## St. Margaret Roman Catholic Church

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#### ~ MASS BELLS ~

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# THE MOST HOLY TRINITY JUNE 12, 2022

#### THE GREAT COMMISSION

"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age!"

~ *Matthew 28: 19-20* 

#### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

SUN. ~ JUNE 12 - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

8:00 Thomas Mancuso

10:00 Frank Lackner/Maria Kirmaier/

Hermann Kirmaier/

NOON Steve, Ivica Jozo Zupan/Ivo Vickovic

5:00PM People of the Parish

MON. ~ JUNE 13 - ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA

7:00 Antonino Catalano 9:00 Daniel Fitzgerald \*\*

\*\* Bilingual (Italian/English)

TUE. ~ JUNE 14 - WEEKDAY/ FLAG DAY

7:00 Mary Russell

9:00 Carolyn Scotti (brith)

WED. ~ JUNE 15 - WEEKDAY

7:00 Angela Adduci 9:00 Bob Hoelle

THU. ~ JUNE 16 - WEEKDAY

7:00 Francesco DeCapite

9:00 Mary Russell

FRI. ~ JUNE 17 - WEEKDAY

7:00 Colette E. Weiner 9:00 Theodora Wurglics

SAT. ~ JUNE 18 - WEEKDAY

9:00 Collective: Newly Ordained Priests

5:00PM People of the Parish

SUN. ~ JUNE 19 - THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST/

FATHERS DAY

8:00 Linda Castagna

10:00 Daniele Bussa/Rosaria, Rosario e

Nunzio Taormina/Salvatore e Rocco

Fazzolari/Concezio e Vincent Battaglini

NOON Fathers Day Triduum

5:00PM Anthony Santora



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#### **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 <u>MUST</u> 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!

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

SENIOR CITIZENS MEETINGS ARE SUSPENDED FOR JUNE, JULY & AUGUST.

ALTAR SERVER ASSIGNMENTS HAVE RESUMED. SEE SCHEDULE.

#### 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.

# 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 Marchindiondo, 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:

FRANK J. SCELTA, Victoria M. Scelta

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 Colette Weiner.

#### ALTAR CANDLES

are offered in memory of Andrew Jenner.

#### TABERNACLE LAMP

is lit in memory of Theodora Wurglics at the request of The Martello Family.

#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

The Most Holy Trinity Cycle C - Hymnal # 924

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

#### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

I Kings 21:17-29 Monday:

> Psalm 5:2-7 Matthew 5:38-42

Tuesday: I Kings 21:17-29

Psalm 51:3-6, 11, 16 Matthew 5:42-48

Wednesday: II Kings 2:1, 6-14

> Psalm 31:20-24 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Sirach 48:1-14

> Psalm 97:1-7 Matthew 6:7-15

Friday: II Kings 11:1-4, 9-20

> Psalm 132:11-18 Matthew 6:19-23

Saturday: II Chronicles 24:17-25

> Psalm 89:4-5, 29-34 Matthew 6:24-34

Sunday: Genesis 14:18-20

Psalm 110:1-4

Corinthians 11:23-26

Luke 9:11b-17

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

#### From the Pastor's Desk:

#### "Understanding and Experiencing"

Today the Catholic Church celebrates the solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, one God in three Persons. It seems, perhaps, to be a strange idea. It certainly is a confusing one, yet it is central to our faith as Christians. Catholics and Orthodox begin and end our prayers and offer our blessings with the invocation of the Trinity. Without making this basic profession of faith about the essence of God that we learn as children, one cannot be considered to be a Christian.

There was a seminarian a number of years ago who got an "A" in the course on the Trinity. Don't ask him to explain what he learned. Even with the Gift of the Holy Spirit received through Holy Orders, he's at a loss to do so. In all fairness, theologians – including some of the greatest minds of the Church like Saints Hilary of Poitiers, Athanasius, Augustine, and Thomas Aquinas to name but a few – have reflected upon and written about the Trinity for almost twenty centuries and have put barely a dent into our understanding of this central Mystery of our Faith.

