

ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service

August 18, 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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X 111

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Deacon William Kogler – Retired
Deacon Biagio Muratore – Retired

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Time, Talent & Treasure



Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Service: As Christians, we are called to live a life that shows we are Christians. One way is to be at service to others. We have so many opportunities to care for others—be they friends, family, neighbors, or those in need we may never meet.

General Intercession: For the needy in our community, that we may listen to their needs and help them. 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.

August 10 / 11

	Stewardship	Envelopes
Collected at Mass	\$6,732.00.....	157
Mailed Envelopes	\$4,687.00.....	50
Total Collection	\$11,419.00	

Reading for Next Sunday
Twentz First Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading.....Jos 24:1-2a,15-17,18b
Second Reading.....Eph 5: 21-32
Gospel.....Jn 6: 60-69



*For the week of
August 18th, 2024
Altar Bread &
Wine in Memory
of
Ruperto Tingcay &
Jean Michelle Clavo*

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 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, August 19th

Robert Juliano

Tuesday, August 20th

Margaret Donkor

Wednesday, August 21st

Katherine Lang

Thursday, August 22nd

Mary & Tom O'Donnell

Friday, August 23rd

Stephen Bugala

Saturday, August 24th

5^{pm}

James Mc Cormack

Sunday, August 25th

8^{am}

For All St. Margaret's Parishioners

10^{am}

Steve Del Vecchio

12^{pm}

Kitty & Thomas Baffa

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, 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 Benevento, 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, George Grimes.

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.

A few days ago, we celebrated the Church's liturgy for the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Many of us are able to recall from our childhood that August 15th was a signal that it wouldn't be long before school re-opened. It was, in a manner of speaking, a time for "last licks." We don't hear that term very much any longer. It's a reference to sports, especially baseball when the home team had its last few at-bats. Unless the game was tied and you went into "extra innings," it was just "three more outs" before the game was over.

We look forward to the longer daylight in June, July and August – sitting in the backyard after dinner, wondering if there is anything on the television to pique your interest, anticipating the next day and what it would bring. Right in front of you of course are things like work, school and other serious pursuits, but you aren't quite there yet. You still have a little time remaining.

In this respect, the Holy Day of Obligation a few days ago is well-placed both in the calendar and in the psyche. We haven't gotten to the end of summer – not yet – but we are moving closer to its end. We have to acknowledge this at a deeper level too. We are getting closer to the end of our lives, our earthly lives, that is. How do we get ready then for that moment when we breathe our last in this world? Is there some plan to follow? Is there someone to guide us to the end?

We say of Our Lady that she was assumed into heaven body and soul. Just as it should be, we aver. We entered into "this world" in just this way: body and soul. What we have been given at the start, we now surrender to the One Who made us, the One Who knit us together in our mother's womb – so says the psalmist (cf. Psalm 139:13). As there is a beginning for each of us, so is there an end too.

If we didn't have "imput" in our beginning, we certainly have had it since. That's what we call development, personal development. Since we are free (not mythically free but really free), our lives have a shape and form. It's undeniable too. The shape and form come from the decisions we have made, the paths we have taken, the commitments into which we have entered.

Thus, it was so for the Blessed Virgin Mary. What, though, if she rejected the angel Gabriel's invitation and did not become the Mother of Our Savior? Everything would be different, wouldn't it? Absolutely.

The Holy Day of Obligation a few days ago reminds us that there is about our lives an *eschatology*. By eschatology, it is meant that last things matter greatly. They matter greatly because they are true. We are going to die, we are going to be subject to judgment, and we will either be in the presence of God for eternity or we will not.

There is considerable reluctance to accept the scenario as I have just described it. God can't be that way, can He?

Ah, but there are such things as commandments, and there is a big difference between beatitude and woe. Heaven and hell are real too. Otherwise, justice and mercy are just capricious and accidental.

