

# SAINT MARGARET, QUEEN OF SCOTLAND, PARISH

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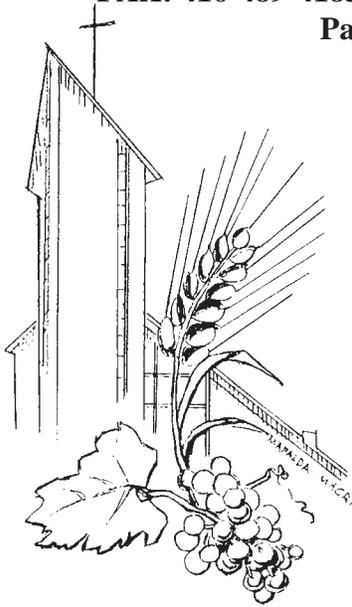
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## PASTORAL TEAM

Rev. Fr. Andy Macbeth	Pastor
Rev. Mr. Robert Kinghorn	Permanent Deacon
Cheryll Varona	Office Manager
Richard Kitchen	Custodian

## 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 <a href="http://www.tcdsb.org">www.tcdsb.org</a>

### 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.

# THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

## THOUGHTS FOR SOWING

### WOUNDS AND UNDERSTANDING

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side..." John 20:27

A long time ago, my oldest son stumbled in the kitchen. A knife in the cutlery rack of the open dishwasher door stabbed his leg and he had to get stitches. Now, 20 years later, you can still see the scar. I glance at my forearm and a darkened crescent shape reminds me of the time I burned myself with an iron.

Whether we are children or adults, we relish battle scars. We compare them, check to see if they are still visible. They are evidence of adventures, mistakes, and they are signs of surprising strength. We recognize ourselves, in part, through our scars.

Thomas was in Jesus' presence but held back, hesitant – until he touched the wound in Jesus' side. In and through Jesus' wounds, he remembered, he recognized, he understood.

"Jesus, with Thomas, I contemplate your wounds and pray, "My Lord and my God!"

Amy Welborn

From: Living Faith

### MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, December 13<sup>th</sup> – 8:20am**

† HELEN G. MORE Requested by Sumastre family

**Wednesday, December 15<sup>th</sup> – 7:00pm**

† GLICERIO MACARAIG Requested by Helen Macaraig & children

**Thursday, December 16<sup>th</sup> – 8:20am**

† STEPHEN EDMONDSON Requested by Sue Laidlaw

**Friday, December 17<sup>th</sup> – 8:20am**

† MARCOS ADDUN Requested by Dorothea Addun

### LOOKING AHEAD

Sun. Dec. 12 **3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year "C")**

Homilist: Deacon Robert Kinghorn

Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> **ADVENT DAY OF CONFESSIONS FOR ST. MARGARET'S**

(Call parish office for an appointment)

Sun. Dec. 19 **4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year "C")**

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

Fri. Dec. 24 **No 8:20am Mass**

See special Christmas Schedules for St. Margaret's & St. Eugene's Chapel

Mon. Dec. 27 **8:20am Mass**

Mon. Jan. 3 **8:20am Mass**

Sat. Jan. 8 **10:00 – 11:30am PARISH HOME CATECHISM PROGRAM** meets in parish hall for review lesson #4

### PARISH OFFICE – HOLIDAY HOURS

Friday, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> – CLOSE AT NOON

Monday, Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> – CLOSED

Tuesday, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup> – CLOSED

Wednesday, Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> – CLOSED

Thursday, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> – CLOSED

Friday, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> – CLOSED

Monday, Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> – CLOSED

Closed for the holidays

## CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE 2021

(\* Pre-registration required for attendance at Christmas Eve Masses and Christmas Day Masses) Please call parish office beginning Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>

- \* Fri. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup> **CHRISTMAS EVE**  
No 8:20am Daily Mass  
7:00pm & 10:00pm
- \* Sat. Dec. 25<sup>th</sup> **FEAST OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**  
9:00am, 10:30am & 12noon  
No 4:30pm Mass
- Sun. Dec. 26<sup>th</sup> **FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY**  
9:00am, 10:30am & 12noon
- Fri. Dec. 31<sup>st</sup> **NEW YEAR'S EVE**  
No 8:20am Daily Mass  
4:30pm Vigil Mass of the Solemnity
- Sat. Jan. 1<sup>st</sup> **SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD**  
9:00am, 10:30am & 12noon  
No 4:30pm Mass
- Sun. Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> **FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**  
9:00am, 10:30am & 12noon



### ST. EUGENE'S CHAPEL

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### 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 DECEMBER 5, 2021

Offertory	\$7,090.50	PAG	\$963.75
Budget	\$8,300.00		(\$245.75)

### SELF-CONTACT TRACING

As we continue to deal with the many restrictions imposed on us as individual, families and parish community, I wish to remind you of the need for what is referred to as, "**Self-Contract Tracing**". It is wise for everyone attending **any Masses** here at **St. Margaret's** or **St. Eugene's Chapel**, to keep track of the **dates and times** of your attendance. This way, heaven forbid, if there were any problems that demanded it, we could inform the community, through our **parish blast, website & weekly Bulletins**, to check for their own personal risks. This is another reason why we should have every parishioner's email address on file at the parish office.

