

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

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

**~ MASS BELLS ~**

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**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY**

**IN**

**ORDINARY TIME**

**JULY 10, 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. ~ JULY 10 - FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 Elissa DeBenedictis  
10:00 Maria, Mimma e Francesco Virruso/  
NOON People of the Parish  
5:00PM Patrick & Mary (Kitt) Morrissey

### MON. ~ JULY 11 - ST. BENEDICT

7:00 Antonino Catalano  
9:00 Deacon Vincent & Dolores DeBiasi

### TUE. ~ JULY 12 - WEEKDAY

7:00 Johann Tramposch  
9:00 Filippo, Leonardo & Maria Curatolo

### WED. ~ JULY 13 - ST. HENRY

7:00 Edward Loftus (birth)  
9:00 Josephine Morreale

### THU. ~ JULY 14 - ST. KATERI TEKAKWITHA

7:00 Charles Scala  
9:00 Ralph Franzese

### FRI. ~ JULY 15 - ST. BONAVENTURE

7:00 Dick Policke  
9:00 Thomas Joyce

### SAT. ~ JULY 16 - OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

9:00 **Collective:** Rev. Joseph L. Ostermann  
Loretta Puzino/Intention of Abby Mullin  
5:00PM Anthony & Antoinette Santora

### SUN. ~ JULY 17 - SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 John Murphy  
10:00 Mary Slowik  
NOON Mr. & Mrs. Stephan Forte  
5:00PM People of the Parish

## RELIGIOUS ED PROGRAM

New and renewal registrations are being taken for our Religious Education Program. Sessions will be held **IN-CLASS on Tuesdays: 3:30-4:45 (Grades 1-4) and 5:15-6:30 (Grades 5-8).**

**To register or for more information, please contact the Religious Ed Program at:**

**stmargaretre@gmail.com**

## 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 SUSPENDED FOR JULY AND 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, 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, Denis Mets, Cathy Wilkenson, Maria Cermeli, Frank Marlow, Stephen Crane, Sara Alvarado, Samantha Cianciolo,

**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:*

***ANNA MARZILIANO, JOAN HENN,***

*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

*is lit in memory of Dolores DeBiase.*

## SUMMER MASSES

Summer vacation time is here. We will keep to our **regular Mass schedule for July and August.** Whether you're going to be home or away, there's always a Catholic church nearby for you to fulfill your Mass obligation. Check this website for the closest one, if you're traveling in the USA.

**catholicmasstime.org**

## TODAY'S READINGS

***Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Cycle C - Hymnal # 972***

Deuteronomy 30:10-14  
Psalm 69:14-17, 30-37 or  
Psalm 19:8-11  
Colossians 1:15-20  
Luke 10:25-37

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Isaiah 1:10-17  
Psalm 50:8-9, 16bc-23  
Matthew 10:34-11:1

Tuesday: Isaiah 7:1-9  
Psalm 48:2-8  
Matthew 11:20-24

Wednesday: Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16  
Psalm 94:5-15  
Matthew 11:25-27

Thursday: Isaiah 26:7-19  
Psalm 102:13-21  
Matthew 11:28-30

Friday: Isaiah 38:1-8, 21-22  
Isaiah 38:10-16  
Matthew 12:1-8

Saturday: Micah 2:1-5  
Psalm 10:1-14  
Matthew 12:14-21

Sunday: Genesis 18:1-10a  
Psalm 15:2-5  
Colossians 1:24-28  
Luke 10:38-42

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

*From the Pastor's Desk:*

***“Go, and Do Likewise”***

Last week, when a passenger train derailed in the Mid-West, a troop of Scouts who happened to be on board sprang into action, tending to the injured and helping passengers to get out of the toppled railcars. They were hailed as being “good Samaritans” by the press and many others. One doesn’t have to be a Bible scholar, or a Christian for that matter, to understand the association. Its meaning crept into our language centuries ago (thanks, perhaps, to the King James version of the Bible). We even have “Good Samaritan” laws on our civil books to protect people who lend a hand to those in need from being sued, as crazy as that might seem.

Today’s Gospel passage of the parable of the Good Samaritan is one of the more familiar to us, so familiar, perhaps, that we’ve lost sight of what is actually taking place. First of all, a parable is a story told to make a point by its ending not being what the listener/reader expected it to be. It makes us stop short and reflect on a deeper truth. What is true for parables in general holds particularly so for this one.

Christ’s original audience had a much more narrow view of “neighbor” than we’ve been conditioned to have today. (After all, we’ve heard the story and homilies preached on it before, all of which making us more broad-minded, or so we think.) They also would have given sound, theological reasons (excuses?) for the priest and the Levite to have avoided the robbers’ victim. They definitely would not have expected a hated Samaritan to emerge as the story’s hero.

