

# 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

or by appointment.

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## October 9, 2022

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With school in session for a couple of weeks, we have reached the first three-day weekend on the elementary and high school calendar – Columbus Day, in which we recall an Italian who sailed under the Spanish flag and reached New World as it was called in the fifteenth century. The mariner never made it to the shores of what would become the United States, but he got very close. Since he made his discovery, he has been ever associated with America.

**Religious Education Awards:** Annually, the Diocese of Rockville Centre recognizes men and women who have volunteered to be catechists in their parishes and have participated in the Church's work of evangelization and education for their commitment over the years. The recognition for Saint Margaret parishioners comes on Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Patchogue. They would be the following parishioners: Lisa Boyd (10 years), RoseAnne Egan (10 years), Anita Hoehne (50 years), Maureen Mason (15 years), Noreen Marrocco (15 years), Virginia Odrechowski (40 years), Dawn Reahl (10 years), Cheryl Santorelli (10 years), Mary Spora (30 years), Angela Westerhaus (30 years), Angela Zozimo (20 years), Anita Hartnett (10 years), Roberta Dola (25 years) and Tammy Adams (15 years). Later in the academic year, other parishioners will be honored for their service for a shorter period of time. We will keep you aware of that date and which parishioners are eligible for the recognition.

For all of our catechists, we give thanks for their service. Without them, we would not have a Religious Education program and the Catholic faith would not get passed along outside the home. Join me in saluting the women listed above for their generosity and concern for the children of Saint Margaret.

**Hospitality:** Last week, I asked the women of the parish to consider serving at receptions when we hold parish events in the church. The two events I have in mind are **Lessons and Carols** (December 18<sup>th</sup>) and **First Holy Communion** (May 13<sup>th</sup>). If you are interested, please call the parish office and let us know. The receptions would not be lengthy affairs and everything you need will be made available for you.

**Bible Study:** A staple of parish life in many places has been a group (both men and women) who have come together around the Scriptures. Getting to know the Scriptures better and getting to know fellow parishioners is the goal. Again, if you are so inclined, please call the parish center and register your interest. We will see if there are other parishioners who long to know the Scriptures better and see if we are able to launch a group for this purpose.

**Mass Intentions:** The Mass Book for 2023 opens on Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM at the parish center. There are **no limitations on the number of Masses you may reserve at that time.**

**Enrichment Evenings:** We have two remaining sessions on Monday nights this month (the 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>). All are invited to join us at 7:30 PM. Sessions are over at 9:00 PM. We will treat **morality** on the 17<sup>th</sup> and the **sacraments** on the 24<sup>th</sup>. All catechists are asked to give consideration to attending – the sessions are intended primarily for you in your apostolate!

**Eucharistic Revival:** I am looking to see if we can arrange a retreat around the theme of the **Eucharistic Revival** for the Spring of 2023. I will keep you apprised of what may develop on this topic since there is such a great need for it now.

**Twenty Minutes with the Director/Pastor:** We have been at this catechetical initiative for a few weeks now. We ask our parents to attend with their children on the designated Sunday. We have arranged the schedule according to **level**. As always, we ask all parents of children enrolled in our Faith Formation program to go to Mass with their children **every week**. This is a precept of our Catholic faith and we should not take it lightly. Coming to know and love the Eucharist is inseparable from coming to know and love Jesus. There is no such thing as a Catholic faith apart from faithful participation in the Holy Eucharist each week and on Holy Days of Obligation.

Until the next time . . . .

Msgr. Batule  
Pastor



### **Wedding Banns**

**Banns I:** Emilie Minder, St. Margaret of Scotland & Angel Holmes, Infant Jesus, Pt. Jefferson



### **Baptisms**

Janessa Marie Brown  
Emerson Grace Skippon



## St. Margaret's Bereavement Ministry Through the Holidays

Do you feel as if your traditions, holidays and your life are forever changed due to the loss of a loved one? Are you wondering how you will make it through the festivities that once brightened your life during the holiday season? Or are you wishing they could just pass by leaving you untouched?

Come be a part of St. Margaret's Adult Bereavement Ministry . We are anxious to help you deal with these real personal hurdles.

Meetings will be held in the Parish Center on **Thursdays at 11 AM beginning November 3<sup>rd</sup>** and run through the end of the year. For more information please contact Barbara Gottfried at (631) 698-6053, prior to this date.

