

# ***ST. MARGARET ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH***

*66-05 79th Place, Middle Village, New York 11379*

**~ MASS BELLS ~**

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**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY**

**IN**

**ORDINARY TIME**

**OCTOBER 10, 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

<b>SUN.</b>	<b>OCTOBER 10 - TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
8:00	Raymond Stein
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
<b>MON.</b>	<b>OCTOBER 11 - ST. JOHN XXIII, POPE/ COLUMBUS DAY</b>
9:00	Regina Gockley
<b>TUE.</b>	<b>OCTOBER 12 - WEEKDAY</b>
7:00	Joan McShea (birth)
9:00	Danny Ahearne
<b>WED.</b>	<b>OCTOBER 13 - WEEKDAY</b>
7:00	Joan McShea (birth)
9:00	Joan McShea
<b>THU.</b>	<b>OCTOBER 14 - ST. CALLISTUS I</b>
7:00	Kathleen O'Hara
9:00	Salatore Palmeri (anniv)
<b>FRI.</b>	<b>OCTOBER 15 - ST. TERESA OF AVILA</b>
7:00	Vera Krzewski
9:00	Edward & Nellie (Malone) Tolles
<b>SAT.</b>	<b>OCTOBER 16 - STS. HEDWIG/ MARGARET MARY ALACOQUE</b>
9:00	<b>Collective:</b> James Nohilly
5:00PM	Lt. Michael Maloney, FDNY (birth)
<b>SUN.</b>	<b>OCTOBER 17 - TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>
8:00	William R. Roemmelt
10:00	Il Popolo della Parrocchia/Giuseppa Damico/
NOON	Msgr. Peter Zendzian (anniv)
5:00PM	Karl A. Pospisphil

**THE RECORY WILL BE CLOSED  
ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 11  
IN OBSERVANCE OF  
COLUMBUS DAY  
MASS IS AT 9:00AM ONLY**

## 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](http://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** meet every Wednesday 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, 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 Mason,

***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:***

***Rita Palmeri, James P. Duffy,  
Gerry Frohnhoefer***

***May they rest in Christ's Peace!***

## MEMORIALS

### **WINE & HOST THIS WEEK**

***are offered in memory of Joan McShea  
at the request of Mary Ann DeAngelis & Family.***



## TODAY'S READINGS

### ***Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time***

Wis 7:7-11  
Ps 90:12-17  
Heb 4:12-13  
Mk 10:17-30 or  
10:17-27

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Rom 1:1-7  
Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4  
Lk 11:29-32

Tuesday: Rom 1:16-25  
Ps 19:2-3, 4-5  
Lk 11:37-41

Wednesday: Rom 2:1-11  
Ps 62:2-3, 6-7, 9  
Lk 11:42-46

Thursday: Rom 3:21-30  
Ps 130:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab  
Lk 11:47-54

Friday: Rom 4:1-8  
Ps 32:1b-2, 5, 11  
Lk 12:1-7

Saturday: Rom 4:13, 16-18  
Ps 105:6-7, 8-9, 42-43  
Lk 12:8-12

Sunday: Is 53:10-11  
Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22  
Heb 4:14-16  
Mk 10:35-45 or  
10:42-45

## *From the Pastor's Desk:*

### *“Rosebud”*

The movie “Citizen Kane”, one of the great masterpieces of American cinematography, tells the story in retrospect of a man of humble beginnings who claws his way to fame, power, and immense wealth, only [spoiler alert!] to die lonely and bitter, sighing unhappily with his last breath for his childhood prized possession, which, like much of what he owned, is cast into a furnace in the end. The story is a fictionalization, based partly on the life of the magnate and publisher William Randolph Hearst, whose California mansion is now a tourist attraction.

St. Katherine (Mother) Drexel (1858-1955) is a not-too-distant saint of our own times, the heiress to a multi-million-dollar fortune who used her inheritance to found a religious order for teaching black and Native American children and began Xavier University in New Orleans for the higher education of black students.

