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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Time, Talent & Treasure

Stewardship Thought for the Week

Pillar of Service: Living Stewardship:

As Catholic stewards of the Faith, we should be hospitable to all whom we come across. So that when our time comes, we can say, "I have competed well; I have finished the race."

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.

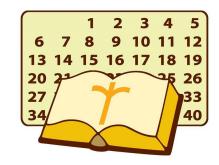
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	Stewardship	Envelopes
Collected at Mass	\$6,456	164
Mailed Envelopes	\$6,243	36
Total Collection	\$12,699	200

Readings for Next Sunday
Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading......Wis 11:22-12:2
Second Reading......2 Thes 1: 11-2:2

Gospel.....Lk 19: 1-10



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 - $\times 131$.

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRY ~ Parish Center:

Tues., Thurs. ~ 10 am -1 pm. Or call for appointment - $\times 119$.

Masses for the Week

Monday - October 24th
Patti Reid

Tuesday - October 25th
Special Intentions for Fais &
Croteau Families

Wednesday - October 26th
Albert, Marion, Joseph & Joanne
Pietrozziello

Thursday - October 27th Noel Giannotti

Friday - October 28th Philip Lo Bosco

Saturday - October 29th

5^{pm}

Peter Rice Michael Pagliuca

Sunday - October 30th

For All St. Margaret's Parishioners

10 am
Tomaso & Luigi Cicillini
John Schlagater
12 pm
Rosemarie Angela Morreale

Thomas Muratore

For all our parishioners suffering from chronic illness, as

well as



Patricia Fiscina, Marilyn Vacchio, Margaret Jung, 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, Sal Restivo, Robert Valletta, Joseph Kiely, Sharon & Ray Klyn, Warne Family, Michael C. Liotta, Anne Logan, Christine Mc Cusker, Dominic Percoco, Gina Rosenberg, Laura Positano, De Santis Family, Particia Wowk, Natasha Roucoulet, John Reynolds, Scott Spencer, Babies Aubry & Greyson, Marie & Tony Caruana, Veronica Sheridan Cox, Wendiann & Nicholas Alfieri, James & Catherine Reynolds, Jennifer, John & Olivia Rose Altieri, Christina Muller, Melanie Seibel, Baby Niko Sais, Antoinetta Iannetta

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.

As I write this column, the New York Yankees are about to play in the 5th game of a five-game series with the Cleveland Guardians. We will see in a few hours whether the Bronx Bombers will advance to the next round of the playoffs or go home and start thinking about the next season. Let's go Yankees!

October is traditionally a month for Marian Devotions. Please remember to stop by the grotto on our property with the statue of the Blessed Mother and offer a prayer there for your family or other needs you may have. Moreover, you are encouraged to pray the **holy rosary**. Our Lady hears all her children and she has promised to pray for us now and at the hour of our death.

Mission Sunday is observed on Sunday, October 23rd. Please remember the Church's missionary work all over the globe and at home. By her nature, the Church is always missionary, always looking to proclaim our salvation in Christ to all in the human family. To assist the Church in the missionary endeavor, a second collection will be taken up at all weekend Masses on October 22rd and 23rd. Please be generous, as always.

This weekend there will be a receptacle in the vestibule for all who wish to assist the victims of **Hurricanes Ian and Fiona** with a monetary donation. The receptacle will be there only this weekend. Funds collected will be forwarded to the Diocese of Rockville Centre which in turn arranges that the Church in those devastated areas receives the aid we give.

The Mass Book for 2023 is open on Monday, October 24th at 9:00 AM in the parish center. I urge you to reserve Mass Intentions for relatives and friends on birthdays and anniversaries of death. As I have indicated numerous times in the past, remembering those whom we loved on earth anticipates their union with God for all eternity in heaven. Help them to see the face of God – the last and greatest beatitude for all who have been made in the image and likeness of God.

