

ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service

April 7, 2024

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Weekday—Monday through Friday 9:00 AM

Saturday 5:00PM

Sunday—8:00 AM, 10:00AM and 12 Noon

Confessions

Saturday—4:00—4:45 PM in the church or by appointment



Pastoral Staff

Msgr. Robert Batule -

Pastor x111

Rev. Patrick Abu-Bonsra -

Parochial Vicar x116

pabubonsra@saintmargaret.com

Deacons

- *Retired:* Dcn Ed Hayes

Dcn William Kogler,
Dcn Biagio Muratore

Parish Center Office –

Receptionist x0

Karen Norris,

Admin Assistant x118

knorris@saintmargaret.com

Faith Formation Office

Jackie Miranda,

Coordinator x131

jmirenda@saintmargaret.com

Music Ministry

Dr. Daniel Crews,

Director x117

dcrews@saintmargaret.com

Parish Outreach

outreach@saintmargaret.com x119

Holy Angels Regional Catholic School

Patchogue, NY 631-475-0422

Jeannine Stewart, Principal





Time, Talent & Treasure

Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Formation: This weekend is Divine Mercy Sunday, learn about the extraordinary graces that are available to you on this day. Also, take time to read about St. Faustina and Jesus' Divine Mercy

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.

March 30/31

	Stewardship	Envelope
Collected at Mass	\$9,376.....	213
Mailed Envelopes	\$2,577.....	38
Total Collection	\$11,953	251

Reading for Next Sunday
Third Sunday of Easter

First Reading.....Act 3:13-15, 17-19
Second Reading.....1 Jn 2:1-5a
Gospel.....Lk 24:35-48

*For the week of
April 7, 2024*



*Altar Bread & Wine
in Memory of
Genevieve & Joseph
Convery*

Parish Office

Monday Through Thursday ~ 9:00 am - 5:00pm Friday 9am-1pm

(631)732-3131

81 COLLEGE ROAD • SELDEN • NY 11784-2813

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.; Call for appointment - x131.

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRY ~ Parish Center:

Tues., Wed, Thurs. ~ 10 am – 2 pm. Call for appointment - x119.

Masses for the Week

Monday April 8th

Natalie Nizza

Tuesday April 9th

Genevieve & Joseph Convery

Wednesday April 10th

Mary Ann Rocco

Thursday, -April 11th

Dionisio Espiritu

Friday - April 12th

Elisa & Reinaldo Velez

Saturday - April 13th

5^{pm}

Patricia Clark

Sunday April 14th

8^{am}

Anthony Pillittier

10^{am}

All St. Margaret Parishioners

12^{pm}

Dean Mauri

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



Jim Rojas, Patricia Fiscina, Marilyn Vacchio, 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, Joseph Kiely, Sharon & Ray Klyn, Warne Family, Michael C. Liotta, Anne Logan, Christine Mc Cusker, Dominic Percoco, Laura Positano, De Santis Family, Patricia Wowk, Natasha Roucoulet, John Roucoulet, John Reynolds, Scott Spencer, Marie & Tony Caruana, Veronica Sheridan Cox, Wendian & Nicholas Alfieri, James & Catherine Reynolds, Jennifer, Elizabeth Robitaille, Melanie Seibel, Christina Muller, Dina Rajotte, Ethel Naso, Valarie and Victor Aurigue, Diana Lyons, James DeVivo, Logan Baar, Fred Detweiler, Babies Aubrey & Grayson, Linda Pennisi, Jennifer Colon, Peter Rodrigues, Jessica Shaffer, Melissa Kitching, Brooklyn Gonzalez, Nicolette Laccasaglia, Robert Coffey, Lou D'Ambrosio, Angela Discepolo

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.

We continue to revel in the joy of Christ's Resurrection. Today we mark the Second Sunday of Easter and we are still early in what is called the Great Fifty Days. For the Easter Season goes all the way up to the Solemnity of Pentecost, this year on May 19th. What a great opportunity is afforded us to contemplate the Easter Mystery – more than seven weeks! Let us take advantage of this wonderful opportunity to see things from the perspective of the Risen Jesus and the new life He gives to the Church.

I take advantage of this space now to thank all those who assisted us in getting ready for Easter. I am referring especially to the ushers and the lectors who had additional duties in the church and in the sanctuary because of Palm Sunday and the Sacred Triduum. Thank you for your time! I also want to commend the choir for all the time which the members gave to the parish in rehearsals, and for helping us to praise God in song so well.

As we move deeper into the Easter season, I want to mention a few matters which should interest you and call for your participation. The first is today. As I noted above, it is the Second Sunday of Easter; it is also **Divine Mercy Sunday**. All are invited to come to the church today at 3:00 PM for a commemoration of the Divine Mercy devotion.

There are a few events in May which I want to highlight now. The first would be our annual **May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary** which comes on the Second Sunday of the month (May 12th) following the 12 noon Mass. When Holy Mass is over, we will process on our property to the grotto where the statue of Our Lady is located. I ask you to attend, and not just if you go to the 12 noon Mass. If your schedule permits, please join us as we honor our Mother because she is Jesus' mother, and that makes her the Mother of the Church too.

