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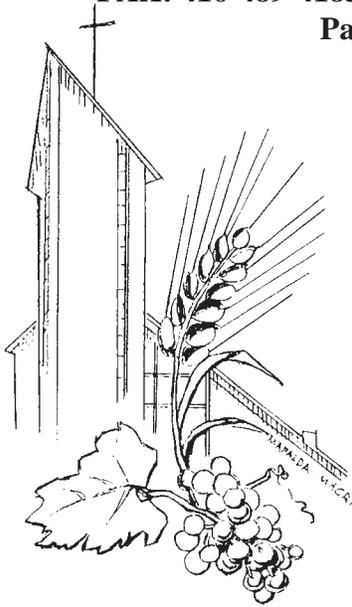
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PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Fr. Andy Macbeth	Pastor
Rev. Mr. Robert Kinghorn	Permanent Deacon
Cheryll Varona	Office Manager
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CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 12noon; 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Evening Receptionist: Monday & Wednesday 5:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

BULLETIN DEADLINE - Monday 12 noon in writing

SCHOOLS IN THE PARISH

St. Margaret's	416-393-5249
Loretto Abbey	416-393-5510
Toronto Catholic District School Board	416-222-8282 or www.tcdsb.org

Parish Mission Church - St. Eugene's

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SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday	4:30 p.m.
Sunday	10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Discontinued until further notice

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By appointment

BAPTISM - By appointment

SUNDAY MASSES:

SATURDAY	4:30 p.m.
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 12:00 noon

WEEKDAY MASSES:

MONDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY	8:20 a.m.
WEDNESDAY	7:00 p.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

By Appointment

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

The Archdiocese of Toronto requires that you contact your parish priest at least one year in advance of the planned date of your wedding and that you participate in a Catholic marriage preparation course.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

It is highly recommended that parents contact the parish office at least two months in advance of the birth of their child. Parents are obligated to participate in our baptismal preparation program. Baptisms generally take place on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays of each month at 1:30 p.m.

VISITATION OF THE SICK

Please notify the Rectory Office when a member of your family is seriously ill and/or would like to receive Communion or the Sacrament of the Sick.

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Peter Remedios, Chair 416-485-7781

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Joe Longpre (Vice-Chair)

ALTAR SERVERS

416-485-7781

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH CHILDREN

(Sunday 10:30 a.m.) Priscila Domanay 416-485-7781

LECTORS

Cherie Zuzarte 416-485-7781

COMMUNION MINISTERS

Diane Dibacco 416-485-7781

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

416-342-7590

PARISH HOME CATECHISM PROGRAM (P.H.C.P.)

Anna Di Carlo 416-788-0899

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION (R.C.I.A.)

Parish Office 416-485-7781

SENIORS GROUP

Miriam Hastings 416-483-7659

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY (Ushers)

Parish Office 416-485-7781

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

Parish Office 416-485-7781

CATHOLIC CEMETERIES

416-733-8544

PARISH MEMBERSHIP ... Welcome new parishioners! To be a registered member of our parish is to have a sense of belonging to a Community of Faith. Please introduce yourself/family to the pastor and register as soon as possible.

All parishioners especially those who live outside our parish boundaries are expected to complete a Parish Registration form and use Sunday Offertory Envelopes. This will greatly assist the Parish Team when parishioners request sacraments, funerals or letters of reference.

N.B. Please notify the parish office if you change your address or family information.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

THOUGHTS FOR SOWING

THE WAY GOD CHOOSES

I was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores.

Amos 7:14

On the ladder of prestigious jobs, being a dresser of sycamores in Amos' time was about as close to the bottom rung as a person could get. The sycamore was the poor person's fig tree. To make the fruit ripen, the dresser had to pierce the fruit encased in husks with a sharp sticks, and even after such labor-intensive work, the yield was of small value and little taste.

Amos' mentioning of his occupation seems to undercut any chance he had of recognition or advancement. Who would notice or give weight to the words of a migrant farm worker turned prophet? Yet, once again, we are reminded that God's criterion for choosing is often worlds apart from our own. In this sycamore dresser, God saw the makings of a prophetic vocation.

What are the unlikely or unexpected places in your life where God might also be at work today?

Sr. Chris Koellhoffer, I.H.M.

