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March 19, 2017
Third Sunday
In Lent

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Our Mission Statement

We, the St. Margaret Parish Community, are a Catholic Parish of diverse ages, backgrounds and gifts. 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, 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.

FOR INFORMATION ON THE
PARISH CALENDAR OR
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

EMAIL:
PARISHCALENDAR@AOL.COM

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MON. MARCH 20 - ST. JOSEPH
 7:00 Rose D'Amato
 9:00 Fran Riscica
 7:30PM Stations of the Cross - Italian

TUE. MARCH 21 - LENTEN WEEKDAY
 7:00 Antoinette Composto
 9:00 Fred Basedow

WED. MARCH 22 - LENTEN WEEKDAY
 7:00 Emma Putillo
 9:00 Vincenza & Mariano Palmeri
 9:30 Stations of the Cross - English

THU. MARCH 23 - ST. TORIBIO deMOGROVEJO
 7:00 Jimmy Cuggy
 9:00 Henry, John & Lillian Rader

FRI. MARCH 24 - LENTEN WEEKDAY ABSTINENCE
 7:00 Rev. Goerge Werner, S.M.M.
 9:00 Edward Caridi
 7:30PM Stations of the Cross - English

SAT. MARCH 25 - THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD
 8:30 Collective: Giocomo & Giuseppina Gennari/Mary & Frank Parente
 5:00PM Lorettea Hegelman

SUN. MARCH 26 - FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT
 7:30 People of the Parish
 9:00 Salvatore Palmeri/Matteo Rubino/
 Maria Castelluccio/Giovanni LaBarca/
 Filippo Curatolo/Pietro Lolacono/
 10:30 Michael, Catherine, Tom & Rosaleen Reilly
 NOON Anne Page
 5:00PM Domenico Laudani

REGULAR SCHEDULE OF MASSES & SERVICES

SATURDAY VIGIL: 5:00 P.M.
SUNDAY: 7:30, 9:00 (Italian),
 10:30, 12:00 & 5:00PM
WEEKDAYS: Varies (See listing above)
CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY, 4-4:45pm
 or by appointment with a priest.

PARISH INFORMATION

If you're not registered, please stop into the Rectory office. THE PARISH OFFICE is open from Monday through Friday, 9 am to noon and 1 pm to 7:30 pm. Please respect these hours for your Rectory office business. Thank you.

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.

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

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

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

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

THE ENGLISH CHOIR rehearses on Tuesday, at 7:30 pm. in the Church.

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

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, Bob Schaefer, Rose Marie Santos, Bernice Muller, Maria Millocca, Baby McKinley Kelleher, Isabelle Azzaro, Lucy Lento, Sean Harrison, Richard Santangelo, Michael Russo, Frank Cesare, Joseph Simon, Joseph Stubbs, Justin James Quirke, Rose Healy, Parrish Wert, Michael Hirst, Matteo Sabini, Carmen Melendez, Jim O'Driscoll, Jeanette Spartaro, Linda Castagna, Elizabeth Ott, Marion Caracciola, Baby Keila Mary Champoli, Brooke and Alexa Renda, The Ferrugio Family, Dorothy Mai, Marc Gandasegui, Bob & Karen Schaefer, Maureen Harvey, Sandra Slattery, Shirley Chesley, Jim Daniels, Lola Anderson, Roberta Polce,

**The names will remain for 3 months ONLY,
unless you call 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, Denise Napolitano,
Margaret Marri,
May they rest in Christ's Peace!*

MEMORIALS

SANCTUARY LAMP & ALTAR

CANDLES THIS WEEK

*are offered in memory of
Jeanette Tavarone.*

TABERNACLE LAMP THIS WEEK

*is lit in memory of
Sr. Catherine Mezzacappo at the request
of Carol Polanish.*

SPRING

***The first day of spring is one thing, and
the first spring day is another.
The difference between them is
sometimes as great as a month.***

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — When the people grumbled to Moses for water in the desert, the LORD heard and brought forth water from the rock for all to drink (Exodus 17:3-7).

Psalm — If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts (Psalm 95).

Second Reading — God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (Romans 5:1-2, 5-8).

Gospel — Ask, and you will be given living water so that you will never thirst again (John 4:5-42 [5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42]).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9; Mt 18:21-35
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20; Mt 5:17-19
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Lk 11:14-23
Friday: Hos 14:2-10; Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17; Mk 12:28-34
Saturday: Is 7:10-14, 8:10; Ps 40:7-11; Heb 10:4-10; Lk 1:26-38
Sunday: 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ps 23:1-6; Eph 5:8-14; Jn 9:1-41[1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38]

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Third Sunday of Lent
Monday: St. Joseph; Spring begins
Thursday: St. Toribio de Mogrovejo
Friday: Abstinence
Saturday: The Annunciation of the Lord



THE LENTEN CROSS GROWS

Take another look at the large Lenten Cross that stands at the foot of the Altar.

It is slowly changing during these past days of Lent. The students of our Parish Academy and Faith Formation Program continue their efforts to grow closer to Jesus. They are offering their prayers, acts of charity and kindness for others.

They have promised more visits to Church, reading of scripture, and many personal sacrifices in an effort to lighten the burden of the Cross of Jesus. It's a very big cross to fill and carry. Encourage them as they fill it with their love for Jesus and others. Pray for them and their efforts to walk along with Jesus during these 40 days. You may be a recipient of their prayers and sacrifices!

Keep watching, see how the cross continues to grow and change during Lent . . . (will we)?