St. Philip Neri (1515-1595) left his middle-class merchant family's business, eventually founding the Congregation of Priests of the Oratory to promote holiness in the lives of priests, improve preaching, and serve the needs of youth. He was quoted once as saying, “If I were interested in riches, I could be a wealthy man.” Still, he left what the world considers wealth to serve the spiritual and physical needs of the people of Rome and beyond with a spirit of joy and immense love.

The possession of wealth in and of itself is not the problem. The problem occurs when we make it the be-all and end-all of our desires and efforts, setting it up in the place of God as the driving force and goal of our lives. The wealth of the pious rich man, who could quote Scripture very well, was not the problem. That was his refusal to detach himself from it while ignoring the needs of the less fortunate.

The world is full of folks like “Charlie Kane” who grasp for all the passing wealth and power that they can accumulate, only to leave it behind them which they die. Fortunately, it is also full of people like Katherine Drexel and Philip Neri, who are generous with and detached from the material wealth that is theirs. Some of these latter are even in our midst here at St. Margaret's, unknown by most of you for their generous giving of self and wealth for their love of Christ and His Church and the promotion of the Gospel. God bless them for it!

Following the lead of St. Peter in today's Gospel, we might ask Christ, “What's in it for me, if I give up everything to follow You?” A Little Sister of the Poor told me the day of my first Mass, “God is never outdone in generosity.” I have come to experience that on a very personal level, not in terms of financial wealth, but rather in terms of the blessings that I have received in serving Christ in His Church (poorly as I've done), first as a layman for over 25 years before ordination and now as a priest for as many more. Yes, there have been difficult times of struggle and opposition, and I'm sure that there will be more in the years to come. Still, I have not suffered persecution yet for the sake of Christ and the Gospel. I pray that, by the grace of God, I will weather any such storm, whenever it may come.

What we give to Christ is not a matter of quid-pro-quo dollars and cents. It is rather a matter of the attitude with which we render to Him what He has given us. Will we cling to Him or to whatever power, honor, and wealth we can accumulate? How will we use the wisdom, the time, treasure, and talents that we have received from God if not in loving and humble service to Him and His people? Are our hands, hearts, and minds so preoccupied with grasping the things of this world that we cannot reach out for the imperishable riches that God has prepared for us in the next? At the end of our days, will we look forward joyfully to seeing the Lord face to face, or will we sigh in our sad and empty loneliness for our own “Rosebud”?

Let us pray, then, for the wisdom to choose well that path of life that we will walk, that it might be the one that leads us to eternal life in the age to come.

~ *Fr. Armato*



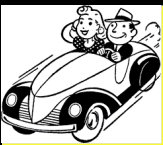
## PARISH FINANCES

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!

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 Fall. Reception of the Sacraments will take place in the Spring.



## DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE

will be given in St. Margaret Parish Hall on Saturday, November 20 from 9am until 3:30pm.

**THE COST:** \$45 per person

**THE BENEFITS:** 10% discount on liability and collision insurance for 3 years. Up to 4 points deducted from your driving record.

**CONTACT:** Sr. Bridget, **718-326-1911** for more information or to register.

## THE ST. VINCENT dePAUL SOCIETY

Bridge to Life has chosen to honor us with a leaf on their "Tree of Life" located in their new home in College Point.

While the St. Vincent dePaul Society sponsors the campaign (2022 will be our 11th year), it is the people of the Parish who give it success.

Therefore, our leaf will be inscribed:

***"The Parishioners of St. Margaret Church"***

We thank you for your generosity, and Bridge to Life for this honor.

## 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 Saints Francis and Faustine, praying the Rosary, Scripture study, programming in Polish, sacred art, 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.

## MASS BOOK OPENING

The **2022 Mass Book** will open on Tuesday, October 26, from 1:00 until 4:00pm **in the church**. Enter from the 80th St. ramp doors and be seated in the pews. Forms will be available.

Cash or check for your offering will be accepted.

**All Announced Masses:** \$15/intention

**Weekly Memorials:** \$25/intention for wine and hosts, sanctuary lamp, or altar candles.



*"and all the lives we ever lived  
and all the lives to be, are full of  
trees and changing leaves. . ."*