

# ***St. Margaret Roman Catholic Church***

*66-05 79th Place, Middle Village, New York 11379*

**~MASS BELLS~**

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## **PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD MARCH 25, 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. MARCH 25 - PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**  
7:30 Eileen Flynn & Geraldine Ward  
9:00 Daniele Bussa/Vincenzo, Giuseppe e Lina Giresi/Filippo e Leonardo Curatolo/ Natale DiGiovanna/Giuseppe Battaglia/ Salvatore Giorlando/Salvatore Fazzolari/ Giuseppe e Carmela Valone/Mariano, Maria e Victoria Siragusa/  
10:30 Michael, Catherine, Tom & Rosaleen Reilly  
NOON Phyllis Armato  
5:00PM Grazia Macri
- MON. MARCH 26 - MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK**  
7:00 Josephine Matzelle  
9:00 Edward & Madeline Korth
- TUE. MARCH 27 - TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK**  
7:00 Philip Curatolo  
9:00 James Dorsano  
9:30 Stations of the Cross - Italian
- WED. MARCH 28 - WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK**  
7:00 Harvey Karcher (BIRTH)  
9:00 Thomas & Delia Waters  
9:30 Stations of the Cross - English
- THU. MARCH 29 - HOLY THURSDAY**  
9:00 Morning Prayer  
5:00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper/People of the Parish
- FRI. MARCH 30 - GOOD FRIDAY**  
9:00 Morning Prayer  
3:00PM Liturgy of the Passion  
7:30PM Stations of the Cross - English
- SAT. MARCH 31 - HOLY SATURDAY**  
9:00 Morning Prayer  
NOON Mid-day Prayer/Blessing of Food  
8:00PM People of the Parish
- SUN. APRIL 1 - EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**  
7:30 Lucy Sepi  
9:00 Saveria Prezioso/Giuseppina Scaturro/Lea Sansone/Francesco e Maria Varruso/Luigi Bonello/Pellegrino e Giuseppa Benfari/ Benedetto Barretta e Famiglia/  
10:30 John J. & Margaret M. Forte  
NOON Carl Dokter/Louise Meoller  
**NO EVENING MASS**

## **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](http://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](mailto: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, Cari Ann Falk-LoBello, Glen Falk, Ronald Frazier, John Downer, Robert Sabini, Lee Falk, Scott White, Baby McKinley Kelleher, Sean Harrison, Justin James Quirke, Parish Wert, Michael Hirst, Elizabeth Ott, Marion Caracciola, Baby Keila Mary Champoli, Brooke and Alexa Renda, The Ferrugio Family, Sandra Slattery, Shirley Chesley, Jim Daniels, Lola Anderson, George McGarry, Michael Mavin, Denis Fink, Marc Pagnozzi, 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, Daniel Fox, Domenica Millitello, Caterina D'Anna, Evelyn Mojica, Immaculate Marge D'Elia, Carol Arevalo, Jim O'Driscoll, Victoria Lippolis, Mary Rigovich, Matteo Sabini, Charles Schaaf, Joseph Russo, Alvaro Andres Gonzalez, Marie Powell, Rose Healy,

*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, Rose V. Gengler,  
Carmela T. Fusco, Joseph Russo,*

*May they rest in Christ's Peace!*

### MEMORIALS

#### WINE & HOST THIS WEEK

*are offered in memory of Louis & Joan Meyers  
at the request of The Grandchildren.*

#### SANCTUARY LAMP & ALTAR CANDLES

##### THIS WEEK

*are offered in memory of Phyllis Armato  
at the request of Fr. Armato.*

#### TABERNACLE LAMP THIS WEEK

*is lit in memory of Rose Accardi  
at the request of Ben Armato.*

### TODAY'S READINGS

Gospel at the Procession with Palms - Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16).

