#### St. Margaret Roman Catholic Church

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#### ~ MASS BELLS ~

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# EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD APRIL 12, 2020

#### 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 12 - EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD ALL PUBLIC CELEBRATIONS ARE CANCELLED
7:30 9:00	People of the Parish Philip, Leonardo e Maria Curatolo/Pellegrino e Giuseppa Benfari/Francesco e Maria Virruso/ Giuseppe Valenza/Giuseppa, Vito e Rosaria Salamone/Giuseppa e Benedetto Alfa/ Geraldine Ciaccio/
10:30 NOON	Raymond J. Maurer, Sr. Patrick & Mary (Kett) Morrissey
MON.	APRIL 13 - MONDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
7:00 9:00	Corona virus victims David McElroy
TUE.	APRIL 14 - TUESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
7:00 9:00	Mary Columbia (ANNI) Stanislaw & Tedeusc Brzuzan
WED.	APRIL 15 - WEDNESDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
7:00 9:00	Corona virus victims Henry, John & Lillian Rader
THU.	APRIL 16 - THURSDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
7:00 9:00	Corona virus victims Romolo Fabiilli
FRI.	APRIL 17 - FRIDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
7:00 9:00	Catherine Remminger (ANNI) Fred Basedow
SAT.	APRIL 18 - SATURDAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF EASTER
9:00	Collective: Catherine & Edward Flynn/ Dr. Tomas M. Pattugalan, Jr./Peter Edel/
5:00PM	William & Bella (Tollis) Kunz
<b>SUN.</b> 7:30 9:00	APRIL 19 - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY Rossanna Maurer Il Popolo delle Parrocchia/Mimma
10:30 NOON	Ciaccio/Lina Casasanta Sal Puglese Florence & Daniel O'Connell

ALL SCHEDULED MASS INTENTIONS
WILL BE HONORED AND CELEBRATED
PRIVATELY, BY THE PRIESTS
OF THE PARISH

Patrick & Mary (Kett) Morrissey

5:00PM

#### PARISH INFORMATION

#### **The Rectory Office**

## IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

**CONFESSIONS** - Saturday, 4-4:45 pm or by appointment with a priest. **SUSPENDED** 

**NOVENA** to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Mondays after the 9am Mass. **SUSPENDED** 

THE ROSARY AND DIVINE MERCY devotion are prayed every morning in the church at 8:30am. SUSPENDED

**BAPTISMS** take place on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month. Please call the rectory for an appointment and to register your child. **SUSPENDED** 

**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! SUSPENDED

IL CORO ITALIANO prattica ogni Domenica prima della Messa Italiana. SUSPENDED

THE YOUTH CHOIR rehearses on Monday, from 6-7 pm in the Church. For more info, DnDsingit@aol.com SUSPENDED

**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. **SUSPENDED** 

**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. **SUSPENDED** 

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

#### 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, McKinley Kelleher, Sean Harrison, Justin James Quirke, Elizabeth Ott, Mary Harrison, John Murphy, Anne McGinnis, Norma Voyer, Vicky Turato, Julio Pelaez, Maritza Gutierrez, Graciela Mora, Cindy Mulore, Salvatore Tuttolomondo, Gloria Mojica, Gloria Pemaj, Anne Gorian, Allen McConville, Joseph Simon, Jack Marchindiondo, The Scaturro Family, Louis Pitelli, Marion Caracciola, Giovanni Campo, Edward Stoltzenberg, Louis Pitelli, James Graff, Carol Arevalo, Immaculate Marge D'Elia, Jim O'Friscoll, Mary Rigovich, Matteo Sabini, Bob Biolsi, The Mojica Family, Msgr. Leonard Badia, Matthew Zender, Cathie Greulich, Joseph & Mary Augustine, Anthony Pittelli, Josephine Hartnett, Karen Schaefer, Jill Archbold, Fr. Paul Weirichs CP, Hannah Lehman, Daniel Wilson, John Austin Bryzgornia, Dave Kazmier, John Nogiewich, Tim Rooney,

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.

Pray for first responders and medical personnel.

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:

Peter Edel, Dr. Tomas M. Pattugalan, Jr. May they rest in Christ's Peace!