*Be part of this emotional and spiritual nourishment.*

## Mass Book for 2023

The Mass Book for 2023 opens on Monday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM in the parish center.

We encourage you to remember deceased relatives and friends at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Through the Communion of Saints, we are never removed from those whom we love. We hope for a reunion with them in God's providence, and praying for them now helps to bring that reunion a nearer prospect.

## CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE You are invited to explore the benefits of a Catholic High School Education. ~ Open House Schedule

Sat., Oct. 15 - 10 am - 1 pm - Holy Trinity HS

Sun., Oct. 16 - 10 am - 1 pm - St. John the Baptist HS

### Test for Admission to Catholic High Schools Online for 2022-2023

Go to [www.TACHSINFO.COM](http://www.TACHSINFO.COM)  
Registration Deadline ~ October 27, 2022  
Follow us on social media @ CatholicHSofLI

## Altar Servers Training

Training will be on Tuesdays, through October (all of them beginning at 5:00 PM in the Church).



## Parish Outreach

### Knights of Columbus GROCERY BAG DISTRIBUTION & COLLECTION

The *Knights of Columbus* are partnering with our Outreach to assist in replenishing our Pantry.



## Food Collection

Bags will be distributed on **October 15/16 at all Masses**, and on **October 22/23 at all Masses**, they will be in front of the church to receive your donations.

Please assist them and us as you can.  
If anyone is able to help Outreach on **October 22/23**, please leave her a message at 631-732-3131 x119.

*Thank you!*



### You Can Help Heal Your Marriage!

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other?  
Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other?  
Does talking about it only make it worse?

Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This program has helped thousands of couples worldwide experiencing ALL TYPES of marital difficulties. For confidential information about the Retrouvaille program, or to register for the upcoming weekend-**NOVEMBER 4<sup>th</sup>- 6<sup>th</sup>**, please call **1-800-470-2230** and you will be connected directly and confidentially to a couple from Long Island/Metro Retrouvaille who can help. ~ website [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org).  
*Couples of all faiths, or no faith, are encouraged to attend. No one is turned away for lack of funds.*

## From the Pastor's Desk

A voluntary collection will be taken up to assist those affected by Hurricane Ian and Hurricane Fiona at the church on the weekend of October 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>. Parishioners desirous of contributing may place donations in a receptacle designated for that purpose in the vestibule of the church. It will be there only **one weekend**. Whatever donations we receive will then be forwarded to the Diocese of Rockville Centre.

We are in the process of updating our donation records. If you are contributing to the parish using electronic giving and are **not using donation envelopes sent through the regular mail, please contact the parish office. If you are not using envelopes at all to support the parish, please let us know too. If you are not supporting the parish at all but you do receive envelopes through the regular mail, please let us know as well.**

Each month, the envelope company sends envelopes to as many as **three times the parishioners who use them. The envelope company in turn charges the parish for all envelopes sent regardless of use or not. We hope to have a much more accurate number of regular envelope users by Christmas time. Your cooperation is very much appreciated.**

## Faith Formation

**Catechists Needed for Level One & Two  
Mondays ~ 6-7 pm**



**Who will share the Faith with our youngest parishioners?**

We have youngsters in need of a Catechist. Help prepare our youth for the future by sharing your Faith with them once a month. Contact the Faith Formation Office for information at 631-732-3131 x131 or [jmirenda@saintmargaret.com](mailto:jmirenda@saintmargaret.com)



### 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.

### St. Margaret's Christmas Pageant *Save the Date!*



**Saturday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 PM**  
*Rehearsal dates & times to follow in upcoming bulletins.*

### Marriage Prep Requirement

Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement? Engaged Encounter is an effective PreCana program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Our next 2-day weekend will be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception in Huntington on November 19-20, 2022. [longisland.engagedencounter.com](http://longisland.engagedencounter.com)



### The Ladies Ancient Order of Hibernians ~ Div. 8/9

*Invite you to their 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Irish Tea  
Auction Raffle*

*Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 pm*

*AOH Division 8 Hall ~ 80 Magnolia Drive in Selden  
Call Dottie 631-698-4940 for tickets by Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>*

***Wear your Pretty Hat ~ bring your favorite Tea Cup!***



### Holy Angels Regional School PARISH CANDY SALES

Holy Angels Regional School will be holding their annual World's Finest Chocolate Candy Sale

