St. Margaret Roman Catholic Church

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FOURTH SUNDAY

IN

LENT

MARCH 31, 2019

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. 7:30 9:00	MARCH 31 - FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT People of the Parish Filippo e Leonardo Curatolo/Giuseppa DiStefano/Severio, Michael e Luigi Bosco Giuseppe Anello/Joseph Battaglia/Anthony
10:30 NOON 5:00PM	Pagano/ Thomas Foudy (BIRTH) Eta M. Tierney Biagio Lucci
MON. 7:00 9:00	APRIL 1 - LENTEN WEEKDAY Purgatorial Society Maria Resei
TUE. 7:00 9:00 9:30	APRIL 2 - ST. FRANCIS OF PAOLA Kathleen Waters Mary Callaghan Stations of the Cross (Italian)
WED. 7:00 9:00	APRIL 3 - LENTEN WEEKDAY Susie Neikens Ida & Maria Vocaturo (BIRTH)
THU. 7:00 9:00	APRIL 4 - ST. ISIDORE Susan Neikens Peter & Dorothy Keehner
FRI.	APRIL 5 - ST. VINCENT FERRER/FIRST
7:00 9:00 9:30	FRIDAY/ABSTINENCE Concetta Abate Lydia J. Kramer Stations of the Cross (English)
SAT.	APRIL 6 - LENTEN WEEKDAY/FIRST
9:00	SATURDAY COLLECTIVE: Sal Puglese/Souls in Purgatory/Bill & Lee DiGiovanna/Patrick
5:00PM	Kearney/ Florence & Daniel O'Donnell
SUN. 7:30 9:00	APRIL 7 - FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT Lt. Michael Maloney, FDNY (ANNI) Il Popolo della Parocchia/Antonino Catalano/Giuseppe Chillemi/
4000	

During Lent, we will have Stations of the Cross in Italian at 9:30am on Tuesdays and in English at 9:30am on Fridays. All are welcome to join in this very ancient spiritual exercise during the holy season of lent.

Kathleen & Theresa Flanagan



10:30

NOON

5:00PM



Margrit Mever

Biagio Lucci







PARISH INFORMATION

Rectory Office Hours
Monday - Friday - 9 am to Noon, and
1 pm to 5pm
Tuesday & Wednesday evenings
5-7pm
Saturday - by appointment
Sunday - closed

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.

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 <u>MUST</u> 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 ENGLISH CHOIR rehearses on Tuesday, at 7 pm in the Church. Tenors and baritones needed!

IL CORO ITALIANO prattica ogni Domenica prima della Messa Italiana.

THE YOUTH 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.

SENIOR CITIZENS meet every Wednesday at 12 Noon in the Parish Center.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Karen Guarascio, Connie Faccibene, Linda Frazier, Cari Ann Falk-LoBello, Glen Falk, Ronald Frazier, Robert Sabini, Lee Falk, Scott White, Baby McKinley Kelleher, Sean Harrison, Justin James Quirke, Elizabeth Ott, Baby Keila Mary Champoli, Sandra Slattery, Dr. Joan Virostko, Alfie Poje, Carol Arevalo, Jim O'Driscoll, Victoria Lippolis, Mary Rigovich, Matteo Sabini, Charles Schaaf, Alvaro Andres Gonzalez, Luis Sanchez, Billy Gillespie, George McGarry, Cathie Greulich, Anthony Bruno, John Wert, Joseph Stubbs, Bob & Karen Schaefer, Michael Hirst, Mary Harrison, John Murphy, Anne McGinnis, Richard Santangelo, Norma Voyer, Vicky Turato, Adriana Caruso, Julio Pelaez, Maritza Gutierrez, Graciela Mora, Cindy Mulore, Salvatore Tuttolomondo, Gloria Mojica, Gloria Pemaj, Anne Gorian, Allen McConville, Joseph Simon, Jack Marchindiondo, Victoria Lippolis, The Scaturro Family, Joseph Siano, Louis Pitelli,

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, Frank Papp, Antonino Colombo, Margaret Laferrera, Barbara Palma, May they rest in Christ's Peace!

MEMORIALS

WINE & HOST THIS WEEK

are offered in memory of Ralph Kistner at the request of the St. Vincent dePaul Society.

TABERNACLE LAMP THIS WEEK

is lit in memory of Louis Finocchiaro at the request of Ben Armato.



SAINT FRANCIS OF PAOLA APRIL 2

TODAY'S READINGS

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Jos 5:9a, 10-12 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 2 Cor 5:17-21 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 65:17-21

Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a

and 13b Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12

Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9

Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:9-15

Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18

Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14

Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23

Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22

Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23

Jn 7:-1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20

Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12

Jn 7:40-53

Sunday: Is 43:16-21

Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6

Phil 3:8-14

Jn 8:1-11

LENTEN REGULATIONS

Once again, the celebration of Christ's Passion and Resurrection is upon us. In our preparation for Easter, the Church invites us to observe the penitential and grace-filled season of Lent which started on March 6, 2019 with the observance of Ash Wednesday. Lent is a time of renewal for the entire Catholic community. It is also a time of spiritual accompaniment as we assist the catechumens and candidates who will be welcomed into communion with the Church during the Easter Season. In order to assist the faithful of the Diocese of Brooklyn to take full advantage of the Lenten season, our Bishop, Most reverend Nicholas DiMarzio wishes to draw attention to the following:

<u>ABSTINENCE</u> - All the faithful who have reached 14 years of age are required to abstain totally from meat on Ash Wednesday and the Fridays of Lent.

<u>FASTING</u> - All the faithful between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive are bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This practice involves limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Light sustenance may also be taken on two other occasions during the day.

