ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service



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Celebration of the Eucharist

Until April 15th, there will be no public masses celebrated

Confessions

By appointment Only

A Prayer for Our Times

"O Christ Jesus When all is darkness And we feel our weakness and helplessness, Give us the sense of Your Presence. Your Love and Your Strength. Help us to have perfect trust in Your protecting love and strengthening power, So that nothing may frighten or worry us, For, living close to You, We shall see Your Hand. Your Purpose, Your Will through all things."

St. Ignatius of Loyola

March 22, 2020

Phone: (631) 732-3131

During this time, the Parish Office is closed.

Any meeting will be by appointment Only.

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Creative Ministries Presents



Journey, Cross & Crucifixion Scheduled for Thursday April 2nd

CANCELED



Queen Esther!Sight & Sound Theatre,
Lancaster, PA

Trip Has Been CANCELED

PEANUT BUTTER &
JELLY MINISTRY
Canceled until
Further Notice.



Thrift Shop
Closed during Pandemic



The Catholic Faith Network (CFN) - is at the service of the Word, the Church, the Bishops and the Encounter of Faith and Culture. Our mission is to proclaim the teachings of our Lord to the Catholic Community and beyond using media in all forms. (CFN) is available on Optimum channel 29/137, Verizon FiOS TV channel 296, and Charter Spectrum channel 162/471 throughout the New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut area. The Catholic Faith Network (CFN) is also available on selected cable and satellite systems nationwide, along with a vast on-demand library of original programming and a high quality 24/7 live stream

Masses for the Week

While no public masses will be celebrated before April 14th, we will be saying masses for all the intentions arranged before the new directives.

Monday - March 23rd Gerald Pendegar & Frances Alesci

Tuesday - March 24th
No Intention

Wednesday - March 25th Josephine Comi

Thursday, - March 26th
No Intention

Friday - March 27th
Patricia Butler

Saturday - March 28th No Intention

Sunday – March 29th
All Parishioners
Ida Cincotta

For all our parishioners suffering from chronic illness, as well as



Patty Callahan,
Terri Persina,
Jillian Brown,
Patricia Wowk,
June Tamillow,
Joe & Sue Callari,
Eppie Larke,
Marilyn & Steven Vacchio,

Wendiann & Nicholas Alfieri,
Natasha Roucoulet, Michael C. Liotta,
Anne Logan, Laura Durant,
Warne Family. Lorraine Vogel,
Christina & Baby Muller,

Laura Positano. Sharon Klyn, Joseph Kielv. Dominic Percoco. Frank Guttilla, Cathy Reynolds, Eric Cohen. Virginia Butler, Estelle Beauchamp, Robert Valletta, Christine Mc Cusker. De Santis Family, Michael Foss. Amare Collins. Rob Hoder Gregory Bartnicki.

Family members, please resubmit names for those who are ill. We will list them for 4 weeks, and then remove them unless told otherwise. Please notedue to privacy issues, we can include names given by the individual or a health care proxy only. Thank you.

Our First Efforts in Fighting the Coronavirus (3/19/20)

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

The coronavirus pandemic has affected everyone and all organizations. As we enter a time where many ordinary routines have been suspended, I want to inform you about how our Parish must change some of the most important parts of our faith life together.

For those who have not seen it, this is the statement of the Diocese that came out on March 16.

Beginning Monday, March 16, 2020 at 3:00 PM, all Masses (weekday and weekend), liturgies, devotions, meetings, and non-essential activities in our parishes are suspended or postponed through Tuesday, April 14, 2020. This will include all Holy Week and Easter Liturgies.

The Diocese also reminds us:

The Catholic Faith Network (CFN) will provide televised and online daily Masses, including Holy Week and Easter Liturgies, as well as other devotional and spiritual programs. (Optimum channel 29/137, Verizon FiOS TV channel 296, and Spectrum channel 162/471.)

This means that St. Margaret of Scotland Church will not be open

for Masses or prayer times of any kind (except for funerals) until April 14

(a period that includes Holy Week and Easter).

In line with this directive, the Parish Center will be closed to the public for the same time period.

All the Staff feel terrible that such extreme measures need to be taken, but since no one knows how this virus travels, we need to be as pro-active as possible to hinder the spread of the virus. Thus, the following decisions have been implemented.

- Effective immediately, all Ministries are suspended. This applies to all Faith Formation ministers, all Liturgical ministers, all Outreach ministers, whether they serve at the parish or off our property (e.g., Ministers to the homebound and Ministers of Hope).
- In line with the recommendations from Health authorities, while our Parish Center is closed, our Full-time Staff members will be working remotely, with business being conducted by email, telephonically or electronically, with the goal of being as available as possible to any needs that parishioners bring to us.
- During that time, we will be using the closures to perform a thorough cleaning and disinfecting of the buildings and their contents.

To help us stay connected as a parish family, a link to any vital new information that affects our parish community is on our website [saintmargaret.com] in addition to the weekly online bulletin.

I also encourage you to visit the Diocesan website [drvc.org] for broader information.

Thank you for your love and support of our beloved Parish. The Lord Jesus promised that where two or three are gathered, he is in their midst. As we deal with the pandemic, we might not be able to be together physically, but we can unite ourselves in mind and heart as the Body of Christ. I invite you to use the prayer from St. Ignatius Loyola on the bulletin cover throughout this difficult time, as we pray for each other.

