

ST. MARGARET ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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~ MASS BELLS ~

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PENTECOST
SUNDAY
MAY 31, 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.	MAY 31 - PENTECOST SUNDAY
7:30	Donna Roemmelt
9:00	Il Popolo della Parrocchia/Geraldine Ciaccio
10:30	Grazia Macri
NOON	Gregory Burke
5:00PM	Peter Bojcenjuk
MON.	JUNE 1 - THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY MOTHER OF THE CHURCH
7:00	Angie Ferzola
9:00	Lina Casasanta
TUE.	JUNE 2 - STS. MARCELLINUS AND PETER
7:00	Anthony Tavarone
9:00	Velma Begy
WED.	JUNE 3 - ST. CHARLES LWANGA
7:00	Rev. Salvatore F. D'Anna
9:00	Corona virus victims
THU.	JUNE 4 - WEEKDAY
7:00	Hermann & Maria Kirmaier
9:00	Joseph Sparacio
FRI.	JUNE 5 - ST. BONIFACE/ FIRST FRIDAY
7:00	Rev. Msgr. John C. Tosi
9:00	Thomas O'Leary
SAT.	JUNE 6 - ST. NORBERT/ FIRST SATURDAY
9:00	Collective: Michael & Mary Columbia/ Bill & Lee DiGiovanna/Souls in Purgatory
5:00PM	Marie Desabato
SUN.	JUNE 7 - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
7:30	People of the Parish
9:00	Geraldine Ciaccio/Maria Curratolo/ Roberta Polce/
10:30	Kathryn E. Buscemi (ANNI)
NOON	The O'Sullivan Family
5:00PM	William & Bella (Tollis) Kunz

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

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 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 ENGLISH CHOIR rehearses on Tuesday, at 7 pm in the Church. Tenors and baritones needed! **SUSPENDED**

IL CORO ITALIANO pratica 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

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 Pittelli, 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, Frank Ciccone,

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

*Rev. Msgr. John C. Tosi,
Mary Frances DeMino,
Ralph Falzetta*

May they rest in Christ's Peace!

MEMORIALS

TABERNACLE LAMP THIS WEEK

*is lit in memory of Rev. Salvatore F. D'Anna
at the request of Ben Armato.*



***THE BLESSED
VIRGIN MARY,
MOTHER OF THE
CHURCH
JUNE 1***

TODAY'S READINGS

Pentecost Sunday

Acts 2:1-11
Ps 104:1, 23, 29-30, 31, 34
1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13
Jn 20:19-23

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Gn 3:9-15, 20, or Acts 1:12-14 Ps 87:1-3, 5-7 Jn 19:25-34
Tuesday:	2 Pt 3:12-15a, 17-18 Ps 90:2, 3-4, 10, 14, 16 Mk 12:13-17
Wednesday:	2 Tm 1:1-3, 6-12 Ps 123:1b-2ab, 2cdef Mk 12:18-27
Thursday:	2 Tm 2:8-15 Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10, 14 Mk 12:28-34
Friday:	2 Tm 3:10-17 Ps 119:157, 160, 161, 165, 166, 168 Mk 12:35-37
Saturday:	2 Tm 4:1-8 Ps 71:8-9, 14-15ab, 16-17, 22 Mk 12:38-44
Sunday:	Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9 Dn 3:52-56 2 Cor 13:11-13 Jn 3:16-18

From the Pastor's Desk:

~ Birthday Gifts and Fruits ~

Today's Gospel notwithstanding, the birth of the Church is celebrated on Pentecost Sunday, as we commemorate the descent of God's Holy Spirit upon our Blessed Mother and the Apostles gathered in the Upper Room fifty days after Easter, as told to us in the Acts of the Apostles. The same Spirit Who descended upon them almost 2,000 years ago has been given to us in the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation, through which we are made sharers in the very life of God and given the grace to carry out our vocation, our calling, as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, whatever our particular condition and station of life may be.

Indeed, it is by the working of the Holy Spirit, the supreme Gift of the Father and the Son, that the Sacraments are the very presence of God Himself, that eternal life is bestowed and nourished, sins are forgiven, weaknesses are strengthened and overcome, a man and a woman are bound inseparably as one, and the holy priesthood is conferred. It is this same Spirit, Who unites Father and Son eternally in the bonds of the Most Holy Trinity, Who likewise unites us as members of the Mystical Body of Christ, the Church.

The Holy Spirit bestows spiritual gifts upon those who receive Him: wisdom, understanding, counsel, strength, knowledge, piety, and fear (i.e., profound, awe-filled reverence) of the Lord. When we use these gifts properly, we grow in our experience of God's presence in our lives and deepen our relationship with Him. The gifts give us the strength and courage to live prudent lives of righteousness, justice, and holiness, which, in turn, produce proper relationships with other people

This way of living in accordance with Christ's teachings requires us to enter the process of salvation: dying to self and sin, and living as a new person for God in Christ (see Romans 6: 8-14). This yields the fruits of a life of grace, life in the Spirit, the first nine of which are found in St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians(5:22-23): charity, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. The Church adds another three to these: generosity, modesty, and chastity.

