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~MASS BELLS~

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TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY

IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

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.	SEPTEMBER 24 - TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
7:30	People of the Parish
9:00	Daniele Bussa/Severina Prezioso/ Giuseppina DiMaria/Carlo Studiale/ Leonarda DiSanti/Giuseppe Tumminello/ Carmela e Maria Schinina
10:30	Jorge Bonilla
NOON	Martin & Charlotte Wintergerst
5:00PM	Carol & George Ash/Paul Martello
MON.	SEPTEMBER 25 - WEEKDAY
7:00	Joe Kresse
9:00	Joseph Kresse
TUE.	SEPTEMBER 26 - STS. COSMAS/ DAMIAN
7:00	William Schoppner
9:00	Anna Scheer
WED.	SEPTEMBER 27 - ST. VINCENT dePAUL
7:00	Marjorie Mullin
9:00	Richard Hubert (ANNI)
THU.	SEPTEMBER 28 - STS. WENCESLAUS/ LAWRENCE RUIZ AND COMPANIONS
7:00	Susanne Rice
9:00	Jorge Bonilla
FRI.	SEPTEMBER 29 - STS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL ARCHANGELS
7:00	Anna Carosi
9:00	Emil & Rose Santoro
SAT.	SEPTEMBER 30 - ST. JEROME
8:30	COLLECTIVE: Harvey & Philomina Karcher/ Vittorio Grillo/Calogero Rizzo/Irene Chelius/ Josephine DiMaria/
5:00PM	Julia & Frank Jacobovics
SUN.	OCTOBER 1 - TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
7:30	People of the Parish
9:00	La Madonna del Rosario/Giuseppe, Mariano e Vincenzo Pagano/Domenica e Salvatore Gattuso
10:30	Richard & Magdalena Nadler
NOON	Frank & Margaret Forte
5:00PM	Maureen Connelly

PROPER ATTIRE FOR MASS

Please remember that what we do at Mass is a special meeting with our God in His Word and His Sacrament.

Dress appropriately for this encounter with the Holy One.

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, 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, George MGarry, Michael Mavin, Denis Fink, Marc Pagnozzi, Rose Gorman, Gerard Michels, John Vannata, Richard Santangelo, Joseph Simon,

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 Frohnhofer
Sgt. Robert A. Domenici**



***WE RECALL OUR
BELOVED DECEASED
Especially, Albino LaManna,
Graciela E. De Sanctis,
May they rest in Christ's Peace!***

CALL UPON THE LORD

The very first line of today's first reading summons us to seek the Lord and to call upon God. This sentiment is echoed in the refrain for today's responsorial psalm: "The Lord is near to all who call upon him" (Psalm 145:18a). Saint Paul is the embodiment of someone who constantly sought the Lord. In the excerpt we read today from his letter to the Philippians, we find Saint Paul toward the end of his life, a life he describes as completely consonant with Christ. He writes, "For to me life is Christ" (Philippians 1:21). To find out what it means to live life completely in accord with Christ we need look no further than today's Gospel. There we find that God's love and mercy are immeasurable for all those who seek and call upon the Lord.

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading - Turn to the LORD, who is generous in forgiving (Isaiah 55:6-9).

Psalms - The Lord is near to all who call upon him (Psalm 145).

Second Reading - Live your lives in a way worthy of the Gospel of Christ (Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a).

Gospel - The last will be first, and the first will be last (Matthew 20:1-16a).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-6; Lk 8:16-18
Tuesday:	Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-5; Lk 8:19-21
Wednesday:	Ezr 9:5-9; Tb:13:2, 3-4abefghn, 7-8; Lk 9:1-6
Thursday	Hg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Lk 9:7-9
Friday:	Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a; Ps 138:1-5; Jn 1:47-51
Saturday:	Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43-45
Sunday:	Ez 18:25-28; Ps 25:4-9; Phil 2:1-11 [1-5]; Mt 21:28-32



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION

is now available online! Click here:

<http://stmargaretmv.com/religiouseducationprogram/online-form/> or visit our website at

www.stmargaretmv.com and go to the Religious Education Program page. You can print forms and drop them off, or fill out the forms right online as well as pay online. We offer our program on Wednesdays for grades 1-8. Grades 1-4 meet from 4-5:15pm and the older grades meet evenings from 7-8:15pm. We are also offering an enrichment class for grade 8 that meets on Mondays from 4-5:15pm. If you have questions, please feel free to call 646-953-4044 or email

stmargaretre@gmail.com, refer to the website or our parish app for updates in Religious Education.

Blessings!

~ Ms. Joyce



The **ARISE** Program, Season 3, begins the week of October 8th. We encourage our **ARISE** participants and their families to attend the 10:30 Mass on October 8th to pray for each other during this time of spiritual renewal and for their group leaders. Pray that the Holy Spirit will guide all of us so that we become evermore "Together in Christ". We will also commission our group leaders at this Mass. We thank them for accepting this ministry and we pledge our prayers and support.

