St. Margaret Roman Catholic Church

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~ MASS BELLS ~

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THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JUNE 28, 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. 7:30 9:00 | JUNE 28 - THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME William Roemmelt Adriana & Andrea Sciulara/Geraldine |
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| 10:30 NOON 5:00PM | Ciaccio/ Joseph O'Driscoll Gary W. Krause William & Bella (Tollis) Kunz |
| MON. 7:00 9:00 | JUNE 29 - STS. PETER AND PAUL Herbert Konig Mary Frances DeMino |
| TUE. | JUNE 30 - THE FIRST MARTYRS OF THE HOLY ROMAN CHURCH |
| 7:00 9:00 | Raymond Cashel Stefano G. Montalbano |
| WED. 7:00 9:00 | JULY 1 - ST. JUNIPERO SERRA Rocco Silvis Casimir Krzewski |
| THU. 7:00 9:00 | JULY 2 - WEEKDAY Steven Dominic Belviso Anna & John Rice |
| FRI. 7:00 9:00 | JULY 3 - ST. THOMAS/FIRST FRIDAY Regina Gockley Augusta D. Weiner |
| SAT. | JULY 4 - FIRST SATURDAY/ INDEPENDENCE DAY |
| 9:00 | Collective: The people of the U.S.A./ Bill & Lee DiGiovanna/Souls in Purgatory/ Angelina Grillo/ |
| 5:00PM | David J. McConville |
| SUN. 7:30 9:00 10:30 NOON | JULY 5 - FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME People of the Parish Geraldine Ciaccio/ Sal Monardo John Ciorcari, Sr. (ANNI) John Ciorcari, Jr. (ANNI) |
| 5:00PM | Patrick & Mary (Kett) Morrissey |

BEGINNING MONDAY, JUNE 29, THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR MASS, USING THE NORMAL SCHEDULE. <u>PLEASE WEAR A FACEMASK AND</u> <u>PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING</u>

PARISH INFORMATION

Rectory Office Hours

Monday - Friday - 9am to Noon, and 1pm to 5pm

> Saturday - by appointment Sunday - closed

CONFESSIONS - Temporarily by appointment with a priest.

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 every Sunday as needed. 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! **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

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 Pittelli, 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, Cindy Heege, Dr. Ajay Lodha, Dr. Vincent P. Rappa, Charlie Krzewski,

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. Eugene P. Coyle, Maria DeLourdes Santos Mav thev rest in Christ's Peace!

MEMORIALS

TABERNACLE LAMP THIS WEEK

is lit in prayer for the people of the United States of America.



HAVE A HAPPY & SAFE JULY 4TH

TODAY'S READINGS

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a Ps 89:2-3, 16-19 Rom 6:3-4, 8-11 Mt 10:37-42

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 12:1-11 Ps 34:2-9 2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18 Mt 16:13-19 Tuesday: Am 3:1-8, 4:11-12 Ps 5:4b-6a, 6b-7, 8 Mt 8:23-27 Wednesday: Am 5:14-15, 21-24 Ps 50:7-13, 16bc-17 Mt 8:28-34 Thursday: Am 7:1-17 Ps 19:8-11 Mt 9:1-8 Friday: Eph 2:19-22 Ps 117:1bc. 2 Jn 20:24-29 Saturday: Am 9:11-15 Ps 85:9ab, 10-14 Mt 9:14-17 Sunday: Zec 9:9-10 Ps 145:1-2, 8-14 Rom 8-9, 11-13 Mt 11:25-30

From the Pastor's Desk:

"Old Things, New Ways"

We are in the final days of preparing to reopen the church for the celebration of public Masses and to reopen the rectory office for regular business. Still to be decided at this time are how we will operate the Religious Ed Program and classes at the Academy, both of which remain outside our planning ability at this time.

As far as Masses are concerned, the authorities, both civil and religious, have limited us to no more than 92-96 people per Mass. Will that be enough? Will crowds be turned away? Will we get even half that number? Only time will tell. We have to observe social distancing, staying six feet apart (except for members of the same family), and to clean/sanitize the church more frequently than in the past. We cannot use the hymnals for now or distribute copies of the *Mass Bells* or the *Messa Festiva*, and the use of liturgical ministers will be minimal at best.

Baptisms will take place more frequently, but only one child at a time, with fewer people in attendance. (Please save the crowd invitations for the party.)

Thankfully, while we lost "only" a few of our neighbors to the virus, and even the loss of one is one too many, we did not see the losses experienced by other parishes in the Diocese. In fact, we buried fewer people over the course of three months of pandemic than we usually would in a single month. Funeral and memorial Masses can be celebrated now at the request of the families.

