

ST. MARGARET ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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~ MASS BELLS ~

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**THIRD SUNDAY
OF EASTER
MAY 1, 2022**

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 by 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. ~ MAY 1 - THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	
8:00	Anita Cacioppo
10:00	Romolo Fabiilli/Vincenzo Arigo/Ludwig Ulzheimer/Ulrich Zender/Mildred Weiss
NOON	People of the Parish
5:00PM	Florence and Daniel O'Donnell
MON. ~ MAY 2 - ST. ATHANASIUS	
7:00	Purgatorial Society
9:00	Madeline Ramminger (birth)
TUE. ~ MAY 3 - STS. PHILIP AND JAMES	
7:00	Frank and Lucia Sparacio
9:00	Howard Buchman
WED. ~ MAY 4 - EASTER WEEKDAY	
7:00	Carmelo Caruana
9:00	Theresa Rom
THU. ~ MAY 5 - EASTER WEEKDAY/ NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE	
7:00	Joan Ryan
9:00	Ronnie Hamilton (birth)
FRI. ~ MAY 6 - EASTER WEEKDAY	
7:00	Intention of Brue Gonzalez
9:00	Edward and Madeline Korth
SAT. ~ MAY 7 - EASTER WEEKDAY	
9:00	Collective: Deceased Priests of the Brooklyn and Rockville Centre Dioceses/
5:00PM	Antoinette Santora
SUN. ~ MAY 8 - FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER/ MOTHER'S DAY	
8:00	Concetta and John Aversa
10:00	I anori della Madonna di Fatima/Daniele Bussa/Rosaria, Rosario e Nunzio Taormina/Filippo, Leonardo e Maria Curatolo/Geraldine Ciaccio/Benedetto Barretta Famiglia/Giuseppe, Francesca e Salvatore Casabianca/Francesca, Lina, Teresa e Mary Battaglini/
NOON	Mother's Day Triduum
5:00PM	People of the Parish



MOTHERS DAY MASSES

Enroll your mother, whether living or deceased, in three Masses for Mothers Day by using the special envelope in your packet or one available along the aisles in church.

PARISH INFORMATION

Rectory Office Hours

**Monday - Friday - 9am to Noon
and 1pm to 5pm**

Saturday - 9am to 2pm

Other times by appointment only.

Sunday - closed

CONFESSIONS - Saturday, 4:00-4:45 PM.

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

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

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

WEDDINGS MUST be scheduled at least six (6) months in advance by appointment with a priest or a deacon. Please call the rectory office **BEFORE YOU MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THE CATERING HALL**. For marriage preparation information visit www.pre-cana.org.

ENGLISH CHOIR rehearses on Wednesdays at 7 PM in the Church. Tenors and baritones needed!

IL CORO ITALIANO pratica ogni Domenica prima della Messa Italiana.

THE YOUTH CHOIR rehearses on Wednesdays at 3pm in the Church.

BOY SCOUT TROOP #119 MEETINGS ARE SUSPENDED.

CUB PACK #119 MEETINGS ARE SUSPENDED.

SENIOR CITIZENS meetings are held every Wednesday at 12 Noon, in the Parish Center.

ALTAR SERVER ASSIGNMENTS HAVE RESUMED. SEE SCHEDULE.

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, Bob Biolsi, The Mojica Family, Msgr. Leonard Badia, Matthew Zender, Anthony Pittelli, Jill Archbold, Fr. Paul Weirichs CP, Hannah Lehman, John Austin Bryzgornia, Dave Kazmier, John Nogiewich, Tim Rooney, Frank Ciccone, 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 Masone, Lorraine Colon, James Buchanan, Joseph Guecia, Jacob Zane, Joan Grippo, Hazel Scanlon, Ray and Pam Sadler, Carmen Ciulla, Pauline Vella, Dennis Roberts, Louisa Diviney, Daniel Wilson, Marie Breslin, Robert Sukup, Sam Cianciolo, Maria Fava,

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.**

**Pray for the men from our Parish who are
serving in the defense of our country:**

Lt. Col. Thomas Frohnhoefer

Sgt. Robert A. Domenici

Pray for peace in Eastern Europe.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be



WE RECALL OUR BELOVED DECEASED

especially this week:

***WALTER FRANZ PETSCHAUER,
MARY RUSSELL***

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and may perpetual light shine upon them!
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful
departed, through Thy mercy,
rest in peace! Amen!*

~ MEMORIALS THIS WEEK ~

WINE & HOST

are offered in memory of Romolo Fabiilli.

