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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY

IN

ORDINARY TIME

OCTOBER 3, 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.	OCTOBER 3 - TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME People of the Parish 8:00 Maria Curatolo/Geraldine Ciaccio/Frances Illuzzi/Salvatore Randazzo/Mario DiGangi/ 10:00 Fire Lt. Kevin J. & William Pfeifer NOON Carl Dokter 5:00PM
MON.	OCTOBER 4 - ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI 7:00 Purgatorial Society 9:00 Edward Twomey
TUE.	OCTOBER 5 - BLESSED FRANCIS XAVIER 7:00 Filippa Scarpulla 9:00 Anna Iorio
WED.	OCTOBER 6 - ST. BRUNO/BLESSED MARIE ROSE DUROCHER 7:00 Joseph Sparacio 9:00 Cathleen Joyce
THU.	OCTOBER 7 - OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY 7:00 Ella Genna 9:00 Walter R. Martin
FRI.	OCTOBER 8 - WEEKDAY 7:00 Ruth O'Hehir (birth) 9:00 Filippo, Leonardo e Maria Curatolo/ Geraldine Ciaccio
SAT.	OCTOBER 9 - STS. DENIS/JOHN LEONARDI 9:00 Collective: Jim & Rita Minogue 11:45 Memorial Mass: Karen M Schaefer, Pedro Castillejo, Giuseppa Morreale, Alyssa Letitia Kenn, Paul Niedzialek 5:00PM Marie & Ernest DeSabato
SUN.	OCTOBER 10 - TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 8:00 Raymond Stern 10:00 Filippo, Leonardo e Maria Curatolo/Geraldine Ciaccio/Vincenza, Mariano e Salvatore Palmeri/ Antonino Catalano/Marco Colalella/ NOON People of the Parish 5:00PM Catalina, Allaria, Bianca, Clida & Nicole Alberi

**We welcome
Bishop Robert J. Brennan,
newly appointed 8th Bishop of the
Diocese of Brooklyn.
Ad multos annos!**

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 MEETING will take place on Wednesday, October 6, at 12:00 Noon in the Parish Center.

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, Christine Arundel, Jamie Allison, Eileen Hagan, Regina Caridi, Lenny Masone,

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:

Giuseppa (Josephine) Morreale

May they rest in Christ's Peace!

MEMORIALS

TABERNACLE LAMP THIS WEEK

is lit in memory of Walter R. Martin.



OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY OCTOBER 7

October is the month of the Rosary.

*Pray at least five decades each day for the
intention (s) of your choice.*

TODAY'S READINGS

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 2:18-24

Ps 128:1-6

Heb 2:9-11

Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday: Jon1:1-2:2, 11
Jon 2:3-5, 8
Lk 10:25-37
- Tuesday: Jon 3:1-10
Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4ab, 7-8
Lk 10:38-42
- Wednesday: Jon 4:1-11
Ps 86:3-6, 9-10
Lk 11:1-4
- Thursday: Mal 3:13-20b
Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6
Lk 11:5-13
- Friday: Jl 1:13-15, 2:1-2
Ps 9:2-3, 6, 16, 8-9
Lk 11:15-26
- Saturday: Jl 4:12-21
Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12
Lk 11:27-28
- Sunday: Wis 7:7-11
Ps 90:12-17
Heb 4:12-13
Mk 10:17-30 or
10:17-27

From the Pastor's Desk:

“No Longer Two, but One”

The story is told of an ancient rabbi commenting on today's first reading. “Notice,” he said, “that the Lord did not take the woman from the man's foot, that he should walk all over her. Neither did He take her from his head, that she might have dominion over him. Rather the Lord God took the woman from the man's side, that they might walk together in equal dignity before His eyes.”

The narrative presented to us in today's first reading from Genesis is not a scientific treatise but the expression of a theological point: God created human beings with a certain complementarity of relationship. While the man was to have dominion over the rest of Creation (as indicated by God giving him the power and authority to name the other creatures), he could find none suitable to take as his “partner”, his equal, from among all the other beings. The woman, represented as being taken from the man's side, and the man himself are united in a particular union, a communion of persons bound by covenant as one flesh and one spirit.

This idea of the nature of human beings also sheds light on the nature of God: a communion of Persons, yet one God. It is why Christ speaks of the permanence and indissolubility of the marital bond. Once established between a man and a woman, the sacramental bond of Holy Matrimony - - as re-presentative of the unions of the Trinity Itself, between God and His People, and between Christ and His Church - - is a bond that cannot be broken or undone.

We live at a time such as none before, when the very concept of marriage has been warped and distorted and debased into a broad range of relationships, none even closely approximating the original scope, purpose, and beauty of true marriage. Call these other relationships whatever you may, they are not “marriages” at all. Neither do they attain, nor have they the ability to achieve, the bond and the resulting fruitfulness of life that marriage produces within itself.

