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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY TIME
JULY 4, 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

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| SUN. | JULY 4 - FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME |
| 8:00 | Robert Hawd |
| 10:00 | Giovanni & Mary Armato/People of the USA |
| NOON | People of the Parish |
| 5:00PM | Joan McShea |
| MON. | JULY 5 - ST. ANTHONY ZACCARIA/ INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATED |
| 9:00 | John Ciorcari Sr./John Ciorcari Jr. |
| TUE. | JULY 6 - ST. MARIA GORETTI |
| 7:00 | Steven Dominic Belviso |
| 9:00 | Joseph Kresse (birth) |
| WED. | JULY 7 - WEEKDAY |
| 7:00 | Joseph Kresse |
| 9:00 | Gaetano Morreale |
| THU. | JULY 8 - WEEKDAY |
| 7:00 | Purgatorial Society |
| 9:00 | Domenico DeSiervi |
| FRI. | JULY 9 - ST. AUGUSTINE ZHAO RONG |
| 7:00 | Marco Colalella |
| 9:00 | Anthony & Antoinette Santora |
| SAT. | JULY 10 - WEEKDAY |
| 9:00 | Collective: Mary Narky/ |
| 11:45 | Memorial Mass: Joann DeSantis, Gerald Welch, Anthony Giangregorio, Geraldine Westerberg, Thelma Macaluso, Guy J. DeMatties, Andrew G. Jenner, Douglas James Savignano, Bruce J. Reeder, James & Ellen Dalton |
| 5:00PM | |
| SUN. | JULY 11 - FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME |
| 8:00 | William J. Roemmelt |
| 10:00 | Vincenza, Mariano e Salvatore Palmeri/ Maria Curatolo/Geraldine Ciaccio/Antonino Catalano/Marco Colalella/Daniele Bussa/ Antonino, Giuseppe e Antonina Catalano/ Patrick & Mary (Kitt) Morrissey |
| NOON | People of the Parish |
| 5:00PM | |



**THE RECTORY
WILL BE CLOSED ON
MONDAY, JULY 5
IN OBSERVANCE OF
INDEPENDENCE DAY
MASS IS AT 9:00AM**

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 FIRST MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR 12:00 NOON WEDNESDAY, JULY 14.

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, Jamie Allison,

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:

Bruce J. Reeder, Robert M. Pozarycki, Sr.

May they rest in Christ's Peace!

MEMORIALS

WINE & HOST THIS WEEK

are offered in memory of Mary Narky.

TABERNACLE LAMP THIS WEEK

*is lit in memory of Giovanni & Mary Armato
at the request of Phyllis, Lee & Ben.*



***SAINT
MARIA
GORETTI
JULY 6***

TODAY'S READINGS

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 2:2-5

Ps 123:1-2, 2, 3-4

Cor 12:7-10

Mk 6:1-6a

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:

Gn 28:10-22a

Ps 91:1-4, 14-15ab

Mt 9:18-26

Tuesday:

Gn 32:23-33

Ps 17:1b, 2-3, 6-7ab, 8b, 15

Mt 9:32-38

Wednesday:

Gn 41:55-57, 42:5-7a 17-24a

Ps 33:2-3, 10-11, 18-19

Mt 10:1-7

Thursday:

Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29, 45:1-5

Ps 105:16-21

Mt 10:7-15

Friday:

Gn 46:1-7, 28-30

Ps 37:3-4, 18-19,

27-28, 39-40

Mt 10:16-23

Saturday:

Gn 49:29-32, 50:15-26a

Ps 105:1-4, 6-7

Mt 10:24-33

Sunday:

Am 7:12-15

Ps 85:9-14

Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10

Mk 6:7-13

From the Pastor's Desk:

“On Faith, Faithlessness, and Humility”

As we've done the last two weeks, we continue on the topic of faith in today's readings. Last week, we saw the great effects that the faith of the suffering woman and the dying/dead girl's father had in bringing about not only healing but also a restoration (i.e., a resurrection) of life. Today, we take a look at the other side of the coin: the lack of faith.

Up until now, Jesus had been able to work many miracles that supported both His message and His authority, but miracles require faith, and faith was lacking in Nazareth, and He was not able to do very much among people who should have trusted Him. One can only imagine His frustration and sadness at being rejected by His friends and neighbors. The rejection, whatever its underlying reason, was not enough, though, to dissuade Him from His mission and send Him back to the workbench and obscurity or to make him change His message to something more agreeable. The Father had sent him for a purpose: to call people to repentance for the forgiveness of their sins and to bring about their reconciliation with God. In humble obedience to the Father's will, He would leave Nazareth but not leave the goal unachieved.

