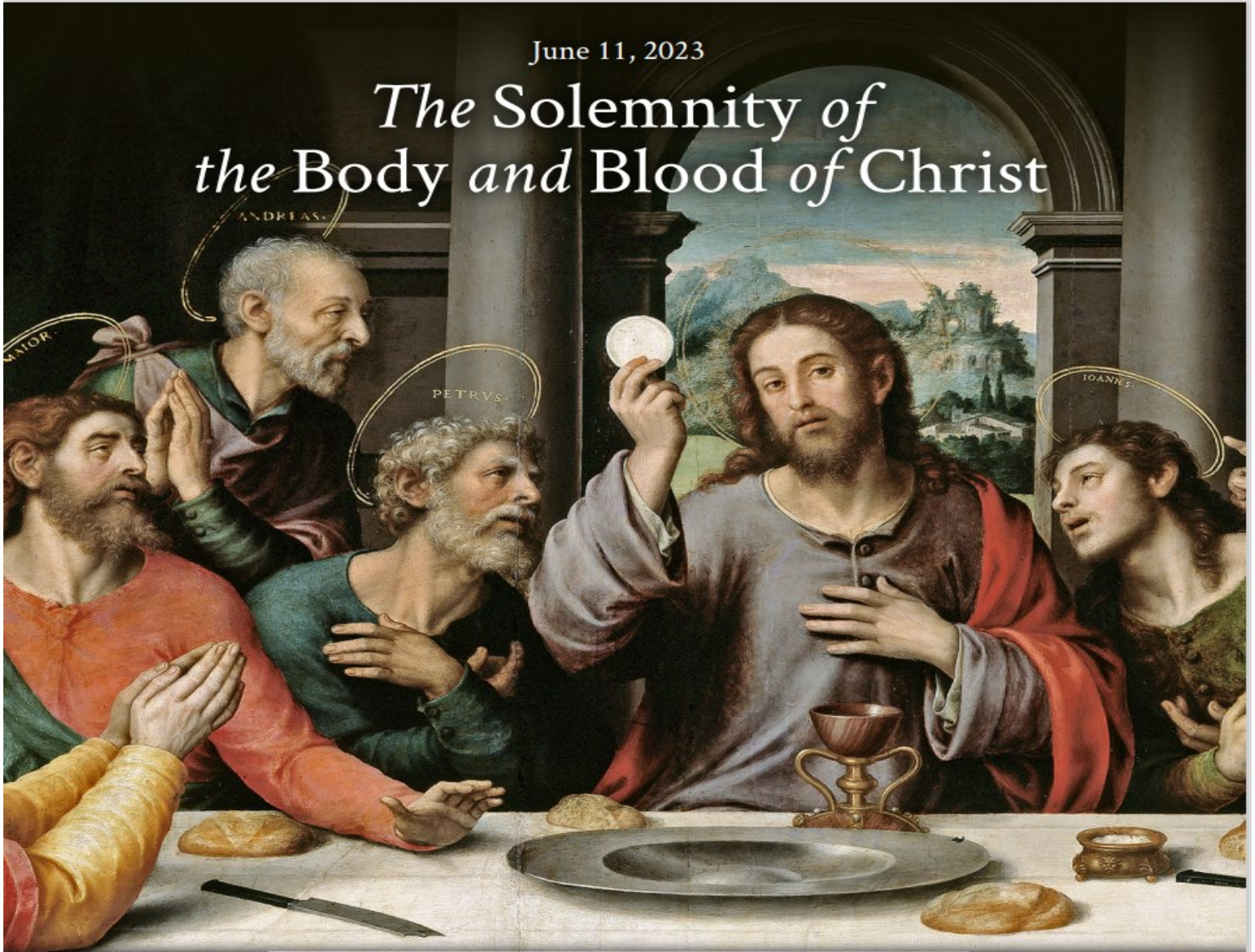


ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service

June 11, 2023

The Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ



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Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Prayer-70% of Catholics do not believe that the bread and wine used for communion actually transform into the Body and Blood of Christ. Pray for those who do not believe in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist (Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity) and teach those about the beauty and miracle of the Eucharist.

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.

