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**THIRTEENTH
SUNDAY
IN
ORDINARY TIME
JUNE 30, 2024**

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. ~ JUNE 30 - THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 Robert Hawd
10:00 Il Popolo della Parrocchia
NOON John Mastranadi
5:00PM Frank Lackner

MON. ~ JULY 1 - ST. JUNIPERO SERRA

7:00 Purgatorial Society
9:00 Casimir Krzewski

TUE. ~ JULY 2 - WEEKDAY

7:00 Anna & John Rice
9:00 Rosalia Hiris

WED. ~ JULY 3 - ST. THOMAS, APOSTLE

7:00 Intention of Patricia Johnson
9:00 James & Ellen Dalton

THU. ~ JULY 4 - WEEKDAY - INDEPENDENCE DAY

7:00 ~ No Mass ~
9:00 The People of the USA

FRI. ~ JULY 5 - STS. ANTHONY ZACCARIA - ELIZABETH OF PORTUGAL

7:00 Giovanni & Mary Armato
9:00 Nancy DiFonte

SAT. ~ JULY 6 - ST. MARIA GORETTI

9:00 **Collective:** Deceased Priests of the Brooklyn and Rockville Centre/ Dioceses/ Joseph Kresse/ Bill & Lee DiGiovanna/ Souls in purgatory

9:30 **Holy Hour**
5:00PM Patrick & Mary (Kitt) Morrissey

SUN. ~ JULY 7 - FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:00 Gaetano Morreale/Thomas Anderson
10:00 Anna Janus/Antonino Catalano/ Geraldine Ciaccio/Vincenza, Mariano & Salvatore Palmeri/ Francesca Barretta/Silvestro Calabrese
NOON The People of the Parish
5:00PM Dolores A. DeBiase



THE RECTORY WILL BE CLOSED ON THURSDAY, JULY 4TH IN OBSERVANCE OF INDEPENDENCE DAY

MASS IS AT 9:00AM ONLY

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 Sunday and 3rd Saturday 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 - WILL BE CLOSED in July and August. Will resume in September.

ALTAR SERVER ASSIGNMENT SHEETS ARE IN THE SACRISTY.

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, Lee Falk, Justin James Quirke, James Graff, The Mojica Family, The Valasquez Family, Maria Colalella, Joan Hanahoe, Grace Sorrentino, Bob Bicknese, Janice McManus-Genevrino, Katie Bryzgoria, Donna & Bo Stubbs, Sharie & Carol Ann Slusser, Darlene Lanza, James Spoto (FDNY), Bob Weiner, Rose MacNamara, Peter DiRocco, Howard Zissel, Mark Lewis, Carmela Guerra, Emma Green, Sr. Noemi Valdes, Yulka Vukicevic, Richard Page, Theresa Erdtmann, John Flesch, Sue Cerbone, M. Ann P., Jamie Allison, Alana Cermeli, John Mattia, Mary Lou Simon, Craig Pacheco, Mike DeCarlo, Vicki Zelinski, R. Soto, Fr. Paul Wierichs, CP, Lorraine Colon, Martina Bruno, John Abel, Anthony Fiorello, Anthony DiChiara, Zofia Dirocco, Jerry Feldnan, Chris Rossi, Cathy Lynch, Virginia Biehl, Ben Armato, Olivia Calastro, Michael Crane, Stephen Crane, Michael Reilly, Frank Fuller, Nancy Gunshinan, Tim Scanlon, Marie Ashford, Chris Kearns, Lou Custini, Anita Lanza, Sr. Pat Mullen, Charles Biehl, Matthew Young, Wayne Espanet, John Santoro, Richie Sawchuck,

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:

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

Pfc. Alexander Gockley

Marine Angel Faican

Pray for peace.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be



WE RECALL OUR BELOVED DECEASED

especially this week:

Rosa Palminteri

*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 Giovanni & Mary Armato
at the request of Lee, Phyllis & Ben.*



**SAINT
MARIA
GORETTI
JULY 6**

TODAY'S READINGS

*Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Cycle B - Hymnal # 965*

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24

Psalm 30:2-13

II Corinthians 8:7-15

Mark 5:21-42

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Amos 2:6-16
Psalm 50:16-23
Matthew 8:18-22

