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**TWENTY-NINTH
SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 16, 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. ~ OCTOBER 16 - TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 Donna Roemmelt
10:00 Michael Gebert/Maria Scarpulla/
Intention of John Postel/Joanne
Romandetto
NOON People of the Parish
5:00PM Frony DiCenso

MON. ~ OCTOBER 17 - ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH

7:00 Pat & Joe DiChiaro
9:00 Vincent Seminario

TUE. ~ OCTOBER 18 - ST. LUKE

7:00 Joseph Simon
9:00 David J. McConville (birth)

WED. ~ OCTOBER 19 - STS. JOHN deBREBEUF AND ISAAC JOGUES

7:00 Joseph Bartolotta
9:00 St. Anthony

THU. ~ OCTOBER 20 - ST. PAUL OF THE CROSS

7:00 Margarete Reissig
9:00 Ana Campbell

FRI. ~ OCTOBER 21 - WEEKDAY

7:00 Veronika Tramposch
9:00 Theresa Vitale

SAT. ~ OCTOBER 22 - ST. JOHN PAUL II, POPE

9:00 **Collective:** Estelle Postel (anni)/
Bill & Lee DiGiovanny/Souls in
Purgatory
5:00PM Frank Sr. and Jennie Cerar

SUN. ~ OCTOBER 23 - THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 Milagros Rios
10:00 Il Popolo della Parrocchia/Maria e
Calogero Ciaccio/Maria Curatolo/
Geraldine Ciaccio/Vincenza Palmeri
NOON Luz Morina Correa
5:00PM Anthony & Antoinette Santora



You are invited to join Sr. Bridget in the convent Chapel for Scripture and the recitation of the rosary during the month of October, on Tuesdays at 11:00am and on Thursdays at 7:00pm. Bring your Rosary beads with you.

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!

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

SENIOR CITIZENS meetings are held every Wednesday at 11:30am, in the Parish Center.

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 Bryzgoria, 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, Carol Hensley, Joan Hanahoe, Grace Sorrentino, Jacqueline Gregorat, Bob Bicknese,

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
especially this week:***

LUCIA UGLIALORO, ROBERT CANALE

*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 & HOSTS

*are offered in memory of Theresa Vitale,
at the request of Linda DeLuca.*

TABERNACLE LAMP

is lit in memory of Rosalen Becker.

ALTAR FLOWERS

*are offered in memory of David J. McConville
at the request of Lauraine McConville.*

TODAY'S READINGS

***Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Cycle C - Hymnal # 1014***

Exodus 17:8-13
Psalm 121:1-8; 2
Timothy 3:14-4:2
Luke 18:1-8

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ephesians 2:1-10
Psalm 100:1-5
Luke 12:13-21

Tuesday: II Timothy 4:10-17
Psalm 145:10-18
Luke 10:1-9

Wednesday: Ephesians 3:2-12
Isaiah 12:2-6
Luke 12:39-48

Thursday: Ephesians 3:14-21
Psalm 33:1-19
Luke 12:49-53

Friday: Ephesians 4:1-6
Psalm 24:1-6
Luke 12:54-59

Saturday: Ephesians 4:7-16
Psalm 122:1-5
Luke 13:1-9

Sunday: Sirach 35:12-18
Psalm 34:2-23
II Timothy 4:6-18
Luke 18:9-14

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

From the Pastor's Desk:

“Persevere in Prayer”

Once again, our readings turn to the topic of perseverance in prayer: Moses seeking Israelite victory over their enemies, St. Paul telling St. Timothy not to be discouraged, and Christ teaching perseverance by using a negative illustration.

It seems to me that we constantly are praying for one thing or another. It often is to ask God to address some need that has come up in our lives: maybe healing some sickness, obtaining a (better) job, improving our financial position, finding that “special person”, the return of a wayward loved one, ridding ourselves of a bad habit or addiction, getting a good grade on an exam, etc. The list is as broad as the varied situations of daily life. At times, we treat God a lot like kids do Santa Claus, presenting Him with our wish list of things to bring us. Like kids in December, we hardly can wait for Christmas Day to come so that we can unwrap the ordered items, and, like kids, we’re disappointed when “Santa” (God) fails to deliver, i.e., when He doesn’t answer our prayers in the way we wanted. So, what’s the sense of persevering in prayer, if we’re not going to get what we requested?

God always answers our prayers (and quickly, as Christ points out in today’s Gospel passage), but always in the way that leads to our eternal salvation. Unfortunately, we might be so busy with the asking part of the conversation that we don’t recognize His response. It’s like zooming down the highway without paying attention to the directional signs because “we know how to get there”, only to find ourselves quite lost and disappointed. Yet, we are to persevere in prayer.

Many saints – including Teresa of Kolkata, Padre Pio, Teresa of Avila, and John of the Cross, to name just a few – experienced dryness in prayer, times when they prayed and prayed although it seemed as if there was no one listening on the other end. It was their trust in God’s loving, providential care for them, despite the perceived silence, that kept them going on, thereby deepening their faith.