Fr. Jim Wood, Pastor

Lenten Information

Readings for Next Sunday Fifth Sunday of Lent

First ReadingEzekiel 37:12-14
Second ReadingRomans 8:8-11
GospelJohn 11:1-45

Texts available @ www.usccb.org

Guidelines for Fasting & Abstinence

In keeping with the spirit of penance, Catholics are asked to observe the following practices:

Good Friday is a day of fast* and abstinence**
All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence**
*Fasting: All between the ages of 18 and 59 may eat only one full meal & two small meals on these days (no snacks).

**Abstinence: All from the age of seven onwards abstain from meat on these days.

Illness always exempts people from these requirements.

Parish Social Ministry

Please DO NOT LEAVE ANY bags for Thrift Shop
All our Volunteers are at home
as directed by Governor.
We are unable to process any donations.
Thank you!

Helpful Phone Numbers

- Domestic Violence
 1-800-799-SAFE & 631-666-8833
- Post Abortion Counseling days 631 722-4355
- Project Rachel evenings 631 242-0907 or 1 800-456-HOPE
- Crisis Pregnancy/Counseling 631 243-2373
- 24 hr State Child Abuse 1-800-342-3720
- Baby Safe Haven Hot Line 1-877-796-HOPE
- Depression after Delivery 1-800-944-4PPD
- The Life Center 631 243 2373
- Drug Hotline 1-800-522 5353
- Suicide Prevention 1-800-639-5433

Corona Virus Information

From the Bishop's Office, March 13, 2020

Catholics are hereby dispensed from their obligation to attend Sunday Mass for the weekends of March 14-15, March 21-22 and March 28-29. Churches will remain open and Mass schedules will remain mostly unchanged. However, the obligation is lifted for those three weekends. We will continue to monitor official health advisories and update these directives accordingly.

Holy Mass can be viewed on the Catholic Faith Network and online. Current schedules:

St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre, New York

Monday – Friday at 8:30 am & 12:30 pm ET Sunday at 11:00 am & 7:00 pm ET

St. Patrick's Cathedral, New YorkMonday – Friday at 6:30 pm ET

Our Lady of Loretto Church, Hempstead

Sunday at 6 pm ET

You can also watch CFN on **Roku**, **Apple TV**, **Amazon Fire TV**, **Android**, or by downloading the **CFN iOS mobile app** at the app store by searching "Catholic Faith Network" or "CFN"

March 4, 2020

As a health precaution, all Pastors and Parishes are instructed to enact the following measures **immediately**:

Until further notice, the Precious Blood of Christ (the Chalice) is not to be distributed to anyone other than clergy (priests / deacons) or those who for health reasons **must only** receive the Precious Blood.

Until further notice, the Sign of Peace will not be given / exchanged in any form during Holy Mass.

COVID 19 Mobile Test Site at Stony Brook University

Open 7 days a week, 7am-7pm

By appointment ONLY

Call 888-364-3065 for info

One Bread, One Body

We have received the booklets we distribute after mass every two months. With no public Masses being celebrated, we will be pleased to send you a copy of the Easter Season booklet to your home. If you wish a copy, please call the Parish Center during "working hours" and leave a message with your name, address and phone number (in case we have any questions).



Confirmation II Information

We are still planning to celebrate Confirmation as scheduled on May 14th. Should this change, we will let you know.

All classes and meetings through April 15th are canceled. This includes the Confirmation Interviews scheduled for Saturday morning, March 28th. We will let you know about rescheduling in the future.

The presentation of Journey: Cross & Crucifixion has also been canceled (along with the "Reflection")

If you have any questions, please contact me at: pbutler@saintmargaret.com

Use this time to practice some of the prayer forms we looked at in class as you pray for each other and your family and friends.

It is as a community and part of God's family, that we will help each other through these times.

OnLine Resources during the Pandemic

Mass readings and prayers at: www.Magnificat.net/free

Best Lent Ever || Creighton University Lent

Lent – Loyola Press || Lenten Reflections Bishop Barron 2020



Offertory Support through ONLINE BILL PAY

is the form of Electronic Giving we have been using in the parish. Your bank offers this service, sending money out of your bank account to whomever you wish. ONLINE BILL PAY services will print an <u>actual check</u> and mail it to St. Margaret of Scotland. Sending your regular Offertory support electronically will save you time and money.

It is an easy way to continue your support of St Margaret of Scotland Parish during this difficult time. Your Bank **does not charge** a fee for this service. You have complete control of your funds, starting, stopping and changing at your will. We have no access to your accounts, receiving only what you wish. If you pay your bills this way currently, you know how easy it is.

To set up sending your Offertory Support all you need is:

Your St. Margaret Account Number: (Located on your stewardship envelope directly under the date)

(or call the Parish Center 631 -732-3131 x0 for your number). Please make sure this number is listed under notations or in address.

St. Margaret's Mailing Address:

St. Margaret of Scotland Church 81 College Road Selden, NY 11784

- 1. Visit your bank's website or call your bank for more information.
- 2. On your bank's website: Click on BILL PAY or Pay Bills: each bank may have a different name for bill pay service.
- 3. Click on "Set up NEW PAYEE": Complete all required fields.
- 4. Enter amount you will be remitting.

 Schedule payments for desired frequency
 (weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly: 52x, 26x, 12x).

How to handwash **Catholic Style!**



30-45 second wash time



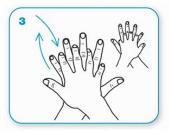
Our Father, Who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy Name.



Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven.



Give us this day our daily bread.



And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us.



And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.



Hail Mary, Full of Grace. The Lord is with thee.



Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.



Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners



now, and at the hour of our death. Amen.



Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.



As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.



Amen.

Clean hands are life savers

... and prayers save souls!

