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THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME NOVEMBER 13, 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.	~	NOVEMBER 13 - THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
8:00 10:00 NOON		Anne McGinnis John Bohan (anni)/Daniele Bussa/ Salvatore Fazzolari (birth)/Rosario, Rosaria e Nunzio Taormina/Lucia Tartamella/Gandolfa Musca/Giulia, Maria e Angela Colombo/Vito e Vincenzo Manzella/Marguerite Peggy Rompulla/ People of the Parish
5:00PM		Intention of Erwin Hiris (birth)
MON. 7:00 9:00	~	NOVEMBER 14 - WEEKDAY Emma Stalzer Anna Kala
TUE.	~	NOVEMBER 15 - ST. ALBERT THE GREAT
7:00 9:00		Markus Kotnik Toni Biel
WED.	~	NOVEMBER 16 - STS. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND AND GERTRUDE
7:00 9:00		Anthony & Vita Sparacio Frank Shaklo
THU.	~	NOVEMBER 17 - ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY
7:00 9:00		Micahel Gebert Joseph Russo
FRI.	~	NOVEMBER 18 - THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF STS. PETER AND PAUL / ST. ROSE PHILIPPINE DUCHESNE
7:00 9:00		Denise Vaicels Fred Basedow
SAT. 9:00	~	NOVEMBER 19 - WEEKDAY Collective: Fred Basedow/Walter & Katherine Weiner & Family/Souls in
5:00PM		Purgatory/Bill & Lee DiGiovanna/ Lt. Michael Maloney, FDNY (birth)
SUN.	~	NOVEMBER 20 - OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE
8:00 10:00		Thomas Mazza Il Popolo della Parrocchia/Lena & Joseph Mazzola/VincentBattaglini/Pitassi Family/Cercone Family/Battaglini Family/ Alessio Atria/Sanfrancesco DiPaola/ Sanfilippo, Giuseppe, Vincenza, Antonino Vito, Antonino/Int. of Sebastiano Gerage/ Vincenzo, Mariano e Salvatore Palmeri/ Geraldine Ciaccio/
NOON 3:00PM		Joe VanSchaick (anni) Wedding: Joseph Torre and Josephine Philips
5:00PM		Giovanni Paoliİli

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 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, 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, Bob Bicknese, Jerry Feldman, Kathleen Mercado, Janice McManus-Genevrino,

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:

KEVIN P. MARTIN

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 John Bohan at the request of Maurice & Margaret.

ALTAR CANDLES

are offered in memory of Marguerite (Peggy) Rampulla, at the request of Daniel & Nancy Parente.

TABERNACLE LAMP

is lit in memory of Marguerite (Peggy) Rampulla at the request of Daniel & Nancy Parente.

TODAY'S READINGS

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time Cycle C - Hymnal # 1026

> Malachi 3:19-20 Psalm 98:5-9

II Thessalonians 3:7-12

Luke 21:5-19

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Revelation 1:1-4; 2:1-5

Psalm 1:1-6 Luke 18:35-43

Tuesday: Revelation 3:1-22

Psalm 15:2-5 Luke 19:1-10

Wednesday: Revelation 4:1-11

Psalm 150:1-6 Luke 19:11-28

Thursday: Revelation 5:1-10

Psalm 149:1-9 Luke 19:41-44

Friday: Revelation 10:8-11

Psalm 119:14-131 Luke 19:45-48

Saturday: Revelation 11:4-12

Psalm 144:1-10 Luke 20:27-40

Sunday: II Samule 5:1-3

Psalm 122:1-5 Colossians 1:12-20 Luke 23:35-43

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

From the Pastor's Desk:

"By Your Perseverance You Will Secure Your Life"

It's the evening of Election Day. Some of the polls have closed, others are closing as I type, and still others have time to go. Mail-in ballots are being counted, except for the ones that won't arrive for several days yet. We may know who won what office by the time that you read this, or maybe not. Nevertheless, the talking heads are all busy analyzing the results. For weal or woe, the results will be what they will be. God willing, we will make the best of things, "keep calm, and carry on". The earth will keep on spinning, life will continue, and the Church will survive.

Christ's prediction about events to come – including wars, plagues, natural disasters, false religious leaders, divisions within families and nations and among friends, etc., not to mention the persecutions and trials that would befall His disciples – look pretty dire, but even a cursory review of history will observe that they all have occurred more times during the last two thousand years and the millennia before Christ than we might wish to count. Even the great Temple in Jerusalem would be destroyed along with the rest of the city (for the second time in their history) within just forty years of Christ's prophecy. The images must have shaken up the early disciples, just as they have done to the rest of us down through the centuries ever since Christ pronounced them. Still, Christ also promised to provide what is necessary for victory.

