



# ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

*Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service*

May 12, 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

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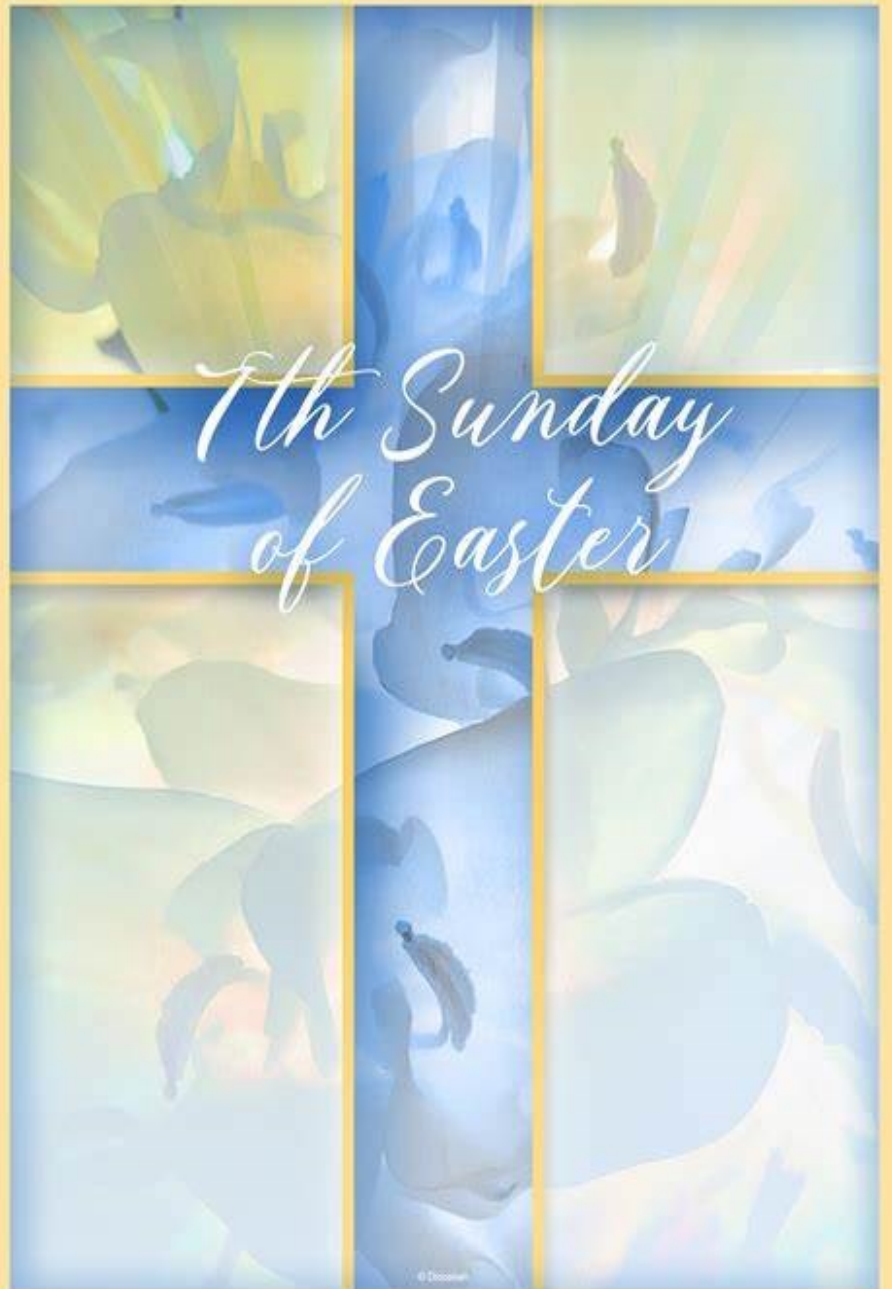
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Jeannine Stewart, Principal





# Time, Talent & Treasure

**Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Service:** This week, we will celebrate Ascension Thursday (an event we also remember during the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary). Throughout this week, remember the words of St. Teresa of Ávila, "Christ has...no hands, no feet on earth, but yours." Be at service to your brothers and sisters and do it for Our Lord.