EASTER DUTY - After they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, all the faithful are bound by the obligation of receiving Holy communion at least once a year. By special indult, in the United States, the period for fulfilling this precept has been extended to include the period beginning the First Sunday of Lent (March 10, 2019) to the celebration of Pentecost (June 9, 2019).

BOY SCOUT TROOP #119

are looking for adult leaders for the troop.

Volunteers must be of good character and enjoy interaction with children and adolescent boys.

If interested, please call

Charles Krzewski, 718-894-4099.

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 worshiping here at St. Margaret's are encouraged 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 #:	(

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The 2019 Annual Catholic Appeal Campaign is off to a good start. Thanks to the 58 families who already have pledged \$26,201 toward this year's goal of \$65,897!

Please note that the Campaign is used for **funding pastoral services** throughout the Diocese, including here at St. Margaret's. NONE of the money is used for settlements of ANY legal suits.

THE ST. JOHN'S UNIVERSITY SPEECH AND HEARING CENTER

will be offering "Hearing Aid Help" through May 6th. 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

Please call the center, **718-990-6480** to schedule an appointment. The Speech and Hearing Center is located at 152-11 Union Turnpike, Flushing NY.

~ St. Margaret Gift Shop ~

Wednesdays, 12:00 - 4:00 pm Saturdays, 4:00 - 5:00 pm and Sundays, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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

~ Use Your Envelopes ~

Please use your donation envelopes. We send out over 900 each mailing, costing the Parish (you!) several hundred dollars each time, but it appears that less than one sixth are being used. We cannot issue annual donation statements for tax purposes unless we have information provided on the envelopes.

Families who do not use their envelopes will be deleted from the mailings during 2019.

We have been updating and improving our recording system and now have it up and running to issue contribution statements. Please call the Rectory to get your statement. We will issue it as soon as we can. Please be patient.

SEXUAL ABUSE REPORTING

Call the toll-free, NY State hotline, 1-800-342-3720, or the toll-free, Diocesan number, 1-888-634-4499,

to report any possible sexual abuse of children or adults by anyone. Both lines are confidential.

~ Monthly Memorial Mass ~

A bi-lingual (English and Italian) memorial Mass with music is celebrated each month for the repose of the souls of those who were buried from our church during the preceding month.

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 this monthly celebration. Please contact the Rectory at 718-326-1911 to make the arrangements.

The next memorial Mass will be celebrated at 11:45 am. Saturday April 13.



THE ST. VINCENT FOOD PANTRY

is located in the Convent 66-25 79th Place

The Pantry is open every WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY from 10:00 am to 12:00 Noon.

Our Food Pantry is in need of coffee, bottled juice, cooking oil, mayo, sugar, canned fruit, Chef Boy-ardee products.

As always, thank you for your generosity!

CALLING ALL WOMEN OF THE PARISH AGES 25-100+

Here is a chance to strengthen your faith and your relationship with God. This is a wonderful gift that each of you deserve! Please come join us for the Women's Cursillo weekend April 4-7, 2019 at St. Josephat's in Glen Cove, NY. The Cursillo is a structured weekend. It consists of a series of talks and discussions, which offers you the opportunity to work at getting to know yourself, discover your strengths, figure out what place God plays in your life, and get closer to Him. The weekend offers you the guidance to blend your love of God with your environment when you re-enter your everyday world. For more info. Contact Julie Charles, 917-402-0800 or Ann Marie Dodd, 516-236-0586.

~ ACADEMY NEWS ~

Two lasting things we hope to give our children: Roots and Wings.

Congratulations to our 2019 graduates as they soar to new heights!



Cathedral Preparatory School
Christ the King Regional High School
Holy Cross High School
Fontbonne Hall Academy
St. Agnes Academic High School
St. Francis Preparatory School
St. Saviour High School
Dominican Academy
Holy Trinity High School
Notre Dame School
Martin Luther School

Over \$250,000 in scholarships were awarded to our students to attend these schools!

Let your child take flight on the wings of a values-based education at

ST. MARGARET
CATHOLIC ACADEMY

SEATS AVAILABLE FOR 2019-20 For more information, contact us at **718.326.0922**



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OPEN HOUSE

Molloy College: Sunday, April 7th, 1:00 pm. For more info. call **516-323-4000**.



ST. MARGARET'S YONKERS EMPIRE CITY BUS TRIP

Our **next trip** will be on

TUESDAY, APRIL 9, 2019

The bus will be in front of the Church and will leave promptly at 9am.

The cost is \$25.00 per person.

For reservations or more information call

Betty at 718-326-0198.
ONE LUCKY PERSON WILL WIN
A FREE RIDE
FOR OUR MAY TRIP.

ABORTION IS MURDER

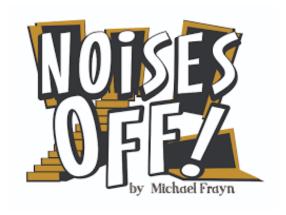
The St. Vincent dePaul Society is asking you to support their annual campaign for "BRIDGE TO LIFE".

Your donation will provide emotional, medical, and financial aid to women in a crisis pregnancy (to abort or not to abort).

Place your donation (*cash*, *or check payable to* **Bridge to Life**) in the envelopes provided on the radiators of the Church and put them in the collection basket or in the rectory mailbox.

The campaign runs from Ash Wednesday to Good Friday. Please make this one of your Lenten sacrifices.

MAGGIE'S LITTLE THEATER PRESENTS



LAST SHOW

Sun. March 31 at 2:30pm

Adults: \$20 - Seniors (65+) and Children (11 & under) \$18 For tickets visit www.maggieslittletheater.org or call 917-579-5389

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