Human lives matter. Always and without exception. To abide in this really realist perspective – otherwise known as faith – we need to think and live *eschatologically*. And that, after all, is the meaning in the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady. That heaven was given to Mary of Nazareth right away is owing to the truth that she was without original and personal sin.

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We are getting closer and closer to Labor Day and the unofficial end of summer. Labor Day is the 2nd day of September this year, and right after that is the start of a new school year. As I have indicated before in this space, we resume our **Twenty Minutes on Sunday mornings before the 10:00 AM Mass with the children in Faith Formation and their parents.** Please follow the schedule which has been drawn up for this purpose.

Each year, we have brief periods of orientation with the families of Faith Formation (early September in the church). We request all families to be present for these orientation sessions. Important information will be given by the Pastor then.

Until the next time.

Msgr. Batule
Pastor



Wedding Banns Banns III:

Michelle Verrico and Peter Ferchland
both St. Margaret of Scotland



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.

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 _____

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 or x131 with any concerns or questions.

Adoration of the Eucharist



Blessings of the Backpacks

Please join us for Adoration on Thursday, August 29th at 3:00 PM in the Church.

Following Adoration all students will have their backpacks blessed for the new school year.

Help Wanted Catholic Charities



Talbot House 30-C Carlough Road Bohemia, NY
Residential Stabilization (detox)

Looking for per diem/on call: LPN, RN, and NP (family health) Days, Evenings, Overnights, Weekends available
Contact: Toni DeFelice

defelice.toni@catholiccharities.cc 631-589-4144



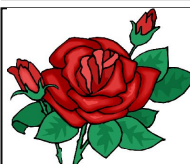
A WEDDING IS A DAY
A MARRIAGE IS A LIFETIME

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 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

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.

Suffolk General Bereavement Support Group & Loss of Adult Child Groups

Will be Offered at St. John Nepomucene, 1140 Locust Ave. Bohemia.

Each group will be eight weeks in duration beginning **Thursday, September 12th**

The General Support Group is open to anyone who has suffered a loss at least three months prior to the start of the group. The Adult Child Group has no wait requirement. Each group meets weekly for 90 minutes followed by refreshments and hospitality. There is no cost but a commitment to attend each meeting throughout the program is required. Both groups are offered in a closed and confidential setting with highly trained facilitators and limited to 12 people. Pre-registration is required. Seating is limited. Please call the number below to reserve your seat. Call 631-589-0540, ext. 250

Individuals who are newly bereaved and planning to attend one of the following three parishes—there is a one time \$25 fee for materials.

St. Joseph, Ronkonkoma - Tuesdays, September 4—November 12th from 2:00-3:15 pm
Contact Michelle Nappi at 631-588-8456

Holy Cross, Nesconset—Wednesdays, September 11—October 16th from 1:30-3:30 pm
Contact Kelley Mowat at 631-265-2200 x13

St. Joseph the Worker, E. Patchogue - Thursdays, September 19th—November 14th from 11:00 am to 12:15 pm
Contact Luciano Sabatini at 631-823-0552

A CATHOLIC EDUCATIONAL COMMUNITY IN PATCHOGUE





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 (631) 475 - 0422
  [holyangelsregional](https://www.facebook.com/holyangelsregional)

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TomorrowsHopeFoundation.org


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employment@CCLongIsland.org

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111 OLD COUNTRY ROAD
WESTBURY, NY 11590
(516) 334-7990

HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY
3442 ROUTE 112
CORAM, NY 11727
(631) 732-3460

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115 WHEELER ROAD
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(631) 234-8297

QUEEN OF PEACE CEMETERY
321 JERICHO TURNPIKE
OLD WESTBURY, NY 11568
(516) 434-2439

Parish Social Ministry



Food Pantry Needs ~ We are in need of SOUP, CRACKERS , SHELF MILK

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.



Back to School



Supplies that are needed by August 20th

**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 20th 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.

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