We might be prone to consider the Samaritan’s actions of tending to the victim’s wounds and getting him to safety to be a matter of common human decency, though the smart money says that very few of us would go so far to help a stranger. How many times do we pass by someone whose car has broken down on the highway, more afraid that it might be a trap than a matter for pity and concern?

The story runs more deeply, though, for it is not just a matter of human decency with a pointed twist. The Samaritan is none other than Christ Himself, Who could have left us beaten and bruised by our sins on the roadside of life (the devil and his associates being the robbers who beat us spiritually) but Who chose to go out of His way for our healing and redemption. God is not distant from His people that we might wonder as to His whereabouts in our trials and tribulations. Rather, in Christ, the beginning and center and end of all being, He is present to us, to all of creation. His very Word is planted in the human heart, i.e., it is an essential part of who we are as human beings created in the image and likeness of God.

Perhaps we might be content to let our sense of religious duties and obligations abide safely in our devotional practices and prayers, or our regular participation at Mass. Of course, we do our best to avoid breaking the Commandments, just as the scholar of the Law avoided breaking any of the 613 ritual laws of Judaism, and we let the story end there.

Christ, however, calls us into action, even unexpected action, if we are to be His true disciples. It’s not a matter of being heroes or religious fanatics; neither is it a matter of simple, secular humanitarianism. Instead, it is a matter of following the Master by doing what He did and continues to do through us. Saint Theresa of Kolkata would say that it isn’t so much a matter of doing great things as of doing little things with great love.

Life offers us so many opportunities to act as Good Samaritans, to put our discipleship in Christ into practice, whether it is in our own homes or in the parish or place of business or school or societies, etc. Wherever we happen to be, there is an opportunity to recognize someone in need as our “neighbor”, to see Christ in that person, and to be the Person of Christ to him/her. It cannot be a matter of letting someone else do it. As Christ offered Himself for our sake, so we are called to offer ourselves to Him in return through humble, loving service to those around us.

Who was “neighbor” to the robbers’ victim? “The one who treated him with mercy.” So, be merciful as your Heavenly Father is merciful. Let’s keep our eyes and our hearts open for the opportunities, and then, let us go and do likewise.

~ *Fr. Armato*

## BOILER PROJECT UPDATES

Work has begun on removing the old, unusable boilers. We hope that this phase of the project can be done quickly with little interruption of our services.

## 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, August 6.**

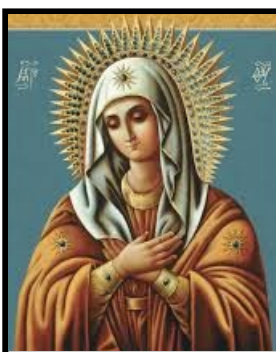
Come and spend some quality time with the Lord!

## ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL '22

Thanks to those families who have gotten us off to a great start for this year's ACA campaign with **120 pledges** totaling **\$58,570, 77.1% 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](http://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!

## SCHOOL'S OUT

**School is out for the summer. Please be careful for our children in the streets, whether on foot or on bikes, scooters, etc.**

## THE ST. VINCENT dePAUL FOOD PANTRY



is located in the Convent  
66-25 79th Place and is open

**WEDNESDAY**

**from 10:00am to 12:00Noon**

Most needed are supermarket gift cards or certificates which **we will use** to buy fresh fruits, eggs, cheese, butter and bread. You can place these cards and certificates in the rectory office mail slot.

**CLOSED SATURDAYS UNTIL SEPT. 3.  
HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!!**

## 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, August 13, 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, 7:30am 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 Search* series, *Catholic Customs* with Dr. Scott Hahn, discerning a vocation, Scripture, St. Giuseppe Moscati (*in Italian*), 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.

## 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 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

## PARISH FINANCES

Thanks to all of you who continue to support *your* parish as best as possible during these difficult times, whether through e-giving or in-pew offerings.

*Please prayerfully consider your current level of stewardship and commit to increasing your on-going support as your means allow in 2022.*

On-line giving helps to keep your donations current when you are away from the Parish 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](mailto:StMargGiftShop@yahoo.com)

**CLOSED THE MONTH OF AUGUST.**

## THE ST. VINCENT dePAUL SOCIETY CLOTHING PICK-UP

will be held on Sunday, July 17. The truck will be on 79th Place, near the parking lot from 8:30am until 12:30pm for your items.

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR ITEMS AT  
THE RECTORY OR CONVENT DOORS.**

## SAVE THE DATE!

St. Margaret Catholic Academy will sponsor a gathering for the alumni of **St. Margaret School, Classes of 1960 - 2000**, on Saturday, September 24.

Save the date! More information will follow in the coming weeks.