## 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.

**April May 5/6**

	Stewardship	Envelopes
Collected at Mass	\$8,496.....	179
Mailed Envelopes	\$5,172.....	97
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$13,668</b>	<b>276</b>

Reading for Next Sunday  
Seventh Sunday of Easter

First Reading.....Acts 1:15-17,20a,20c-26  
Second Reading.....1Jn 4:11-16  
Gospel.....Jn 17:11b-19

*For the week of  
May 12th, 2024*



*Altar Bread &  
Wine  
in Memory of Amy  
Grace Quaranta*

### Parish Office

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

(631)732-3131

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**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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 May 13<sup>th</sup>**

Mothers Day Novena

**Tuesday May 14<sup>th</sup>**

Mothers Day Novena

**Wednesday May 15<sup>th</sup>**

Mothers Day Novena

**Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup>**

Mothers Day Novena

**Friday - May 17<sup>th</sup>**

Mothers Day Novena

**Saturday - May 18<sup>th</sup>**

5<sup>pm</sup>

Mothers Day Novena

**Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup>**

8<sup>am</sup>

Susan Quinn

10<sup>am</sup>

Mothers Day Novena

12<sup>pm</sup>

St. Margaret Parishioners



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

Jim Rojas, 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, Wendiann & 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 Discepola, Jack Muller

Today is Mother's Day. We honor this Sunday the women who carried us in their wombs until we were born, then cared for us materially and spiritually until we could do the same for ourselves. We wish these women happiness all day long in a spirit of gratitude for the gift of life and for imparting to us the earliest lessons regarding the gift of faith. May the Lord's blessing be granted to our mothers while they are still with us now, and then of course for all eternity.

Today is our annual Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It takes place immediately after the 12 noon Mass. Join us as we process from the doors of the church to the grotto on our property and one of our First Holy Communicants places a wreath on the statue's head. All are invited to sing with us cherished Marian hymns and pray to Our Lady whose divine Son made it possible for us to partake of eternal life.

Last weekend, we started to sell tickets for the Communion Breakfast on the last Sunday of this month (the 26<sup>th</sup>). It begins at 10:00AM with mass in the church and then continues downstairs with a hearty breakfast. If you didn't get your ticket last weekend, you still have time this weekend. You always can stop by the pastoral center and obtain tickets there too. We look forward to seeing a good turnout on the day before Memorial Day,

In just a few days, the 14<sup>th</sup> to be exact, there is a meeting for lectors. It begins at 7:00PM in the church. It will end at 8:00PM. Tom Piderit and Msgr. Batule will be the speakers at the meeting.

The Easter season is coming to an end soon enough, but not before the Church marks the Solemnity of Pentecost on May 19<sup>th</sup>. At the first Pentecost, the Holy Spirit appeared to the apostles in the form of tongues of fire. The symbol is unmistakable. The Spirit of God is given to us that we might proclaim the faith vigorously and courageously.

Overcoming timidity is the challenge before all of us whether it is Pentecost Sunday or not. For the culture does not want apostles like Saint Paul who might call into question the stifling materialism of our time and the diminution of concerns related to the soul. If is better, we are told in so many different ways, to be satisfied with what is sensate in nature; we should follow the sensate spirit. If maintaining the *status quo* is all we have to look forward to, the Catholic Christianity is anything but a transformative religion. In point of fact though, Catholic Christianity is a transformative religion. What happened to the Apostle to the Gentiles is actually paradigmatic for all of us. We need not to slain in the Spirit to be alive in the spirit. To be alive in the Spirit is reflected in the mature commitments such that our vocations in themselves are pneumatic, that is, capable of manifesting the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit in the world. Let us strive then after a thoroughgoing holiness which comports with our vocations. Therein lies our access to a genuinely Spirit driven life!