All too often, unless we are in a charismatic movement, we seem to put the Holy Spirit into a nice container and take Him out for special occasions, like Grandma's antique silverware that we use just for the holidays. We might decorate the church for today's feast of Pentecost and the celebration of Confirmation, but we forget very quickly the power and constancy of God's love for us. In the Holy Spirit, He has given us a share in His own divine life and enabled us to live as instruments of His love in the different situations that present themselves each day.

Our celebrations of the Holy Spirit this year will be low-key. Pentecost will be celebrated liturgically in an empty church, hopefully with the Mass recorded and posted on the Parish's Facebook page. Our celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation has been tabled indefinitely, though we hope to confer it as soon as practical later this year. Nevertheless, the Gift of the Holy Spirit, the gifts that He gives, and the fruits of putting those gifts into action remain with us each day. The question is whether or not we will take good advantage of them. Will we allow the grace of God to transform us and live our lives more fully as His children, coming to know, love, and serve Him in this life so as to find eternal happiness with Him in the life to come?

Come, Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of Thy faithful; enkindle in them the fire of Thy love! O Lord, send forth Thy Spirit, and we shall be created, and Thou shalt renew the face of the earth!

Until we meet again, be assured of my prayers and those of the other priests of the Parish for you and yours. May the Holy Spirit guide you, and may Mary, Mother of the Church, protect you! Stay safe, and keep the Faith!

~Fr. Armato ~

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 if we **ALL** pitch in between now and Christmas. **So far, 101 families have pledged \$39,712 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

While the celebrations of a special Mass and dinner-dance are on hold indefinitely because of the lockdown, it's not every day that a parish is 160 years old. In the course of the years, we have become the mother Church of all the parishes around us.

Take the time to say a prayer for your Parish, for all of the people who make up St. Margaret's today, and for all who have worked so hard and sacrificed and serve here for the glory of God. Offer a Rosary, or a prayer of spiritual communion as you watch Mass on TV or on line.

Pray that we may come together soon to celebrate our love for one another and all that the Parish means to us. Pray that our Parish may have a new birth, our best years yet to come.

PARISH FINANCES

The needs of your family must take precedence during this difficult time. Still, your contributions to the Parish are what enable us to be here to provide the ministries that you require of the church. The Parish cannot continue to exist without your help.

Please try to keep up with your contributions by 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; or you can go straight to the ***Faith Direct website*** and enter our parish code **NY299**. You can change or drop out later on, as you wish.

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.**

BUILDING OUR

DATA BASE

We have names, street addresses, and phone numbers, but very few email addresses on record. Help us to build up our database of email addresses so that we can communicate better, especially during this medical emergency. Just email us at:

stmargaretmv@gmail.com

Include your first and last name and a brief note to let us know how you're doing. Share with us what you would like to see in the parish - whether spiritual, social, or other wise - once we are able to gather together again.

Thank you to all who have provided the requested information!

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.

SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

As we continue to find ourselves with time on our hands, use some of it for daily prayer: check our Facebook page for Sunday Mass, or watch the Mass on TV or streamed on the internet by any parish: pray the Rosary or your favorite devotions; read and meditate on the Scriptures of the day shown on page 3 of this bulletin.

Once we resume public Masses, we will celebrate memorial Masses for those who have died since our quarantine began in March.

Meanwhile, in the absence of public Masses, the priests of the Parish are celebrating Mass privately for all of the requested intentions that we had received, and all of you are remembered in our prayers.

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

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!

REOPENING THE CHURCH

Finally, our church IS OPEN once again though for *private devotional prayer only, from 12 Noon to 3pm, Monday through Saturday.* We remain closed on Sundays for the time being. *Please observe these rules so that we can avoid any problems:*

Anyone who is sick should NOT enter the church. Anyone entering the church MUST wear a facemask or covering.

Enter only by the 80th Street center doors; exit only through one of the side doors on 80th Street. Sit **ONLY** in the areas that are marked off with a cross. "Social distancing" **MUST** be observed at all times.

The lavatories are locked. Statues should **NOT** be touched. Please bring your own hand sanitizer or latex gloves.

Public Masses are **NOT** being offered yet. A modified Liturgy of the Word without Communion can be celebrated for **funerals.** *Participation is limited to only ten (10) people, all of whom **MUST** wear a facemask or covering and observe "social distancing" at all times.*

We are working on scheduling and logistics for **individual infant baptisms.** These will be *limited to ten people (including the child being baptized) present at each celebration.* Letters with further details will go out to families who registered for baptism before the lockdown.

***SAINT
BONIFACE
JUNE 5***