#### **MEMORIALS**

#### WINE & HOSTS THIS WEEK

are offered in memory of Mimma Ciaccio at the request of Ada Bajlo.

#### ALTAR CANDLES THIS WEEK

are offered in memory of Romolo Fabiilli at the request of Louise Fabiilli.



#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Col 3:1-4 or Cor 5:6b-8 Jn 20:1-9

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Acts 2:14, 22-33

Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-11 Mt 28:8-15

Tuesday: Acts 2:36-41

Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22

Jn 20:11-18

Wednesday: Acts 3:1-10

Ps 105:1-4, 6-9 Lk 24:13-35

Thursday: Acts 3:11-26

> Ps 8:2ab, 5-9 Lk 24:35-48

Friday: Acts 4:1-12

Ps 118:1-2,4, 22-25, 27a

Jn 21:1-14

Saturday: Act 4:13-21

> Ps 118:1, 14-15ab, 16-18, 19-21 Mk 16:9-15

Sunday: Acts 2:42-47

Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24

1 Pt 1:3-9 Jn 20:19-31

#### From the Pastor's Desk:

#### ~ Christ is risen! ~

It is Holy Thursday morning as I put pen to paper, or fingers to keyboard, as the case may be. Usually the rectory is bustling with final preparations for celebrating the evening liturgies of the Holy Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, including the Great Vigil of Easter) as well as the morning and daytime prayers of these sacred days. This year, we're down to a moderate hum.

The priests of the Parish will celebrate all of the liturgies, though without the participation of congregations. Much of the pomp and pageantry will be missing, as the celebrations will be conducted with unusual quiet and austere solemnity. Nevertheless, they will go on, for there is no stopping the advance of the Gospel, the great victory proclamation of God's love for us in Christ Jesus, Who suffered and died and rose from the dead, thereby reconciling all mankind to God the Father and opening for us the gates of Heaven and eternal life.

Likewise, Easter will be observed in our own homes, albeit more low-key than usual. There won't be any great family gatherings and festive dinners this year, as we continue to heed the civil authorities' cautions. Take the time, however, to participate in prayer by watching Mass on TV or one of the many that are streamed on other parishes' websites and Facebook pages, and pray the Rosary each day.

"We are an Alleluia (Easter) people!" So said St. Augustine to his congregation in North Africa over 1600 years ago. It also was a time of great social upheaval and more, with an enemy army gradually moving in on his city, slowly cutting it off from the rest of the Empire, and with diseases rampant. Despite our modern means of telecommunication, we can feel like that to a degree, too: closed off from the rest of the world, as we remain in voluntary lock-down, separated from our loved one, our jobs, our schools, our parish church, and our usual activities.

This closure, however, also offers us some positive opportunities. This can be a time for young families to grow together in sharing the Faith by teaching the little ones their prayers and reading stories from the Bible, and in literally familiarizing the children with members of the extended family as they are shown the pictures from the old photo albums and collections and told how they're related. Share with them the recipes that have been handed down from generation to generation, and even give them a hands-on course in "Home Ec. 101" in the kitchen.

For us older folks, this can be a time of prayerful recollection and of catching up with separated family members, friends, and neighbors through phone calls and social media, or by renewing the lost art of letter writing, preferably by hand.

For all of us, Easter can and should be a time of renewed hope, peace, and joy, even in the midst of sadness, confusion, and difficulty. St. Paul reminded his congregations almost two thousand years ago that they were new creations in Christ, and so are we today. Having died with Him in the waters of Baptism, we have been brought to newness of life, the life that has no end, a participation in His own divine life with the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Like St. Augustine's community, we also are to be an "Alleluia people", being instruments of hope and charity as we live our faith each day, here in our small corner of the Vineyard called Middle Village.

Indeed, let us raise the ancient, joyful cry of Holy Church: "Chris is risen! Truly is He risen!" Until we see one another again (and may that day be soon!) and are able to celebrate the sacred Pascal Mysteries of the holy Sacrifice of the Mass together in church, be assured of my prayers and those of the other priests of the Parish for you and yours. Let us keep one another in prayer!

#### ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The **2020** *Annual Catholic Appeal* campaign is underway. Our goal for this year has been set at \$80,015.

