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TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JUNE 20, 2021

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 20 - TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME/FATHERS DAY
8:00	People of the Parish
10:00	Daniele Bussa/Rosario, Rosaria e Nunzio Taromina/Maria Curatolo/Geraldine Ciaccio/Marco & Davide Colalella/Rocco e Salvatore Fazzolari/Concezio, Vincent e Giuseppe Battaglini/Antonio e Giuseppe Catalano/Leonardo & Philip Curatolo/Mariano e Salvatore Palmeri/Francesco Virruso/Pellegrino Benfari/Charles L. Suffel/Fathers Day Triduum/
NOON	Ray Maurer, Sr.
5:00PM	Arthur Woods
MON.	JUNE 21 - ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA
7:00	Father's Day Triduum
9:00	Kathy Lenihan Kiernan
TUE.	JUNE 22 - STS. PAULINUS OF NOLA/ JOHN FISHER/THOMAS MORE
7:00	Antoinette Composto
9:00	Father's Day Triduum
WED.	JUNE 23 - WEEKDAY
7:00	Anthony Giangregorio
9:00	Constance Faccibene
THU.	JUNE 24 - THE NATIVITY OF SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST
7:00	Chiarina Lorandini
9:00	John Ciorcari
FRI.	JUNE 25 - WEEKDAY
7:00	Salvatore Fischetti (anniv)
9:00	Kevin M. Preiss
SAT.	JUNE 26 - WEEKDAY
9:00	collective: Anthony Tavarone/
5:00PM	Robert Schaefer
SUN.	JUNE 27 - THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00	Linda Castagna
10:00	Il Popolo della Parrocchia/Maria Curatolo/ Geraldine Ciaccio/Vincenza, Mariano e Salvatore Palmeri/
NOON	Anna Dzika
5:00PM	Massimino Gironta

PARISH INFORMATION

Rectory Office Hours

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

CONFESSIONS - Saturday, 4:00-4:45pm in the church.

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

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

BAPTISMS take place on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month, at 1:30pm. Please call the rectory for an appointment and to register your child.

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 Wednesday, at 7 pm in the Church. Tenors and baritones needed!

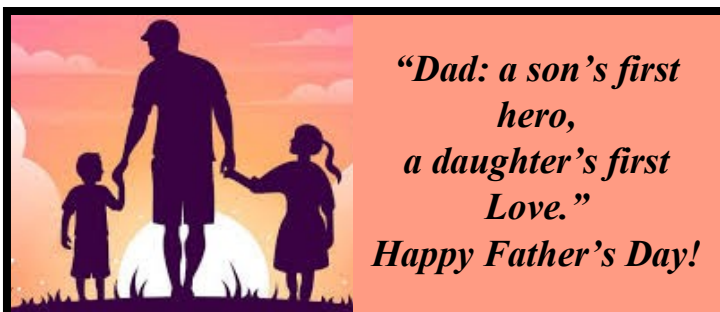
IL CORO ITALIANO pratica ogni Domenica prima della Messa Italiana.

THE YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSALS ARE SUSPENDED.

BOY SCOUT TROOP #119 MEETINGS ARE SUSPENDED.

CUB PACK #119 MEETINGS ARE SUSPENDED.

SENIOR CITIZENS MEETINGS ARE SUSPENDED.



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Linda Frazier, Cari Ann Falk-LoBello, Glen Falk, Ronald Frazier, Robert Sabini, Lee Falk, McKinley Kelleher, Sean Harrison, Justin James Quirke, Elizabeth Ott, Mary Harrison, Gloria Pemaj, Allen McConville, Jack Marchindondo, The Scaturro Family, Louis Pittelli, James Graff, Immaculate Marge D'Elia, Jim O'Friscoll, Mary Rigovich, Matteo Sabini, Bob Biolsi, The Mojica Family, Msgr. Leonard Badia, Matthew Zender, Anthony Pittelli, Karen Schaefer, Jill Archbold, Fr. Paul Weirichs CP, Hannah Lehman, John Austin Bryzgornia, Dave Kazmier, John Nogiewich, Tim Rooney, Frank Ciccone, Cindy (Peli) Heege, Charlie Krzewski, Helga Zender, Deacon John DeBiase, Tom Haubert, John Miller, Cathie Greulich, Carmen Gonzalez, Edward Stoltzenberg, Santos Santiago, William & Patricia Scharach, Bernard Russo, Gerard Frohnhoefer, John & Katie Bryzgornia, Eric Velasquez, Joseph Simon, Emma Green, Mary Policke, Donna Stubbs, Heig Allocca, Joyce Seecheeck, The Valasquez Family, Kathryn Hummel, Caroline Martin, Michelle LaBove, Lee Johnson, Christine Arundel,

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

Epecially:

*Geraldine Westerberg, Thelma Macaluso
May they rest in Christ's Peace!*

MEMORIALS

WINE & HOST THIS WEEK

*are offered in memory of Stanley Andrzejewski
at the request of Daughter, Linda.*

