

St. Margaret Roman Catholic Church

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~*MASS BELLS*~

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**FIFTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER
APRIL 29 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. APRIL 29 - FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
7:30 Mary & Joseph Abbott
9:00 Gaetano e Giovanni Caruso/Benito Valanti/Frank Armano/
10:30 Dolores DeBiase
NOON People of the Parish
5:00PM Antoinette Santora
- MON. APRIL 30 - ST. PIUS V**
7:00 Vivian Gargiulo
9:00 William Cuggy
- TUE. MAY 1 - ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER**
7:00 Purgatorial Society
9:00 Anthony LoPresti
- WED. MAY 2 - ST. ATHANASIUS**
7:00 Anthony LoPresti
9:00 Eleanor Muller
- THU. MAY 3 - STS. PHILIP/JAMES**
7:00 Michael Leone
9:00 Giuseppina Scaturro
- FRI. MAY 4 - EASTER WEEKDAY/ FIRST FRIDAY**
7:00 Vivian Gargiulo
9:00 Geraldine & John Ward
- SAT. MAY 5 - EASTER WEEKDAY/ FIRST SATURDAY**
9:00 COLLECTIVE: Deceased Priests of the Dioceses of Brooklyn and Rockville Centre/Gloria Prima/Holy Souls/Bill & Lee DiGiovanna/
5:00PM Andrew & Loretta Campbell
- SUN. MAY 6 - SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
7:30 Concetta & John Aversa
9:00 Giuseppina Scaturro/Anthony Realmuto/
Giovanni Ferrara/Caterina Garofalo/
Giuseppe Colombo/Antonina Giordano/
10:30 Catherine Fazio
NOON Fire Lt. Kevin J. & William Pfeifer
5:00PM People of the Parish

PROPER ATTIRE FOR MASS

As the warmer weather approaches, 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, 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 Bryzgoria, 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, Alvaro Andres Gonzalez, Luis Sanchez, Mary Westman.

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 Frohnoefer
Sgt. Robert A. Domenici**



WE RECALL OUR BELOVED DECEASED

*Especially,
Giuseppe Cucchiara,
Augustine V. DeSimone,
May they rest in Christ's Peace!*

MEMORIALS

WINE & HOST THIS WEEK

*are offered in memory of Eleanor Muller
at the request of Anne McGinnis,
Terry Mendoza & Marilyn Adamo.*

***Each small task of everyday life
is part of the total
harmony of the universe.***

TODAY'S READINGS

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30,
31-32; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16;
Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-11,
12-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a (286) or
for the Memorial, Gn 1:26-2:3 or
Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24; Mt 13:54-58

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5
Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: 1 Cor 15:1-8; Ps 19:2-3, 4-5;
Jn 14:6-14

Friday: Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-9, 10, 12;
Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5;
Jn 15:18-21

Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48;
Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4; 1 Jn 4:7-10;
Jn 15:9-17

On Godparents/Sponsors

Baptism and Confirmation are the two Sacraments that require at least one “godparent” for each candidate, although the proper term is “sponsor”. While some changes have occurred over the centuries, the primary role of the sponsor is to walk with the candidate in the journey of his/her faith development. In the case of Baptism, the sponsor assists the parents in making sure that the child has a proper upbringing in the practice of the Faith. In that of Confirmation, the sponsor is to provide the candidate with a role model of Christian discipleship. In both cases, they are to give good example and to pray for their “godchild”.

Sometimes, we see at Baptisms and Confirmations people chosen as sponsors simply because they are a favored relative or family friend, but who, unfortunately, do not practice the Faith and have no clue as to what they are called to do or how to live, no less follow through on those callings. Sponsors should be chosen, instead, because of the example of Catholic faithfulness that they present.

The requirements of being a sponsor are that he/she be fully initiated into the Catholic Faith, i.e., that he/she has been confirmed, is over the age of 16, and is a practicing Catholic. Fulfilling the last requirement includes that the sponsor participates at Mass on a regular, weekly basis, and that he/she either has been married in Church or is a celibate single living as such.

Being an active, recognizable member of the local Parish community also helps the clergy to provide a certificate attesting to the suitability of a person to serve as a sponsor. If we don’t know who you are or see you regularly at Mass, how can we issue such a certificate in good conscience? We’d be playing games of deception.

Though there’s more to be said on this, suffice it for now to say that the role of the sponsor is a time-honored and important position, not only in the life and structure of the Church, but also, and most especially, in the life of the candidate. It should be taken seriously and only after prayerful reflection, and then carried out with dedication and commitment to living a proper Catholic life.

~Fr. Armato

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

Thanks to the **81 families** who have contributed toward the 2018 Annual Catholic Appeal! Is your family one of them? We are now at **\$29,649: 42.7% of our Parish goal of \$69,365**, and have another \$40,016 to go.