The Pastoral and Finance councils must be reconstituted, but meetings are a long time off. We need new collection counters now, and ministries, like the Food Pantry, and celebrations of the Sacraments will resume as best we can. Again, social distancing will apply when the Pantry reopens.

As I've noted recently, all of us have to be more committed to living our Faith, especially as we are bound to be a smaller church. St. Paul tells us in today's epistle, you "must think of yourselves as dead to sin and living for God in Christ Jesus." The Lord tells us in the Gospel, "Whoever does not take up his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me." They are hard sayings, but we can put them into action by cooperating with the grace that God bestows on those who ask Him.

How will we rededicate ourselves to serving the Lord and following Him more actively and faithfully than we have until now? Think about your response, bring the matter to prayer, and be prepared to be more active as we go forward as a renewed parish community. The road ahead is not an easy one, but, if we walk it in the light of Christ and His teachings, we, too, will receive our reward.

May God bless you, protect you from harm, calm your fears, and strengthen you to proclaim His love for us in Christ Jesus!

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 <u>ALL</u> pitch in between now and Christmas. So far, 108 families have pledged \$40,552 (50.7%). We're halfway toward our goal.

First come your own family needs, then those of the Parish. Finally, please consider your ACA response so that we may continue to serve the needs of our Parish and Diocese.

Make your ACA pledges at the following website, if you have not received a donation request by mail:

www.annualcatholicappeal.org

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.

We do NOT release this information to ANY third parties.

<u>PRAYER</u> <u>FOR HEALING</u>

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.

MONTHLY MEMORIAL MASS

HAS BEEN SUSPENDED UNTIL AUGUST

ST. MARGARET GIFT SHOP

IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

<u>ST. MARGARET'S</u> YONKERS EMPIRE CITY BUS TRIPS

HAVE BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

ST. VINCENT dePAUL PANTRY

Our St. Vincent DePaul pantry has to be restocked. Please bring your contribution of food, especially non-perishables, and place your donated items in the bin located by the center entrance to the main vestibule. You also can contribute grocery store gift cards, dropping them off at the rectory.

The pantry will reopen on Wednesday, July 8th from 10:00 AM, to 12 Noon. Please observe social distancing as you wait.

WE ARE REOPENING!

YES, after three months of closure, we are reopening, beginning with the 7:00 AM Mass this Monday, June 29! Mass attendance will be limited to a *maximum of* 25% of the capacity of the church, in our case, about only 96 people. Members of the same household can sit together, but all others MUST sit apart from others by six feet. Sit in the pews <u>ONLY</u> at the places marked by a "+".

SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Continue to pray the Rosary or your favorite devotions; read and meditate on the Scriptures of the day shown on page 3 of this bulletin, especially as a way of preparing yourself, if you will attend Mass.

The Sunday Mass posted on our FB page will be discontinued shortly, since we are able to celebrate Mass in church once again.

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!

"He that shall lose his life for Me, shall find it"

Find your life by answering God's call. Seek him as you strive for holiness. If you are discerning your vocation, contact the Vocations Office, **718-827-2454** or email **vocations@diobrook.org**

PARISH FINANCES

Thanks to all of you have sent in or dropped off your contributions using the envelopes mailed to you, or who have used weekly or monthly e-giving! Please continue to do so.

To use *Faith Direct* for e-giving, 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 your decision later on, as you wish.

As always, thanks for your generosity!

<u>AS WE</u> GO FORWARD

We have to plan new ways in which to carry out the ancient mission of the Church: to proclaim the Gospel and to bring people to Christ. This includes essential activities like catechesis for youth as well as for adults, the reopening and restocking of our food pantry, and outreach to the homebound, among other ministerial activities.

In addition, ministries and some services provided by volunteers (like outreach to the homebound, bereavement ministers, ushers at Mass, and collection counters) must be rebuilt, and advisory bodies (the Finance and Pastoral Councils) have to be reorganized and/or reconstituted. PLEASE get involved in YOUR parish!

What would you like for us to consider in terms of ministries, devotions, etc., when the time come for reopening? E-mail your thoughts to stmargaretmv@gmail.com, or drop us a note via regular mail.

RECTORY OFFICE HOURS

Rectory office hours will resume (see schedule on page 2 of this bulletin) beginning this Monday, June 29.

Only <u>ONE</u> person at a time will be admitted into the rectory. You MUST wear a facemask or covering. All others must remain outside and observe social distancing of six (6) feet between people on the sidewalk.



SAINTS PETER AND PAUL JUNE 29