St. Margaret Roman Catholic Church

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~ MASS BELLS ~

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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN Ordinary Time August 9, 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	AUGUST 9 - NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Robert Howd
9:00 10:30 NOON 5:00PM	Philip, Leonardo e Maria Curotolo/ Geraldine Ciaccio/ Geraldine Ciaccio Fire Lt. Kevin J. & William Pfeifer George Weihs
MON. 7:00 9:00	AUGUST 10 - ST. LAWRENCE Ida Lento/Maria Falsetta Enrico Franzese
TUE. 7:00 9:00	AUGUST 11 - ST. CLARE Robert Thoering Delia & Thomas Waters
WED.	AUGUST 12 - ST. JANE FRANCES
7:00 9:00	deCHANTAL Helen Dowdle Joseph & Valeria Rader
THU.	AUGUST 13 - STS. PONTIAN AND HIPPOLYTUS
7:00 9:00	Margaret & Eileen Flynn Felice Americo
FRI. 7:00 9:00	AUGUST 14 - ST. MAXIMILIAN KOLBE Joe VanSchaiek Augie DeSimone
SAT.	AUGUST 15 - THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
9:00	Collective: People of the Parish/
5:00PM	Stanislawa Krzewski/Mary York/ Nancy Gardini/Anthony Santora
SUN.	AUGUST 16 - TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
7:30 9:00 10:30 NOON 5:00PM	People of the Parish Daniele Bussa/ Robert Levine Philip Fontanetta (ANNI) Edward & Nellie (Malone) Tollis

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PARISH INFORMATION

Rectory Office Hours

Monday - Friday - 9am to Noon and 1pm to 5pm Saturday - by appointment Sunday - closed

CONFESSIONS - Saturday, 4-4:45pm at the school door in the parking lot.

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 (Peli) Heege, Dr. Ajay Lodha, Dr. Vincent P. Rappa, Charlie Krzewski, Helga Zender,

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: Daniel Avitto, Elaine Delaney

May they rest in Christ's Peace!

MEMORIALS

WINE & HOST THIS WEEK

are offered in memory of Jennie Cerar at the request of Terry Basedow.

TABERNACLE LAMP THIS WEEK

is lit in memory of Helen Dowdle at the request of Mary Lou and Pete.



SAINT CLARE AUGUST 11

TODAY'S READINGS

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1Kgs19:9a, 11-13a Ps 85:9-14 Rom 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-33

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	2 Cor 9:6-10 Ps 112:1-2, 5-6,7-9 Jn 12:24-26
Tuesday:	Ez 2:8-3:4 Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131 Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
Wednesday:	Ez 9:1-7, 10:18-22 Ps 113:1-6 Mt 18:15-20
Thursday:	Ez 12:1-12 Ps 78:56-59, 61-62 Mt 18:21-19:1
Friday:	Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or Ez 16:59-63 Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 Mt 19:3-12
Saturday:	Rv 11:19a, 12:1-6a, 10ab Ps 45:10-12, 16 1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56
Sunday:	Is 56:1, 6-7 Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 Mt 15:21-28

From the Pastor's Desk:

"Peace amid Winds and Rain"

That was some scary storm last week! It caused quite a bit of damage in the neighborhood, with trees and branches brought down, power and cable lines severed, cars crushed, and other forms of property damage. As bad as it was, "It could have been worse." Hopefully, none of us or our loved ones were injured.

Now, imagine that same wind and blinding rain happening, not while you were safely at home or at work, but while you were in a small boat in the middle of a large lake several miles across with land miles off. If you think you were scared last week, you would have been absolutely petrified, had you been with the Apostles.

Life can be like that. Not that we're in a real boat during a big storm, but the difficulties of life can batter us around: Sickness, deaths, unemployment, broken relationships, financial worries, addiction, loneliness, and all the rest can make us feel like our world is coming apart, being tossed and blown beyond our control.

Christ reminds us in today's Gospel passage that He is still in command, regardless of what the world throws against us. Perhaps like St. Peter, we want to believe that, but then, being people of little faith, we start to doubt when we see the situation worsen as we begin to sink in our distress. That's the time for us to put out our hand, as it were, as individuals, a nation, and a Church, trusting in God's love and concern for us.

It's not always a matter of things suddenly changing for the better and all being well and back to an acceptable normal, but rather of our ability, because of our centering relationship with Christ, to find an inner peace even in the midst of the storms of life, knowing that He will not let us perish but that He will bring us through the difficulty. Yes, we may be changed by the experience, but we also can be strengthened by it, with our faith and trust in Christ deepened.