From: Living Faith

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 15th – 8:20am

✠ **MARGARET MARY COBBOLD**

Requested by Richard Cobbold

Wednesday, November 17th – 7:00pm

✠ **BRADLEY PREBBLE** *Requested by the Moyer family*

Thursday, November 18th – 8:20am

✠ **MAGNO TATAD** *Requested by Dorothea Addun*

Friday, November 19th – 8:20am

For **MARIA TELLIS** *Requested by the family*

LOOKING AHEAD

Sun. Nov. 14 **33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Homilist: Deacon Robert Kinghorn

- **Annual Shepherds' Trust Collection**

Tues. Nov. 16 **FEAST DAY OF OUR PARISH PATRON:**

ST. MARGARET, QUEEN OF SCOTLAND

Sun. Nov. 21 **FEAST OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST,**

KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Guest homilist: Fr. Ray Douziech, C.Ss.R.

Thurs. Nov. 25 **7:30pm CATECHETICAL SESSION** in

parish hall for parents of children preparing for **First Reconciliation** in 2022

(Resource book available for purchase \$10)

* Due to **pandemic protocols**, those attending should be, only **one parent** per family, and **no** children.

Sun. Nov. 28 **FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (YEAR C)**

Homilist: Fr. Andy Macbeth

* Annual **"Christmas Collection"** to assist the work of our St. Vincent de Paul Society

Sat. Dec. 4 **10:00 – 11:30am Parish Home Catechism**

Program meets in parish hall for review lesson #3

Sun. Dec. 5 **2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year "C")**

Guest homilist: Fr. Michael Lehman, CSB

THANK YOU FOR MAKING A GIFT TO YOUR PARISH

Our Parish is where we are married and bring our children to be baptized. It is where we come to be fed in the Holy Eucharist, be reconciled with God and the world, and hope to leave this world on our final journey to meet the God that we love.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL REPORT NOVEMBER 7, 2021

Offertory **\$4,710.70** PAG **\$963.75**

Budget **\$8,300.00** (**\$2,625.55**)

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION PROGRAMS 2021-2020

FIRST RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

Catechetical Session: (Fr. Andy) - For parents or guardians of all candidates

Thurs. Nov. 25th at 7:30pm in the Parish Hall

(Parents' resource book for purchase \$10)

**** Please note:** Due to our **pandemic protocols**, those attending should be, only **one parent per family** and **no children**.

BOOK OF LIFE

The month of **November** is traditionally known as the month of the Holy Souls, having at its beginning the two great feasts – All Saints and All Souls. To commemorate your faithful departed family and friends you are invited to submit a page for the "Book of Life". This page should be 8½ x 11" and fit into a standard three ring binder. On it you may type or print the names of whomever you would like to have remembered in a special way at all of our parish Masses during November. You may decorate your "Family Page" in whatever way you wish as long as it fits the above requirements.

The "Book of Life" will be left in the sanctuary during November to remind us to pray, at church and at home for our loved ones.

"Let Us Not Forget"

SHARELIFE CAMPAIGN

If you have donated to our ShareLife parish campaign, thank you! If you would still like to make a gift, please do so via our parish website or at sharelife.org. We're grateful for your generous support.

DOUBLE YOUR IMPACT!

Your gift will be matched

Here's how: for every dollar you give to the Parish Campaign, they will do the same. **That's doubling your investment!** From today through **November 15**, your gift will be matched up to a total of \$750,000. That would mean \$1.5 million in support of those in greatest need, thanks to your combined efforts.

Donations to date **\$101,892**

Goal for 2021 \$150,000

ANNUAL SHEPHERDS' TRUST COLLECTION



As members of our Catholic community, we regularly benefit from the tireless service of our priests. Called by God and ordained to care for His people, our priests serve our families, in churches, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, missions and on the streets. The Shepherds' Trust ensures our priests can live their retirement years with dignity.

For many of our retired shepherds, this means "lending a hand" to accommodate their special needs so that they continue to live with dignity. The Shepherds' Trust collection will take place in all parishes in the Archdiocese during the weekend of **November 13/14**. Envelopes will be distributed the weekend of **November 6/7**.

This fund does more than just support our priest in their retirement years; it is a tangible way to care for those who always cared for us and give thanks for the blessings we have received through them. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Your generous gift will help our priest maintain a modest but active and independent lifestyle in their retirement years. For priests who are ill or otherwise infirm, the trust ensures they access to nursing home facilities and medical care.