If God delays, perhaps it is to have us persevere in deepening our trust in Him to the point where we, too, can understand what He wants for us. Even when the answer to our prayers seems to be NO, there is always a YES that God intends for our good. It just may take more time and effort to figure it out. Our frequent and proper reception of the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist assist us in this endeavor.

This past week, we observed the 60th anniversary of the beginning of the Second Ecumenical Vatican Council. One of the documents of the Council is “*Dei Verbum*” (“Word of God”), the “Dogmatic Constitution on Divine Revelation”, promulgated on November 18, 1965. It’s good to read it, if you never have. It’s also good for us priests to re-read it (maybe for the first time since we had to do so in the seminary), so that we might follow St. Paul’s instruction to “proclaim the Word [and] be persistent, whether it is convenient or inconvenient, [to] convince [and] reprimand, [encouraging] through all patience and teaching.”

St. Jerome said, “Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ.” That’s why these words are printed at the bottom of our list of daily Mass readings each week, as a reminder to us that we must know and understand the Word of God intimately in order to communicate with Him intimately. So, dust off that Bible on your coffee table and read and reflect on each day’s readings.

As I close this week, I have two requests of you: First, along with your persevering in asking God for X, Y, and Z, remember to thank Him just as often for all that He does and has done for you. Second, pray for us priests, that we may proclaim the Truth of the Gospel openly, freely, courageously, without hesitation or the fear of the personal cost, telling people what they need to hear, even if it’s not “PC” or what they want or expect to hear, so that the love of God may take deep root in every human heart – one of my perseverant prayers for you.

~ *Fr. Armato*

BOILER PROJECT UPDATE

One new gas-fueled, steam-generating boiler has been installed in the main building, and a second is on the way as the final phase of the project. *We are waiting for the work to be inspected before being able to turn the heat on for the school and church.*

The cost of the project is estimated at over \$480,000. We have received a loan from the Diocese of \$350,000, which must be repaid over the next few years. Other money will come from our Generations of Faith account and dwindling Parish reserves, but a capital campaign will be needed. More information on this will follow.

SUPPORTING THE PARISH

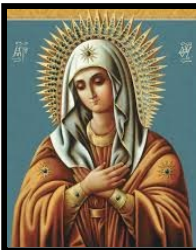
Our life as members of community is not over at the end of Mass. Support your Parish by getting involved in the social, apostolic, and spiritual activities that we offer.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL '22

Thanks to all who have pledged toward this year's ACA campaign! We're at **\$66,227, 87.1%** of the way toward our goal of **\$76,014** with **\$9,787 to go!** 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 SOCIETY CLOTHING PICK-UP

will be held **NEXT** Sunday, October 23. 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.

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, eggs, cheese, butter and bread. You can place cards and certificates in the rectory office mail slot.

Again, we thank you for your continued support!
The Saturday pantry is in need of a driver to shop for essentials. If interested, call Rosemarie, 718-894-1707

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, November 12.

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 use common sense for your safety and that of others.

MISSION APPEAL COLLECTION

The church observes "World Mission Sunday" next weekend, an opportunity for us armchair evangelists to participate through the collection basket in Christ's great commission to being people to God, as noted on the front page of this bulletin. Please be generous.

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 saints and feasts of October, Catholic beliefs, mental health, daily reflections, on pilgrimage at home, and videos for children and family life.

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.



ST. MARGARET GIFT SHOP

open Sunday, 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: stmmvcalendar@gmail.com

ST. MARGARET CYO VOLLEYBALL

The Sports association is holding online Girls Volleyball Registration on our website.

Google "St. Margaret Dragons" or **stmsports.org**, the website is run by league lineup. Click on 2023 Volleyball registration on the right.

Registration is for girls in 4th thru 9th grades who are St. Margaret Parish residents and/or St. Margaret Catholic Academy students.

For more information see our website.

ADULT SACRAMENTAL PREP

Are you over 17 years old and have not received Baptism, Confirmation, and/or First communion yet? Contact Sr. Bridget, **718-326-1911** ASAP to register for sacramental preparation in the *Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults* (RCIA).

ATTENTION, YOUNG ADULTS

The next **holy hour for young adults (18 to 30 something)** will take place on Thursday, November 10, from 7:30 to 8:30pm in the church. It will include Adoration and Benediction of the blessed Sacrament, Scripture reflection, Rosary, and time for both private and communal prayer. Bring a friend and spend some quality time together with the Lord!

HS OPEN HOUSES

A schedule of Catholic high school open houses has been distributed to our Academy and Religious Education Program 8th Grade students. Copies are available in the church vestibule, as well.



UPCOMING BLOOD DRIVE

There is an **URGENT NEED** for blood donations and the New York Blood Center is asking, again, for our help.

St. Margaret Parish will sponsor a Blood Drive **NEXT Sunday, October 23, 2022 from 9am until 3pm** in the Parish Hall. Please remember to eat and drink before you come and to bring your donor ID card or ID with name and photo.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, it is requested that you schedule an appointment by calling:

888-933-2566

Appointments are preferred; however, walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits.

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