Who is He, that winds and rain and seas obey Him? He is the Lord our God.

~ 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, 121 families have pledged \$44,632 (55.8%) over halfway toward our goal.

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

Thank you to all who have provided the requested information!

We do NOT release this information to ANY third parties.

PARISH FINANCES

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

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.

A special word of thanks to parishioners who have donated so generously towards the HVAC projects and what would have been regularly scheduled "second collections".

MONTHLY MEMORIAL MASS

A 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.

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 11:45am Saturday, September 12.

<u>THE ST. VINCENT</u> <u>dePAUL</u> <u>FOOD PANTRY</u>



is located in the Convent 66-25 79th Place

The Pantry is open every WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY from 10:00am to 12:00Noon. PLEASE OBSERVE SOCIAL DISTANCING AS YOU WAIT.

Our 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 can also contribute grocery store gift cards, dropping them off at the rectory.

Thank you for your generosity!

HVAC UPDATE

We are replacing the boilers for the Parish Center. The work, which was interrupted by the pandemic lock-down, should be completed in the next couple of weeks.

Two of the existing AC units have been brought back into service, enabling us to celebrate Mass more comfortably. Thank you for your patience and generous support!

MASSES & MEMORIALS

We have many Mass and memorial openings through the rest of this year. Please contact the Rectory offices to arrange for a *remembrance of your intentions*.

The 2021 Mass book will not be opened until sometime in late September.

BAPTISMS

The celebration of the Sacrament of Baptism has resumed on a weekly basis, and we are registering children now. Please make an appointment at the Rectory as soon as possible. We schedule on a first-come-firstserved basis.

Only one child will be baptized at a time, at each of two sessions (1:30 and 2:30pm) each Sunday during the month of August. No more than 25 guests are permitted.

WAKES & FUNERALS

We are able to offer wake services (*subject to priests' availability for particular wake times*) and to celebrate funeral Masses with music again, with the usual restrictions on occupancy of the funeral home and the church. ALL participants at funeral Masses MUST wear a facemask or covering and observe "social distancing" at all times.

All arrangements should be made with the Rectory via a licensed funeral director.

SACRAMENTS RESCHEDULED

Dates for the postponed Spring 2020 celebrations of Confirmation and First Communion for Academy and Religious Education Program children are as follow:

CONFIRMATION

Saturday, 9/19, 1:00 & 2:30pm Saturday, 9/26, 1:00 & 2:30pm

FIRST COMMUNION

Saturday, 10/3, 1:00pm Saturday, 10/17, 1:00 & 2:30pm Saturday, 10/24, 1:00pm

Parents will be notified about the exact celebration assigned to their child.

REOPENING THE CHURCH

The church will be open only for the celebrations of Masses and baptisms, as of this Sunday, August 9. It will be closed at all other times to enable us to clean and sanitize the facilities.

Please observe these rules for your safety and that of others:

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

Enter only the 80th Street <u>center</u> doors; *exit only* through the 80th Street <u>side</u> doors. Sit only in the areas that are marked with a taped cross. "Social distancing" MUST be observed at all times.

The lavatories are locked.

Please do NOT leave **anything** in the church.

Light your candles but do <u>NOT</u> touch the statues.

UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE

St. Margaret Parish has sponsored many very successful Blood Donation Drives in the Past. There is an **URGENT NEED FOR BLOOD DONATIONS** and the New York Blood Center is asking again for our help. St. Margaret will be sponsoring a **BLOOD DRIVE** on **Sunday**, **August 16** from 9am until 3pm in the Parish Hall. Please remember to eat and drink before you come and bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo.

You are required to schedule an appointment for this Blood Drive by calling 800-933-2566 or go to: https://donate.nybc.org/crm/schedules/ drive schedule/273079.

NO WALK-INS WILL BE CCEPTED.

RELIGIOUS ED REGISTRATION

Registration for religious education of public school children is now open. Classes will be on-line at least until January. For information/registration, please e-mail stmargaretre@gmail.com

GENERATIONS OF FAITH

Please complete your *Generations of Faith* campaign pledges as soon as possible, if you have not done so already, so that the funds will be available for us for payment of HVAC projects. **Every dollar received now goes directly into our account**, since we have met our goal. Thanks for your generosity!