

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

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

**~ MASS BELLS ~**

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**PENTECOST**  
**SUNDAY**  
**JUNE 5, 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. ~ JUNE 5 - PENTECOST SUNDAY**

8:00 Adeline Mancuso  
10:00 Madeline Sepe/  
NOON People of the Parish  
5:00PM William & Bella (Tolles) Kunz

### **MON. ~ JUNE 6 - THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH**

7:00 Antonino Catalano  
9:00 The O'Sullivan Family

### **TUE. ~ JUNE 7 - WEEKDAY**

7:00 Joseph Sparacio  
9:00 Marilyn Norducci

### **WED. ~ JUNE 8 - WEEKDAY**

7:00 Mary Russell  
9:00 Charles Fitzpatrick

### **THU. ~ JUNE 9 - SAINT EPHREM**

7:00 Marilyn Schaeffer  
9:00 Patricia Morelli

### **FRI. ~ JUNE 10 - WEEKDAY**

7:00 Tom Cordero (anniv)  
9:00 Grace and Pat Esposito

### **SAT. ~ JUNE 11 - SAINT BARNABAS**

9:00 **Collective:** Michael & Mary Columbia/  
Samuel Santo/  
11:45 **Memorial Mass:** Josephine O'Rourke,  
John Stephen Johnson, Gregorio  
Lorino, Palmira (Polly) Cimino, Mary  
S. Rocuzzo, Mary Scarola, Kathryn  
Hummel,  
5:00PM Andrew & Loretta Campbell

### **SUN. ~ JUNE 12 - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY**

8:00 Thomas Mancuso  
10:00 Frank Lackner/Hermann Kirmaier/  
Maria Kirmaier/  
NOON Steve, Ivica, Jozo, Zupan, Josip and  
Ivo Vuckovic  
5:00PM People of the Parish



## 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](http://www.pre-cana.org).

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

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

**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, Jeremiah Harris, Cathy Wilkenson, Maria Cermeli, Frank Marlow, Stephen Crane, Sara Alvarado, Beatrice Sellers,

**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:*

***LENA CAPUTO, MARYANN LAZAUSKAS***

*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

### TABERNACLE LAMP THIS WEEK

*is lit in memory of Samuel Santo  
at the request of Father Armato.*



THE BLESSED  
VIRGIN MARY,  
MOTHER OF THE  
CHURCH  
JUNE 6

## TODAY'S READINGS

*Pentecost Sunday  
Cycle C - Hymnal # 921*

Acts 2:1-11  
Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-34  
I Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 or  
Romans 8:8-17  
John 20:19-23

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Genesis 3:0-15, 20  
Psalm 87:1-3, 5-7  
John 19:25-34

Tuesday: I Kings 17:7-16  
Psalm 4:2-5, 7b-8  
Matthew 5:13-16

Wednesday: I Kings 18:20-39  
Psalm 16:1b-2ab, 4, 5ab, 8, 11  
Matthew 5:17-19

Thursday: I Kings 18:41-46  
Psalm 65:10-13  
Matthew 5:20-26

Friday: I Kings 19:9a, 11-16  
Psalm 27:7-9abc, 13-14  
Matthew 5:27-32

Saturday: Acts 11:21b-26; 12:1-3  
Psalm 98:1-6  
Matthew 5:33-37

Sunday: Proverbs 8:22-31  
Psalm 8:4-9  
Romans 5:1-5  
John 16:12-15

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

*From the Pastor's Desk:*

## **“The Gift That Keeps on Giving”**

We've come on a relatively long journey from Ash Wednesday through Holy Week and Easter all the way to today's solemnity of Pentecost on which we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and the birth of the Church. A strange thing is that this same Holy Spirit has not been absent or waiting in the wings to appear on stage until now. Rather, the Spirit has accompanied us every step of the journey, just as He has done every day of our lives since our baptism in which He sealed us as adopted children of God.

The presence of the Spirit can have astoundingly remarkable results, as we see in today's first reading from the Acts of the Apostles. No sooner had they received the Gift, than the Apostles – formerly timid fishermen and businessmen from a backwater area of the Empire – were out proclaiming the Gospel's burning call to repentance and redemption in Christ and were understood perfectly by pilgrims to Jerusalem who had come from the far-flung regions of the Judeo-Roman world. Whether the Apostles were speaking in different languages or they were just understood by the different pilgrims is not quite clear. What is clear, however, is that the message was proclaimed boldly and was understood clearly, received in the language of the heart.