ALTAR CANDLES

are offered in memory of Romolo Fabiilli.

TABERNACLE LAMP

is lit in memory of Susan Doran.

TODAY'S READINGS

***Third Sunday of Easter ,
Cycle C - Hymnal # 906***

Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41
Psalm 30:2, 4-6, 11-13
Revelation 5:11-14
John 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 6:8-15
Psalm 119:23-30
John 6:22-29

Tuesday: I Corinthians 15:1-8
Psalm 19:2-5
John 14:6-14

Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8
Psalm 66:1-3a, 4-7a
John 6:35-40

Thursday: Acts 8:26-40
Psalm 66:8-9, 16-20
John 6:44-51

Friday: Acts 9:1-20
Psalm 117:1bc, 2
John 6:52-59

Saturday: Acts 9:31-42
Psalm 116:12-17
John 6:60-69

Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52
Psalm 100:1-5
Revelation 7:9, 14b-17
John 10:27-30

*"Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ!"
~ St. Jerome*

From the Pastor's Desk:

“Going Fishing”

There are few ways to spend a nice day more pleasantly than doing some casual fishing. Whether or not we catch anything is secondary to the relaxation that beats a day at work anytime. Not catching anything when your livelihood depends on it, however, is a different story altogether. Beyond disappointing, it's frustrating when a professional fisherman comes back with nothing to show for his efforts, not even a tale about “the one that got away”. Such was the situation of the disciples in today's Gospel passage.

The Lord had risen, but apparently the disciples had gone back to their chosen line of work: fishing on the Sea of Galilee. After a night at sea with no fish in the boat, the professionals heeded the advice of an apparent stranger to try once again, this time with astounding results, at which point they recognized the stranger as the Lord. After bringing the great catch ashore, they joined Him in a meal He had prepared for them – a symbol of the Eucharist. At the end of the meal, Christ confirmed Peter in his position as the leader of His flock, His vicar on earth, to nourish and guide the new community of disciples. Peter was to be a new type of fisherman, just as Christ had told him several years earlier. That position and mission have continued down through the centuries to today through the person of the Bishop of Rome, the first among equals.

In a similar way, all of Christ's disciples, including you and me, are given the responsibility of being fishers for Christ, to bring in a catch of new disciples for His Kingdom. Sometimes we get tired of trying to follow Him, and just want to settle back into our old ways or “let someone else do it.” At other times we feel like we know what we're all about and don't need anyone's advice, even His. Then our lack of positive results gets frustrating, though perhaps just what we need to follow Someone's guidance and get back into productive efforts.

Peter may have been a strange choice for Jesus to pick as head of the Church, having denied Christ three times after His arrest, out of fear to be the next one to be put in chains. John, on the other hand, had stood at the foot of the Cross, in full view of the authorities as his Master hung dying in agony. Christ reclaimed Peter, though, bringing him to profess his love one time for each denial. Peter would go on, not only to shepherd the Church, but also eventually to show the full measure of his love for Christ by being crucified upside-down.

Christ gives each of us many chances to be reconciled to Him and to profess our love for Him even though we repeatedly stumble and fall. Moreover, He gives each of us a mission and a challenge: to profess our faith in Him in the context of our everyday lives and to lead and guide our own little jurisdictions of the family (the domestic Church) or the parish (the local Church).

The world today – beginning with our families and our community – continues to need fishermen who will listen to the words of the One Whom we recognize as the Lord. “He knows what He is about,” wrote St. John Henry Newman, and He knows what He wants us to do: feed and tend to those whom He has given into our care.