We know all too well that traditional marriage is entered into less and less frequently each year, while co-habitation and all sorts of “unions” are on the rise. We also realize that marriages can become difficult or strained and even fall apart. Often one or both of the parties can be wounded by the collapse and separation and in need of the Church's pastoral attention and care.

While perfect marriages may be made in Heaven, they are meant to be lived here on earth. Marriage, when properly and fully entered into between a man and a woman as daily ministers of the grace of God to each other, is a permanent relationship, a covenantal bond of the mutual giving of the self and receiving of the other in a life of self-sacrificial love and, when needed, mutual forgiveness. The ultimate goal of husband and wife is to bring one another into the fullness of life in Heaven, the Kingdom of God.

In today's Gospel passage, Jesus confirms the indissolubility of marriage and then turns to little children as role models for His disciples to follow to enter the Kingdom. Small wonder, as children possess genuineness and openness, humility and simplicity, all qualities that also must be present within a marriage.

The role of the Church is to nurture husbands and wives sacramentally and prayerfully as couples to grow together in mutual love, to assist them as parents in the training of their children in the ways of Christian discipleship, to aid them in the tough times as well as to rejoice with them in the good. There is no nuptial “fairy dust” that is sprinkled on couples. True marriage requires their daily cooperation with the grace of God by ministering the Sacrament to each other for as long as they both shall live, no longer two, but one flesh.

Let us pray, then, for all couples, from newlyweds to golden jubilarians, that they may live the bond of Holy Matrimony in love for one another and so come together into the fullness of life in the Kingdom of God.

~ *Fr. Armato*

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

We're **OVER THE TOP** for the **2021 Annual Catholic Appeal** campaign with **\$76,667 in pledges** received from **165 families** against **this year's goal of \$76,014**. That's **101% of goal**, thanks to your generosity. How much more can we add to the total? **Money over goal that is collected by the end of the year will come back to the Parish for our own local needs.**

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. Please prayerfully consider making a pledge this year.** Forms and envelopes are available in church.

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.

Please note: NO money received through this campaign is used in the settlement of ANY lawsuits.

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, November 6.

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

ANNIVERSARY DINNER-DANCE

Plans for our delayed anniversary dinner-dance are on hold again, due to an upsurge in Covid cases in the City. Pray for all who are sick with the virus!

ALTAR SERVER NEWS

Fr. Joseph Palackal will recruit new altar servers shortly from St. Margaret Catholic Academy and our Religious Education Program. Training for new and experienced servers will begin later in October. Service at the altar is open to boys and girls, Fourth Grade and up. More information will be distributed in the coming weeks.

Experienced altar servers are requested to report to the sacristy to serve whenever coming to Mass.

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!

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, October 9. See listing on page 2 of this bulletin for Mass intentions.

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAMS

We just want to let you know that our adult Faith Formation Programs will resume again this year.

Our Fall program will study and reflect on the Seven Sacraments. This program, by Bishop Barron, is educational and very inspiring.

Registration for the program will take place after all the Masses **THIS** weekend. You have a choice of three evenings and one morning.

It's been a long year and a half, locked up in the safety of our homes. Now, consider treating yourself to one hour weekly, for six weeks.

Encourage a friend to come along with you!

SAFE DRIVER CLASS

We are in the process of setting up a safe driver class. More information will be provided as soon as possible.

PARISH FINANCES

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

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.

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, 718-326-1911 ASAP to enroll in the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) formation sessions that will begin this month. Reception of the Sacraments will take place in the Spring.

RELIGIOUS ED PROGRAM

Limited registration for classes in our Parish Religious Education Program is open again, but *only via e-mail*.

stmargaretre@gmail.com

As a precaution for the safety of all of our children in view of the increasing threat from Covid-19 in the City and our inability to monitor adequately the situation in the public schools, classes for our **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM** will be conducted only on-line through the end of December.

We apologize for any inconvenience to your families and will review the situation again in December. The safety of our children is of paramount concern. We desire to share the Faith as prudently as possible.

ITALIAN APOSTOLATE

The Italian Apostolate of the Diocese of Brooklyn invites you to participate in a Rosary Procession beginning a 2pm at Mother Cabrini Park (41 President St., Bklyn) today, October 3. Mass in honor of Mother Cabrini will follow at 3pm at Sacred Hearts-St. Stephen Church (125 Summit St., Bklyn). All are welcome.

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 angels and archangels, Saints John Paul II and Therese of Lisieux, spirituality, Scripture study, programming in Polish, sacramental prep, stories and activities 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.

CHURCH OPEN HOURS

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

Come early and/or stay afterwards to pray, and bring someone to Mass with you!

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 remains 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.