

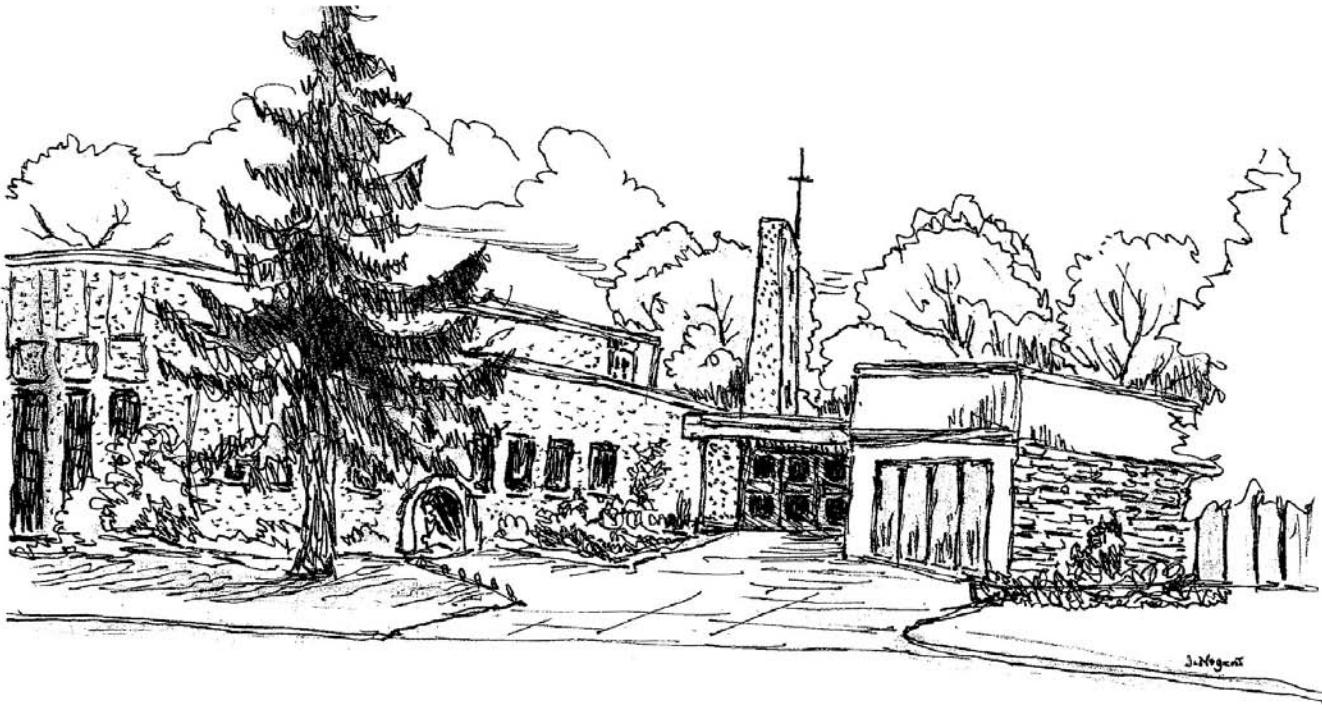


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Office Hours:

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 am - 12:00 noon, 1:00-5:00 pm.

July & August: 9:00 am - 12:00 noon, 1:00-4:00 pm.

Weekday Mass:

Tuesday: 7:00 pm

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 9:00 am

Sunday Mass:

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am, 11:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Available Saturday 4:00-4:30 pm or
by appointment.

Parish Devotions:

Eucharistic Adoration: Mon-Fri: 8:00 am-8:00 pm.
Sat: Benediction 8:45 am.

Baptism: Celebrated by appointment only.

Participation in a Baptismal Preparation Session is required. Please contact the parish office (905-388-2200) well in advance.

Marriage: Parishioners who are planning to marry should contact the parish office at least six months before the proposed wedding date.

Visits to the Sick: If you or someone you know is in need of a visit in home or hospital please call the parish office.

New to the Parish: Please register by completing a registration form (available online and in the Narthex). We also ask that you notify the office of any change in address or telephone number.

Schools:

St. Margaret Mary 905-383-8122

St. Kateri Tekakwitha 905-385-8212

St. Anthony Daniel 905-389-5186

St. Thomas More Secondary 905-388-3030

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 16, 2025

REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week.

