

ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service



Celebration of the Eucharist

Weekday: (Mon through Fri) 9:00am

Saturday: 5:00pm,

Sunday - 8:00am, 10:00am & 12 noon

Confessions:

Saturday - 4:00-4:45 PM in the Church

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

O Come Let Us Adore Him!



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1ST

7:00 - 8:00 PM in the Church

May 29, 2022

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Monday through Thursday ~ 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

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Time, Talent & Treasure

Stewardship Thought for the Week.

Pillar of Service: Living Stewardship :

As we begin to enter into the summer months, how can we practice the Stewardship pillar of Hospitality? One way is by still remembering our brothers and sisters in need, by giving to your parish food pantry.

Sacrificial Giving

Thank you to all who so generously give to the support of our parish. You are returning to God what God has so generously given to you.

Easter Collections

2021	2022
\$24,334	\$26,807
Difference \$2,473 ~ Approx. 10%	

May 21 / 22

	Stewardship	Envelopes
Collected at Mass	\$7,445	192
Mailed Envelopes	\$4,122	56
Total Collection	\$11,567	248

Masses for the Week

Monday - May 30th
Richard Schineis

Tuesday - May 31st
Norman Gottfried

Wednesday - June 1st
Marie Soddors

Thursday - June 2nd
Gloria Travis

Friday - June 3rd
Joseph, Anne & George Prementine

Saturday - June 4th
For All St. Margaret's Parishioners

Pentecost Sunday - June 5th
8^{am}

Richard Savona
Rita Jasmin Mars
10^{am}

John Cassano
Luise Heitz
12^{pm}

Rev. Chris Aridas
Dolores A. Ernst

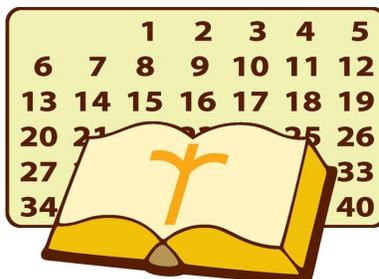
Readings for Next Sunday

Pentecost Sunday

First Reading.....Acts 2: 1-11

Second Reading.....1 Cor12: 3b-7

Gospel.....Jn 20: 19-23



PARISH MEMBERSHIP: We welcome all new parishioners! We ask them to register at the Parish Center and encourage the use of weekly envelopes. If you are moving, please notify the office.

MARRIAGES: Couples should make arrangements in person at least one year in advance for required interview. At least one of the parties must live within the parish boundaries or be a registered member of the parish. Please call the Parish Center for an appointment. No dates will be set over the telephone.

BAPTISMS: Ideally, prospective parents should call the Parish Center before the expected birth to discuss the arrangements for your baptism. The ceremony is held the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE ~ Parish Center:

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Or call for appointment - x131.

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRY ~ Parish Center:

Tues., Thurs. ~ 10 am – 1 pm. Or call for appointment - x119.

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



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| Patricia Fiscina | Marilyn Vacchio |
| Kathy Micheli | John Roucoulet |
| Logan Baar | Joseph Dulovic |
| Joseph Laria | Terri Persina |
| Estelle Beauchamp | Alyssa Baisch |
| Eppie Larke | Jillian Brown |
| Virginia Butler | Robert J. Heege |
| Eric Cohen | Kathleen Weiss |
| Lorraine Vogel | Steven Vacchio |
| Laura Durant | Joseph De Aguiar |
| Frank Guttilla | Robert Valletta |
| Joseph Kiely | Sharon Klyn |
| Warne Family | Michael C. Liotta |
| Anne Logan | Christine Mc Cusker |
| Dominic Percoco | Gina Rosenberg |
| Laura Positano | De Santis Family |
| Patricia Wovk | Natasha Roucoulet |
| James Reynolds Jr. | John Reynolds |
| Scott Spencer | Ray Klyn |
| Sal Restivo | |

- Babies Aubrey & Greyson
Marie & Tony Caruana
Veronica Sheridan-Cox
Wendiann & Nicholas Alfieri
James & Catherine Reynolds
Jennifer, John & Olivia Rose Altieri
Christina Muller & Baby

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 note-due to privacy issues, we can include names given by the individual or a health care proxy only. Thank you.

The close of the Easter season is just a week away now. Next Sunday, the 5th of June, we celebrate the Solemnity of Pentecost. Then, we mark that moment in time when the Holy Spirit, in the form of tongues of fire (Acts 2:3), came to the apostles in the upper room, and gave these closest collaborators of the Lord in His ministry the boldness and courage to proclaim the Gospel throughout the world.