We use analogies and images and diagrams in our limited attempts to comprehend. We might liken the Trinity to a fire, heat, and light, united but different. We may picture the Trinity as a triangle, or as an elderly man with a long, white beard sitting with a younger man wearing a crown, while a dove floats between them. We have to concede that the Trinity is a Mystery that we never will grasp fully until the day when we stand before God and see Him face to face.

At the same time, we also must recognize and accept that the Trinity is the way in which God has chosen to reveal Himself to humanity. God is a *comunio personarum*, a communion of three distinct Persons – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit – in eternal relationship with one another. The beautiful icon by St. Andrei Rublev of what appears to be three angels sitting in conversation around a table always comes to my mind; yet, even it fails. Nevertheless, the ultimate revelation of Who God is has been given to the world through Jesus Christ, the onlybegotten Son of the Father, Who is incarnate through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Yet God is not three Gods but one God, united as a single Divinity Whose very essence is eternally continuous love, which is the Holy Spirit uniting the Father and the Son in mutual self-giving. Don't understand it yet? Don't worry. You are not alone. For us, it is important just to realize that we, who have been created in the image and likeness of God, also are called to live as persons in loving relationship with one another, joined to one another and to our God through the bond of that same fire of love, the Holy Spirit.

Try as we might, we always fall short of the reality, for the human mind, as wonderfully complex as it is, cannot grasp the infinity of God. Just when we think we've nailed down an explanation, we realize that we what we have is not God.

Rather than try to encompass God with our minds, however, God invites us to experience His presence in our lives by faith, to entrust ourselves to His love, to emulate the self-giving and sin-atoning love of His Son poured out for our reconciliation, and to share in the power of His Spirit. Unable as we are to grasp the God Who made and sustains us, God has grasped us and united us to Himself, enabling us to participate in His own divine life.

Our God is indeed a God of Mystery and, as Pope Francis has said, a God of surprises. Still, we should not be surprised to find Him present to us, even closer to us than we are to ourselves, and inundating us with His love as water covers the sea. Our unfathomable God desires that we experience Him now. Understanding Him will come in His own good time – at the end of ours.

#### **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 \$450,000. We hope to begin work once the school year has ended. Substantial financing and fundraising will be required.

#### **EUCHARISTIC 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 108 pledges totaling \$51,380, 67.6% 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

#### **BLOOD DRIVE UPDATE**

MANY, MANY THANKS from the New York Blood Center to all who responded to the recent request for much needed blood donations.

The Blood Drive a St. Margaret on this past Sunday was a HUGH SUCCESS! We are happy to report that **65 units of blood were collected,** a great testament to the dedication of the members of our community. We commend the New York Blood Center staff for a job well done!



#### 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 and is open

# WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY from 10:00am to 12:00Noon

Most needed are supermarket gift cards or certificates which we will use to buy fresh fruits and perishables such as eggs, cheese, butter and bread. which can be placed in the rectory office mail slot.

# PLEASE TAKE NOTE The pantry will be CLOSED on SATURDAYS

beginning on July 2 and reopening on Sept. 3.
The hours will be 10:00am until 12:00noon.
All clients are welcome.

#### **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, July 9, at 11:45am.

#### **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, 7:20am 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 marriage prep, *The Search* series, spiritual growth, Catholic Q&A, 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 - 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**

Next 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.

#### **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.

# ST. MARGARET CATHOLIC ACADEMY

had their Annual Race for Education. Our students, parents, teachers and donors worked very hard, and had an enjoyable day.

#### PLEASE SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS!

Duffy Floor Services, Maspeth Federal,
Amazing Floor Services, Cross County Bank,
Fitzsimons and Hagan Dentistry, Village Saloon,
Raytone & Varuzzi Plumbing, Unishippers,
Graf-X Media, AM Building and Restoration,
Dynamix Scaffold, Steve's Deli,
Turbo Lighting, Ridgewood Savings Bank.



# 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

#### RELIGIOUS ED PROGRAM

New and renewal registrations in our Religious Education Program will begin shortly. Keep an eye out for further news.