The Thirty-Fourth or Last Sunday in ordinary time is:

Luke 23.35-43

OUR GIFTS TO GOD November 9th Collection

Regular Sunday Env.	\$ 3,954.00
Loose Cash	\$ 533.00
Missionary Co-Op Plan	\$ 1,100.00
St.M.M. Parish Outreach	\$ 352.00

We thank you for your continued, dedicated and regular financial support for St. Margaret Mary Parish.

DIOCESAN PRAYER CALENDAR

Mon., Nov. 17	Rev. Robert Kavelj, O.F.M.
Tues., Nov. 18	Rev. Stipe Rotim, O.F.M.
Wed., Nov. 19	Deceased Members of Our Parish Community
Thurs., Nov. 20	Rev. Ljubo Branimir Lebo, O.F.M.
Fri., Nov. 21	Rev. Ilija Petkovic
Sat., Nov. 22	Rev. Vinko Nenadic

Msgr. Con will be away from the parish for a short break from tomorrow, Monday until Thursday the 27th November. Msgr. Denis Noon will be here to take care of things and celebrate Mass.

We need help..... If you have any experience of working with refugees and/or navigating the refugee process with the government, we would love to hear from you. Please call or email the office.

If you are making plans for Christmas, please be aware of some changes to the Mass schedule:

Christmas Eve: Mass at 4.00 pm. and 9.00 pm.

Christmas Day: Mass at 9.00 am. and 11.00 pm.

A Christmas Flyer with complete information for Advent and Christmas will be sent out through mail by first week of December.

A FILM SCREENING EVENT: CARLO ACUTIS- ROADMAP TO REALITY #CarloAtTheCathedral

All are welcome to the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King in Hamilton on Sunday, November 23, 2025, for this Jubilee event commemorating the Diocesan celebration of the **Feast of Christ the King and World Youth Day**.



Mass at 7:00pm on Tuesday
9:00am on Wednesday – Friday

Tues., Nov. 18 7:00 pm.	†Anne & William Mascarenhas †Michelino, Giuseppina & Tony Ciancone †Florence Giambruno †Antonio & Dora Suffaletta
Wed., Nov. 19 9:00 am.	†Rosario Memmolo
Thurs., Nov. 20 9:00 am.	†Jose Rosal †Joseph Spatazzo
Fri., Nov. 21 9:00 am	†Deceased members of Bergie & Trafford Family
Sat., Nov. 22 5:00pm	Intentions of Paula Tymchuk †Maria Giuseppe Nori †Maria & Arnaldo Ciancone
Sun., Nov. 23 @11:00am	†Anton Stanfl Sr.

WHEN LIFE CHANGES: GRIEF RELIEF (PART ONE):

Grief Relief (Part One) is a 6-week program using Dr. Bill Webster's grief material, this program is intended to help you to understand your grief and provides practical tips for helping you through. In Hamilton, this program is offered twice a year, in the Spring and Fall and all are welcome to attend. Programs are provided by trained facilitators.

When & Where: Wednesday evenings from November 5 to Dec. 10, 2025. From 7pm-8:30pm at the Chancery Office (700 King St. West Hamilton); *in-person only*.



A WALK WITH JESUS RETREAT DAY FOR GRIEVING PARENTS

The loss of a child is a most challenging event in the life of any parent. This grief is acute and challenging and never truly leaves us. The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to join us as we welcome Deacon Henry DeMena from North Carolina to join us in facilitating a retreat day for parents who have lost a child through death. Whether the loss is recent or some time ago, we invite you to join us for this day of healing and support. The retreat will be offered at the **Church of Our Lady Basilica in Guelph** from **9 am to 4 pm on November 22nd** (lunch is included). Registration is required so we know how many to set up for and how much lunch to order. You can register on the Diocesan home page at hamiltondiocese.com under upcoming events (look for the title of the retreat or the date), or by calling the office at 905-528-7988 ext. 2249.

AGAIN..... THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

Our heartfelt thanks to everyone who kindly donated winter clothes, shoes, baby clothes, and Walmart gift cards for the **refugee family** we are assisting. Your generosity and compassion have brought warmth, comfort, and hope to those starting a new life in our community. Your support truly reflects the spirit of care and kindness that makes our parish a welcoming home for all. May God bless you, all abundantly for your generosity!

CWL NEWS

All women are invited! Join us for our Christmas Potluck on Thursday, November 27th at 6:00 p.m. in the Hearth Room. Bring your daughters, sisters, mothers, aunts, cousins, girlfriends, and neighbors for an evening of joy and fellowship! Please bring a gift for a baby under 2 years old, canned goods to donate, and your favorite dish to share. Enjoy raffles, door prizes, singing, and music as we celebrate the season together!

