

# ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

*Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service*

July 21, 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**

**81 College Road**  
**Selden, NY 11784**  
**631-732-3131**

*Msgr. Robert Batule, Pastor*  
X 111

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X116 [pabubonsra@saintmargaret.com](mailto:pabubonsra@saintmargaret.com)

### **Deacons**

*Deacon. Ed Hayes – Retired*  
*Deacon William Kogler – Retired*  
*Deacon Biagio Muratore – Retired*

### **Parish Center Office**

*Receptionist x0*

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### **Faith Formation Office**

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### **Parish Outreach**

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## **Holy Angels Regional Catholic School**

*Jeannine Stewart, Principal*  
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# Time, Talent & Treasure

**Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Prayer:** Jesus wants to have a relationship with us. He loves us and wants to communicate with us (which means that we LISTEN as well as talk). This week, make a point to pray an extra five minutes, or read a Scripture verse every day, or learn a new prayer. Build upon your relationship with the Lord.

**General Intercession:** For all families, that they continue to bring their children to Mass and help them to build a relationship with God.

## 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.

July 13/14

	Stewardship	Envelopes
Collected at Mass	\$6,319.00.....	170
Mailed Envelopes	\$4,580.00.....	63
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$10,899.00.....</b>	

### Reading for Next Sunday

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

- First Reading.....2 Kgs 4:42-44
- Second Reading.....Eph 4: 1-6
- Gospel.....Jn 6: 1-15

For the week of July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024



Altar Bread & Wine in Memory of Norman Neill

### 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, July 22<sup>nd</sup>

John K. Brantuo

Tuesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>

Harry Aretakis

Wednesday, July 24<sup>th</sup>

Paul Loguercio

Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup>

Karen Norris

Friday, July 26<sup>th</sup>

Mary Carey

Saturday, July 27<sup>th</sup>

5<sup>pm</sup>

Elisa & Reinaldo Velez

Sunday, July 28<sup>th</sup>

8<sup>am</sup>

St. Margaret's Parishioners

10<sup>am</sup>

Joseph Riccobono

12<sup>pm</sup>

Carol Ann Sperazza

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, Gerry Roucoulet, 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, Joseph Beneventi, Jennifer Colon, Peter Rodrigues, Jessica Shaffer, Melissa Kitching, Brooklyn Gonzalez, Nicolette Laccasaglia, Robert Coffey, Lou D'Ambrosio, Angela Discepola, Jack Muller, Theresa McGuire, Christine Rosado, Frank De Angelo, The Fais Family.

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.

I have held for a long time that the summer is an excellent opportunity for adults to follow up on important aspects of personal development that might not be possible when the school schedule dominates the calendar as much as it does. The summer is a time for reading, for investigating things which we scarcely have the time for without vacations and leisure time. With this in mind, I am going to suggest an area of inquiry which can be easily overlooked by Catholics these days. I am referring to what is known as the **sanctoral cycle**. The term pertains to remembering the saints, those holy men and women who help us to live the Catholic life as well as we ought. In the month of July, we remember a good number of these saintly men and women in the Church's liturgy and breviary. I will mention five of them in my column this week.

I start with **Saint Bonaventure** whom we remember on July 15<sup>th</sup>. He lived in the thirteenth century (d. 1274) and followed the charism of Saint Francis of Assisi, the founder of the Franciscans. He was a Bishop (of Albano) and was a Cardinal too. He authored the work entitled *The Mind's Road to God*, to which I was introduced as a seminarian, and then as a professor I covered in a course on *Faith and Reason*.

Saint Bonaventure is known as the *Seraphic Doctor*. The seraphs are angels. It reminds us that Saint Bonaventure's theological outlook is soaring (in the realm of the angels) but he definitely lived his vocation on earth. Otherwise, he could never have vowed to be poor, chaste and obedient in imitation of the Lord in His earthly ministry. Even if we are not bound by these evangelical counsels ourselves, we still must practice the virtues of simplicity of life, chastity and obedience. Without these virtues, we do not belong to Christ Who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. (cf. Jn 14:6)

A week later, on the 22<sup>nd</sup>, we honor **Saint Mary Magdalene**. We know her from the ministry of Jesus. All we need do is read the Gospels and see that Mary Magdalene is a witness to the Lord's death and Resurrection. The evangelists do not record Mary Magdalene as saying anything when Jesus dies, but Saint John's Gospel has her saying *Rabboni*, meaning Teacher (cf. Jn 20:16), after the Lord had called her by name.

Not only did she see the Risen Christ then, but she carried word of this to the disciples. She is a witness therefore to the triumph of the Suffering Servant over this valley of tears as the *Memorare* says of life this side of heaven. As we read and hear the Gospel of the Resurrection proclaimed, we ought to draw inspiration from Mary Magdalene's clear and unequivocal identification of the Lord. Bearing witness to the Lord in our speech and behavior is what we ought to be doing all the time.