Tuesday: Amos 3:1-8; 4:11-12
Psalm 5:4-8
Matthew 8:23-27

Wednesday: Ephesians 2:19-22
Psalm 117:1-2
John 20:24-29

Thursday: Amos 7:10-17
Psalm 19:8-11
Matthew 9:1-8

Friday: Amos 8:4-12
Psalm 119:2-40, 131
Matthew 9:9-13

Saturday: Amos 9:11-15
Psalm 85:9-14
Matthew 9:14-17

Sunday: Ezekiel 2:2-5
Psalm 123:1-4
II Corinthians 12:7-10
Mark 6:1-6

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



“I have said that the Declaration of Independence is the ring-bolt to the chain of your nations’ destiny; so, indeed, I regard it. The principles contained in that instrument are saving principles. Stand by those principles, be true to them on all occasions, in all places, against all foes, and at whatever cost.”

~ Frederick Douglas

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 10:30am on the first Saturday of each month.

The next holy hour is Saturday, July 6.

Come and spend some quality time with the Lord and pray for our country!



PRAYERS FOR PEACE

Continue to pray the Rosary for peace in Ukraine and the Holy Land. May our Lady of Vladimir, Queen of Peace, intercede for her children!

PARISH FINANCES

Thank you for your generosity in the regular and special collections, whether through e-giving or in the collection basket! Nevertheless, we are far from meeting our regular expenses. Our Diocesan bills alone account for over 150% of our weekly in-pew collections.

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.

ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL

The goal for our 2024 Campaign is \$76,014 once more. I ask every member of the Parish to consider participating in the 2024 Appeal with a “fair-share gift” of \$125 or more, as your means may allow.

The Appeal helps our senior citizen and youth programs, seminarians and Senior Priests. Your generosity will help both our Parish and our Diocese to serve the spiritual and physical needs of our people.

We're at **101 pledges totaling \$66,826 (87.9% of our goal)**, with “just” **\$9,188 to go**. Envelopes are available in church, if you haven't received one by mail.

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 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, July 13 at 9am.**



SAINT
ELIZABETH
OF
PORTUGAL
JULY 5

THANKS!

My profound thanks to all of you who made my official send-off so special last Sunday, for your gifts, and for your prayerful best wishes!

Thanks, also, to all who have made my ministry as pastor a bit lighter over these past seven plus years, whether in the various ministries and activities, on the Academy Board, or especially as the Rectory staff. May God bless you all!

Please keep me in your prayers and be assured of mine for you.

~ Fr. Armato

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: suffering in our lives; the mission of the family; Catholic parenting; the Eucharist; various saints; marriage; teenage mental health; programs for kids and for the whole family to enjoy together.

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 til 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

ESTATE PLANNING

Did you know that there are ways to support our parish and the mission of the Church that can also provide you with tax benefit and potentially even a source of income?

If you have an asset such as appreciated stocks, a retirement plan, art, real estate, or other assets, a planned gift could be a smarter way to give than cash alone. You can sustain our beloved parish with a planned gift while also making smart financial decisions to benefit your family.

For more information, please call the Catholic Foundation at 718-965-7375.



SAINT THOMAS, APOSTLE

St. Thomas was a Jew, called to be one of the twelve Apostles. He was a dedicated but impetuous follower of Christ.

At the Last Supper, when Christ told His Apostles that He was going to prepare a place for them to which they also might come, because they knew both the place and the way, Thomas pleaded that they did not understand and received the assurance that Christ is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

St. Thomas is best known for his role in verifying the Resurrection of his Master. Seeing in Christ's hands the mark of the nails, and putting his fingers in the place of the nails and his hand into His side, St. Thomas became convinced of the truth of the Resurrection and exclaimed: "My Lord and My God," thus making a public profession of faith in the Divinity of Jesus.

St. Thomas is also mentioned as being present at another Resurrection appearance of Jesus, at Lake Tiberias when a miraculous catch of fish occurred.

Tradition says that at the dispersal of the Apostles after Pentecost, this saint was sent to evangelize the Parthians, Medes, and Persians; he ultimately reached India, carrying the Faith to the Malabar coast, which still boasts a large native population calling themselves "Christians of St. Thomas."

His feast day is July 3rd; he is the patron saint of architects.