Refreshed with Easter hope, let us witness to our faith with renewed strength and commitment, to bring to the shores of Heaven a great catch for the Kingdom of the Father. May that kind of fishing be a joy for each of us!

~ *Fr. Armato*

~ BOILER PROJECT UPDATES ~

Thank you for your generosity in the second collection, which has helped to offset the expenses of renting and operating the temporary boiler at over \$5,000/week. We expect to remove the unit in the next few days, the weather having warmed up sufficiently, but the second collection will continue for a few more weeks. Estimates for removing and replacing the old boilers are running in excess of \$450,000. Substantial financing and fundraising will be required.

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 10:30 AM on the first Saturday of each month.

The next holy hour is this Saturday, May 7.

Come and spend some quality time with the Lord!

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL '22

We're off to a good start for this year's ACA campaign with 71 pledges totaling \$40,395 toward our goal of \$76,014. A fair-share donation is just \$150 from each family, but, as always, whatever your means allow is most appreciated. Pledges can be paid out in monthly installments until the end of the year.

Envelopes will be available for you to make a pledge next weekend, May 14-15. You also can **pledge on-line at:**

annualcatholicappeal.org

PRAYERS REQUESTED

Please keep in your prayers our young brothers and sisters who are receiving the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Communion this week. May the Lord strengthen them with His Holy Spirit, and may their love for Him grow with every reception of the Eucharist!

PRAYERS FOR UKRAINE

Continue to pray the Rosary for peace in Ukraine. May our Lady of Vladimir, Queen of Peace, intercede for her children!

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 cooking oil, mayo, catsup, ground coffee (no decaf), bottled juice and tuna. 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 on Saturday, May 14.

CHURCH OPEN HOURS

The church will be open for private prayer: Monday-Friday, 6:30am to 12:00 Noon; Saturday, 8:30am to 6:00pm; Sunday, 7:30am to 6:00pm. Come and spend some quality time with the Lord before or after Mass or during the day.

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

~ Do NOT enter the church, if you are feeling sick.

~ The Church's teachings do NOT prohibit getting inoculated; instead, it is encouraged.

~ Receive Communion in the hand.

~ Do NOT leave anything (*The Tablet*, bulletins, water bottles, etc.) behind you when you depart from the church after Mass.

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 the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, several saints, Sacramental preparation, activities for children, and many other interesting 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.

WELCOME BACK TO LIVE THEATER!

Maggie's Little Theater Presents



www.MaggiesLittleTheater.org
(347) 286-8508 (New phone number!)

SHOW DATES

Sat. July 9, 16, 23 at 8pm - Sun. July 10,
17, 24 at 2:30pm - Friday July 15, 8pm
Adults \$20 - Seniors (65+) \$18 -
Children (11 and under) \$18

We value your safety: All patrons will be required to show proof of Covid-19 vaccination at the door, and wear a mask when not actively eating or drinking.

SMCA NEWS

Ms. Richardson, our Principal, received some wonderful news this past week: St. Margaret Catholic Academy has been granted five-year accreditation by the COGNIA Global Commission (which replaced Middle States Association) for our educational excellence.

Congratulations to our Administration, staff, students, parents, and Board of Directors for this achievement!

If you're looking to give your child a solid education based on Catholic values, contact the Academy offices at 718-326-0922 for more information or to register.

We also will have Universal Pre-K 3 and 4 beginning this September.

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, and for your generosity in the boiler second collection!

Please prayerfully consider your current level of stewardship and commit to increasing your on-going support as your means allow.

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.



ST. MARGARET GIFT SHOP IS OPEN

Sunday, from 9AM until 1PM

We have a selection of religious goods:

Rosaries - Medals - Gifts -
Crucifixes - Statues - Bibles - Books
AND MORE!

If we don't have it, we'll try to get it for you.

The Gift Shop is located in the rectory.
Please use the red side door in the parking lot.

If the door is closed, please knock.

Contact: StMargGiftShop@yahoo.com