ST. MARGARET PARISH



DINNER/DANCE

Saturday, October 7, 2017

from 7:30 - 11:00 pm in
St. Margaret Parish Center
Hot buffet - Beer/Soda - Dessert

LIVE MUSIC

Donation, \$35.00 per person
FOR TICKETS call Sal Cali,
718-496-2584 or 718-326-4073



DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

to be given in St. Margaret
School Library on **SATURDAY,**
OCTOBER 14TH

from 9am to 3:30pm

THE COST: \$45.00 per person

THE BENEFITS: 10% discount on
liability and collision insurance for 3 years.

Up to 4 points deducted from your
driving record.

CONTACT: Sister Bridget at
718-326-1911 for more information
or to register.

THE ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY SPEECH AND HEARING CENTER

will be offering Hearing Aid Help through December 7th. This is a **FREE** service and is available for anyone who has a hearing aid and may be experiencing some difficulty caring for it or using it. They will also be offering **FREE** speech and hearing screenings during the same time period. Please call the center at 718-990-6480 to schedule an appointment. The Speech and Hearing Center is located at 152-11 Union Turnpike, Flushing, NY



FROM THE ACADEMY

On behalf of the board, administration, faculty and staff, we welcome everyone to the 2017-2018 school year.

Mark your calendars for some

GREAT EVENTS:

Friday, September 29th - Paint Night, doors open at 6:30pm.

Sunday, October 1st - Volunteer sign up

Friday, October 20th - Race for Education

Friday, November 17th - Supermarket Blitz

Room is still available in all grade levels.

**Call the Academy Office, 718-326-0922
for an appointment.**

ITALIAN APOSTOLATE NEWS

The **Italian Apostolate** of the Diocese of Brooklyn will hold its **annual gathering** Sunday, October 1, beginning at 3:00 PM at Most Precious Blood Church (Broadway and 36th St., Astoria) and ending at St. Joseph Church (30th Ave. and 43rd St.) with Mass celebrated by Bishop DiMarzio and the priests of the Apostolate. Refreshments will follow. All are encouraged to participate in this celebration of our faith. Veniamo numerosi!

GENERATIONS OF FAITH

The **Generations of Faith Campaign** continues. About half of the pledged amounts have been collected. The first returns helped to pay for work already done in the Church and the Parish Hall. Those who have made a pledge are requested to keep up with your payments. Those of you who have not made a pledge yet are urged to do so as soon as possible so that we can address the capital project and youth ministry needs of the Parish.



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.

Due to the large food donations (1700 items) from Eagle Scout candidate, Sebastian, the food pantry can no longer accept food donations due to lack of space. Exceptions are ground coffee, canned or powdered milk, canned meats and canned fruit. Thank you for your generosity.

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

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, OCTOBER 8TH** 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.

FAITH DIRECT

Thank you for being a part of our St. Margaret Parish family. I appreciate all that you do for our parish and community by sharing your God-given gifts of time, talent, and treasure. Your active participation in the life of our parish helps us to fulfill our vision and mission.

As you enter into a busy fall calendar, consider that St. Margaret Parish continues to be open for Mass, numerous activities, and the Sacraments. Consider enrolling in eGiving through Faith Direct so that your gift can reach us even when you cannot. Your generosity through *Faith Direct* can help provide the consistent resources we need to operate our parish ministries.

Our collections have fallen well below the level needed to meet payrolls and bills.

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

THANKS, SCOUTS!

Thanks to the members of our Scout Troop #119, who have adopted the gardens on 79th Place in front of the Parish Hall and Convent! Earlier this month the scouts cleaned these areas of weeds, pruned back the bushes and trees, and planted flowers, enhancing the appearance and providing a welcoming sight to visitors. The next project will be the property on 80th Street by the Parish Center.

MEN'S GROUP FORMING

In response to requests by several men of the Parish, we will form a men's spirituality group on Thursday, September 28th. at 7pm in the Rectory. Activities will include Scripture study, Eucharistic adoration, and discussion of topics suggested by the members.

If you're interested in helping to start the group, please PRINT the following information and drop it off either at the Rectory or in the collection basket.

Name: _____

Phone#: (____) - ____ - _____

E-mail: _____

ST. MARGARET'S LUCKY NUMBER 2017

Aug. 13 -	858	No Winner
Aug. 14 -	759	F. Maurer (b)
Aug. 15 -	604	M. Rivinius (b)
Aug. 16 -	276	No Winner
Aug. 17 -	693	M. Swiatocha (b)
Aug. 18 -	853	No Winner
Aug. 19 -	271	C/R Deneen (b) P. Schlindrer (b)

HELP SUPPORT YOUR PARISH

Buy a "LUCKY NUMBER"

**based on NY State Lottery,
every evening of the year.**

Single Subscriptions: \$60.00,
two or more subscriptions, \$50.00 each.



ST. MARGARET'S YONKERS EMPIRE CITY BUS TRIP

Monday, October 16th

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 NOVEMBER TRIP!



ATTENTION ALL SHOPPERS: YANKEE CANDLE FUNDRAISER!

Saint Margaret Catholic Academy is
participating in a Yankee Candle Fundraiser.

If you would like to help us raise funds for the
school, please go to

yankeecandlefundraising.com and enter the
Group # 990015939 in the "Start Shopping" box.

You can view the catalog online and place your
order directly. Although the school is collecting its
orders by October 6th, parishioners are welcome to
place orders online at any time, receive home
delivery, and still benefit the school!

Thank you for your help!