

# ***ST. MARGARET ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH***

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

***~ MASS BELLS ~***

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**FIFTH SUNDAY**

**IN**

**LENT**

***APRIL 7, 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**

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>APRIL 7 - FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT</b>
7:30	Lt. Michael Maloney, FDNY (ANNI)
9:00	Il Popolo della Parocchia/Antonino Catalano/ Giuseppe Chillemi/ Kathleen & Theresa Flanagan
10:30	Margrit Meyer
NOON	Biagio Lucci
5:00PM	
<b>MON.</b>	<b>APRIL 8 - LENTEN WEEKDAY</b>
7:00	Rose D'Amato
9:00	Henry, John & Lillian Rader
<b>TUE.</b>	<b>APRIL 9 - LENTEN WEEKDAY</b>
7:00	Welfare of Margaret Butler
9:00	Blanche Dathe
9:30	Stations of the Cross (Italian)
<b>WED.</b>	<b>APRIL 10 - LENTEN WEEKDAY</b>
7:00	Rev. Msgr. Nicholas W. Sivillo
9:00	Ralph Kistner
<b>THU.</b>	<b>APRIL 11 - ST. STANISLAUS</b>
7:00	Antonino Colombo
9:00	Ralph Kistner
<b>FRI.</b>	<b>APRIL 12 - ABSTINENCE</b>
7:00	John Desmond Kenneally
9:00	Marilyn Clarke
9:30	Stations of the Cross (English)
<b>SAT.</b>	<b>APRIL 13 - ST. MARTIN</b>
9:00	COLLECTIVE: Patricia Principato/ MEMORIAL MASS: Felicia Albi, Jeany Santana, Elizabeth Nohilly, Vita D'Angelo, Anna Santerano, Lena J. Vecchione, Alfred Macchio, Frank Papp, Margaret Laferrera, Barbara Palma, Joseph Vella, Teofista Leonardo Bernardino,
11:45	William & Belle T. Kunz
5:00PM	
<b>SUN.</b>	<b>APRIL 14 - PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD</b>
7:30	John Downer
9:00	Vincenza, Mariano e Salvatore Palmeri/ Daniele Bussa/Rosario, Rosaria e Nunzio Taormina/Salvatore Fazzolari/Antonino Colombo/ People of the Parish
10:30	Mary Columbia (ANNI)
NOON	Carl Dokter/Jay & Louise Moeller
5:00PM	

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.



## **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 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 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 YOUTH 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.

**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, 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, Marion Caracciola,

***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***

*Epecially,  
Joseph Vella, Lena Civitano,  
Daniel F. Ricci,  
May they rest in Christ's Peace!*

## MEMORIALS

### **WINE & HOST THIS WEEK**

*are offered in memory of Frank Fischetti at the  
request of Rosalie Pellegrino & Family.*

### **TABERNACLE LAMP THIS WEEK**

*is lit in memory of Guido Carosi.*

## LENTEN CONFESSIONS

Confessions, in preparation for Easter, will be heard on Monday, April 15, from 7:30 to 9:00am, 3:00 to 5:00pm, and 7:00 to 8:00pm. Every church in our Diocese, in the City, and on Long Island will be open, with varied extended hours this day. This will be the very last opportunity here for confessions before Easter.

## TODAY'S READINGS

### ***Fifth Sunday in Lent***

Is 43:16-21

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

Phil 3:8-14

Jn 8:1-11

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62  
or Dn 13:41c-62  
Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6  
Jn 8:12-20

Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9  
Ps 102:2-3, 16-18, 19-21  
Jn 8:21-30

Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95  
Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56  
Jn 8:31-42

Thursday: Gn 17:3-9  
Ps 105:4-5, 6-7, 8-9  
Jn 8:51-59

Friday: Jer 20:10-13  
Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 5-6, 7  
Jn 10:31-42

Saturday: Ez 37:21-28  
Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13  
Jn 11:45-56

Sunday: Lk 19:28-40  
Is 50:4-7  
Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24  
Phil 2:6-11  
Lk 22:14-23:56 or Lk 23:1-49

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

## **ON THE PRECEPTS OF THE CHURCH**

We often complain and bristle about rules and regulations (especially many of those that have come down from the various levels of government of late). Some can be oppressive, but many are given for the proper ordering of society, to avoid chaos, and to advance the “common good”.