Like the Lord, Ezekiel faced rejection from those to whom he was sent to call back to faithfulness and to help to rise out of the despair of their exile. God assured him that, whether the people heeded or heeded not, the Word of God is the unchanging Word of God, and its promises and demands remain unaltered. Faithful to God, Ezekiel humbly carried out his given mission.

St. Paul also knew both successes and frequent frustration over lacks of success as he proclaimed the Gospel in city after city. There is no indication of what the “thorn” in his side was, but it was enough to make him realize that the successes weren't entirely his doing and that he had accomplished them through the power of God. It was only when Paul humbly acknowledged his weaknesses and limitations that he was able to understand the power of God's actions.

You and I are called to be people of faith, entrusting ourselves to God, confident that He knows what He's doing even if we don't. It's not an easy thing to do, but requires work on our part to develop the faith that God has planted in us, placing ourselves humbly in His hands, and persevering in bad times as in good.

Faith requires implementation, which, in turn, requires strengthening ourselves through prayer and reception of the grace of the Sacraments that Christ has given to the Church, studying the Word of God in Scripture, and following the examples of the saints and the good people whom we ourselves have known. In this way we will be better able to respond to the command that we have received: to love, and to put that love into action.

The Prophet Isaiah noted over 2700 years ago that the things of this world are passing, but the Word of the Lord endures forever. That Word can strengthen and transform us, if we allow it to do so by approaching the Lord in humility and faith.

In closing, I'd like to share a thought on the secular observance this weekend of our country's 245th anniversary as an independent nation. It's not my own, but comes from the Declaration of Independence. These words are quite important, as we live in a time in which too many people would tear down and even erase what we have cherished, and so many have fought and died to defend, for generations.

**“We hold these Truths to be self-evident: that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness. . .
“And for the Support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the Protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.”**

The challenges to faith, secular as well as religious, are many. With firm reliance on God, let us recommit ourselves to the noble ideals of our nation's Founders, who were not demigods but imperfect people of flesh and blood who dreamed big and entrusted themselves to God. May God bless America!

~ *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 **\$56,807** already from just **136 families** against **this year's goal of \$76,014**. That's **74.7% of goal with \$19,207 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.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

We hold a holy hour of Eucharistic Adoration consisting of Exposition and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, Rosary, litany, scriptural reading, and time for quiet, personal prayer from 9:30 until 10:30AM on the first Saturday of each month.

The next holy hour is Saturday, August 7.

Come and spend some quality time with the Lord! Let us pray for our nation.

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 12:00Noon 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. Get a shot or wear a mask.
- ~ Receive Communion in the hand.

THE ST. VINCENT dePAUL FOOD PANTRY



is located in the Convent
66-25 79th Place

The Pantry is open every
WEDNESDAY 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 WILL BE
CLOSED ON SATURDAYS
DURING JULY & AUGUST

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. See listing on page 2 of this bulletin for Mass intentions.

E-DATA UPDATES

Help us to update our database of email addresses so that we can maintain contact. Print the following information and return it via the collection basket, or by mail, or by emailing it to:

stmargaretmv@gmail.com

Your Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Zip: _____

E-mail address: _____

Phone#:(_____) - _____ - _____

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 **faithdirect.net** and enter our parish code, **NY299**. You can change your decision later on, as you wish.



RELIGIOUS ED PROGRAM

Registration for in-class sessions in our Religious Education Program is open until Friday, July 30.

Please email the Religious Ed Office at **stmargaretre@gmail.com** to register or for further information.

Do NOT contact the Rectory or Academy offices.

SACRAMENTS FOR ADULTS

Are you over 16 years old and still need to receive any of the Sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation, First Communion)? If so, please contact Sr. Bridget Olwell at the Rectory (718-326-1911) to enroll in the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) formation sessions that will begin this Fall. Reception of the Sacraments will take place in the Spring.

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 Christian character, spiritual formation for men and women, daily Scripture reflections, things of interest for children, 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.



SENIORS!!

The first meeting of the Seniors Club since the pandemic will take place on Wednesday, July 14th, at 12:00 Noon in the Parish Center. We look forward to seeing you there!!