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TWENTIETH SUNDAY

IN

ORDINARY TIME AUGUST 14, 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. ~ AUGUST 14 - TWIENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 Margaret Roemmelt

10:00 Filippo, Leonardo e Maria Curatolo/ Geraldine Ciaccio/Rosario, Rosaria e

Nunzio Taormina/Daniele Bussa

NOON People of the Parish

5:00PM Anthony Santora, Nancy Gardini

MON. ~ AUGUST 15 - THE ASSUMPTION OF

THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY NOT A HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION

7:00 Robert Levine

9:00 People of the Parish

TUE. ~ AUGUST 16 - ST. STEPHEN OF

HUNGARY

7:00 Stanislawa Krzewski

9:00 Anna Paolilli

WED. ~ AUGUST 17 - WEEKDAY

7:00 Liv/dcd. of the Spina Family

9:00 Carl Bell

THU. ~ AUGUST 18 - WEEKDAY

7:00 Jeaneatte Tavarone (anni)

9:00 Edward & Nellie (Malone) Tolles

FRI. ~ AUGUST 19 - ST. JOHN EUDES

7:00 Sr. Anne Werner, D.W.

9:00 Anna Tuttolomondo

2:00PM **WEDDING:** Andrew Pellegrino and

Caitlin McNulty

SAT. ~ AUGUST 20 - ST. BERNARD

9:00 **Collective:** Paul C. Dennis

5:00PM Theresa & John Rice

SUN. ~ AUGUST 21 - TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 Dorothy Daly

10:00 Michael, Saverio e Luigi Bosco

NOON Helen Butvich

5:00PM People of the Parish



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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 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, Allen McConville, Jack Marchindiondo, The Scaturro Family, Louis Pittelli, James Graff, The Mojica Family, Matthew Zender, Anthony Pittelli, Charlie Krzewski, Helga Zender, Deacon John DeBiase, Tom Haubert, John Miller, Cathie Greulich, Santos Santiago, William & Patricia Scharach, Bernard Russo, John & Katie Bryzgornia, Eric Velasquez, Joseph Simon, Emma Green, Mary Policke, The Valasquez Family, 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, Denis Mets, Samantha Cianciolo, Maria Colalella, Vicki Lydecker, Vito Dugandzic, Manuela Perez, Lisa Lanzetta, Maria Barretta, Paula Kammer, Peter J. Purpura, Sr.,

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:

Rev. Nicholas M. Colalella Paul Zwolak

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

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 Helen Dugandzic at the request of St. Margaret Rectory staff.

THE RECTORY WILL BE CLOSED ON MONDAY, AUGUST 15TH, IN OBSERVANCE OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY. MASSES ARE AT 7 AND 9AM.

TODAY'S READINGS

Tweienth Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle C - Hymnal # 987

> Jeremiah 38:4-10 Psalm 40:2-18 Hebrews 12:1-4 Luke 12:49-53

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Revelation 11:19,

12:1-6, 10 Psalm 45:10-16

I Corinthians 15:20-27

Luke 1:39-56

Tuesday: Ezekiel 28:1-10

Deuteronomy 32:26-35

Matthew 19:23-30

Wednesday: Ezekiel 34:1-11

Psalm 23:1-6

Matthew 19:23-30

Thursday: Ezekiel 36:23-28

Psalm 51:12-19 Matthew 22:1-14

Friday: Ezekiel 37:1-14

Psalm 107:2-9

Matthew 22:34-40

Saturday: Ezekiel 43:1-7

Psalm 85:9-14 Matthew 23:1-12

Sunday: Isaiah 66:18-21

Psalm 117:1, 2 Hebrews 12:5-13 Luke 13:22-30

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

From the Pastor's Desk:

"A Fire that Divides"

We are so fortunate here in the Diocese of Brooklyn to have so many beautiful churches. The architectural styles vary, and there are a few clunkers in the mix, but by and large we have some wonderful places in which to pray and to celebrate the Sacraments and the milestones of our lives. We can get so caught up in the beauty of the surroundings, though, that we often forget about the cost of the places in which we're praying, and I don't mean the dollars and cents.

The profession of our Faith always has been costly, from the crucifixion of our Lord Himself, to the numerous violent persecutions of the Church down through the ages, to the protests and attacks against some of our own church buildings in our Diocese and throughout the world today because of the Church's defense of the sacredness and dignity of human life. These are the more obvious costs.