TABERNACLE LAMP THIS WEEK

*is lit in memory of Guido Carosi and
Anthony Tavarone.*



***THE NATIVITY
OF
SAINT JOHN
THE BAPTIST
JUNE 24***

TODAY'S READINGS

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Job 38:1, 8-11
Ps 107:23-26, 28-31
2 Cor 5:14-17
Mk 4:35-41

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Gn 12:1-9
Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20, 22
Mt 7:1-5
- Tuesday: Gn 13:2, 5-18
Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5
Mt 7:6, 12-14
- Wednesday: Gn 15:1-12, 17-18
Ps 105:1-4, 6-9
Mt 7:15-20
- Thursday: Is 49:1-6
Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15
Acts 13:22-26
Lk 1:57-66, 80
- Friday: Gn 17:1, 9-10, 15-22
Ps 128:1-5
Mt 8:1-4
- Saturday: Gn 18:1-15
Lk 1:46-49, 50, 53, 54-55
Mt 8:5-17
- Sunday: Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24
Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11, 12, 13
2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15
Mk 5:21-43 or
5:21-24, 35b-43

From the Pastor's Desk:

“On Faith”

“Faith” is quite possibly the most overworked and overused word in the Christian vocabulary. It just trips off the tongue so that we might use it without even thinking about it. We speak about our parish as a “community of faith”. We call the Creed the “Symbol of Faith”. We are baptized into “the Faith”. St. James tells us that, “faith without works is dead.”

Christ spoke to His disciples very often about faith. If they had faith the size of a mustard seed, they could uproot trees and even mountains. He chided people, including His own disciples, for their lack of faith (“O, ye of little faith!”), He challenged His disciples (“You have faith in God; have faith also in Me.”), and He often commended others for persevering in faith (“Go; your faith has saved you.”).

St. Justin the Martyr put it rather bluntly in one of his expositions on what it takes to be a Christian and thereby able to receive Communion: “No one may share the Eucharist with us unless he believes that what we teach is true, unless he is washed in the regenerating waters of Baptism for the remission of his sins, and unless he lives in accordance with the principles given us by Christ.” It is a matter of living the faith that is professed. Are our actions in sync with our words, or do we say one thing piously and act quite differently?

You and I claim to be people of faith, but what does this mean? Certainly, we accept the various articles of the Creed that we profess each Sunday, but there is more to it than that. We, hopefully, accept and hold to all of the teachings of the Catholic Church, the “deposit of the Faith”, but, again, there is more to it than that. That “more” is the way that we live as disciples of Christ, entrusting ourselves to His care and acting in accord with His teachings. Simply assenting with the mind is relatively easy; entrusting ourselves to Christ can be an entirely more difficult matter that even might lead us to doubt and separation from God.

It might help, if our lives were peaceful and serene, the road smooth and the seas calm. Unfortunately, that’s not the way life is. We know all too well from experience that there are very difficult moments in our lives: for example, family problems, or health issues, or employment and financial difficulties. The list is as varied and complex as we are. “These are the times that try men’s souls,” Thomas Paine wrote during some of the darkest days of the Revolution. So are our times.

We find ourselves buffeted about like the Apostles in the boat in today’s Gospel passage. Most of them were experienced fishermen who knew how to handle their boats on the Sea of Galilee, yet they panicked as the storm struck and they realized their helplessness. What exactly they expected Jesus to do aside, perhaps, from bailing water isn’t made clear, but they knew that He was with them in the boat and they realized their need for His help. Still, they were astounded (confused?) by that He accomplished in calming the storm, leading them to wonder exactly who He was and answering the question even as they asked, “Who, then, is this whom even the wind and the sea obey?” (Who else but God does this? Duh!)

When the storms come, and they will strike each and every one of us sometime or another, putting our faith into gear will require us to entrust ourselves to the Lord, to recognize that He is always with us in our “boat” as He has been with countless Christians and the Church in general over the centuries. “Faith” is an encounter with a Person, and that Person is Jesus Christ for Whom we are to live and in Whom we have become new creations, children of God.

The sooner we entrust and open ourselves to Christ, the easier we will be able to weather the storms. It takes practice and work on our part to be open to the grace of God and the power of His Holy Spirit, to be acquainted with Christ through familiarity with His Word and the reception the Sacraments, and, thereby, to deepen our relationship with Him. It is the work of a lifetime, a life of faith.

~ *Fr. Armato*

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

We're over two-thirds to the goal for the **2021 Annual Catholic Appeal** campaign. We've received pledges for **\$54,138** already from just **129 families** against **this year's goal of \$76,014**. That's **71.2% of goal with \$21,876 to go**.

The goal comes to a fair share donation of about \$120 from each of our 650 families. Some can give more, some less, but *everyone can give something*. Will you help to put us over the top? Please prayerfully consider making a pledge this year.