As we prepare ourselves for the coming of the Holy Spirit to us now, at this moment in history, we recall that at every celebration of the Holy Eucharist there is a change in the bread and wine, a change to which we have referred to as transubstantiation. In anticipation of our parish celebration of the Solemnity of Corpus Christi on June 19th, which draws our attention to Christ's Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist, I offer the following remarks.

According to history, the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist was uncontested until a monk by the name of Ratramnus in the ninth century insisted that there is *only* a spiritual presence of the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Against this notion, the Church holds that something has truly happened to the bread and wine once the words of institution are spoken by the priest at Mass. This change to the bread and wine is not perceptible to the senses, but faith tells us we have a new reality on the altar and in the tabernacle.

The first one to use the term *transubstantiation* is Pope Innocent III in a letter to the Archbishop of Paris in 1202. A mere thirteen years later, the term was inserted into the Creed of the Fourth Lateran Council. Saint Thomas Aquinas (1227-1274) used the term in his great work entitled *Summa Theologica*. And to counter the erroneous teachings of the reformers, the Council of Trent (1545-1563) invoked *transubstantiation* too. Pope Paul VI also had recourse to the same expression in *Mysterium Fidei*. In that encyclical (1965), he referred to *transubstantiation* as a "fitting and proper" way to describe the change which occurs in the bread and the wine. (46)

To make clear what he means, Pope Paul VI writes that, pertaining to the Eucharist, what was there before is not there now. In other words, when a validly ordained priest pronounces the words of institution over the bread and wine, we have a completely new reality which has come into existence. The whole substance of the bread has been converted into the substance of Christ's Body and the whole substance of the wine has been converted into the substance of Christ's Blood. (46)

This way of explaining the reality of Christ's Presence in the Eucharist is an article of faith as the Blessed Trinity and the Incarnation are articles of faith. We call these articles of faith dogmas. Dogmas require of us the highest type of assent we can give to truth, that is, a Catholic and divine faith. Dogmas, Paul VI adds in his encyclical, set forth what the human mind grasps and express in apt and exact words what is true. (24)

This last point should not be glossed over too quickly. We live in a highly subjective age which prizes progress above all else. It is therefore tempting to argue that dogmas are culturally conditioned, that is, they are just products of their own age and are thus only suitable to a specific time and place. But Paul VI cautions against indulging this urge, maintaining in *Mysterium Fidei* that the language of dogma is adaptable to all people, of all times, and in all places. (24)

Historically, a faith is expressed through a catechism. And so, I recommend that we all take it upon ourselves to consult the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, especially numbers 1373-1381, for an excellent exposition of the meaning of *transubstantiation* in the time we have before the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Let us allow this presentation of the Church's faith on the Holy Eucharist to inform us, form us and transform us regarding the reality of Christ's Presence.

Remember to join us at the 12 noon Mass on June 19th when we highlight our belief in the Real Presence of Christ in the Holy Eucharist with an outdoor procession with the Blessed Sacrament immediately following the liturgy.

Msgr. Batule
Pastor

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Adoration is the highest act of worship. By sitting quietly before His presence in the Blessed Sacrament, we offer to God what is most personal and pleasing – our time and our hearts. This allows our gracious God to draw us lovingly to Himself. By joining our adoration to prayer and praise, we celebrate that we are the Body of Christ. Come experience the beauty of this holy exchange heart to heart.



St. Margaret of Scotland Confirmation ~ 2022

Bishop Robert Coyle



Heart of the Island Council- Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is a membership organization founded by Fr. McGivney in 1882 on the principles of Charity, Unity & Fraternity. The members of our local council serve in many ministries of the Church. Prospective members call Tom Piderit at 917-365-7546. .



Hands Needed!

Our Music Ministry is in need of someone to assist in placing the words on our screen during Mass. All that is required is clicking the next screen with one button. Please see Dan, our Music Minister, after Mass or call at 631-732-3131 x117. Prayerfully consider.



From the Pastor's Desk

The last Monday of the month, the 30th, is Memorial Day, a civil holiday. In observance of Memorial Day, the parish office is closed. It will re-open on Tuesday the 31st at 9:00 AM.

On Memorial Day, we show our gratitude for those who, while wearing the uniform of our country, gave their lives in defending our nation. We remember them at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass and at civic events, including parades, across this great land.

