

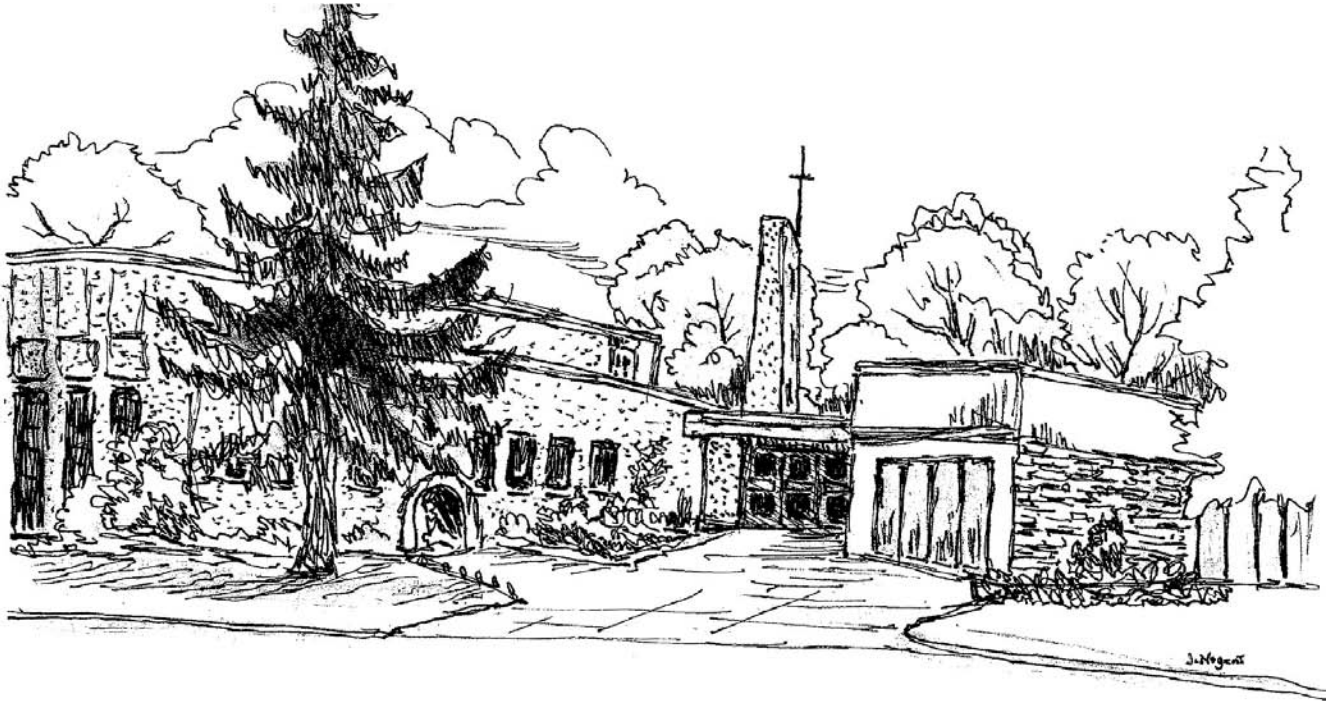


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Office Hours:

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:

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JULY 5, 2026

REFLECT ON THE GOSPEL

Reflect upon next Sunday's Gospel throughout the week.
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time is: **Matthew 13.1-9**

OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Due to the Canada Day holiday, the bulletin submission deadline for this week is Tuesday before 1:00 PM. Total collections will be included in the bulletin for the weekend of August 2, 2026. Thank you for your understanding.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

This year marks the 60th Anniversary of St. Margaret Mary Parish! To begin our celebrations, we invite you to our annual parish picnic on Sunday, July 12, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. on parish grounds.

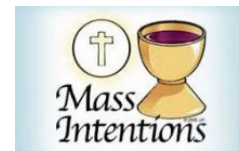
Tickets are \$2 per person, and children under 5 are free (with a special ticket). Tickets are still available after all Masses this weekend, July 4-5.

A 50/50 draw will also be held, with the winner announced at the event.

Come join us as we celebrate 60 years of faith and community!

PARISH OUTREACH: We are very grateful to those who came out to the recent meeting to take a closer look at this ministry in the parish and to look at the path forward for the ministry. Several parishioners have put their names forward to take the calls and collect information but we could do with a few more. If you can help please get in touch with Divine in the office. In the meantime, we have secured a new telephone number and telephone to assist the ministry. The new number is: **365-324-2655** for assistance from the Parish Outreach. Those who met with us a few weeks ago will meet again on Wednesday, July 8th at 7:00 pm. In the meantime, we are also familiarizing ourselves with the other agencies offering assistance in the community and for opportunities to work together.

The is the only bulletin for the month of July. The bulletin for August will be available on August 1st.
The regular weekly bulletin will resume on September 6th.