I hasten to mention here and now that the church bulletin boards and the bulletin itself (the occasional insert included) contain items and references which are important for engaging our Catholic faith with what is going on in the world around us. As an example, I point out Bishop Barres' statement on physician assisted suicide. I also call attention to the film on the Eucharist which will be playing in cinemas in the beginning of June. The film is running just as we are gearing up for the Eucharistic Congress in July which is being held in Indianapolis, Indiana. I ask that you avail yourself of such ways to live our Catholic faith in the Spirit.

I wish to repeat that the Solemnity of Corpus Christi is not far off now. It is Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. The principal Mass that day is at 10:00AM. At the 10:00AM Mass, there will be a brief re-commitment made by lectors, extraordinary ministers, and catechists. Immediately following the Mass, there is a Procession with the Blessed Sacrament outdoors so long as the weather is agreeable (the procession will be indoors if the weather is inclement). There is a light repast in the church basement following the Procession with the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. All are invited to join us for the observance of Corpus Christi at Saint Margaret.

Lastly, the month of May (like October) is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary. I encourage all parishioners to stop by our grotto and offer a prayer asking Our Lady's intercession. I ask that you keep in mind the importance of the holy rosary, a devotion which has been in the Church for a very long time and has nourished the spiritual life of so many Catholic saints too.

Until next time.

Msgr. Batule



## ***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.*

### Sacrificial Giving

Following is the sacrificial giving amounts for the month of

*April*

<i>April 6/7</i>	<i>Stewardship</i>	<i>Envelope</i>
<i>Collected at Mass</i>	\$8,889	189
<i>Mailed Envelopes</i>	\$4,166	88
<i>Total Collection</i>	\$13,055	277

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<i>April 13/14</i>	<i>Stewardship</i>	<i>Envelope</i>
<i>Collected at Mass</i>	\$7,267	181
<i>Mailed Envelopes</i>	\$6,057	92
<i>Total Collection</i>	\$13,324	273

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<i>April 20/21</i>	<i>Stewardship</i>	<i>Envelope</i>
<i>Collected at Mass</i>	\$6,389	179
<i>Mailed Envelopes</i>	\$2,367	56
<i>Total Collection</i>	\$8,756	226

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<i>April 27/28</i>	<i>Stewardship</i>	<i>Envelope</i>
<i>Collected at Mass</i>	\$7,250	181
<i>Mailed Envelopes</i>	\$2,918	57



The church is open at 8:30 AM Monday through Friday. We encourage parishioners and other church-goers to come early for Mass. The recitation of the rosary is encouraged among those so inclined.



### **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.




### **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.



*“If people spent an hour a week in Eucharistic adoration, abortion would be ended.”*

- St. Teresa of Calcutta

 DIOCESE of ROCKVILLE CENTRE



Office of Human Life, Family and Bioethics



**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



**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.

## Parish Social Ministry

### Food Pantry Needs



We are in need of **Shelf Stable Milk, Toothpaste, Shampoo, and Body Soap**

*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*

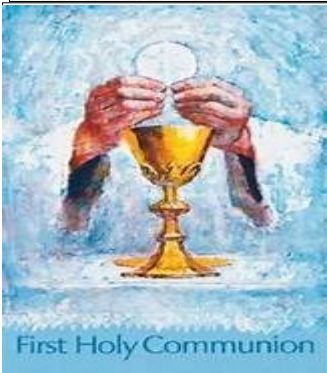
### Wash Up Kits



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



Congratulations to all the children of our parish that made their First Holy Communion on Saturday.

### Vacation Bible School

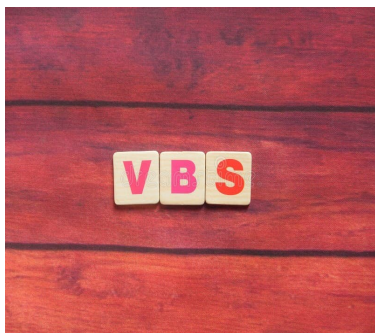
Scuba

Diving into Friendship with God

July 8th—July 12th

9:15am—12:30pm

\$45 per child



Adult Volunteers and Teen Helpers Needed (must be virtus certified)

Contact Jackie Miranda at 631-732-3131 x 131 or [jmiranda@saintmargaret.com](mailto:jmiranda@saintmargaret.com)