**Saturday & Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> / October 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

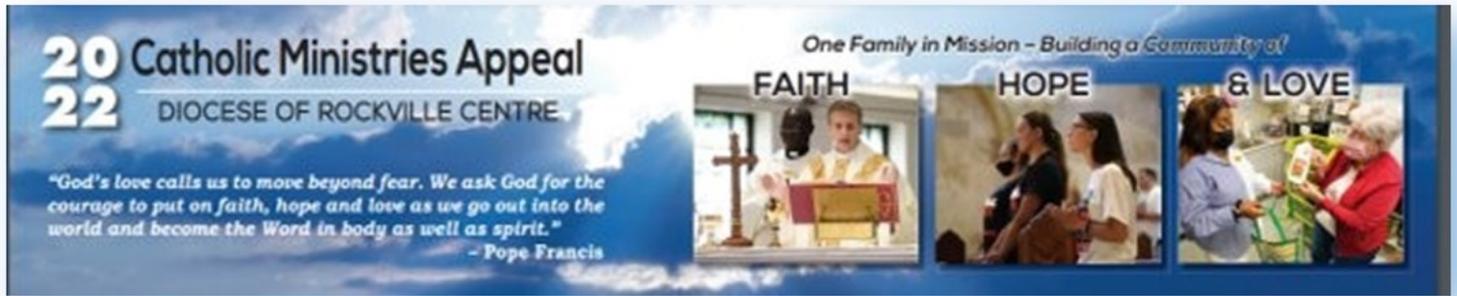
Please help support our school!

**Chocolates sold before and after Mass**

Information about the deadlines for filing claims based on the Adult Survivors Act—part of the Diocese's chapter 11 case can be found on the following link to the Diocese bankruptcy website. Forms that are to be used can be found here also. <https://dm.epiq11.com/drvc>.

### P/T Position

Maintenance Position – St. Louis de Montfort parish is seeking a custodian: 20/24 hrs. per week, Tuesday thru Friday. Works well with others ~ has experience & is able to juggle multiple duties which include but not limited to: Cleaning classrooms, restrooms, offices, climbing ladders, repairs, maintenance & other duties . E-mail your résumé letter to: [awhite@sldmrc.org](mailto:awhite@sldmrc.org) or [cheller@drvc.org](mailto:cheller@drvc.org)



***Building of Community of Faith, Hope and Love  
Find Help When You Need It, Give Help When You Can***

***October is Respect Life Month.*** Your donation to the Catholic Ministries Appeal supports Respect Life initiatives through prayer services, education, witness and action, and many support services such as Project Rachel, Pregnancy Loss Counseling, Adverse Prenatal Diagnosis Resources, and Gianna Center of Long Island for Women's Health. These are just a few programs that provide hope and love to those in need.

**Project Rachel**

Project Rachel is a network of specially trained, compassionate caregivers, who are prepared to assist those who suffer from abortion loss. There is forgiveness, hope and healing available to those who have been touched by an abortion. Many women and men have participated in diocesan Project Rachel Ministries and been transformed by God's merciful love.

There is full confidentiality to this program and there is a separate Women's Ministry and a Men's Ministry.

To learn more about this program, please call the Confidential Phone line: 1-516-766-2538 or 1-888-456-HOPE (4673) se habla espanol

**Or Email [projectrachel@drvc.org](mailto:projectrachel@drvc.org)**



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Please make checks payable to ***Catholic Ministries Appeal.***

Parish \_\_\_\_\_ Total Pledge: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Down payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

D I O C E S A N  
Holy Hour  
*for*  
Vocations

*with Adoration, Live Music, Confessions, Dodgeball & Food*



Friday, October 21  
*at 7:30 P.M.*

AT THE SEMINARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IN HUNTINGTON



*with Guest Preacher*

**Fr. Brian Barr**

Fr. Barr was ordained in 1993. His assignments include serving as associate pastor at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in West Hempstead, chaplain to St. Anthony's High School in South Huntington, Diocesan Director of Campus Ministry and Director of Vocations.

Fr. Barr is the pastor of the tri-parish Beach Catholic community of St. Ignatius Martyr Church and St. Mary of the Isle Church in Long Beach, and Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Church in Point Lookout.



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