THE ST. VINCENT dePAUL SOCIETY

is conducting its 5th Annual Lenten Fund-raiser for *Bridge to Life*, a crisis pregnancy center in Queens. This year we are asking for funds to provide pre-natal and post-partum care for the moms and neo-natal care for the newborns.

The campaign will run through good Friday, April 14th. Checks (made out to Bridge to Life) and cash should be placed in the red-printed envelopes on the radiators in Church, and put into the collection baskets. Please make this campaign your Lenten sacrifice. Thank you.

DO YOU HAVE AN IPHONE OR AN ANDROID PHONE?

Want to keep up with St. Margaret's news?

Download our parish app.

Daily Mass readings, prayers, bulletins and more.

Just text the word "APP" to 88202

or search "My Parish App" in Google

Play Store or App Store.

THIRSTING FOR LIFE-GIVING WATERS

Epecially during the Lenten, Holy Week, and Easter seasons, the prayer texts of the Eastern Church revel in paradoxical images of Christ: the eternal life who is put to death, the host of the supper who is also its meal, the thirsty crucified one with living water streaming from his side.

These images flow from the evangelists' portrayals of Jesus and from his very ministry, during which he often upset or reversed people's expectations about him or the ways of God. This "reversal" is at play in today's Gospel, as Jesus speaks to an enemy foreigner who is also a woman beneath his status. In addition he, the thirsting one, shows the woman to be the one truly thirsting. He—whose parched lips will say "I thirst" before he dies—is the source of life and life-giving water.

Lent calls upon us to dwell on how each of us is thirsting for Christ, and it leads us, ultimately, back to the life-giving waters of our baptism into his Body.

AVOID PARKING TICKETS

Last year over 1.3 million parking tickets were issued in Queens County alone. Please be mindful of where you park your car when coming to Mass. Remember that, for fire safety reasons, the front of the church is a no parking zone.

MAGGIE'S LITTLE THEATER
at St. Margaret Parish

Announces tickets are on sale for our
Spring Production of

"SOMETHING'S AFOOT"

Sat. March 18th at 8:00 pm, Sun. March 19th at
2:30 pm, Fri. March 24th at 8:00 pm, Sat. March
25th at 8:00 pm, Sun. March 26th at 2:30 pm

Tickets are \$20 for adults, \$15 for seniors,
and \$12 for children 11 and under.

To reserve tickets online visit
www.maggieslittletheater.org/tickets.

You can also reserve by calling
917-579-5389. This zany musical
murder mystery thriller is (very) loosely
based on Agatha Christie's
"And Then There Were None",
aka "Ten Little Indians".

THIS WEEKEND

March 18/19, one of our Eagle Scout
candidates will be speaking at every Mass
regarding a "food drive" which they will
be sponsoring.

Please be as generous as possible.

DEANERY CORNER . . .

Our Lady of Mercy Church

is making plans for their Annual Spring Fling
event on May 5, 6, & 7th of this year. If you are
a vendor or know someone who would like to
participate in this event, please contact Diane
at the rectory, 718-268-6143 or email
www.office@mercyhills.org
The Church is located at 70-01 Kessel Street,
Forest Hills, NY

**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.

**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.



**ST. MARGARET'S
YONKERS EMPIRE
CITY BUS TRIP**

Monday, March 20th.

The bus will be in front of
the Church and will **leave promptly at
9am**. The cost is \$23.00/p.

For reservations/information call

Betty, 718-326-0198

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



*While we were
still sinners
Christ died for us*

Romans 5:8

SCHOOL NEWS

ST. MARGARET CATHOLIC ACADEMY

Tour Tuesdays . . . openings for September 2017 . . . call the office to RSVP. Some classes are only taking waiting lists.

Mark your calendars . . . Tentatively Designer Bag Bingo on Friday, April 7th. Bonjourney Tribute Band on Friday, April 28th . . . tickets going on sale soon.

REGENTS REVIEW CLASSES

will be offered at Maspeth Town Hall during the month of June for the following courses:

Global History & Geography, Living Environment/Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, US History & Government, Algebra 1 (Common Core), Algebra 11 (Common Core) and Geometry (Common Core). Each class has a maximum of 12 students to ensure they receive the help they need. The fee is \$80 per course. Registration is on a first come first serve basis. If you are interested, call our office between 9am and 5pm, 718-335-6049.



That our parish and diocese may experience powerful new life through the faith and action of those in the ARISE program, we pray

ST. MARGARET'S LUCKY NUMBER 2017

Mar. 03 -	244	No Winner
Mar. 04 -	841	M. Narky (b)
Mar. 05 -	896	M. Scold (b)
Mar. 06 -	629	J. Henry (b)
Mar. 07 -	771	No Winner
Mar. 08 -	667	No Winner
Mar. 09 -	533	No Winner
Mar. 10 -	351	M. Schatz (b)

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Call Patti C, 718-639-2263
for more information.

GIVE UP YOUR ENVELOPES!

We invite you to help your parish save money by giving up your offertory envelopes this Lent! Enrolling with *Faith Direct* will provide St. Margaret Parish with consistent support and simplify your giving without the wasteful envelopes. Join us in giving up envelopes this Lenten season!

Visit www.faithdirect.net and use our church code **NY299**.

Thank you for your continued support of our parish family!

THE ST. VINCENT dePAUL CLOTHING PICK UP

will take place Sunday, March 19th from 8:30am to 12:30pm. The truck will be parked on 79th Place for your items.

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE
ITEMS AT THE RECTORY**

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