

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

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

**~ MASS BELLS ~**

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**THIRTIETH  
SUNDAY  
IN  
ORDINARY TIME  
OCTOBER 23, 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 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

### MON. ~ OCTOBER 24 - ST. ANTHONY MARY CLARET

7:00 Vincenza Palmeri  
9:00 Mary & Robert Hallahan

### TUE. ~ OCTOBER 25 - WEEKDAY

7:00 Vincenzo e Aurelia Laudani  
9:00 Regina Gockley

### WED. ~ OCTOBER 26 - WEEKDAY

7:00 Pat Pellegrino  
9:00 Fred Basedow

### THU. ~ OCTOBER 27 - WEEKDAY

7:00 Sarah Gallagher  
9:00 Edward Twomey

### FRI. ~ OCTOBER 28 - STS. SIMON AND JUDE

7:00 Joseph & Joan Henn  
9:00 Souls in purgatory

### SAT. ~ OCTOBER 29 - WEEKDAY

9:00 **Collective:** Augie DeSimone/Dick  
Policke/Joan Basedow/Souls in  
Purgatory/Bill & Lee DiGiovanna/  
Michael Gebert  
5:00PM People of the Parish

### SUN. ~ OCTOBER 30 - THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 Catherine Hanover  
10:00 Jerry Frohnhoefer/Francesco, Maria,  
e Mimma Virruso/Pellegrino e  
Giuseppa Benfari/Ann McManus  
NOON Eugeniusz Latka, Kazimierz Libera  
5:00PM Edward H. & Ellen T. Morrissey



SAINTS  
SIMON  
AND  
JUDE  
OCTOBER 28

## 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 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 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, 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***

*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 Romolo Fabiilli  
at the request of Louisa.*



### MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

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  
11am and on Thursdays at 7m. Bring  
your Rosary beads with you.

## TODAY'S READINGS

*Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Cycle C - Hymnal # 1017*

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

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Ephesians 4:32-5-8  
Psalm 1:1-17  
Luke 13:10-17

Tuesday: Ephesians 5:21-33  
Psalm 128:1-5  
Luke 13:18-21

Wednesday: Ephesians 6:1-9  
Psalm 145:10-14  
Luke 13:22-30

Thursday: Ephesians 6:10-20  
Psalm 144:1-10  
Luke 13:31-35

Friday: Ephesians 2:19-22  
Psalm 19:2-5  
Luke 6:12-16

Saturday: Philippians 1:18-26  
Psalm 42:2-5  
Luke 14:1, 7-11

Sunday: Wisdom 11:22-12:2  
Psalm 145:1-14  
Thessalonians 1:11-2:2  
Luke 19:1-10

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

*From the Pastor's Desk:*

***“Pride and Humility”***

“Pride goes before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall.” Most of us are familiar with some version of this expression (Proverbs 16:18) about the problem of false pride. We also probably know someone who is so full of themselves that, if egocentrism could be measured out in dollars and cents, would be a very wealthy person.

There also is the person who bows and grovels in the presence of others but in reality is just as self-centered and self-serving as the braggart. It's almost as if to say, “Look at me! I'm so proud to be so officially lowly and humble.” Such is the prayer of our Pharisee friend in today's Gospel passage. There is a fine line, between false pride and false humility.

There may be, on the other hand, justifiable reason for pride: for example a person may take rightful pride in using to the best of his/her ability the talents, time, and treasure that God has bestowed, recognizing that what is accomplished is done by the grace of God, and that these are gifts from Him to be returned to Him by their proper usage in service to Him and neighbor. That is part of the fine line where just pride and just humility meet.

There also is the matter of proper humility, i.e., sincere humility without the PR. We recognize our brokenness and weaknesses, that we are nothing without God, and trust in His power to redeem us and make us whole. Such is the case of the lowly ones in the first reading from the Book of Sirach. That's also the prayer of our other friend, the tax collector, whose attitude and sincerity in prayer merit Christ's approval.

Notice that the Lord does not take exception to the Pharisee's piety – his fasting and tithing – but to his attitude of inflated superiority over other people whom he (the Pharisee) judges to be inferior to himself. In Sicilian, we call that attitude “la superba” – unjustly looking down on others. We probably know a few Pharisee types in our own lives, people whom we'd be rather happy to live without. If you agree with the statement that I just made, perhaps it's time for both of us to reconsider our own attitudes towards other people and towards God.

In today's epistle, taken from one of St. Paul's last letters, we find the Apostle admitting his brokenness as he finds himself exhausted, abandoned, and in prison for his efforts to proclaim the Gospel. Despite the sadness of his situation, Paul can look with both justifiable pride and sincere humility at the reasons for his present state of affairs. He proudly notes that he had accepted the divine challenge to evangelize and used the grace of God fully to accomplish the mission assigned to him; now his eternal reward awaited him. He also humbly acknowledged that all that he had been able to do was done by the grace of the God Who had stood by him at every turn, and Who even in prison was with him through his sufferings.

Like St. Paul, you and I have been called by God to proclaim the Gospel by word and example. We are given every grace needed to accomplish our mission: to bring others and ourselves into the fullness of eternal life and, thereby, to receive “the crown of righteousness that awaits” us. In the process we also must recognize humbly our dependence upon Him and, proudly, His great love for us in making us His children by adoption in Christ. Our lowly prayers will be heard when we respond freely and faithfully to the will of God, and we, too, will be justified. Pride and humility both are at play in our lives. With what attitude will we display them?

~ *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 via a capital campaign. The balance to pay the outstanding bills will come from our Generations of Faith account and dwindling Parish reserves.

## **MISSION APPEAL COLLECTION**

The Church observes “World Mission Sunday” *this weekend*, an opportunity for us armchair evangelists to participate through the collection basket in Christ’s great commission to bring people to God as noted on the front page of this bulletin. Please us the special envelopes.

## **ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL ‘22**

Thanks to all who have pledged toward this year’s ACA campaign! We’re at **\$66,477, 87.6% of the way toward our goal of \$76,014 with \$9,537 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](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!

## **ALL SOULS DAY MASSES**

Please use the All Souls Day envelopes to pray for the peaceful repose of the souls of your beloved dead in the special Masses that day.

## **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!

## **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!  
**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE PERISHABLE  
ITEMS IN THE BIN IN THE VESTIBULE  
OF THE CHURCH.**

## **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, 7:30am 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.*

## **ATTENTION, YOUNG ADULTS**

The next *holy hour for young adults (18 to 30-something)* will take place on 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!

## 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: St. John Paul II; explaining the Faith; love, marriage and prayer; the Eucharist; life issues; family life; entertaining videos for children.

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](mailto:stmmvcalendar@gmail.com)**

## 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).

## BLOOD DRIVE TODAY



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 **THIS Sunday, October 23 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.



## WE'RE BACK!!! 2022 LUAU BLITZ

**WHEN:** Friday, November 18  
**WHERE:** Parish Center, doors open 7pm  
**COST:** \$15 - Tickets on sale **NOW**  
**CALL:** Margaret - 917-578-8237



We are in need of empty baskets, donations or gift certificates.