First Reading - In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced, I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm - My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

Second Reading - Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel - The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 - 15:47 [15:1-39])

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11  
Tuesday: Is 49:1-56; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38  
Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Mt 26:14-25  
Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21  
Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15  
Friday: Is 52:13 - 53:12; Ps 31; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 - 19:42  
Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 - 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; b) Gn 22:1-18 [2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18] c) Ex 14:15 - 15:1; d) Is 54:5-14 e) Is 55:1-11; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Mk 16:1-7  
Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

## **HOLY WEEK** **SCHEDULE 2018**

### **PALM SUNDAY**

Saturday, confession from 3:30 to 4:30pm  
Saturday, Vigil Mass at 5:00pm  
Sunday Masses at 7:30am, 9:00am (Italian),  
10:30am, 12:00 Noon and 5:00pm

### **RECONCILIATION MONDAY**

Confession from 7:30 to 9:00am;  
3:00 to 5:00pm; and 7:00 to 9:00pm  
This is the last chance for confession before Easter

### **HOLY THURSDAY**

Morning Prayer at 9:00am  
Mass of the Lord's Supper at 8:00pm  
Adoration until 11pm in the Church

### **GOOD FRIDAY**

Morning Prayer at 9:00am  
Solemn Liturgy of the Passion at 3:00pm  
Stations of the Cross at 7:30pm

### **HOLY SATURDAY**

Morning Prayer at 9:00am  
Mid-day Prayer w/Blessing of Food  
at 12:00 Noon  
Solemn Easter Vigil at 8:00pm

**NO CONFESSIONS TODAY**

**NO 5:00PM MASS**

### **EASTER SUNDAY MASSES**

7:30am, 9:00am (Italian), 10:30am  
12:00 Noon

**NO EVENING MASS**

## **LENTEN REGULATIONS 2018**

### **WEEKDAYS OF LENT:**

There is no obligation to fast. However, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

### **ASH WEDNESDAY & GOOD FRIDAY:**

These are days of Fast and Abstinence from meat, (this includes chicken). There is a limit of one full meal on these days for all between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive.

### **DAYS OF ABSTINENCE: ALL FRIDAYS IN LENT**

All who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain totally from meat.

### **EASTER DUTY OBLIGATION:**

After they have received their First Holy Communion, Catholics are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. Catholics are also bound to confess serious (mortal) sins at least once a year, but this is not limited to the Lenten/Easter Season.



### **WAY OF THE CROSS OVER** **THE BROOKLYN BRIDGE**

On Good Friday, March 30, 2018, Communion and Liberation will sponsor the Way of the Cross over the Brooklyn Bridge. Participants will congregate for the First Station at St. James Cathedral, Brooklyn at 10am. After a station on the Brooklyn Bridge, the procession will follow the cross to a Third Station at City Hall Park in Manhattan, and a Fourth Station near Ground Zero. The final station will be at St. Peter's Church, on Barclay Street, concluding at 1:30pm. At each station, there will be readings from the Passion, a meditation, a reflection and hymns. All are invited. For more information, please call Communion and Liberation at **212-337-3580** or visit its website at **[www.wocbrooklynbridge.org](http://www.wocbrooklynbridge.org)**.

### **SIGN-UP FOR ADORATION**

After the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, March 29th, we will have Adoration in the church from 9:30pm to 11:00pm. If you would like to commit to keeping vigil and praying for 1/2 hour during that time, please call the Rectory, 718-326-1911, and leave your name.



***THE PRIESTS AND***  
***PARISH STAFF***  
***WISH YOU A***  
***BLESSED***  
***PALM SUNDAY***

### *From the Pastor's Desk:*

It seems as if we've just begun Lent, and now we're coming to its close, singing "Hosanna" as we welcome the Lord into His Holy City. This week is the most sacred time of the year for faithful Christians, the time when we remember and try to enter spiritually into the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of our Blessed Lord.