Over the past few weeks, there have been many open Mass Intentions during the week (at 9:00 AM). I exhort you to reserve a Mass Intention – again, on the occasion of a birthday or an anniversary of death for a loved one. Living with the Lord is a family affair because of the Communion of Saints. Our separation from family members and friends is not final or definitive so long as we have the Holy Eucharist to help loved ones reach their heavenly home.

On November 1st, we celebrate All Saints Day. As it is a Tuesday this year, All Saints Day is a Holy Day of Obligation. As usual, there is Mass in the morning at 9:00 AM and Mass in the evening at 7:00 PM. Join us as we pray, through the intercession of all the saints, for a continued adherence to the blessed life which characterizes the friends of Christ.

On **November 2nd**, we commemorate **All Souls Day.** I encourage you to enroll deceased family members and friends so they can be remembered that day. Enrollment comes with filling out the designated envelope which you received in your packet of envelopes in the regular mail. Envelopes can be returned in the collection taken up at weekend Mass or dropped off in person at the parish center during regular business hours. If you do not have a designated envelope in your possession, please see an usher in church and request one.

Those enrolled on All Souls Day will be remembered continuously in a Novena of Masses starting on the 2nd. Join us as we pray that deceased family members and friends be made ready for their entrance into eternal glory with Christ, the Blessed Mother and all the angels and saints.

Looking ahead a bit more in the calendar, Saint Margaret will host an ecumenical prayer service on Sunday, November 20th at 7:00 PM. Consider this an invitation to join us for the occasion. Our choir will sing at the service.

We continue to be attentive to the **Eucharistic Revival** in the way we pray, learn and serve at Saint Margaret Parish. We are emphasizing the **Mass**, **Eucharistic Adoration and catechetical sessions on the Real Presence**. We invite you to join us for all that is planned to deepen our Eucharistic faith until the period comes to an end in our parish, our diocese and our country. That will be in 2024.

The Holy Eucharist is exposed in the church for **Adoration** on the First Thursday of the month in the afternoon. Please see the bulletin for more details. We also have periodic **Holy Hours in the evening during the week. Our next one is held early in Advent (November 28th). It goes from 7:00 until 8:00 PM in the church.**

We finish the Enrichment Evenings on October 24th. We thank the catechists and others who attended the five sessions we had. We will see if we can offer another series in the Spring of 2023. Stay tuned and watch the bulletin for more details.

Who would have thought our New York professional football teams would play this well as the NFL nears its mid-way point? Go Jets and Giants!

Msgr. Batule Pastor



Baptisms

Juliana Nicole Casella, Arianna Rae Russo, Jackson Thomas Trowbridge, Owen Julian Bojku

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

For your personal adoration and prayers.

FIRST THURSDAYS NOV. 3RD, DEC. 1ST

3:00 - 6:00 PM in the Church



Parish Social Ministry



THANKSGIVING WISH LIST

Dinners will be distributed the week of Nov. 14th



St. Margaret's Outreach is asking for donations to make baskets for Thanksgiving. Please choose items off of our wish list & bring them into the Parish Center during office hours or put in the box in the back of the church. Thank You! (Please-no perishables in church!)

Turkey (or voucher) Corn muffin mix Canned Fruit Canned Sweet Potatoes \$10 ShopRite Card Stuffing Canned Vegetables Applesauce Coffee / Tea Shelf Stable Milk Jars of Apple Juice Package Gravy

Knights of Columbus GROCERY BAGs



Thank you to everyone who contributed to our Food Pantry. The shelves are in better shape to collection serve the community!





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 3rd 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.

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.



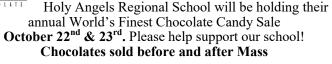
longisland.engagedencounter.com

Malloy College Open House

Fall open house will be held on Sunday, Nov 6th at 12 PM. Register at www.molloy.edu/openhouse22

1000 Hempstead Ave., Rockville Centre, NY 11571

Holy Angels Regional School PARISH CANDY SALES



World's Finest

St. Anthony's High School Christmas Craft Fair

Come join us on Saturday, Nov. 5 from 10-4. 175 Vendors with free admission!