Our goal is achievable, if every family participates. Some can give much, others less, but every family can give something. Please consider making a pledge of at least \$100. You have until the end of the year to complete your monthly payments.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES MOBILE OUTREACH TEAM

The team provides in home comprehensive case management services, including outreach crisis services, supportive counseling, advocacy, linkage to community based home care, and legal and mental health services, to individuals ages five and older, to Queens neighborhoods.

Mobile Outreach Team is located at **67-29 Myrtle Ave.**, Glendale, NY 11385. For information call **718-456-7001**. *Funded by the NYC Dept. of Mental Health, Retardation and Alcoholism Services.*

**SCHOOL
NEWS!**

FROM THE ACADEMY

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.

TEST PREP FOR THE TACHS EXAM

for admission into Catholic high schools will take place at St. Agnes Academic H.S., 13-20 124th Street, College Point, NY as follows:
Monday, July 30, to Thursday, August 2, and
Monday, August 6, to Thursday, August 9,
from 9:00am to 12:00pm.
Girls and boys entering 8th Grade - \$275pp.
For more information: **718-353-6276**, or
www.stagneshs.org



**THE MURDER
MYSTERY
COMPANY**
presents

'TIL DEATH DO US PART

Friday, June 1, 2018, 7:30pm
St. Margaret Parish Center
66-10 80th Street, Middle Village
\$55p/p includes buffet dinner and
interactive show.

WHAT TO WEAR FOR THE SHOW

Ridiculous Ties - Old Wedding Dress
Non-Wedding Attire - Worst Wedding Attire
Ugly Bridesmaids Dresses - Accessories
(Anything that helps you stand out)

**JOIN US FOR A NIGHT OF
MYSTERY, MAYHEM, AND
MURDER !!!**

RSVP: 718-326-0922 for tickets

*All proceeds benefit
St. Margaret Catholic Academy*



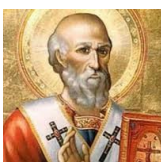
**THE ST. VINCENT
dePAUL
FOOD PANTRY**
is located at 66-25 79 Place
Middle Village, NY

**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 ST. VINCENT
dePAUL SOCIETY**

will hold their next meeting on Tuesday,
May 8th, at 9:30am in the Convent.



ST. ATHANASIUS - Feast day May 2

Athanasius suffered many trials while he was bishop of Alexandria. He was given the grace to remain strong against what probably seemed at times to be insurmountable opposition. Athanasius lived his office as bishop completely. He defended the true faith for his flock, regardless of the cost to himself. In today's world we are experiencing this same call to remain true to our faith, no matter what.

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



ST. MARGARET'S YONKERS EMPIRE CITY BUS TRIP

Monday, May 14, 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 JUNE TRIP**

PARISH REGISTRATION

Very often, people come to the Rectory asking for
a certificate or letter attesting to their being active
members of our Parish. That's hard for us to do, if
there is no record of their being registered.

All families worshipping here at St. Margaret's are
expected to register with the Rectory Offices. All
you have to do is complete the following
information and drop it into the collection basket.
We'll take it from there.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone #: (____) - ____ - ____

MSGR. AGUGGIA

Msgr. Steven Aguggia will celebrate his **25th anniversary** of priestly ordination with a **Mass of Thanksgiving** on Sunday, May 27, at 10:00 am at St. Kevin RC Church (45-21 194th St., Flushing). All are welcome to participate.

Also, a **dinner in his honor** will be held at *Giando's on the Water* (400 Kent Ave., Brooklyn) at 12:30 pm the same day. Those wishing to attend should see Sr. Bridget at our Rectory by Friday, May 11. Dinner tickets are \$100 per person.

ST. MARGARET'S SENIORS

Mark your calendars! St. Margaret's Seniors Group will sponsor some additional trips this year:

Thursday, 5/17 - Westchester Broadway Theater

Tuesday, 7/10 - Resorts Casino A.C. Boardwalk

For more info, call Blanche (718-894-1323).

FAITH DIRECT

Give up your envelopes! We invite you to help your parish save money by enrolling with *Faith Direct*, to provide St. Margaret Parish with consistent support, which will simplify your giving without the costly envelopes. 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

MEMORIALS AVAILABLE

Many memorials for altar lamps, sanctuary lamps, and bread and wine are still available throughout the remainder of this year.

Also, while we no longer celebrate private memorial Masses, families who wish to have an annual or "month's mind" Mass offered for a loved one can join in the memorial Mass celebrated each month for the repose of the souls of those buried from our church during the preceding month. Call the Rectory Offices to make the arrangements. The next memorial Mass will be celebrated at 11:45am Saturday, May 19.