There will be many distractions this week, as there have been through all of Lent, and it may take some special effort on our part to respond to the grace that God offers us, especially in view of the excitement of "March Madness" and the opening MLB games. Don't give them such importance, though, that you forget what is truly important, the championship for which you strive as a disciple of Christ: to be united with Him now and in the life to come.

Take the time, then, to persevere in your Lenten spiritual exercises of fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. Slow down, put aside the noise and busyness of everyday life, and take some time this week to enter the Mystery and experience God's love and mercy in your own life. Join us in the services and Masses of this most solemn week, and take advantage of the opportunity to go to confession this Monday, here or in another parish. Unburden yourself of whatever sins you've been dragging along and prepare yourself to celebrate the great triumph of Christ next Sunday.

May God, Who has begun the good work in you, bring it to completion in the Day of our Lord Jesus Christ!

~Fr. Armato



Registration is ongoing; don't miss your spot in our great school! Call our office (718-326-0922) to schedule a tour. We have many great programs to offer including our newly added STEM lab and Repole Tech Center. Scholarships are available. Contact us for more information.

**Save the date:** join us for a Night of Mystery, Mayhem and Murder! Friday, June 1 at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$55 and includes a buffet dinner and interactive show. Refreshments available for purchase. Dress up like you are attending a wedding - Bring your friends for a night of FUN!!!



**LIVE:**

***TKA AND JUDY TORRES***

Friday, April 20th - doors open at 8pm

St. Margaret Gym - \$50.00 p/p

( includes 1 drink) For tickets call

**Katy, 718-326-0922**





## 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  
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](mailto:StMargGiftShop@yahoo.com)



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

**Monday, April 16, 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 MAY TRIP**

## IRISH NIGHT - DINNER/DANCE

Pat Minogue would like to thank: Sr. Bridget Olwell,  
Debbie Barrett, Betty Cocco, Susan Conte, Sheila and  
John DeBiase, Mary Harrison, Anne and Tom Lenihan,  
Kathy Loftus, Bridie Mitchell and Maureen Postel for all  
of their help with this year's successful dinner-dance. Not  
only did they help with the dance, but they also donated to  
the raffle baskets. Also, Congratulations to Bridie  
Mitchell who won the 50/50. Finally, thank you to all of  
our guests who supported the event. We hope to see you  
again next year!

## SECOND COLLECTIONS

Please note that we will take up a second collection  
immediately after the first at all Masses on Palm Sunday,  
3/25, and Easter Sunday, 4/1. Thank you for your  
generosity in supporting the mission of this 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.**

The food pantry is now in need of juice, coffee,  
tuna, rice, canned fruit and pasta sauce.  
As always, we thank you for your generosity.

## THE 6TH ANNUAL BRIDGE TO LIFE CAMPAIGN

Sponsored by The St. Vincent dePaul Society.

**WHEN:** now through Good Friday, March 30th.

**WHY:** To help women in a crisis pregnancy  
choose life over abortion.

**DONATE:** Cash or check written to "Bridge to  
Life". Envelopes marked Bridge to Life are on  
the radiators in the Church. Put them in the  
collection basket or Rectory mailbox.

**HELP PROTECT THE UNBORN**

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal is about to  
begin, calling for the participation of every family in  
the Parish to support the needs of the Church in the  
Diocese of Brooklyn, including here in Middle  
Village. Our Parish goal has been set at \$69,365,  
which will help the Diocese to provide social  
services, assistance to the elderly, assisted living  
housing for retired priests, youth outreach, and other  
services. Whatever we raise above our goal will be  
returned to the Parish to help us address our own  
local needs, which are various and many.

Previous donors will receive a direct mailing  
from the Appeal offices; envelopes will be provided  
in the Church during the registration period for  
anyone making a first-time donation.

Please consider prayerfully your own level of  
participation and respond as generously as you can  
once the Appeal begins. Some can make a large  
donation; many can give but a little; everyone can  
give something. We can achieve our goal together!