was lots of laughter and lots of kids playing in the piles of leaves. It ended when the BBQ was ready and food was served. A good time was had by all, and it was a great community building event.

Last Saturday, when I donned my four layers of clothing including long johns, I was anticipating such a gathering. I got there fashionably late, mostly so I could pick where I would work. As I was taking my rake out the back of the car I was looking to see where the various teams were busy raking. The truth was there was no one else. Then I noticed two of our young people who showed up and were working for community service hours for high school. Other than the cemetery staff, there were no other adults. I assumed that others would show up later, but there were no others coming.

I intended to pack my headphones and iPod "to whistle while I worked", but I left them at home anticipating being too busy chatting away. I should have brought them because there was no sound, except for the rustling through the leaves of a vole (which was almost the end of me – I don't do well with creepy crawly things).

Now, I learned about the corporal works of mercy, and the one about honouring or burying the dead seems appropriate. Tending to the graves would fall under this category as remembering and respecting our loved ones. After the two young people had left and it was just me finishing up, I offered a little petition that under the circumstances, I think I deserve double time on this one. Lost opportunities.

Maybe next year.

Father Roy



St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Assistance

The Society of the Saint Vincent de Paul, St. Margaret's Conference will accept applications for Christmas Assistance starting on Tuesday afternoons only from 1:00-3:00 pm, starting Tues. Sept. 8, 2026, and ending Tues. Nov. 24, 2026, in the basement of the Church. Please use Church Lane door.

Apply Early to ensure you will receive assistance since funds are limited. ID will be required for each person on application. Vouchers/gift certificates will be picked up on Sunday Dec. 6, 2026, at 1:00 pm.

Sacramental Prep Meeting - Oct. 27 & 28th

Cdn Martyrs' Room **Tue., Oct. 27th, 2026 7:00 PM**

Families with Confirmation candidates are invited to an information session.

St. Margaret's Parish Hall **Wed. Oct. 28th, 2026 7:00 PM**

Families with students registered to receive First Communion are invited to an information session.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul **St. Margaret's Conference**

The latest numbers are in! Thanks to your generosity and the generous donations of community organizations, businesses and individuals, the SVDP of St. Margaret's was able to serve 2685 individuals from January 1- September 30, 2026. This represents 1718 adults and 967 children. The entirety of 2025 we served 2,962 people including 1,998 adults and 964 children. The need is great and growing and the price of serving our neighbours has increased with the price of groceries this year over last. We could not continue to offer these services to those in need in our community without your help, support and prayers. We feed everyone who comes through our doors asking for help and because of your generosity our work continues. We are always in need of boxes of cereal. May God bless you and your families. Thank you from the dedicated Volunteers of the St. Margaret's SVDP Society.

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 **\$132,100.96**—which is 88% our fifth campaign milestone of \$150,000.00! and **52%** of our total goal.

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

Pray for Pope Leo

Cardinal Leo has invited the Catholic community to join together in prayer for Pope Leo XIV. It was [announced](#) on Sunday, October 11 that doctors had discovered a small, localized nodule in the Holy Father's lung during a recent medical examination. The nodule was detected at a very early stage, and doctors recommended surgery to remove it.

Our Catholic community is invited to join in offering the following prayer from Cardinal Leo:

Prayer for Pope Leo XIV

O Mary, Mother of the Church and Health of the sick, we turn to you with love and devotion as we ask for your powerful intercession for Pope Leo XIV.

You are our mother, our companion and our confidante.

You are our refuge and advocate.

You are a sign of sure hope and consolation to all of God's holy people

as we make our pilgrim way to the Kingdom.

Look favourably and with mercy upon our Holy Father whom your Son, Jesus, our Saviour, has chosen as our universal Shepherd.

Grant that, by your maternal mediation and fervent prayer, Our Lord will bestow peace upon Pope Leo, comfort him in his hour of need

And restore him to good health, affording him renewed vigour to continue his apostolic mission, according to God's holy will.

We thank you, Mother most holy, for caring and for praying with us and for us to Jesus, your Son, our Lord.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Karen McKeown, Mary Ann Wilfling, Phyllis Agostino, Robert Whitkens, 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 Pattenaude

Please pray for our deceased relatives and friends: Donna Conlin, John Bowen

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