More subtle are the cost of friendships and family unity that occur when one person adheres fervently to the teachings of Christ and His Church and another person – be they friend, colleague, neighbor, or even family member – want nothing to do with those teachings or the way of life that their carrying out demands. There probably is not a single family among us that hasn't experienced this to one degree or another. The tight bond of charity and love that should produce harmony and unity is fragile and shatters more frequently over matters of living out the Faith than from those of secular politics. Even the bond of blood is at risk. Christ was clear in today's Gospel passage that this would happen among his disciples, and He was right.

In another way, some of the most disturbing people whom I've met, people who often make me feel uncomfortable, are converts to Catholicism and those "cradle Catholics" who have undergone a radical change of heart. They are so disturbing to me, I think, because they burn with a fire of the love of Christ and His Church and want to share that faith with everyone else whom they meet. That's the fire that I'm supposed to have, not only as a priest, but first and foremost as a Christian. Oh, there are times when the flame burns brightly, but there are many others when the pilot light is barely lit, and more's the pity for that. That's when it's most important to be quiet with the Lord in prayer and to ask His help in re-igniting the fire that once burned so fervently, to move beyond the difficulties and disappointments, and to proclaim by word and deed that which we believe.

Sometimes our lifestyle as disciples of Christ, or our words, will cause divisions from those with whom we come into contact, at home or school or work or our societies. It's an unfortunate reality, but one that shouldn't lead us to give up. Instead, we pray for those who do not accept the Christian message as we move along living in its truth. Christ didn't promise His followers success in their mission, nor did He instruct us to water down the message, but He did promise them/us a reward for persevering in living it faithfully to the very end.

Getting back to the beautiful churches, we notice that many of them have stained glass windows of saints. They aren't there just for decoration. They should remind us, as the author of today's epistle reading noted, that "we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses" who are rooting for us, cheering us on toward the goal of eternal life, offering us their example, and praying for us that our flame of faith may burn brightly.

We very well may run into difficulties when we persevere in living in the light of the Gospel, but do not lose heart! We are to pass along the torch through word and deed, with the grace of God and the witness of His saints. It is, after all, the fire of Jesus Christ and Him crucified and risen from the dead – a fire that divides.

~ Fr. Armato

SAVE THE DATE!!

OCTOBER 15, 2022

ST. MARGARET 162nd ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Mass at 5:00pm

Reception from 6:00pm until 11:00pm.

More information to come.

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 September 3.

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 133 pledges totaling \$60,497, 80% 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!

SAVE THE DATE!

St. Margaret Catholic Academy will sponsor a gathering for the alumni of **St. Margaret School, Classes of 1960-2000,** September 24. Save the date! More information will follow in the coming weeks.

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 cards and certificates in the rectory office mail slot.

CLOSED SATURDAYS UNTIL SEPT. 3.

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, September 10, 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 <u>NOT</u> 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.

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.

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 by Scott Hahn, Chris Stefanick, and Archbishop Fulton Sheen, videos about St. Teresa of Kolkata and saints of August, and many activities to entertain and teach children on long, hot, summer days.

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.

SUMMER MASSES

Summer vacation time is here. We will keep to our regular Mass schedule for 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:

catholic mass time.org

CONGRATULATIONS

To the students from St. Margaret Parish, who have attained Honor Roll status at *The Mary Louis Academy:*

Julia Mackiewicz, Principal's List

Kate Hamill, Ella McPartland, First Honors

Sarah Kelly, Deidre Nicholson, Second Honors

We wish them continued success in their future endeavors.

UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE

St. Margaret Parish will sponsor a Blood Drive, TODAY, August 14, 2022 from 9:00am until 3:00pm in the Parish Hall.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, it is requested that you schedule an appointment by calling **888-933-2566** or scan the QR code on the flyers posted in the vestibule of the church. Appointments are preferred; however, walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits.

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Bring a mask; requirements may change depending on CDC guidelines. Visit:

nybc.org/coronavirus

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).

Register by Friday, August 26, to avoid having to pay late fees!

Contact the Religious Ed Program:

stmargaretre@gmail.com

ST. MARGARET GIFT SHOP

CLOSED IN AUGUST WILL RE-OPEN SUNDAY, SEPT. 11

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