The Holy Spirit continues to work in each and every one of Christ's disciples today. As the same colorless sunlight takes on the various hues and colors of the stained glass as it passes through the windows of the church, so, too, does the Holy Spirit act differently as He enters every disciple, using the various qualities and talents of each of us in furthering the Gospel. No two of us have the exact same set of abilities and qualities, yet the same grace of the one Spirit works in and through us to produce good fruit for the Kingdom of God, as Christ commanded us to do.

It is the Holy Spirit Who brings unity to the Church and joins every member to Christ, our Head, and, through Him, to the Father in Their bond of love. It is the Holy Spirit Who effects each of the Sacraments, making Christ present to His disciples. It is the Spirit Who helps us to understand our relationship with God and what He asks of us, Who helps us to pray and intercedes for us with just the right words that our minds cannot even pronounce, and Who guides and leads us along the straight and narrow path of salvation into the Kingdom of the Father.

Now, the Holy Spirit is not a divine puppet master. Nor is He a coercing law enforcer of the Father's will upon His creatures. We can turn toward the Spirit and allow Him to work in us and through us, or we can ignore and turn away from Him through sin. Freely given, the Gift of the Spirit is a gift to be used for good, not to be wasted, and not to be used as a cover when we avoid Him. The Spirit dwells within us and does not “close shop” and leave when we try to drive Him out of the business of our lives. It is the Holy Spirit Who continually calls us back to holiness and reminds us of what we're missing when we try to live without Him.

It is good to take stock of our lives from time to time, to see what talents and gifts we have received from God along with if and how we use them in His service. How aware are we of the presence of His Spirit? How often do we pray to the Holy Spirit just as we might pray to Christ or our Lady or our favorite saints? How often do we ask trustingly for His power and wisdom and strength to live the life of a disciple of Christ or to get us through a particular difficulty? If we haven't done so in a while, perhaps it's high time that we do so today.

Let us turn once more to the Holy Spirit, the Gift that keeps on giving, that we may hear Him speaking in the language of our own heart and respond in faith!

~ *Fr. Armato*

## BOILER PROJECT UPDATES

The bills for the temporary boiler having been paid, the special second collections have ended. The need for your regular support remains, though, as estimates for removing and replacing the old boilers are running in excess of \$450,000. We hope to begin work once the school year has ended. 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 Saturday, July 2.**

Come and spend some quality time with the Lord!

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL '22

Thanks to those families who have gotten us off to a *great* start for this year's ACA campaign with **107 pledges** totaling **\$51,180, 67.3%** [*recording error last week*] **of the way 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 lump sum or installments until the end of the year.

Envelopes are available on the radiators for you to make a pledge. You also can *pledge on-line at:*

**annualcatholicappeal.org**



## 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, June 11, at 11:45am. See listing on page 2 of this bulletin.**

## CHURCH OPEN HOURS

The church remains open for private prayer: Monday-Friday, 6:30am to 12:00 Noon; Saturday, 8:30am to 6:00pm; Sunday, 7:20am 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 sacred art, discerning a vocation, *The Search* series, Padre Pio, conversion, 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](http://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 - Fri. July 15 at 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.*

## TICKETS NOW ON SALE

## CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

Sunday, June 19, is the solemnity of Corpus Christi. We will have a brief period of Eucharistic adoration, followed by a procession with the Sacrament *inside the church*, and concluding with benediction, immediately following the 12:00 noon Mass. All are encouraged to participate.

## 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

**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](mailto:StMargGiftShop@yahoo.com)

## CONGRATULATIONS!

We are happy and proud to announce that Maggie's Little Theater has been selected as the winner of the 2022 Best of Queens Awards, in the category of performance venue. The purpose of the program is to support and offer public recognition of organizations in and around Queens.



## SAVE THE DATE!

St. Margaret Catholic Academy will sponsor a gathering for the alumni of **St. Margaret School, classes of 1960-1999**, on Saturday, September 24. Save the date! More information will follow in the coming weeks.