\*We all have to continue to do our part, during this ongoing pandemic.

**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!

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**NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER IN SOLIDARITY WITH INDIGENOUS PEOPLE – DEC. 12<sup>TH</sup>**



**PRAYER**

*O God, Creator and Father of all, with humility we your children acknowledge the relationship of all living things. For this we thank you, we praise you and we worship you.*

*We call on you, Great Mystery, the Word made flesh - our teacher, prophet and brother – to open our hearts to all our brothers and sisters, and with them to grow in the wisdom, honesty, courage and respectfulness shown in The Sacred Teachings.*

*Give us the vision and honesty to recognize that the we are all brothers and sisters of one human family, created and sustained by the One Creator.*

*As we deal with many challenges, may we never give way to fear and anger, which can be the source of division and threat amongst peoples.*

*We look to how God always gives us, as a remedy for sins of prejudice and intolerance. We see God the Creator of all things, One who always provides and is generous – even given the abuses we have heaped on one another and on the earth.*

*We see in the Son, Jesus Christ – the innocent Victim who pours His life blood out from the Cross for all peoples.*

*We see how the Holy Spirit is God’s gift, alive in our world today – inspiring vision and hope that we can have the same mind and heart of God!*

*May Your Spirit also bless and guide the delegation of indigenous leaders and young people as they prepare to visit the Holy Father, Pope Francis, in the near future. May this be occasion of grace and healing, and make possible a renewed journey and future.*

*O Creator, show us the way to healing, forgiveness and reconciliation, and a renewed fellowship. Amen.*

**EXERCISE FOR TH GREY CELLS**

Keep that brain working; try to figure this one out... See if you can figure out what these seven words all have in common.

- 1. Banana 2. Dresser 3. Grammar 4. Potato  
5. Revive 6. Uneven 7. Assess

Give it another try... Look at each word carefully. You'll kick yourself when you discover the answer. This is cool.

**Answer:**

In all of the words listed, if you take the first letter, place it at the end of the word, and then spell the word backwards, it will be the same word.

**YEAR-END DONATIONS**

We would like to remind all parishioners, that to have any donations to the parish considered "accredited" to your 2021 income tax donations receipts, "CRA – the Canada Revenue Agency, demands that any such donations must be **received into the parish office by December 31, 2021**. Keeping this in mind, will prevent any confusion with any donations made in 2022.

**2022 SUNDAY OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

The **2022** Envelopes are available at the front of the church by the exit doors on Sunday. All parishioners are encouraged to use Sunday envelopes:



- 1. **Take any numbered box.** You **DO NOT** need to keep the same number from one year to the next.
- 2. Please write your **full name, complete mailing address and phone number clearly** on the **first three envelopes** you use and you will be assigned the number on the box.
- 3. **Starting January 1<sup>st</sup> 2022 you can start using your 2022 envelopes. DO NOT use your 2021 envelopes otherwise your donation will be credited to someone else.**
- 4. **If you're visiting or forgot your envelope DO NOT take one envelope from the numbered box use pink envelope**

**2021 PARISH DONATION ENVELOPES**

The following envelope numbers have not been properly identified with parishioners' information. If you see your envelope number listed **please contact parish office at 416-485-7781 as soon as possible**. Thank you

**Envelope numbers:**

- 121, 137, 183, 195, 259, 276, 289, 348, 1213, 1222, 1318

**CHUCKLES FROM THE PEWS**

The Doctor Knows Best!

Ninety-eight years old John was almost ready to leave this world and go home to God. His wife of sixty-five years was by his bedside and gathered around were his children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and great great grandchildren. The parish priest and John's doctor were also in attendance. Suddenly John seemed to take his last breath and closed his eyes. His wife said "Oh, he's gone, he's gone!"

The doctor put his stethoscope on John's chest and said "Oh he's gone, he's gone!" Suddenly John opened his eyes and said "No I am not gone! I'm still here!"

Then his loving wife gently patted his hand and said "Hush John, the doctor knows best."



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