We also give thanks to all those who serve wearing the uniform of our country now. For their defense of liberty, we express our appreciation and ask that the Lord's blessing be upon these custodians of the peace.



Join us on Wednesday, the 1st of June, at 7:00 PM for a Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction in the church. The Lord's Presence brings holiness to our lives and makes us fit to serve Him in all we do and say



On June 19th, when the Church marks the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, there will be a Procession with the Blessed Sacrament following the 12 noon Mass.

Msgr. Batule ~ Pastor

Memorial Day

The Parish Center will be closed on Monday, May 30th for Memorial Day.



Prayers for our military

Jaime Ottenwalder, US Navy
Anthony Anglikowski, US Navy
Ivan Slawsky, US Army

Lector Gathering

There will be a meeting of all current **Lectors** on Wednesday, June 15th at 7:00 PM in the church. If you have been serving Mass the last year, you are requested to attend. The meeting will not last more than one hour.



Filipino Mass

St. Margaret of Scotland Church

Come join to sing and praise!

Sunday, June 12th

Rosary ~ 2:00 PM

Mass ~ 2:30 PM



Thank you to Jozef and Maria Kopec for their generous gift of flowers, time and talent in keeping our grotto with Mary looking beautiful! Many come to pray and spend time with our Blessed Mother.

New Parishioner?

Moving out of the parish?

Kindly fill out the form below—drop it in collection basket or mail to Parish Center. It will help us keep our files up-to-date and welcome newcomers.

Name _____

Address _____

Town _____

Telephone _____

New Parishioner _____ Moving _____

Sunday, May 29, 2022 Hear me out

Pope Francis chose one word for the theme of this year's World Communications Day: "Listen!" Since the pandemic has spared no one, we each carry wounds that need to be acknowledged and healed. Dialogue isn't all about talking, the pope notes. At least half the time we should be listening, a task requiring humility in order to receive the truth of another person's experience. At the same time, the quest for truth involves the discernment of reliable information. We begin with the courage to listen, free of prejudice or agenda. Only then can we find our way together to the light. SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 7:55-60; Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; John 17:20-26 (61)*. "That they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you."

Monday, May 30 Give thanks for reverse mission

Membership in the Catholic Church in the Western world is declining. It's painful for those who remain to see fewer and fewer people in the pews—or worse, to experience the closing of their parishes. It can seem like the church is on the ropes. But stop to think: There are an estimated 1.2 billion Roman Catholics in the world—more than 40 percent of them in Latin America, and the largest growth is in Africa and Asia. Many U.S. Catholic parishes now have priests from those regions. Consider how the Holy Spirit might be at work, with those the West once missioned to now missioning to us. EASTER WEEKDAY TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 19:1-8; John 16:29-33 (297)*. "In the world you will have trouble, but take courage, I have conquered the world."

Tuesday, May 31 Moved by the Spirit

The scene of Elizabeth greeting Mary, both carrying miraculous pregnancies, is blessedly familiar to Catholic ears. Our "Hail Mary" prayer comes from this encounter. And we hear that even in utero John the Baptist recognizes Jesus and leaps for joy. But Saint Ambrose makes an observation about this visit that's easy to miss: "Mary sets out for the hill country . . . She goes eager in purpose, dutiful in conscience, hastening for joy. Filled with God, where would she hasten but to the heights? The Holy Spirit does not proceed by slow, laborious efforts." When has the Holy Spirit prompted you to act in joyful haste? FEAST OF THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY TODAY'S READINGS: *Zephaniah 3:14-18a or Romans 12:9-16; Luke 1:39-56 (572)*. "Most blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb."

Wednesday, Jun 01 Give thanks to those who gave it all

Today we celebrate the feast of Saint Justin, a figure known for his philosophical prowess, as well as his astute defense of the Christian faith during the second century. His writings are some of the earliest among the church fathers, making his comments on subjects like the sacraments a vital source of information about what the early church believed. He stood out as one arguing for the proto-Christian nature of Greek philosophers such as Socrates and Plato and sought to use their ideas to explain and spread the faith among his non-Christian contemporaries. These included hostile Roman emperors, and Justin was eventually martyred alongside several of his students. Give thanks for the early witnesses who contributed so dearly to the deposit of faith we have inherited. MEMORIAL OF JUSTIN, MARTYR TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 20:28-38; John 17:11b-19 (299)*. "I gave them your word, and the world hated them, because they do not belong to the world."