	Stewardship	Envelope
Collected at Mass	\$8,100.....	189
Mailed Envelopes	\$2,772.....	38
Total Collection	\$10,872	227

Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time

*For the week of June 11th
Altar Bread & Wine
in Memory of*



Amy
Grace
Quaranta

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

All St. Margaret's Parishioners

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ALL

Jim Rojas, Patricia Fiscina, Marilyn Vacchio, Margaret Jung, Joseph Dulovic, Joseph Laria, Terry Persina, Lauren Esposito, Sebastian Williams, Estelle Beauchamp, Alyssa Baisch, 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, Patricia Wowk, Natasha & John Roucoulet, John Reynolds, Scott Spencer, Marie & Tony Caruana, Veronica Sheridan Cox, Wendiann & Nicholas Alfieri, James & Catherine Reynolds, Jennifer, John & Olivia Rose Altieri, Melanie Seibel, Christina Muller, Dina Rajotte, Ethel Naso, Caroline Aubree, Valarie and Victor Aurigue, Diana Lyons, James DeVivo, Gale Quinones, Logan Baar, Fred Detweiler, Aubrey & Grayson.

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.

With the Easter season over, the Church celebrates two consecutive mysteries of faith which should get us to think more profoundly about the Catholicism we profess. Last Sunday, it was the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity which, as I said last time in this space, is the foundational mystery of Christianity. This weekend, it is the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, a liturgical observance which takes us back to the 13th century and Pope Urban IV who instituted it then.

As you already know, last year we entered upon the **Eucharistic Revival** on the observance of Corpus Christi. Thus, today we begin our second year of the **Eucharistic Revival**. By way of reminder, the **Eucharistic Revival** started because of grave concern in two areas: doctrine and practice. The Catholic doctrine, dogma really, is that the bread and wine, when consecrated by a validly ordained Catholic priest are really and truly the Body and Blood of Christ. According to polling data, many Catholics, a majority in fact, do not believe that it is the Body and Blood of Our Savior. As for practice, this would refer to church-going patterns. According to our Catholic faith, we are obliged to attend Mass every Sunday and on Holy Days of Obligation. Well, if you attended Mass on Sundays over the course of your lifetime (however long that is now), you know that Mass attendance has slipped badly. The best estimate for weekly Mass attendance by Catholics now is about 10% in our area. And of those Catholics who still attend Mass regularly, the vast majority are my age *and older*. We hardly ever see young Catholics at Mass anymore – weddings and funerals and probably Christmas and Easter being the exceptions.

For the second year in a row, we are having a Procession with the Blessed Sacrament following Mass on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. We have a Procession with the Blessed Sacrament to witness to Catholic teaching that we do indeed have our Lord with us at all times because Mass is celebrated regularly, and because we have tabernacles where He dwells in our churches. This practice of processing in public with the Real Presence in the monstrance on Corpus Christi Sunday will continue, of course.

As you know, next Sunday is **Father's Day**. It is good for us to have this yearly remembrance. It reminds us of where we came from. We all have fathers who gave us life, physical life, that is, which in turn opens us to the reality of divine life in God. Human fatherhood makes us think of the fatherhood of God which has been revealed to us by Jesus Himself.

It is good for us to have a Father God. It helps us to come to terms with the problems which may arise in human fatherhood. When we stop to consider the social problems that cause us so much difficulty today, behind many of them is a crisis of human fatherhood. Faith in Our Father affords us opportunities to own up to and address this crisis in deeply personal ways. May that faith ever be a rich source of consolation to those who need it.

Father's Day envelopes are included in the envelopes sent to you by regular mail. Kindly return them in the collection so your father, living or deceased, may be included in our **Father's Day Novena**. There is also a box in the vestibule of the church for you to deposit your envelope there.

Later this month, the Church celebrates another **Solemnity** – this one being the **Sacred Heart**. We mark this observance on Friday the 16th. If you are able, I ask you to join us at Mass here at 9:00 AM or at Saint Agnes Cathedral in Rockville Centre at 7:30 PM.

What the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart underscores is that sin is real, and that it puts enmity between ourselves and God. As Saint Paul tells in the New Testament, God refuses to withdraw from us; indeed, He draws close to us in the Person of His Son Whose heart beats for us with a loving forgiveness. I encourage you to make your own consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. You might also want to pray the Litany of the Sacred Heart which may be found in any good Catholic prayer book.

Till the next time.

Msgr. Batule
Pastor



Wedding Banns
Banns II: Kimberly Schatzger &
Christian Magnuson
both St. Margaret of Scotland



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Jeremy Mateo Salazar,
Declan James Casali

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Celebration of the Eucharist

Weekday: (Mon through Fri) 9:00 AM

Saturday: 5:00 PM,

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

Confessions:

Saturday - 4:00-4:45 PM in the Church or by appointment.

