

ST. MARGARET ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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~ MASS BELLS ~

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THE MOST HOLY TRINITY JUNE 7, 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.	JUNE 7 - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
7:30	People of the Parish
9:00	Geraldine Ciaccio/Maria Curatolo/ Roberta Polce
10:30	Kathryn E. Buscemi (ANNI)
NOON	The O'Sullivan Family
5:00PM	William & Bella (Tollis) Kunz
MON.	JUNE 8 - WEEKDAY
7:00	Karen Guarascio
9:00	Rose D'Amato
TUE.	JUNE 9 - ST. EPHREM
7:00	Vincent Ciuffo
9:00	Sophie Huber
WED.	JUNE 10 - WEEKDAY
7:00	Josephine Fitapelli
9:00	Tom Bordero (ANNI)
THU.	JUNE 11 - ST. BARNABAS
7:00	Michael Aptacy
9:00	Roberta Polce
FRI.	JUNE 12 - WEEKDAY
7:00	Rose Esposito
9:00	Marie Martello
SAT.	JUNE 13 - ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA
9:00	Collective: Deceased Priests of the Dioceses of Brooklyn & Rockville Centre/ Karl Matzelle/ Anthony Santora
5:00PM	
SUN.	JUNE 14 - THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
7:30	Anna Roemmelt
9:00	Giuseppe Valenza/Geraldine Ciaccio/ Philip, Leonardo e Maria Curatolo/ Gregory Burke
10:30	Fire Lt. Kevin J. & William Pfeifer
NOON	
5:00PM	People of the Parish

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



***ST ANTHONY
OF PADUA
JUNE 13***

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 Bryzgoria, 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***

Herbert Konig,

May they rest in Christ's Peace!

MEMORIALS

TABERNACLE LAMP THIS WEEK

is lit in memory of Roberta B. Polce



***THE
MOST HOLY
TRINITY
JUNE 7***

TODAY'S READINGS

The Most Holy Trinity

Ex 34:4b-6, 8-9
Dn 3:52-56
2 Cor 13:11-13
Jn 3:16-18

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 17:1-6
Ps 121:1bc-2, 3-8
Mt 5:1-12

Tuesday: 1 Kgs. 17:7-16
Ps 4:2-5, 7b-8
Mt 5:13-16

Wednesday: 1 Kgs. 18:20-39
Ps 16:1b-2ab,4,5ab,8,11
Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Acts 11:21b-26
Acts 13:1-3
Ps 98:1,2,3ab,3cd-4,5-6
Mt 5:20-26

Friday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-16
Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc,
13-14
Mt 5:27-32

Saturday: 1 Kgs. 19:19-21
Ps 16:1b-2a, 5, 7-10
Mt 5:33-37

Sunday: Dt 8:2-3, 14b-16a
Ps 147:12-15, 19-20
1 Cor 10:16-17
Jn 6:51-58

From the Pastor's Desk:

“In the Name of the Most Holy Trinity”

Today we celebrate the solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, one God in three Persons. It seems to be a strange idea. It certainly is a confusing one, for us just as much as it has been for the people of ancient times and every other generation of believers and non-believers since who have wrestled over the theology of it. Nevertheless, it is a belief central to our faith and to our prayer life as Christians. Men, women, and children up to our present time have died rather than deny this essential belief. As Catholic Christians, we begin and end our prayers and offer our blessings with the sign of the Cross and the invocation of the Trinity. Perhaps it has become too commonplace for us, but without this profession about the very essence of God, a person cannot be considered to be a true Christian.

Theologically, God is called a *comunio personarum*, a communion of three distinct Persons - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit - in eternal relationship with one another, yet one God, not three, united in the bond of continuous, reciprocal love. The Holy Spirit is the bond that unites Father and Son. We recognize that the Trinity, as Mystery, is a truth that we never will understand fully until we stand before God and see Him face to face. At the same time, we are called to accept here and now that this is the way that God has chosen to reveal Himself to humanity, particularly through the revelation of the eternally begotten Son, incarnate in the Person of Jesus Christ by the working of the Holy Spirit.

The Mystery of the Trinity speaks to us about who we are, too. Every human being is created in the image and likeness of God. Thus, we have a rational soul with the capacity to think and to reason. Most especially, we have the capacity to love. When we carry out these attributes, these defining qualities, we image God, Who has created us to share, not only His divine likeness, but also His very being.

In opposition to these qualities that make us truly human stands the reality of sin, by which we reject our sharing in the divine nature and, with false pride, attempt to live without it. Denial of, or not recognizing, our participation in the life of the Trinity, a life of reciprocal love, affects our relationships with one another as well as with God Himself.

It is important for us to realize that we, who have been created in the image and likeness of God, are to live as persons in loving relationship with one another, joined to each other and to our God through the bond of that same Holy Spirit, the divine bond of love. Simply put, to try to live outside the reality of the Trinity is nothing less than diabolical, for the devil himself is divisive in his rejection of God's love. It is only when we live together as the Trinity abides in Itself that we will be able to “live in peace, and the God of love and peace will be with” us.

Attempt all we want, we never can be *truly alive* outside of the reality of the Trinity, Whose very essence is love. Trying to do so is what leads us to hatred, envy, fear of the other, and every other attribute that divides us and rends our society, whether civil or religious. We need look no further than the reports of injustice and civil unrest that we find in the media day and night to see what comes of our rejection of participating in the life of the Trinity. Sadly, Satan is having a field day today, as he sees our society being torn apart, the very opposite of the way in which we should be living as children of God.

Until we meet again, be assured of my prayers and those of the other priests of the Parish for you and yours. May God - the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit - bless and protect you now and forever!

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 \$39,732 (49.6%), almost halfway 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!

We do NOT release this information to ANY third parties.

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

Little by little, the authorities are reopening our society to usual activities. Still we find ourselves with time on our hands. Use some of it for daily prayer: pray the Rosary or your favorite devotions; read and meditate on the Scriptures of the day shown on page 3 of this bulletin.

We have just started to post a Sunday Mass on our Facebook page and hope to resume public Masses soon.

Meanwhile, the priests of the Parish continue to celebrate Masses privately for all of the requested intentions that we have received, and all of you are remembered in our daily prayers.

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!

ASSOCIATED VINCENTIAN CHARITIES OF BROOKLYN GIVES BACK

For each car, truck, or van running or 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

**IRS TAX DEDUCTION - FREE TOWING
ANY CONDITION**

Thank you for your participation!

REOPENING THE CHURCH

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. Light your candles but do **NOT** touch the statues.

Public Masses are **NOT** being offered yet. A modified Liturgy of the Word without Communion is allowed for **funerals**, but *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 eventually will schedule **individual infant baptisms**, which will be *limited to ten people (including the child being baptized) present at each celebration.* Letters with further details will be sent soon to families who registered for baptism before the lockdown.

***"God so loved the world,
He gave His only Son."***

How can you give yourself to God the Father in a response to that love? Could God be calling you to live His love as a priest or in the consecrated life? If you think God may be offering you this grace, contact the Vocations Office, **718-827-2454** or email **vocations@diobrook.org**