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS WINTER COAT

PROGRAM is amazing. We received this note on Tuesday with an update and a request: "Last week's Coats for Kids kickoff and coat distribution went smoothly, with 1,612 coats distributed to over 30 principals. However, I'd like to share a concern — the number of principals needing coats has increased significantly from last year, now over 30, compared to 12 previously. Unfortunately, this means they require an additional 700 coats to adequately support the children in their schools." If you can help, please drop off any gently used coats to the Hearth Room.

PORKETTA ON A BUN

The Knights of Columbus will be selling **Porketta on a Bun** after all Masses on **November 29th & 30th**. Prices are **\$6.00 each or 3 for \$15.00**. Pre-order sheets are available in the Narthex of the church. The **last day to place an order is Tuesday, November 25th, 2025**.

ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL BAZAAR... WE HOPE!

As we prepared this announcement, the bazaar has not yet taken place; however, regardless of the final outcome, we are profoundly grateful to our wonderful team of volunteers who have gone above and beyond to make this event possible. Many hours of dedicated service have been generously offered, always with a smile! Thank you to Monsignor for his enthusiasm and support; to our schools for assisting with the Capital Prize online ticket sales; and especially to Mr. Adrian DeTullio, Principal of St. Margaret Mary School, for his exceptional support and assistance in allowing us to use the school facilities. A heartfelt thank you to our parishioners for your donations, your time, and your support by attending the event. We hope you enjoyed the bazaar, found a special treasure, or perhaps even won a prize! Please continue to support our parish. Look for an update on the financial results in future bulletins, though it may take some time to finalize. *May God bless us all!*

THE SISTERS ADORERS OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

The Sisters Adorers of the Precious Blood, a community of Contemplative Sisters, have been present in the Diocese of Hamilton since 1946. In addition to their ministry of prayer, they produce altar breads for many of our Parishes. You are welcome to contact them if you are interested in exploring a vocation to the Contemplative way of life. www.pbsisters.ca



SUNDAY MISSAL

Sunday Missals are available for \$5.00 each starting this week in the Narthex.

OUR YEAR WITH GOSPEL OF ST. LUKE ends next weekend as we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. You will notice that Luke closes things in a way that feels like a gentle turning back toward everyday life. His gospel is shaped by long journeys, table conversations, and stories that are not rushed. When the liturgical year lands at the end of Luke, the church isn't trying to create a grand finale so much as it is trying to hand people back to their real lives with clearer eyes. We end with Christ's kingship as something startlingly unlike power in any ordinary sense. His "reign" looks like mercy in motion, forgiveness spoken under pressure, and a willingness to keep searching for the people who wander away. Because so many of Luke's scenes are about Christ walking into ordinary human places, dinner tables, dusty roads, the homes of people who are ashamed, the corners where people wait without hope, the close of the year can feel less like a finish and more like a subtle assignment.

One thing that remains after spending so much time with Luke is that God notices us before we get our act together. Stories like Zacchaeus and the tax collector in the temple never flatter the religiously impressive. Luke insists that grace is the spark, not the reward. The year leaves you with the sense that humility and honesty crack the door open wider than moral self-confidence ever does.

A second thing that sticks is Luke's eye for outsiders. His gospel is comfortable naming women as protagonists, Gentiles as clever examples, and sinners as people who don't stay trapped in their reputation forever. Once you've lived with Luke for weeks and weeks, you start developing that instinct yourself: there are people we have half-written off, and Luke pushes you to go back and look again.

A third thread that becomes permanent is joy. Not sentimental excitement, but a joy that can survive grief. The Magnificat, the shepherds in the night, the prodigal father running down the road, Luke keeps threading joy into places that don't deserve it. By the end of the liturgical cycle, it's hard not to notice how much that matters. Joy in Luke is not an accessory. It's fuel.

A fourth lesson is that discipleship is learned while walking. Luke loves the road. Emmaus is the clearest example, Jesus breaking open Scripture not from a podium but while walking beside people who don't understand what has happened. So when the year ends, you're reminded that revelation rarely comes as a single moment. It grows while you move.

And a fifth takeaway is that divine kingship looks like self-giving. Luke's crucifixion is quiet and piercing. The thief who asks to be remembered is promised paradise while everyone else is mocking. That scene becomes the lens through which the church looks at power and service. The end of Luke is not a triumphant victory lap. It's a king saving people one by one, even while dying.

So, when the year closes with Luke, we're not pushed toward lofty ideas. We're nudged toward faces, roads, and conversations. It's about meeting God there again, even in November.

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