7:00pm on Tuesday

9:00am on Wednesday – Friday

Tues., July 7 7:00 pm	†Fernando Cerasoli †Antonio Jose Raymundo Ornelas
Wed., July 8 9:00 am	†Anna Marie Mirabile †Gerardo Consolatriz Salem
Thurs. July 9 9:00 am	Intentions of Ed, Jean -Beth & Edward Walter †Doug Warden †Peter Mercanti
Fri., July 10 9:00 am	Intentions of Nunila Tallara & Family
Sat., July 11 5:00 pm	Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Lumbera- Katigbak †Jose Carvalho †Carmin Porco †Egidio & Rosetta Filice †Ippolito Porco †Encarnacion & Teodula Rondario Igcasenza
Tues., July 14 7:00 pm	†Vincenzo & Rosa Tiberi †Wayne Di Mascio †Victoria & Alfred Cassar †James Moore †All souls in purgatory
Wed., July 15 9:00 am	†Camila Poyaoan †Solitacion Roque †Marlyn Villanueva
Thurs., July 16	†Ester Santos †Len Zettel
Fri., July 17	Maria Savignaco
Sat., July 18	Intentions of Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Lumbera- Katigbak †Alfonso Fajardo
Tues., July 21 7:00 pm	†Maria Savignaco †Demetrios Jimmy Iliou
Wed. July 22 9:00 am	†Ester Santos
Thurs., July 23 9:00 am	†Maria Bommarito
Fri., July 24 9:00 am	†Concetta Bottaro
Sat., July 25 5:00 pm	†Holy Souls in Purgatory †Rocco Della Nebbia †Antonio Jose Raymundo Ornelas
Tues., July 28 9:00 am	†Antonio & Luisa Mare †Joao, John & Maria Arruda
Wed., July 29 9:00 am	†Elvira Valentino
Thurs., July 30	Intentions of Juliet Salem †Randy Pongracz
Fri., July 31	Intentions of Luis & Rob Dimaranan †Randy Pongracz

WORDS OF WISDOM FROM DOROTHY DAY **FOR ORDINARY TIME**

As we move further from the great celebrations of Easter and Pentecost into Ordinary Time, it can be tempting to think that the “important” seasons of the Church year are behind us. Yet Ordinary Time is anything but ordinary in the sense of being dull or unimportant. It is the season in which the Church learns how to live what has been celebrated. It is the long and patient work of discipleship. Here, in the rhythms of everyday life, faith takes root and matures.

This is why Ordinary Time is such an important gift. It is not a pause on the spiritual journey. It is the place where holiness is slowly formed. It is where the Gospel moves from being an inspiring story to becoming a way of life. We learn how to forgive, how to pray, how to serve, how to endure difficulty, and how to love faithfully in the ordinary moments of our days.

As we begin this journey again, the words of the American writer and social activist, ***Dorothy Day*** offer a profound challenge and encouragement:

“The greatest challenge of the day is: how to bring about a revolution of the heart, a revolution which has to start with each one of us. When we begin to take the lowest places, to wash the feet of others, to love our brothers with that burning love, that passion which led to the cross, then we can truly say, ‘Now I have begun.’”
(From her book, *Loaves and Fishes*, 1963)

Her words remind us that discipleship is not about programs, strategies, or grand achievements. It begins in the heart. The Gospel changes the world one transformed heart at a time. Before we can speak about renewing society, renewing the Church, or renewing our communities, we must allow Christ to renew us.

That inner revolution often begins quietly. It happens when we choose patience instead of anger. It happens when we listen carefully to someone who is lonely or struggling. It happens when we forgive an old hurt, offer encouragement, or serve without needing recognition. These small moments may seem insignificant, but they are precisely where the Kingdom of God grows.

Dorothy Day also points us toward a difficult but essential truth: discipleship requires humility. Jesus himself showed this at the Last Supper when he knelt to wash the feet of his disciples. The Son of God chose the place of a servant. In a world that constantly encourages us to seek status, attention, and success, the Gospel invites us to something radically different. We are called to take the lower place, to place the needs of others before our own, and to discover Christ in acts of simple service.

This is not weakness. It is the strength of love. It is the kind of love that carried Christ to the cross and raised him to new life.

Ordinary Time gives us the opportunity to practice this kind of love day after day. Most of our lives are not lived in dramatic moments. They are lived in kitchens, workplaces, classrooms, parish halls, hospitals, and homes. It is there, in the ordinary routines of life, that holiness is formed.

And perhaps that is the most hopeful part of Dorothy Day’s reflection. No matter where we are in life or faith, it is never too late to begin again. Every act of mercy, every prayer, every gesture of kindness can become a new beginning. As disciples of Jesus, Ordinary Time invites us to say with renewed courage and sincerity: “***Now I have begun.***”

SACRAMENTAL RECORDS

The parish has hired interns to assist with updating our Sacramental Records, particularly for Confirmations. We are also working to locate and update some missing records. We appreciate your understanding and patience as we continue this important work.

MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS:

ON THE PROTECTION OF HUMAN DIGNITY **IN THE AGE OF ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE**

Pope Leo XIV’s first encyclical, *Magnifica Humanitas* released publicly on May 25 and focuses on human dignity, ethics, labour, and responsible AI development. As Catholics, we are called to use new technologies wisely, guided by faith, truth, and concern for the common good. You can read this new encyclical here: www.vatican.va **A shorter synopsis of the document with the essential key elements is available this weekend on the table in the front entrance to the church.**

WALK WITH JESUS: RETREAT FOR PARENTS **WHO HAVE EXPERIENCE THE DEATH OF A** **CHILD.**

The loss of a child is a most challenging event in the life of any parent. This grief is acute and challenging. The Diocese of Hamilton invites you to join us for this healing day. Whether the loss is recent or some time ago, we know this day will help to restore your inner core. The retreat will be offered from 9 am to 4 pm on Saturday, October 10 or Saturday, November 7th. The \$20 fee includes lunch. Registration is required for set up and lunch. You can register on the Diocesan home page at hamiltondiocese.com under upcoming events (look for the date retreat of the date), or by calling the office at **905-528-7988 ext. 2249.**

“Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass under trees on a summer’s day, listening to the murmur of the water, or watching the clouds float across the sky, is by no means a waste of time” (John Lubbock)

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