We can look around our world and find every one of Christ's predictions existing in our own time: wars in the Middle East and Ukraine, COVID and many other diseases taking thousands of lives, earthquakes and floods all around the globe. The world is full of religious leaders who proclaim to have "found the answer", while there are many others who are false shepherds and fail to guide and nurture their flocks by not proclaiming the Gospel with courage. Christians continue to suffer for living as faithful disciples of Christ, and not just in communist countries. The West has entered what many refer to as a post-Christian age, where the persecutions may be subtle and in which practicing Christians are ridiculed or sued or just treated with indifference.

We might take the attitude of, "What the heck! If we can't avoid all these problems that are going to come, if not already happening, what's the sense of carrying on? Let's just enjoy life as best we can while we can." Some of St. Paul's disciples in Thessaloniki took a similar attitude, but for a different reason: They expected Christ to return within their own lifetime, so why bother doing anything other than kick back and wait for Him to arrive? Thus the Apostle's admonition (which I paraphrase): "If you don't get off your butts and work for the common good, you shouldn't eat what others have worked for. Get cracking!"

As Christians, we are not here simply for the short haul of our temporal, mortal lives with so many trials and tribulations. We have been created to share the eternal life in the Kingdom of Heaven that Christ has won for us. Where He has gone, we hope to follow. We share to an extent even now, by virtue of our baptism by which we have become members of the Mystical Body of Christ, His Church. We are united with Christ in His death and in His resurrection. He is with us always. Still, this is not a reason for us to sit back idly and let Him take care of things temporal as well as spiritual. He has already "done the work" of our redemption. It remains for us to live by grace, to do what is good and true, what is righteous and just, what is holy and worthy of our calling as children of God, come hell or high water.

Thus, let us actively seek to serve the Lord and one another with renewed commitment, dedication, and love. If we remain true to Him, we will survive anything that this world can throw against us, even persecution for our faith in Him. "By your perseverance you will secure your lives." Christ said it; I believe it; that settles it – for me, anyway.

BOILER PROJECT UPDATE

The heat finally is on in the main building, and the *second* new boiler is being installed and should be up and running soon.

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, but a capital campaign will be needed. More information will follow.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL '22

Thanks to all who have pledged toward this year's ACA campaign! We're at \$68,373, 89.9% of the way toward our goal of \$76,014 with \$7,641 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!





<u>YOU ARE</u> CORDIALLY INVITED

to join our adult and children's choirs for an afternoon of

Lessons and Carols

This prayerful and spiritual service will take place on Sunday, December 11, at 3pm, in the Church.

"The singing of hymns is one of the best ways to put ourselves in tune with the Spirit of the Lord"

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, December 10.

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 use common sense for your safety and that of others.



THE MAGNIFICAT ADVENT COMPANION

Celebrate Advent and prepare for Christmas the Catholic way with the *Magnificat Advent Companion*, on sale at the Gift Shop and in the church vestibule next weekend, for a donation of \$2.00/copy.

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 and much more. preparation, so Recent presentations include videos on: forgiveness; two seasons of "The Chosen" series; St. Jude; feasts and saints of November; living in confusing times; videos for children; and many more 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.



WE'RE BACK!!! 2022 LUAU BLITZ

WHEN: THIS Friday, November 18

WHERE: Parish Center, doors open at 7pm

COST: \$15 - tickets are on sale NOW

CALL: Margaret - 917-578-8237



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





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

ATTENTION, YOUNG ADULTS

The next *holy hour for young adults (18-30-something)* will take place on Thursday, December 15 from 7:30 - 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!

WE INVITE YOU TO PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS!

Spend some time reflecting on the Advent Gospels. We will meet on **Tuesdays**, at 11am and Wednesdays at 7pm, in the Convent Meeting room, beginning November 22nd. The reflection themes are:

Stay Awake - Nov. 22 and 23
Repent - Nov. 29 and 30
The One who is to Come - Dec 6 and 7
Emmanuel - Dec. 13 and 14
Come, Lord Jesus, into our hearts, into our lives, into our world!

REMEMBER THE DECEASED

Remember to pray for your deceased loved ones and to visit their graves, especially during this month of November. The bonds of love that are forged during our lives do not unravel with death!

THANK YOU!

Our thanks to Maspeth Federal Savings for their very generous donation in support of our St. Vincent DePaul pantry, helping us to help our neighbors in need this Thanksgiving!