Thursday, Jun 02 May we all get to rest in peace

Little is known historically about early Christians Marcellinus and Peter, martyred in 304. It is said they were killed at an out-of-the-way location by hostile Roman authorities so that other Christians would not have a chance to bury and venerate their bodies. Even so, it is said they peacefully and without protest cleared the spot chosen for their death, an overgrown thicket three miles from Rome. The fact they could die with peaceful hearts indicates the strength of their faith and trust. Pray that we too can find that peace when we come to our own time and place of final repose. MEMORIAL OF MARCELLINUS AND PETER, MARTYRS TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 22:30; 23:6-11; John 17:20-26 (300)*. "[May] the love with which you loved me . . . be in them and I in them."

Friday, Jun 03 The Spirit is on the move

The astounding growth of the Catholic Church in Africa has not come easily. Many a martyr died along the way, including Charles Lwanga and his companions of Uganda, martyred in 1895. From modest beginnings, there are now well over 13 million Catholics in Uganda—40 percent of the population—and continent-wide, Catholic Church membership rose from 2 million in 1900 to 140 million in 2000. In 2009, when Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI visited Africa, the total had grown to an estimated 158 million. By 2025, one-sixth (230 million) of the world's Catholics are expected to be Africans. Give thanks for the flourishing of the Spirit worldwide. MEMORIAL OF CHARLES LWANGA AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 25:13b-21; John 21:15-19 (301)*. "He said this signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God."

Saturday, Jun 04 May the harvest be plentiful

Today is the Jewish festival of Shavuot, the Feast of Weeks. It is the Biblical celebration of the wheat harvest (Exodus 34:22) and, in the Orthodox Jewish tradition, the giving of the Torah to Moses on Mount Sinai. It's called "weeks" because it commemorates the counting of seven weeks from the barley harvest to the wheat harvest, or from the Passover to today. It has a parallel in our Christian tradition of counting from Easter to Pentecost, a word that means "fiftieth," celebrated tomorrow. One of the modern customs celebrated on Shavuot is presenting to the community babies born during the year. Let's pray for all the babies we know who have made it to birth this year. EASTER WEEKDAY; SHAVUOT TODAY'S READINGS: *Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; John 21:20-25 (302)*. "There are also many other things that Jesus did."



Parish Outreach



PLEASE bring all donations to the front door of the Parish Center during office hours or bring to the box in the rear of the Church.

We are in need of: Toilet Paper, Detergent, Canned Fruit, Applesauce, & Jars of Juice

A very special THANK YOU to all!



Children's Bereavement Camp

Good Shepherd Hospice invites you to Bob Sweeney's Camp H.O.P.E. This FREE, professionally run one day camp is for children ages 5 to 17 who have experienced the death of an immediate family member. The camp will be held on Saturday July 16th, 2022 at beautiful Camp Alvernia, Centerport, NY. Call for an application – (631) 828-7628

VFW Auxiliary Post #4927 FUNDRAISER

Friday, June 17th at 7pm

PAINT NIGHT

Join us for an evening of FUN creating your own masterpiece at:

34 Lamport Ave., Port Jeff Station

\$ 30.00 pp (includes snacks)

Limited seating must RSVP by 6/6 to: 631-696-1087



Spring Thank You!

Thank you to Mike and Ginny Odrechowski for their generous gift of flowers and their green thumb in keeping the beds colorful!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

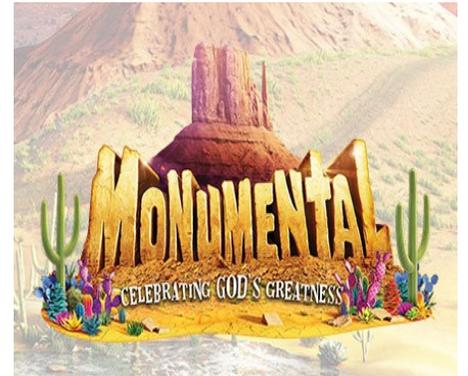


Adventure through God's Colorful Canyons!

JULY 11th - 15th

9:15 AM - 12:30 PM

Registration Open



4 yr. old & up — entering 6th grade.

Potty trained & have been separated from parent in the past.



FIRST 100 CHILDREN !

\$35 per child ~ \$70 for 2 children

\$ 90 three children or more

Register in the Parish Center

We are in need of adult volunteers. Please call to let us know if you're able to assist us. Must be VIRTUS certified (not sure, ask us). **Teen Helpers ~ 7th Grade & Up** Call 732-3131 x131