Canon, or Church, laws are formulated to protect the rights and establish the duties of the members of the Church, laity as well as clergy. Although these number over 2,400, the basic ***Precepts of the Church***, applicable to all of the faithful, are reduced today to just five, yes, five. They are directed not toward making life miserable for us, nor are they given as ends in themselves, but rather as tools to provide order to the society of the Church and to guide us toward our goal, our common good as Christians: a proper life here on earth and eternal life in the Kingdom of the Father. They help us to live with one another more fully as members of the Mystical Body of Christ by living holy lives marked by prayer, self-denial, and acts of charity, sustained by the grace of the Sacraments.

There was a time when they were part of our basic religious training. For those who may have forgotten them, or who never learned them, they are as follow:

- 1) To participate at Mass on all Sundays and holy days of obligation.
- 2) To abstain from eating meat and to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, and to abstain from meat on the other Fridays of Lent.
- 3) To confess our sins at least once a year (we always need to be in a state of grace, free from mortal sin, whenever we receive Holy Communion).
- 4) To receive Holy Communion annually at a minimum, specifically between Ash Wednesday and the Solemnity of Pentecost.
- 5) To contribute to the support of the Church with our treasure, our time, and our talents.

What could be simpler to carry out? And yet so many abandon the simple practice of the Faith (the “spiritual but not religious” set), or we hesitate to do so, or we do so not out of love for God but under fear and compulsion. How different, how much more beautiful and richer our lives would be, if we just allowed the grace that God offers us this Lent to transform our lives, so that we might grow in our love for Him and one another and thus build up the Body of Christ!

The days before Easter are passing swiftly. Live the Faith today, so as to celebrate the great Feast of Feasts with hearts and minds made new!

~Fr. Armato

## **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 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. So far, 66 families have pledged \$27,481 toward this year's goal of \$65,897! We still have a long way to go, and still have to hear from the rest of our more than 1,000 families. Imagine if every family were to give just \$100, payable by the end of the year! Please give what your means allow, but give something. *All funds collected here are used only for the service of the people of our parish and Diocese.*

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

### ~ 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, (see page 2 for names).**

### 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.

### ENVELOPES

Printing and mailing out envelopes is costly, and too many people still are putting in only \$1-3 weekly, which was barely okay 50 years ago. Regrettably, envelopes will be stopped in the coming months for families contributing less than \$10 per week.

When using your envelopes, please do not use tape or staples, and be sure to write the amount of your donation on the line provided. This will help the counters to do their work more smoothly. Thank you for your cooperation!

An alternative to envelopes is e-giving. You may use *Faith Direct* or similar deposit systems. Please contact the rectory offices for more information or to sign up.

### RELICS EXHIBIT

Fr. Carlos Martin will present a talk and prayerful exhibit of the relics of over 150 saints at Sacred Heart (83-17 78th Avenue, Glendale) this Monday, April 8, at 7:00pm.  
All are welcome!



### 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-ar-dee products.  
As always, thank you for your generosity!*

### WAY OF THE CROSS OVER THE BROOKLYN BRIDGE GOOD FRIDAY, 2019

Begins at 10am, April 19th. at  
St. James Cathedral-Basilica  
(corner of Jay & Tillary)

The procession will stop on the Brooklyn Bridge, at  
City Hall Park, and Ground Zero; it will end at  
St. Peter's Church,

16 Barclay Street in Manhattan, at 1:30pm.

At each Station there will be readings from the Passion, a meditation, reflection, and hymns. All are invited. For more information, call *Communion and Liberation*, **212-337-3580** or visit its website:

[www.wocbrooklynbridge.org](http://www.wocbrooklynbridge.org)



## ~ 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!



*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**  
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Holy Cross High School  
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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



## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE 2019

### PALM SUNDAY

Saturday, Confession from 3:00 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 7:30am to 9:00am  
3:00pm to 5:00pm and 7:00pm to 8:00pm

### HOLY THURSDAY

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

### GOOD FRIDAY

Morning Prayer at 9:00am  
Stations of the Cross in English at 12:00 Noon  
Solemn Liturgy of the Passion at 3:00pm  
Solemn Liturgy of the Passion at 7:30pm

### HOLY SATURDAY

Morning Prayer at 9:00am  
Mid-day Prayer with Blessing of Food at 12:00 Noon  
Solemn Easter Vigil at 8:00pm  
**NO CONFESSION TODAY**  
**NO 5:00PM MASS**

### EASTER SUNDAY MASSES

7:30am, 9:00am (Italian), 10:30am  
12:00 Noon  
**NO EVENING MASS**

## 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.



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

Our next trip will be this  
**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.**