

St. Margaret Roman Catholic Church

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~MASS BELLS~

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SECOND SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 14, 2018

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the St. Margaret Parish Community, are a Catholic Parish of diverse ages, gifts and backgrounds. We dedicate ourselves to our personal relationship with Jesus and to growing as a community of faith.

We endeavor to serve the community through education, and service and social ministries, and commit ourselves to the nurturing of the spiritual life by celebrating the Sacraments, by enriching our life of prayer and by deepening our understanding of the Scriptures. We strive to reach out and respond to the changing needs of our community.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUN.	JANUARY 14 - SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
7:30	Thomas Mazza
9:00	Vincenza, Mariano e Salvatore Palmeri/ Francesco Sclafani/Giuseppe Alesandro/ Giuseppina Scaturro/Michele Oddo/ John J. Forte (ANNI)
10:30	John J. Forte (ANNI)
NOON	Joan Leonard
5:00PM	Dante Colombi
MON.	JANUARY 15 - WEEKDAY/MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY
9:00	Sean Connolly
TUE.	JANUARY 16 - WEEKDAY
7:00	Rose D'Amato
9:00	Ted Mundy, Jr. (ANNI)
WED.	JANUARY 17 - ST. ANTHONY, ABBOT
7:00	Marie Sparacio
9:00	Frank Jaworski
THU.	JANUARY 18 - WEEKDAY
7:00	Sean Connolly
9:00	Anthony & Marie Ciorciari
FRI.	JANUARY 19 - WEEKDAY
7:00	Gerry Griffin
9:00	Vincent Milioti
SAT.	JANUARY 20 - STS. FABIAN/SEBASTIAN
9:00	COLLECTIVE: Magdalena Nadler/ Carl Sanzone/Health & well-being of Maria Repole/ Frances McHugh
5:00PM	
SUN.	JANUARY 21 - THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
7:30	Dolores DeBiase
9:00	Unita della Chiesa/Lillina Cardone/ Vincenzo Giresi/ People of the Parish
10:30	People of the Parish
NOON	Fred Basedow
5:00PM	Caterina Navara

**THE RECTORY WILL BE CLOSED
ON MONDAY, JANUARY 15TH
IN OBSERVANCE OF
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY
MASS IS AT 9:00AM ONLY**

PARISH INFORMATION

If you're not registered, please visit the Rectory office, which is open from Monday through Friday, 9 am to noon and 1 pm to 7:30 pm.

CONFESSIONS - Saturday, 4-4:45 pm or by appointment with a priest.

NOVENA to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Mondays after the 9am Mass.

MORNING PRAYER daily from Monday through Friday at 8:45 am.

BAPTISMS take place on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. Please call the rectory for an appointment and to register your child.

WEDDINGS MUST be scheduled at least six months in advance by appointment with a priest or a deacon. Please call the rectory office. For marriage preparation information visit www.pre-cana.org.

THE BEREAVEMENT GROUP meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 10 am in the Convent meeting room. Call Ann at 718-326-7785.

THE ENGLISH CHOIR rehearses on Tuesday, at 7 pm in the Church. Tenors and baritones needed!

IL CORO ITALIANO pratica ogni Domenica prima della Messa Italiana.

THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR rehearses on Thursday, from 6-7 pm in the Church. For more info, DnDsingit@aol.com

BOY SCOUT TROOP #119 meets on Tuesdays from 7:15-9 pm in the Parish Hall. New members are welcome, age 10 1/2 & up. Call Mr. Krzewski, 718-894-4099.

CUB PACK #119 meets on Mondays from 7-8:30 pm in the Parish Hall. New members welcome, age 6 to 10-1/2. Call Mr. Krzewski, 718-894-4099.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Karen Guarascio, Connie Faccibene, Eileen Hinrichs, Linda Frazier, Angela Lenihan, Carol Falk, Cari Ann Falk-LoBello, Glen Falk, David J. McConville, Ronald Frazier, John Downer, Robert Sabini, Lee Falk, Patricia Johnson, Scott White, Baby McKinley Kelleher, Isabelle Azzaro, Lucy Lento, Sean Harrison, Michael Russo, Frank Cesare, Justin James Quirke, Rose Healy, Parrish Wert, Michael Hirst, Elizabeth Ott, Marion Caracciola, Baby Keila Mary Champoli, Brooke and Alexa Renda, The Ferrugio Family, Marc Gandasegui, Bob & Karen Schaefer, Maureen Harvey, Sandra Slattery, Shirley Chesley, Jim Daniels, Lola Anderson, George MGarry, Michael Mavin, Denis Fink, Marc Pagnozzi, Gerard Michels, John Vannata, Richard Santangelo, Joseph Simon, James Taylor, James Leung, Dr. Joan Virostko, Alfie Poje, Margaret Cosentino, Ann Pompeo, Gloria Mojica, Larry Dumbra, Bob Marvin, Joseph O'Brien, Katie Bryzgornia,