For more information about The Shepherd's Trust, please go to: www.shepherdstrust.org.

MINISTERS OF THE WORD – LECTORS (2021-2022)

Every year we like to make available to our Ministers of the Word (Lectors) the "**Workbook for Lectors**" to assist you as a resource throughout the year, in your ministry.

All Lectors at **St. Margaret's** and **St. Eugene's Chapel** may now pick up their copy of this resource book for **Year "C"** at the **parish office** during our **regular office hours**. We ask that for this exchange, our Lectors will return copies of the **Year "A" or "B"**, that they had already signed out.

We encourage all our Lectors to take advantage of this most helpful resource!

MESSAGE FROM YOUR FRIENDS AT THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The annual collection of The Society of St. Vincent De Paul will be held on **November 27 and 28, 2021**. All donations gathered will be used exclusively for neighbors in need in this parish. Funds will help families with grocery vouchers, new beds or clothing vouchers. The special Christmas distribution will help families give their children the kind of Christmas everyone deserves. The funds are used throughout the year to provide food vouchers every other month to those most in need.

You've been very generous in the past, for which we are enormously grateful. The need continues to grow so we ask for your prayers and for your generosity at Christmas time and throughout the year.

The Christmas envelopes will be available on the weekend of November 21 and 22, 2021. **Just a reminder that when contributing, please use The Society of St. Vincent De Paul envelope provided. Remember to include your complete contact information on the envelope so we can issue tax receipts for donations of \$20.00 or more. You can also donate through the CanadaHelps.org website which allows you to make a secure on-line donation.**

St. Margaret of Scotland, Our Parish Patron **November 16th**

The feast day of St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland, patroness of our parish is November 16th. Who is this woman found worthy of being named a saint? St. Margaret was born in Hungary in about 1046. She died in Edinburgh on November 16, 1093. Margaret, the daughter of the Anglo Saxon Prince Edward Atheling and Princess Agatha of Hungary, spent

much of her youth at the court of her great uncle Edward the Confessor of England. While attempting to return to Hungary in 1067 (after the battle of Hastings which resulted in the death of her father), she and her family were shipwrecked off the Scottish coast. In 1070, Margaret married the Scottish King Malcolm III. Margaret had a great influence on her husband and his country. She initiated a series of ecclesiastical reforms that transformed the religious and cultural life of Celtic Scotland. In her role as queen, Margaret used her resources to care for the poor and destitute. It is reported of her that every day, during Lent, she washed the feet of six poor people, personally fed orphan children, and she and the king served food and drink to 300 poor people who were brought into the royal hall. Her biographer, Bishop Turgot, sums up her life saying: "Let us more worthily hold her in awe, because, through her devotion to justice, piety, mercy and love, we contemplate in her, rather than miracles, the deeds of the ancient fathers." May St. Margaret of Scotland help us to be people of justice and compassion in our world today.

Prayer

Almighty God, you endowed St. Margaret with a wonderful love for the poor. Through her intercession and example, make us so generous that all people may see in us the image of Your goodness. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

PRAYERS & BLESSINGS

Morning Prayers

I shake off the dreams of the night and rest in your Sacred Heart, dear Jesus. Help me accept the unexpected changes today may bring as I serve others in your name. Amen.

~ Deborah A. Meister

As the dawn breaks, dear Lord, help me make this day one in which I honor you in prayer, in service to those in need. If there is an occasion that calls for forgiveness today, with your help, let me be the one to offer it in kindness and humility. Let the warmth of your love be something I share with others. In your name, I pray. Amen.

~ Paul Pennick

Good morning Lord! I don't know what this day will bring, but I offer it all to you. I only want to please you this day, so I ask your Spirit guide my every thoughts and my every action. When this day is done, may you be pleased and this world, once again, blessed by your grace. Amen.

~ Msgr. Stephen J. Rossetti

From: **Living Faith**

CHUCKLES FROM THE PEWS

The Service Call!

My husband works as a service technician for a large exterminating company. One of the rules of the company is that he has to confirm each appointment by phone the night before his service call to that household. On evening he made such a call, and when a man answered the phone, he said, "Hi, this is Gary from A to Z Pest Control Company. Your wife phoned us." There was a long silence, and then my husband heard the man on the other end say, "Honey, it's for you... someone wants to talk to you about your relatives."





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