For info email ~ craftfair@stanthonyshs.org 275 Wolf Hill Rd., Melville NY 11747

Dominican Village ~ 17th Anniversary **Fall Frenzy Dinner & Auction**

Friday, Nov. 5 ~ 6-10 pm Dinner Tickets \$50 Baskets \$20 for 25 tickets—Many Prizes!



For info call Emily at 631-84-6618 emonem@dominicanvillage.org 565 Albany Ave, Amityville NY 11701

Mass Book for 2023

The Mass Book for 2023 opens on Monday, October 24th 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.

St. John the Baptist HS Salute to Service

Thursday, November 10th at 10:00 am

To honor our service men and women we invite you to purchase a 3'x5' American flag to be displayed on the school's front lawn to honor Veteran's Day. You are welcome to join the ceremony.



For info call 631-587-8000 x176 or email jones@sjbhs.org. Thank you for your support!

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 22nd and 23rd. 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



Congratulations!

Our Parish and Diocese recognizes our faithful Catechists who have served for many years. Anita Hoehne received our 50 year award!

Thank you to <u>all</u> who dedicate their time and talents to our Parish Family. There are many others who have stepped up to teach our young family members. God Bless.



Calling all Children! Christmas Pageant

Saturday, December 10th ~ 2:00 PM

The children of Saint Margaret's parish prepare a gift for the Christ Child.

They honor His birth by retelling the Christmas story
for their family, friends and all of our parishioners.

Cast Call ~ All are welcome to participate!

There are speaking and non-speaking parts

Rehearsals ~ **6:00 - 7:00 PM in the Church**. ~ Nov. 4, 9, 16, 18, 22 & Dec. 2 **Dress Rehearsal** ~ Friday, Dec. 9 @ 6:00-7:00 PM COSTUMES PROVIDED

Saturday, Dec. 10th Day of Show—arrive at 1:30 PM ~ Cast Party to follow immediately after Pageant.

Ecumenical Prayer Service

Sunday, November 20th at 7:00 PM.

Consider this an invitation to join us for the occasion.

Our choir will sing at the service.

Catholic Gifts

Looking for Catholic gifts and items? You can visit Our Lady of the Island Shrine, 258 Eastport Manor Rd. in Manorville. Hours 10-4 weekdays & 10-5 Sat./ Sun. They carry a large variety of religious articles. **OURLADYOFTHEISLAND.ORG**

Sunday, Oct 23, 2022

Share some good news

The church isn't stationary but missionary. The word *Mass* shares the same root as *mission:* to be sent. We enter the sanctuary weekly to prepare for our mission. This World Mission Sunday, Pope Francis shares his "dream of a completely missionary Church." To embrace this vision is to do three things: Bear witness. Do it everywhere. Trust the Spirit. We remember on this day five Adorers of the Blood of Christ from Illinois who embraced the vision and were martyred in Liberia in 1992. One sister wrote: "We need to move to the call of our mission, not to the call of our comfort." Venture out of your comfort zone.

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

TODAY'S READINGS: Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14 (150). "The Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the proclamation might be completed."

Monday, Oct 24, 2022

The other cheek is forgiveness

Think it's hard to "turn the other cheek"? What if someone stabbed you in the cheek in an attempt to kill you?! While you imagine what you'd do in that situation, consider what Saint Anthony Mary Claret did when it actually happened to him: He got his would-be assassin's death sentence commuted. As the archbishop of Santiago, Cuba in the mid-1800s, Claret had made enemies by advocating for the downtrodden and denouncing racism. He's an example that turning the other cheek is not a passive action, as some might think, because it has two parts: first, not responding in kind, and then, actively giving a second chance to the offender to do the right thing. Such brave love can and has stopped hate in its tracks.