Money raised by this campaign is used to support programs for our elderly and youth, nursing facilities, seminarians and retired priests, and other diocesan and parish pastoral needs.



THE ST. VINCENT dePAUL FOOD PANTRY

is located in the Convent
66-25 79th Place

The Pantry is open every
WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY
from 10:00am to 12:00Noon

The Food Pantry is in need of mayo, cooking oil, pasta sauce and instant coffee. As always, we are asking for **grocery store gift cards**, which can be placed in the rectory office mail slot.

Again, we thank you for your continued support!

PLEASE TAKE NOTE

**THE FOOD PANTRY WIL BE
CLOSED ON SATURDAY
DURING JULY & AUGUST**

CHURCH OPEN HOURS

We are back to 100% of occupancy for use of the church for Mass and other celebrations. The church will be open for private prayer until 12:00 Noon on weekdays, from 8:30am to 6:00pm on Saturdays, and between Masses on Sundays. Come, stay, and pray.

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

- ~ Do NOT enter the church, if you are feeling sick.
- ~ While wearing a facemask or covering is now optional **IF YOU HAVE BEEN VACCINATED**, please consider those around you who still are not vaccinated or who may be on edge.
- ~ Receive Communion in the hand.

BLOOD DRIVE UPDATE

Many thanks from the *New York Blood Center* to all who responded to the request for much needed blood donations on Sunday, June 6th, at the Shops at Atlas Park. Due to COVID-19 safety protocols we were unable to host our Blood Drive here, in any of the parish buildings.

We are happy to report that 26 units were collected, a testament to the dedication of the members of our community in supporting our Blood Drives.

We commend the *New York Blood Center* staff for a job well done!

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 the monthly celebration. Contact the Rectory, 718-326-1911 to make the arrangements.

The next memorial Mass will be celebrated at 11:45am Saturday, July 10.

RELIGIOUS ED PROGRAM

Registration for in-class religious education resuming this fall has begun. Current families are being e-mailed; new families should contact Victoria LoBosco or Karen Gonzalez at

stmargaretre@gmail.com

for information and registration

CONGRATULATIONS

to St. Margaret Catholic Academy's Graduating Class of 2021

*EDWARD ANDERSEN, KRISTIAN ANDERSEN,
MICHAEL BALDASSARRE, ROSALIA BONANNO,
FRANCESCO CALABRESE, DANIELLA CIUFFA,
GIULIANA CONLAN, ARIANNA DELGADO,
STEVEN DIMOTHERIS, MICHAEL FRANCO,
ALYSSA FRICKE, HEAVEN GUZMAN,
LEA HUI, JOHN MEENAN, PATRICK MOAKLEY,
JUSTIN MUNSON, ALEXANDER MUNTEAN,
SEAN MURRAY, NICOLO NOEL,
XAVIER OSORIO, LUKE ROEMMELT,
MEGAN ROONEY, KAYLA SANCHEZ,
BRIAN SWIECH, CHRISTOPHER VLAOVICH,*

*We wish all of these students much
success in their future endeavors!*

PARISH FINANCES

Thanks to all of you who continue to support *your* parish as best as possible during these difficult times, whether through e-giving or in-pew offerings!

E-giving accounts for about a third of our weekly income. With people going away from the neighborhood during the summer, even if just on weekends, we depend even more on e-giving for a steady flow of income to meet the steady flow of operating expenses, which do not take a break.

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.

FATHERS DAY TRIDUUM

Use the envelope in your packet or on the side aisle radiators to enroll your father, grandfather, etc., in the spiritual fruits of three Masses for Fathers Day.

CONNECT TO FORMED!

FORMED, produced by the Augustine Institute, has come to St. Margaret's and is available without charge to all parishioners. All that is needed to visit the website is Internet access and an e-mail account.

FORMED is an on-line resource for adult and youth faith formation, prayer, sacramental preparation, and so much more. Recent presentations include videos on Reconciliation, marriage, dealing with boredom, things of interest geared toward children, Divine Mercy, videos by Dr. Scott Hahn, Fr. Larry Richards, and Chris Stefanick, daily reflection, and many other topics.

The app can be downloaded very easily to your computer or ROKU and also to your cell phone or iPad so that you can enjoy the presentations wherever you happen to be.

To **register** on FORMED:

- 1) Go to FORMED.org/signup
- 2) Enter our Zip Code, 11379, and select St. Margaret.
- 3) Enter your name and email address.

If you **already have a FORMED account**:

- 1) Go to FORMED.org
- 2) Click on "Sign In"
- 3) Enter your email address
- 4) Click the link to your email
- 5) BOOM! You're in and free to explore to your heart's delight.

SMS COLLEGE GRADS

We'd like to hear from our St. Margaret School alumni who are graduating from college this spring. Please email us your name, the year that you graduated, your college, degree, and field of study; e.g.:

James Jones ('13) St. John's BS Pharmacy

Jane Doe ('11) Fordham MBA Accounting

We'll print the info as it is received at:

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