The names will remain for 3 months, please call 718-326-1911 and ask for continued prayers

Prayer Requests

**Pray for vocations to the Priesthood
and Religious Life.**

**Please pray for our men and women from our
Parish serving in the defense of our country:**

**Lt. Col. Thomas Frohnhoefer
Sgt. Robert A. Domenici**



***WE RECALL OUR
BELOVED DECEASED***

*Especially,
Madeline Maranzano,
May they rest in Christ's Peace!*

SPEAK, LORD, WE ARE LISTENING

In today's first reading God keeps calling out in the night to a sleeping boy. Neither the boy, Samuel, nor his teacher, Eli, understands who is calling. But God's persistence convinces them. Samuel is then ready - not ready yet to do anything, but ready to listen. "Speak, for your servant is listening" (1 Samuel 3:10).

In the Gospel Jesus is out teaching. Various people notice Him and begin to gather around. They soon become disciples and, like the young Samuel, are ready - not ready yet to do anything, but ready to listen. "Speak," they say, "we are listening."

God's voice is always with us, awake or asleep. It swirls around us like fog on the waterfront, enveloping us, gently urging us to wake up, to listen. Awareness of the voice comes first; then willingness to listen; then, in time, the decision to act, to live according to God's word. Let's ask today for the ability to keep our ears open so we don't miss God's voice.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - Speak, for your servant is listening (1 Samuel 3:3b-10, 19).

Psalm - Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will (Psalm 40).

Second Reading - Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you? (1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20).

Gospel - Andrew found his brother Simon and brought him to Jesus (John 1:35-42).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51;
Mk 3:1-6

Thursday: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27;
Mk 3:20-21

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10; Ps 25;
1 Cor 7:29-31; Mk 1:14-20

2018 MARCH FOR LIFE

Washington, DC

Friday, January 19, 2018

Roundtrip bus transportation to Washington DC is \$25.00 per person. The Queens bus will leave from

The Immaculate Conception Center
7200 Douglaston Parkway, Douglaston
(Parking is available on the North Lot)

The bus will leave at 6:30am.

To reserve your seat, contact Martha Hernandez,

718-281-9540 or email her at

mhernandez@diobrook.org

Please make checks payable to

Diocese of Brooklyn and mail payment to
Secretariat for Evangelization and Catechesis,
310 Prospect Park West, Brooklyn NY 11215

Attn: March for Life

Bus will leave Washington DC after the
march in the afternoon and return to

New York City in the evening.



SAVE THE DATE . . .

Join us at St. Margaret Annual
Irish Night Celebration, Saturday, March 3rd,
from 6:00pm til 11:00pm.

We will honor our first Irish Person
of the Year, a long time active member
of the St. Margaret Community

ELVA O'BRIEN!!

**DON'T MISS
THE FUN!!**



MASSES & MEMORIALS

We have many Masses and memorials for
sanctuary lamps, altar candles, and bread &
wine available for 2018. Please contact or
visit the Rectory Offices to make
arrangements.



BLOOD DRIVE

St. Margaret has sponsored several very
successful Blood Donation Drives in the
past. There is still a **CRITICAL BLOOD
SHORTAGE** and the New York blood center is
asking, again, for our help. St. Margaret will be
sponsoring a **BLOOD DRIVE ON SUNDAY,
JANUARY 21ST** from 9am to 3pm in the Parish
Hall. Please consider giving the gift of life by
making a blood donation. To ensure that you will be
able to donate blood, remember to include foods rich
in iron in your diet, and to eat a good meal and drink
plenty of fluids before you come. For more
information and/or to make a blood donation
appointment please e-mail

parishcalendar@aol.com.

CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS

For tax purposes will

ONLY BE AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST

Please call the Rectory, 718-326-1911
if you would like a statement mailed to you.

WOMEN'S CURSILLO WEEKEND

JANUARY 25 - 28, 2018

Every year the holidays take a toll on all of us,
and a Cursillo weekend is an excellent way to put
the meaning of this Christmas season back into
perspective. The St. Paul's Cursillo will hold a
weekend in Glen Cove, NY, January 25-28. It will
consist of a series of talks and discussions which
offer you the opportunity to work at getting to know
yourself, realize your strength while discovering
what place God plays in your life and how to get
even closer to Him. The cost of the weekend is
\$325.