With about 650 families registered in the Parish, it comes to an average donation of \$125 per family. Even in these difficult times, it's certainly not a burden, burden if we <u>ALL</u> pitch in between now and Christmas. So far, 64 families have pledged \$12,177 toward our goal.

Please think and pray about your response this year so that we may continue to serve the needs of our Parish and our Diocese.

#### **160TH ANNIVERSARY**

Our Parish will be 160 years old this year, the first Mass here having been celebrated on May 20, 1860. We will celebrate with a Mass of thanksgiving **Saturday evening**, **May 16**, followed by a **jubilee dinner-dance** to benefit both the parish and the Academy. Save the date and plan on celebrating with your fellow parishioners.

A committee is working on the dinner-dance. Details will follow shortly.

#### **PARISH FINANCES**

As you can imagine, our finances are taking a terrible hit with the suspension of public Masses: no Mass = no collections = no regular income to the Parish. Neither our bills nor our obligation to pay them, however, have been suspended. We'll stay afloat for now, drawing on our limited reserves. Please try to keep up with your contributions by either dropping your envelopes in the rectory mail slot or through e-giving like Faith Direct. (Go to the icon on our website and follow the instructions to sign up; you can change or drop out later on.)

As always, thanks for your generosity!

#### MONTHLY MEMORIAL MASS

HAS BEEN SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

#### St. Margaret Gift Shop

IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

#### THE ST. VINCENT dePAUL FOOD PANTRY

IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

# ST. MARGARET'S YONKERS EMPIRE CITY BUS TRIPS

HAVE BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

#### ST. MARGARET SPORTS ASSN. INSTRUCTIONAL VOLLEYBALL

for girls 3rd, 4th and 5th grade
April 18th - 10am to 11:30am
To sign up google **St. Margaret Dragons**any questions email **stm\_volleyball@aol.com** 

#### **E-GIVING IS HERE!**

Have you signed up yet with *Faith Direct* or another e-giving service? It benefits both you and our Parish. Enrollment is friendly, safe, and trouble free, AND you can change your intended giving anytime that you wish.

To sign up go to the icon on our website,

www.stmargaretmv.com and follow the instructions.

WE NEED YOUR HELP, NOW!

#### **LENTEN REGULATIONS 2020**

#### **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, preferably during the Lenten/Easter Season.

#### **SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES**

We continue to find ourselves with time on our hands. Use some of it for daily prayer: watch the Mass on TV or streamed, pray the Rosary or your favorite devotions, or read and meditate on the Scriptures of the day shown on page 3 of this bulletin.

While the church remains closed for now, the priests of the Parish are celebrating privately the liturgies of the Triduum, from Holy Thursday through the Easter Vigil, as well as daily Masses. All of you are remembered in our prayers. May the risen Lord bless you!

#### **TEMP BOILER REMOVED**

Now that we've passed the point of overnight freezing, there is no need for the temporary boiler that has served us so well this winter, and has been removed. Thank you for your continued generosity in offsetting the rental and fuel oil expenses!

#### PRAYER FOR HEALING

**Lord,** we ask You to lift up those who are facing illness today.

We ask You to bring Healing, Comfort and Peace to their body, mind and soul.

We ask You to calm their fears and let them feel the healing power of your love.

### HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE - 2020

#### **HOLY SATURDAY**

All public celebrations are cancelled.

#### **EASTER SUNDAY MASSES**

All public celebrations are cancelled.

#### **CORONA VIRUS RESPONSES**

As you know, in response to growing concern over the Corona virus all Masses have been suspended. All scheduled Mass intentions will be honored and celebrated privately, by the priests of the parish. All activities has been suspended in our facilities.

During this trying time please stay inside if you do not feel well, if you have symptoms see your doctor, when venturing out cover your mouth and nose if you have to cough or sneeze.

Take care of yourself, family and your community. Above all, let us pray for the end of this terrible virus.

# ASSOCIATED VINCENTIAN CHARITIES OF BROOKLYN GIVES BACK

For each car, truck, or van running our not, the Associated Vincentian Charities will give back to our parish \$75/\$200 per vehicle.

If you, a family member, or friend have an old or neglected vehicle that is not being used, please call **718-491-2525** or

SVDPAULTO-BROOKLYNQUEENS.ORG

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