A few days later, on the 25<sup>th</sup>, we honor **Saint James, Apostle**. Found in every listing of the apostles in the Gospels, he is a blood brother of another apostle, John. You might recall that the mother of these two apostles approached Jesus and asked that her sons be given places of honor in Jesus' Kingdom. Not exactly a great moment for Saint James, we should admit. But as we see with another apostle, Peter, there is embarrassment but also vindication for James. For James is the first of the apostles martyred. The apostles are the foundation of the Church, and thus our faith cannot be anything but apostolic. We believe *with* the apostles and never apart from them as the Nicene Creed tells us.

The next saint as we make our way through July returns us to Jesus' own ministry. It is **Saint Martha**. She has a sister, Mary, and a brother, Lazarus. Jesus visited with all three in Bethany. And as Saint John's Gospel indicates, Lazarus died. Martha who had previously attended to the details of hospitality, now in her brother's death confesses her faith in Jesus with these words: "Yes, Lord, I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world." (Jn 11:27)

Saint Martha teaches us that serve we must, but believing is the very *raison d'être* for knowing Jesus. We know Him to believe in Him. That is what faith is all about. We should not over-intellectualize faith. It is in essence knowing the Son, and having the conviction that He is Our Savior.

The last saint is **Saint Ignatius of Loyola** who brings us out of the realm of first-century Palestine and inserts us into sixteenth century Europe. We honor him on the 31<sup>st</sup>. Ignatius, while recovering from injuries sustained in armed conflict, underwent a conversion and went on to found the Society of Jesus, also known as the Jesuits.

Saint Ignatius is the author of the *Spiritual Exercises* which has guided retreatants over the centuries and gives us lessons in what we call discernment. In the movement of the spirits, there is consolation and desolation. Knowing how to identify these frequently subtle movements in our souls enables the followers of Jesus to deepen union with Him, or to turn away from sin and to seek reconciliation.

Until the next time.

Msgr. Batule  
Pastor



## ***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.***

## Faith Formation



### Registration ~ September 2024

Letters have been mailed to our St. Margaret families. Please mail or drop off your registration at the Parish Center for placement.

#### *Are you new to the Parish?*

You may email Jackie at [jmirenda@saintmargaret.com](mailto:jmirenda@saintmargaret.com) or x131 with any concerns or questions.

### TO PRAISE TO BLESS TO PREACH

Formerly known as the Dominican Third Order, the Lay Fraternities of Saint Dominic, comprised of men and women seeking a deeper relationship with God, are dedicated to prayer, study, the Christian apostolate and community, while maintaining and living their ordinary day to day lives. Should you feel a call to this vocation, you are invited to our

**OPEN HOUSE ~ St. Jude Parish Center**  
89 Overlook Drive, Mastic Beach  
immediately following the noon Mass on  
SUNDAY, August 11<sup>th</sup>, (approximately 1 pm).  
Refreshments will be served.

(631) 584-5865

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**[WWW.LAYDOMINICANS.ORG](http://WWW.LAYDOMINICANS.ORG)**

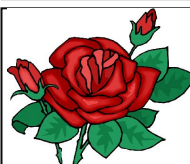


### *Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement?*

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 September 14-15, 2024.

Visit [longisland.engagedencounter.com](http://longisland.engagedencounter.com) for information and registration.



### 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 BLOOD DRIVE

Sponsored by Nick Caracappa



Thank you to all who donated, the Knights of Columbus and all who volunteered to make this Blood Drive a success. We were able to collect 48 pints of blood for the one who need it!

### 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.



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.



# Back to School



## Supplies that are needed by August 20<sup>th</sup>

Backpacks, Binders, Folders, Marble Notebooks, Looseleaf Paper,  
Crayons (24 ct), Washable Colored Markers,  
Colored Pencils, Glue Sticks, Highlighters, Pens/Pencils

**Our Biggest Request this year is TEEN BACK PACKS  
due by August 20<sup>th</sup> to Parish Center.**

**Thank you for all you do!**

### 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](http://OURLADYOFTHEISLAND.ORG)**



**Holy Angels  
Regional School**

**Registration Pre-K  
to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade.**

1 Division St., Patchogue

PRINCIPAL JEANNINE STEWART

631-475-0422

### 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 631-732-3131 x117.*

***Prayerfully Consider***



### 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 \_\_\_\_\_

# Parish Social Ministry



**Food Pantry Needs** ~ We are in need of Rice Meals, Jelly, Pasta, Spaghetti Sauce, Hearty Soups, Kid's snacks, Toilet Paper, Toothpaste & Bar 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**

**PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE ITEMS BY THE LOCKED FRONT DOORS OF EITHER BUILDING. Thank you!**

## 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.



**St. Margaret of Scotland  
at the Long Island Ducks**

**Saturday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6:35 pm**

**Only 25 Tickets available**

**On sale - weekends of 7/21-7/22 and 7/28-7/29**

**Price - \$17.00**



**Contact Dan Kealon – (631) 560-3293**

**KofC Heart of the Island Council 7262**

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WESTBURY, NY 11590  
**(516) 334-7990**

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3442 ROUTE 112  
CORAM, NY 11727  
**(631) 732-3460**

#### QUEEN OF ALL SAINTS CEMETERY

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CENTRAL ISLIP, NY 11722  
**(631) 234-8297**

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321 JERICHO TURNPIKE  
OLD WESTBURY, NY 11568  
**(516) 434-2439**