



St. Margaret Mary CES

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⚡ SMM FRIDAY FLASH- February 17-21, 2025 ⚡

Prayer to the Holy Family 🙏

Jesus, Mary and Joseph,
in you we contemplate
the splendour of true love; to you we turn with trust.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
grant that our families too
may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel
and small domestic churches.
Holy Family of Nazareth,
may families never again experience violence, rejection and division;
may all who have been hurt or scandalized find ready comfort and healing.
Holy Family of Nazareth, make us once more mindful
of the sacredness and inviolability of the family, and its beauty in God's plan.
Jesus, Mary and Joseph, Graciously hear our prayer. Amen.

Week at a Glance-February 17-21, 2025

Monday	February 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Family Day- No school!
Tuesday	February 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Pasta Tuesday 🍝)
Wednesday	February 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Harvey's Wednesday 🍔
Thursday	February 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● X-Press Chicken 🍗● Lunchtime Art Class 🎨
Friday	February 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Beading Buds. Thank you to our Catholic School Council for organizing this Sacramental hands on workshop for our grade 2 and grade 7 students.

St. Margaret Mary is now on Instagram! 📸 Follow us at @smmces_ycdsb.

Attendance Matters

St. Margaret Mary is an early start school and begins promptly at 8:20 am. When students are consistently late it interrupts not only their learning, but the learning of others. We would like to stress the importance of school punctuality and regular attendance. Regular attendance is vitally important and can lead to improved classroom learning, better test results, important relationships and friendships, and healthy habits. Regular attendance is directly linked to success at school.

We understand that there are times that your child may need to be picked up early for an appointment. If possible, please pick them up at a natural break in the school day (recess or lunch) so that we can avoid disruptions of learning time. Letting the teacher know ahead of time is also very much appreciated.

If you have any concern in regards to your child's attendance and punctuality, please contact Mrs. Snyder.

February ~ Honouring the Holy Family

An excerpt from OCSTA Catholic Education Week Committee's "Pilgrims of Hope" bulletin

Did you know that February is the month dedicated to the Holy Family?

Many of us recognize October as the month dedicated to the Holy Rosary, May as the month dedicated to our Blessed Mother, and June to the Sacred Heart, but how many of us know that the month of February is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Family?

The Holy Family refers to the family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. They are the holiest of families, and therefore a model for all Christian families. They were holy because they placed God at the center of their family life, they loved and sacrificed for one another, and they shared this love with others.

This month, we are invited to honour the Holy Family while at the same time strengthen our own family life. Our Catholic Social Teaching, Call to Family, supports individuals in their roles as family members and emphasizes the importance of family life in society.

As we recognize the Holy Family as the first domestic church, we are reminded that families are a sign of God's love for his people. The Holy Family -Jesus, Mary, and Joseph - serves as a powerful and inspiring model for all families in several ways. Their example reflects the virtues and values that Catholic families are called to embody in their daily lives.

UPCOMING: (all important dates can be found on [the SMM website](#)):

- February 26- Grade 8 Photo Day
- February 28- CIVVIES Day
- February 28-Primary Division Trip to Kortright Centre
- March 4- Shrove Tuesday
- March 5- Ash Wednesday
- March 6- D.O. Gibson, Rapper and Motivational Speaker, at SMM (Black History)
- March 6- The Great Big Crunch
- March 10-14- MARCH BREAK