MEMORIAL OF ANTHONY MARY CLARET, BISHOP, FOUNDER TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 4:32—5:8; Luke 13:10-17 (479). "Woman, you are set free of your infirmity."

Tuesday, Oct 25, 2022

God blesses the work of human hands

Few Catholics know the significance of French priest Jacques Paul Migne, born this day in 1800. But without Migne's skills as a journalist and prowess as a publisher, precious few would know anything about the early church fathers. Migne launched a publishing company that produced, at moderate prices, hundreds of volumes of church history and theology whose aim was to better educate Catholic clergy. Even today, his writings on the early church fathers are considered the most complete ever written. Migne's inventiveness reminds us that we, too, can glorify God with our daily work.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 5:21-33; Luke 13:18-21 (480). "To what shall I compare the Kingdom of God? It is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of wheat flour until the whole batch of dough was leavened."

Wednesday, Oct 26, 2022

Faithful to the end

On this day in 1529, Saint Thomas More became Lord Chancellor of England under King Henry VIII, who soon after began to forcefully agitate for independence from the dictates of the pope. This led to a clash with Thomas—a staunchly orthodox Catholic—who refused to betray his faith and accede to the royal demands. By 1534, he was imprisoned on charges of treason and was executed the next year after Henry declared himself head of an

independent Church of England. As Anglicans and Roman Catholics continue to dialogue in view of shared ecumenical goals, let's remember the faithful witness of Thomas More—a friend to all and a Catholic par excellence.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 6:1-9; Luke 13:22-30 (481). "For behold, some are last who will be first, and some are first who will be last."

Thursday, Oct 27, 2022

Watch your attitude

In today's gospel King Herod Antipas (who beheaded John the Baptist) is depicted as a menacing tyrant, like his father, Herod the Great (who ordered the Slaughter of the Innocents). Such sins can seem far removed from ours. But Pope Francis has noted: "We must not think that we imitate Herod only if we become tyrants. No. In reality, it's an attitude to which we can all succumb, every time we try to dispel our fears with arrogance, even if only verbal or made up of small abuses intended to mortify those close to us." Let's pray for a world free of powerful tyrants—and free of any tyrannical impulses of our own.

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 6:10-20; Luke 13:31-35 (482). "Some Pharisees came to Jesus and said, 'Go away, leave this area because Herod wants to kill you."

Friday, Oct 28, 2022

You can lead from behind, too

Of the 12 apostles, Peter is always front and center—rightfully so, for one called "the rock" (the literal meaning of the Greek name *Pétros*). Others are recognizable from various gospel stories. But then there's the zealots Simon and Jude (a.k.a. Thaddeus or "Son of James"). We know virtually nothing about them. Yet, they are remembered to this day because Jesus chose them to help lead the early church. Jesus knew that different kinds of leaders were needed to proclaim the gospel—the headliners like Peter and the "behind the scenes" people like Simon and Jude. What kind of leader are you called to be?

FEAST OF SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES

TODAY'S READINGS: Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:12-16 (666). "You are fellow citizens with the holy ones . . . built upon the foundation of the Apostles and prophets."

Saturday, Oct 29, 2022

The mother of all virtues

Humility is not much in demand these days, when celebrity status and social media popularity seem all the rage. But precisely because humility challenges all that is near and dear to our ego, it is worth wrestling with, especially if we wish to draw closer to God. Saint Augustine said in one of his letters, "The way to Christ is first through humility, second through humility, third through humility." He also said, "It was pride that changed angels into devils; it is humility that makes [humans] as angels." Humility has a transformative quality if we understand it not as groveling but rather as knowing our true measure, of keeping our feet firmly on the ground (the Latin for *earth—humus*—is the word's root). Perhaps Saint Thomas Aquinas defined it best: "Humility means seeing ourselves as God sees us: knowing every good we have comes from Him as pure gift."

TODAY'S READINGS: Philippians 1:18b-26; Luke 14:1, 7-11 (484). "For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but the one who humbles himself will be exalted."

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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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



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