Our custom has been to include the First Holy Communicants. The day before, they receive their First Holy Communion. In their First Holy Communion attire, we ask them to come with their parents to the 12 noon Mass on May 12th and sit in the section of the church designated for the First Holy Communicants and their families.

The participation of the First Holy Communicants and their families that last two years in the May Crowning has been, how can I say it delicately, not very encouraging. We will continue to ask their participation because this is how the members of the Body of Christ give devotion to our Mother Who prays for us in the Communion of Saints. We will publicize the May Crowning a lot in the next few weeks.

The second event for May is something new, well not really new – actually it has been around for generations but we can't say exactly when it was last observed here at Saint Margaret. I am referring to a **Communion Breakfast** on Sunday, May 26th. The Communion refers to the Mass, and that would be at 10:00 AM. The Breakfast refers to the morning meal which will be held in the auditorium or church basement immediately following the Mass.

All are invited to join us. We will be publicizing the event the remainder of April. We begin selling tickets for the Breakfast in early and mid-May (May 4th/5th and May 11th/12th). Tickets are \$10.00 per person. These tickets are available in the vestibule of the church **after all Masses on those two weekends just cited**. Please continue to watch the bulletin for more details.

Less than two months away now is the **Solemnity of Corpus Christi**. The date is **June 2nd**. As we observed Corpus Christi last year, we will again this year. It will involve a celebration of the Holy Eucharist **and a Procession with the Blessed Sacrament immediately following Mass. That Procession will be on the route we used last year.** Again, more details will be available in the coming weeks. I ask only that you reserve the date on your calendar now.

All of those in liturgical ministries – lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion – and catechists are asked to attend the 10:00 AM Mass. A pledge of re-commitment will be made by all three groups at the Mass.

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi is a most important observance, and not only because it is celebrated on a Sunday when **Catholics are required to attend Mass**. We are currently in the midst of a **Eucharistic Revival** in the United States. The Holy Eucharist is the irreplaceable center of Catholic life because it is Christ with us as He promised ever since the Last Supper. We go to Mass habitually because the Lord Himself is there all the time.

Until the next time.

Msgr. Batule

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

Bible Study Group

Bible Study group meets every Wednesday from 10am to 11am in the parish center. Deacon Ed Hayes will be the

facilitator.

Please bring your Bible.



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 631-682-8711.

Wedding Banns

Banns II: Nino Prodigalidad, St. Margaret of Scotland & Caitlin Galaida, St. Josephs Lutheran






*“...the greater the sinner,
the greater his right to My
mercy. My mercy is
confirmed in each of the
works of My hands.
Whoever trusts in My
mercy shall not perish...”*

- Diary of St. Faustina, 723

Divine Mercy Sunday

 **DIOCESE of ROCKVILLE CENTRE**
**Office of Human Life,
Family and Bioethics**



*“The price of our salvation is
offered to you. We shall be
set free at once if you
consent. In the eternal Word
of God we all came to be, and
behold, we die. In your brief
response we are to be remade
in order to be recalled to life.”*

- St. Bernard of Clairvaux

April 8 Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

 **DIOCESE of ROCKVILLE CENTRE**
**Office of Human Life,
Family and Bioethics**

St. Margaret of Scotland Church

81 College Rd
Selden, NY 11784

St. Margaret of Scotland Parish Family



"Making Disciples Through Prayer,
Faith Formation & Service"

FILIPINO MASS

Sunday, April 14

ROSARY AT 2:00 PM

MASS AT 2:30 PM

*"The Filipino Catholic Community in our ministry
to strengthen our Catholic Faith
and keep our Culture and Tradition alive."*



Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

**For your personal adoration
and prayers,**

Saturday Afternoons

4:00-4:45PM

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.

Blessing of the Food Easter 2024



Parish Social Ministry



Food Pantry Needs

We are in need of **Shelf Stable Milk, Peanut Butter and Jelly, Egg Noodles, Toothpaste and Cans of Beef Stew.**

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



Wash Up Kits

Please continue to donate travel size soaps, shampoo, wash clothes, and quart size plastic bags for wash up kits. These kits will be donated to **LI Cares Military Appreciation Tuesdays Program.**

This program provides veterans with essential items like food, personal care products, household supplies and more.

Faith Formation



2024

Twenty Minutes

with the Pastor/Director

April

4/7 Levels 3, 4 & 5

4/14 Levels 1 & 2

4/21 Levels 6&7

May

5/5 Levels 1&2

5/12 Levels 6&7

5/19 Levels 3&4&5



Save the Date
Vacation Bible
School

July 8, 2024—July 12, 2024



Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court 2438 Present

A Victorian Tea

Saturday April 20, 2024 from 1:00pm - 4:00pm

For additional information or for information on joining Junior Catholic Daughters please contact Debora at (631)299-1763 or Deboram615@aol.com. The group is open to girls ages 6-18 and is dedicated to our blessed Mother. Meetings are held at St. Francis Cabrini Church, Coram.