



# ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

*Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service*

June 23, 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

**St. Margaret of Scotland Parish Center**  
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# Time, Talent & Treasure

**Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Formation:** Trust in God—turn to Him and let Him heal you. Have faith and grow that faith through prayer, confession and Adoration.

**General Intercession:** For those who are on the brink of despair, that they may trust in God. We pray to the 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.

**June 15/16**

	Stewardship	Envelopes
Collected at Mass	\$7,899.....	178
Mailed Envelopes	\$3,233.....	63
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$11,132.....</b>	<b>241</b>

Reading for Next Sunday

Thirtzenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- First Reading..... Wis 1:13-15,2:23-24
- Second Reading..... 2 Cor 8:7,9,13-15
- Gospel..... Mk 5:21-43

*For the week of  
June 23 , 2024*



*Altar Bread &  
Wine in Memory of  
Christian Tirado*

### 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 June 24<sup>th</sup>**

Fathers Day Novena

**Tuesday June 25<sup>th</sup>**

Robert Vogel

**Wednesday June 26<sup>th</sup>**

Berta Junco

**Thursday June 27<sup>th</sup>**

The Pietrozziello Family

**Friday June 28<sup>th</sup>**

Joseph Riccobono

**Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup>**

5<sup>pm</sup>

Anthony Stabile

**Sunday June 30<sup>th</sup>**

8<sup>am</sup>

Saint Margaret Parishioners

10<sup>am</sup>

Palumbo Family

12<sup>pm</sup>

Norman Gottfried

**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 Wovk, 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 Discepolo, Jack Muller, Theresa McGuire

You may recall that in my last column, I treated briefly the topic of **religious freedom**. My remarks on this subject followed a consideration of **Sts. Thomas More** and **John Fisher**, the first a layman and the second a bishop. Both defended religious freedom in laying down their lives and becoming martyrs. Each year, we mark a one-week observance of religious freedom, beginning on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of this month (on the Memorial of Sts. Thomas More and John Fisher) and concluding on the 29<sup>th</sup> (on the Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles). I urge you to do what you can to speak in favor of religious freedom because it is under attack in our culture through the courts. Those who are very unfriendly to religion use the legal system of our nation to restrict or abrogate the rights of religious Americans, believing that religion does not serve the good of citizens, nor the common good, but reduces them to a slavish attachment to fable or myth. It's time to reject this false characterization and insist that religion be understood rightly as a true source of wisdom for all of us. Religion does not make us less than who we are; it is but a humble acknowledgement of a personal and communal meaning founded on God Who reveals Himself in the person of Christ.

The last time I wrote in this space, I mentioned a film with the title *Jesus Thirsts*. I saw the film earlier this month and gave it a ringing endorsement (simply the best presentation of Catholicism I have seen in decades!). It celebrates the Eucharist as the Real Presence of Jesus and it includes personal testimony to this truth of faith from a large cross-section of Catholics. It happened to be shown in theaters again this past week (on the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup>), and I do not have any idea if it will return to theaters another time. Should it return, I encourage you to go and see the film. I would be surprised if you did not have a reaction similar to mine. It's rare in American cinema that we see productions of high quality which inspire us to live more authentically and more faithfully.

You will notice a new medley of photographs on a poster board in the vestibule of the church. This chronicles what took place when we celebrated the **Solemnity of Corpus Christi** on Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>. I invite you to view the photographs which call to mind the postures we use in relation to the Holy Eucharist: kneeling and walking, especially. As I have said before in this space, we will continue to celebrate this Solemnity with great festivity the way we have done three years in a row now ('22, '23 and '24).

Above, I mentioned the **Solemnity of Sts. Peter and Paul**, celebrated this year on a Saturday. It is a liturgical observance which is meant to have us reflect on the mystery of the Church. We reflect on, specifically, why Rome is the center of all things Catholic. It comes down to the fact that the two men, Peter and Paul, Apostles who were martyred in the Eternal City in the first century – only a few decades after Jesus walked the dusty roads of Palestine. To shed blood is the quintessential witness of the disciple. There isn't anything on par with it. Faith reaches such a profound depth inside of us that our imitation of the Lord cannot be anything but total.

We may not reach that profound depth of faith ourselves before completing our earthly journey, but it surely deserves our respect and admiration. And in our respect and admiration, we can deepen our own communion with the Lord Who beckons us at every moment of history to come and share in the mystery of the Kingdom. Let us do what we can in imitation of Sts. Peter and Paul and thereby come into the Presence of the Lamb once slain Who lives forever.

As we get used to the slower, more leisurely pace of the summer, I remind all readers of this column to consider **a visit to the church on a Saturday afternoon** in advance of the 5:00 PM Mass. Although not an hour in length, it still provides us with a period of time to pray to Emmanuel (God with us) and find the holiness to which we are called by name. Please make time over the next couple of months to worship the Eucharistic Lord outside of the Mass. He is with us always. Can we be with Him but for some of that time?

Until the next time.

Msgr. Batule

Pastor



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OFFICE OF THE BISHOP

Next week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit [www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html](http://www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html)



***Exposition of the  
Blessed Sacrament***  
***For your personal adoration  
and prayers,  
Saturday Afternoons  
4:00-4:45PM  
In the Church***

*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.*

# ~ Pro-Life and Catholic ~ Insights for Catholic Youth



Presented by  
**Jozef Zalot, PhD, MEd**  
Director of Education and ethicist with  
**National Catholic Bioethics Center**

**Saturday, October 12, 2024**  
**1:00pm - 3:30pm**  
**St. Christopher, Baldwin**  
11 Gale Avenue (off Merrick Rd.)

Bring  
your

→ **Inviting Catholic Teens and Young Adults**  
Dr. Zalot will help us navigate ethical decision-making  
on current pro-life issues.

Pre-Med / Nursing  
students welcome

Light refreshments  
**FREE ADMISSION**  
*Bring your friends!*



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RSVP requested (not required but helpful for planning purposes)

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# QUO VADIS

WHERE ARE YOU GOING?

Saturday  
**JULY 27, 2024**

St. Anthony's High School  
275 Wolf Hill Road  
South Huntington, NY 11747



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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.

**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

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Town \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

New Parishioner \_\_\_\_\_ Moving \_\_\_\_\_

**Catholic Gifts ~Looking for Catholic gifts and items?** You can visit Our Lady of the Island Shrine , 258 Eastport Manor Rd. in Manorville. They carry a large variety of religious articles.

**OURLADYOFTHEISLAND.ORG**



**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



**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



### 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 Mirenda at 631-732-3131 x 131 or [jmirenda@saintmargaret.com](mailto:jmirenda@saintmargaret.com)