Parish Office

Monday through Thursday ~ 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Friday ~ 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

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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. .



Lectors

Lectors who missed the meeting on April 19th in the church (during which we taped lectors reading publicly) are requested to come for their own taping on Wednesday, June 21st at 7:00 PM. Please mark the date and time on your schedule now.



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 Spousal Bereavement

Both individual and group bereavement counseling services are available for those who are mourning the loss of their husband or wife. All confidential sessions are held on a weekly basis and participants need not be St. Margaret's parishioners.

For more information please contact
Barbara Gottfried at (631) 698-6053



St. Margaret's Bible Study

The Parish Bible Study is held on
Wednesday at 10 AM
in the Parish Center.

Deacon Ed Hayes will be the facilitator.

Please bring your Bible.

This will be the last Bible Study of the Season.





July 29, 2023

St. Anthony's High School

For Students currently enrolled in
8th-12th grade (this school year)

Spiritual Talks

Mass

Adoration

Lunch

Sports

For more info/register:
<https://www.campquovadis.com>



St. Margaret of Scotland's 75th Anniversary

With our celebration of the parish's **75th Anniversary**, we are publishing a journal. If you have any material (e.g. newspaper articles) in your possession related to the founding of St. Margaret and you would like to loan it to the parish, please see Karen Norris in the parish center during regular business hours.

Mark your calendar ~ hold the date of
Sunday, November 19th between 1 and 5 PM

for the principal celebration of the parish's **75th Anniversary**. In the meantime, please continue to follow the bulletin on all things related to the anniversary of Saint Margaret of Scotland.

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.

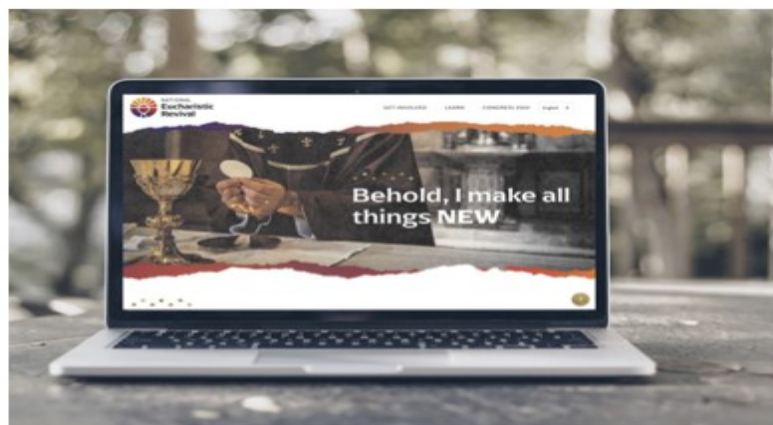
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Sunday, Jun 11, 2023

We are one

Unity is what our sacrament of Communion is about: oneness with God and each other. Yet, because we're human, that communion is necessarily paired up with another sacrament that does the work of reconciling. When unity gets torn, reconciliation repairs the damage. Lately, toxic polarization has been shredding our national unity, creating an illusion of insurmountable division. Media sources sharpen the knives of contrasting worldviews, leading to anxiety and depression, fear and violence. Trust in unity. Resist being recruited in the polarization game.

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

TODAY'S READINGS: Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a; 1 Corinthians 10:16-17; Lauda Sion; John 6:51-58 (167). *"We, though many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf."*

Monday, Jun 12, 2023

Unexpected blessings

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus offers the Beatitudes, a list of those who are blessed—some of whom are not who listeners would expect to hear are blessed: the poor in spirit, the mournful, the meek, and the persecuted. In some Bible versions, "blessed" is translated as "happy," which makes it even harder to believe that those named could possibly be that! Jesus was always turning conventional wisdom inside out and upside down—enlightening and enraging people alike. Two thousand years later, we're still trying to figure out how to be happy. If pursuing what the world says "should" make you happy doesn't, take a cue from Jesus and try flipping that faulty logic on its head!

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 1:1-7; Matthew 5:1-12 (359).

"Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

Tuesday, Jun 13, 2023

Go for the grandeur

Church historian Sophronius Clasen liked to say Saint Anthony preached the "grandeur of Christianity," using allegory and symbolic explanations to convey biblical wisdom. Anyone can spot such examples in the Sermons of Saint Anthony, including: "Genesis says: The spirit of God moved over the waters Just as the mind of a craftsman broods over the work he is going to do, and as the bird broods over the egg from which her young will be hatched, so the Spirit of God brooded over the waters, from which were to be made all things." Let Anthony's words stir your heart today.

MEMORIAL OF ANTHONY OF PADUA, PRIEST, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 1:18-22; Matthew 5:13-16 (360).

"Just so, your light must shine before others."

Wednesday, Jun 14, 2023

A salute to justice

On this day each year, the United States commemorates the adoption of the national flag, our venerable Stars and Stripes. "A new constellation," it was said to represent, in the vast array of the world powers. But as we, in Christian charity, work for a better world as good and faithful Americans, we must be careful to live as citizens of heaven first and foremost, workers of light rather than earthly empire, children of God and not of worldly dominion. May our Flag Day commemorations also remember those who have been forgotten in the American project and whose cries for justice

may still be unanswered. May our waving of "Old Glory" be for the glory of the God above all.

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 3:4-11; Matthew 5:17-19 (361).

"For if what was going to fade was glorious, how much more will what endures be glorious."

Thursday, Jun 15, 2023

The law as Jesus taught it

Matthew uses the word "righteousness" seven times in his gospel. What is he getting at? The U.S. bishops boil it down to this: "While righteousness in the new age will continue to mean conduct that is in accordance with the law, it will be conduct in accordance with the law as expounded and interpreted by Jesus." In other words, we need to absorb the full example and teachings of Jesus to live a righteous life. That's a tall order, which is precisely why we need each other for support and guidance. How can you support a fellow disciple today?

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 3:15—4:1, 3-6; Matthew 5:20-26

(362). *"I tell you, unless your righteousness surpasses that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will not enter into the Kingdom of heaven."*

Friday, Jun 16, 2023

Put your heart into it

On May 25, 1899, Pope Leo XIII promulgated the encyclical *Annum sacrum*, which consecrated the entire world to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Leo called this the "great act" of his papacy. In an interview with Catholic News Service, Father Ambrose Dobrozsi of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati says that this solemnity, "shows that humanity still needs and longs for a compassionate and all-powerful God. ... In a society where some live in decadence and prideful luxury while others are destitute, the burning love of Christ's Sacred Heart reminds us that the fires of his mercy are also fires of justice." Consecrate your own heart to the effort to create a more compassionate and just world.

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

TODAY'S READINGS: Deuteronomy 7:6-11; 1 John 4:7-16; Matthew 11:25-30 (170). *"Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves."*

Saturday, Jun 17, 2023

A heartfelt conversion is possible

Most of us would rather not reveal our inner lives since we often harbor some measure of anger, judgment, prejudice, hatred, lust, envy, jealousy, bitterness, resentment, and fear. Jesus said that all evil in the world springs forth from the human heart. But the Immaculate Heart of Mary is a celebration of a different kind of inner life, with virtues beyond measure and beyond our imagination. Mary, the ultimate intercessor, will help us convert the vices of the heart into virtues.

MEMORIAL OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21; Luke 2:41-51 (364; 573).

"His mother kept all these things in her heart."

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



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Faith Formation

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



JULY 10th – 14th

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

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 Jackie Mirenda ~ 732-3131 x131—jmirenda@saintmargaret.com

Parish Social Ministry



Food Pantry Needs

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: Quart Baggies, Oatmeal Packets, Body Soap and Shampoo

Life Center of Long Island Fundraiser

On the weekend of **July 1st and 2nd**, St. Margaret of Scotland Parish will be hosting a Baby Bottle Fundraiser to benefit the Life Center of Long Island. The Life Center is a pregnancy care center that consults with women and men who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy. Did you know that they provide free pregnancy test kits, free sonograms, material aid, maternity housing with eligibility requirements? We are asking that you pick up a baby bottle and fill it with your donation.

(Please make checks payable to the Life Center of L.I.)

PLEASE RETURN THE BOTTLES ON JULY 22ND & 23RD

Most importantly, we are asking you to recite the prayer attached to the baby bottle. Prayers bring about something very powerful at the Life Center... a change of a mother's heart! We believe these prayers lead abortion-minded women to reach out to the Life Center in the beginning of their pregnancy.



*Let us pray for the conversion of a mother's heart to give the gift of life
to her preborn baby!*