For more information please call

Beth Barker, 631-831-6074 or email

Beth1160@optonline.net or

Julie Charles, 917-402-0800 or email

Julie6229@outlook.com

**REGISTRATION FOR 2018-2019 IS NOW OPEN AT
ST. MARGARET CATHOLIC ACADEMY**

Don't miss out on scholarship opportunities!

Received a scholarship last year? Re-apply by March 30, 2018

First time scholarship applicant? Apply by April 30, 2018

www.futuresineducation.org

To learn about the benefits of a Catholic education,
please contact **Principal, Victoria Richardson at 718-326-0922**

WE'RE SAVING A SEAT FOR YOU!



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***SEASON FOUR
NEW HEART, NEW SPIRIT***

Welcome to Season Four of *ARISE*, Together in Christ!

Once again, as for Season Two, the faith sharing sessions take place during the special time of year we call Lent.

In season Two the focus was on “conversion”. In Season Four, guided by the rich message proclaimed and celebrated in the liturgies of Lent and Holy Week, we will explore together the themes of forgiveness and reconciliation. These themes prepare us for the great celebration of the Easter vigil where some may celebrate their Baptism, and where all of us are invited to renew our baptismal promises and celebrate the new life we have in Christ.

Sign-up-Sunday weekends are January 13/14 and January 20/21. Season Four small group meetings begin Ash Wednesday, February 14th.

May *ARISE* increase our understanding of the great love God has for us!

“A clean heart create for me, God;
renew in me a steadfast spirit”.

Psalm 51:12

God offers us in Christ, much more-not just a heart cleansed, not just a spirit renewed;

“I will give you a new heart and place a new spirit within you”.

Ezekiel 36:26

FAITH DIRECT

The twelve days of Christmas culminated with the celebration of the wonderful Feast of the Epiphany. I am thankful for all the generous gifts that you provide to our parish, but I realize that you cannot be with us every Sunday of the year. Please consider using our secure electronic giving program,

Faith Direct. Faith Direct will automatically process any offertory or second collection donation of your choosing.

Visit **www.faithdirect.net** and use our Church code: **NY299.**

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family! May God, Who is never outdone in generosity, bless you!

~Fr. Armato

SAINT MARGARET GIFT SHOP

Open Wednesdays, 12pm - 4pm
Saturdays, 4pm - 5pm and
Sundays, 9am - 1pm

We have a selection of religious goods:
Rosaries - Medals - Gifts - Crucifixes
Statues - Bibles and other books

AND MORE!

If we don't have it, we'll try to get it for you. The Gift Shop is located in the rectory. Please use the red side door in the parking lot.

If the door is closed, please knock.

Contact us: **StMargGiftShop@yahoo.com**

CATHOLIC MIGRATION SERVICES

is happy to announce a new service being provided through the end of this year. If you are a green card holder and are interested in applying for citizenship, or have any citizenship questions, you can text Catholic Migration

Services at 718-866-3687 to set up an appointment.



THE ST. VINCENT dePAUL FOOD PANTRY

is located at 66-25 79 Place

**The pantry is open on
WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY
from 10am to 12 Noon.**

The food pantry is accepting all non-perishable foods. **NEEDED:** apple juice, cereal, peanut butter and jelly, cranberry sauce, gravy, stuffing mix and instant mashed potatoes.

Thank you for your generosity.



ST. MARGARET'S YONKERS EMPIRE CITY BUS TRIP

Monday, January 15, 2018

The bus will be in front of the Church and will

leave promptly at 9am. The cost is

\$23.00p/p. For reservations/information call

Betty, 718-326-0198

**ONE LUCKY PERSON WILL WIN
A FREE RIDE ON OUR
FEBRUARY TRIP**

BOY SCOUT TROOP #119

The Holidays are over, and we all have finished opening our presents and counting our blessings. However, there are some among us who are not as fortunate as we are.

Therefore, Boy Scout Troop #119 is sponsoring a Post-Holiday Food Drive. They are asking that parishioners donate 2-3 non-perishable food items, between now and the end of January.

Food items can be dropped off in the vestibule of the Church or at the food pantry on Wednesdays and Saturdays, between 10am and 12 Noon.

We thank you for your generosity, and wish you and yours a happy and healthy New Year!