

# ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

*Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service*

September 15, 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



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At the mid-point of this month, I want to comment briefly at the start on some things that have already transpired and a few things yet to happen.

In the first week of this month (on September 4<sup>th</sup>), we had a Holy Hour followed by a meeting with extraordinary ministers and lectors. I thank those who made the time to be with us, but even more importantly were with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. There were also a few who were not extraordinary ministers or lectors who prayed to our Eucharistic King. This is encouraging to see. As always, all parishioners are invited to any Holy Hour – no matter when it is held. On that point, I remind all that the Blessed Sacrament is exposed on Saturday afternoons from 4:00 until 4:45 PM. Make some time to be with the Lord if only for a brief visit.

We had two nights of formation this past week for our catechists. On the first night, Fr. Matt Browne spoke on the topic of the Eucharist and Mission. On the second night, Msgr. Batule covered points like the spirituality of the catechist, the document called *Catechesi Tradendae*, and the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

On both of these occasions, we asked those who are extraordinary ministers, lectors and catechists – those who were not with us for the principal Mass on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi (on June 2<sup>nd</sup>) – to renew their commitment orally and publicly. There are still some who have not done this and we will be following up in this area.

We started the catechetical year with meetings for parents in the church during which time we distributed copies of the *Catechism* for home use and for use at Twenty Minutes on Sunday mornings.

We have been following up with families who have children in Faith Formation regarding the financial support of Saint Margaret. As I have indicated in previous columns, much, much work needs to be done in this regard so that there is adequate income for us to meet all of our responsibilities. This cannot be minimized and it deserves a fair hearing from **all** parishioners. But as I indicated the last time, we will hear more about this in an address from the Pastor a few weeks from now.

The long-awaited Parish Mission takes place this weekend. I trust this will be a good opportunity for parishioners to be renewed in their relationship with the Lord and lead to some good resolutions.

As we make our way to the end of the month of September, let me point out that the following month, October, has Sundays which call attention to the importance of the sanctity of human life and the mission of the Church to proclaim the gift of salvation in and through the person of Christ. In future columns, I will comment on these matters. For now, I just point out that these matters loom on the horizon.

In the future, weeks from now really, we will have a new Saturday morning Mass in our schedule. The starting date is November 2<sup>nd</sup> which also happens to be All Souls Day. I note the time of the Saturday morning Mass: it is **8:30 AM**. But again, we have time before the new Mass is inaugurated in our schedule.

I remind all parishioners, especially volunteers or those offering goods of one kind or another to Parish Outreach, that items are not to be left at the front door of the pastoral center building. This presents a liability issue and it is not the proper way to make donations anyway. Only bring items when the pastoral center is open and only when the goods you are dropping off can be received in person.

We can use additional ushers at our weekend Masses. We recently had a problem at one weekend Mass where there weren't any ushers present at all.

I call attention to the bulletin boards in the church which have a fair amount of good material for quick reading and staying up to date on matters Catholic. Stop by and read the pieces there.

The last few years, we have had an opening of the new **Mass Book** for the coming calendar year. It has been on a Monday in mid to late October. We have already opened the **2025 Mass Book**. But we will still have a day whereby parishioners can arrange for multiple Mass intentions at one time, especially for deceased relatives. That day will be **October 21<sup>st</sup>**. It will commence at 9:00 AM in the pastoral center building.

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.*



## Wedding Banns

### Banns III:

Caroline J. Shank, Sts. Philip & James and  
John N. Muller, St. Margaret of Scotland

## Bible Study Group

Beginning Wednesday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>



Bible Study group meets every Wednesday from 10am to 11am in the parish center.

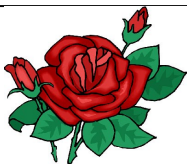
Deacon Ed Hayes will be the facilitator.  
Please bring your Bible.

## 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***



## 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



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.

## Faith Formation

### Schedule ~ 20 Minutes with the Pastor/Director

#### Sundays @ 9:30 AM

September 22<sup>nd</sup> – Levels 4, 5 & 6

September 29<sup>th</sup> – Levels 7 & 8

October 6<sup>th</sup> – Level 8

October 13<sup>th</sup> – Levels 1, 2, & 3

October 20<sup>th</sup> – Levels 4, 5, & 6

October 27<sup>th</sup> – Levels 7



### Blessing of the Animals

October 4th at 4PM

(animals must be leashed  
or in carrier)

Meet by the Mary Shrine

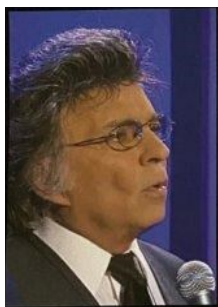


## St. Margaret of Scotland Parish Mission

September 14 / 15 ~ at all Masses

### Guest Speaker ~ Al Barbarino

“We Are the Church-the True Presence  
Eucharistic Miracles”



Al Barbarino is a Lay Franciscan with the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, (The Late Fr. Benedict Groeschel's Community) and is a member of the Knights of Columbus.

Throughout the years in this apostolate, he has recorded CDs/Videos and traveled around the world. He speaks on our faith in a most practical, everyday level. Through all the support of his recordings, he helps the Franciscans at their homeless shelters, Croatian Relief (International Outreach) and the poor, wherever he sings.

Al has worked in the NYC prisons for incarcerated youth as a counselor.

He has many stories to share! ***His recordings will be available.***

## Catholic High School Open House Schedule

Sunday, Sept. 22 - 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. - St. Mary's College Preparatory High School

Saturday, Sept. 28 - 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. - St. Anthony's High School

Saturday, Oct. 5 - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Chaminade High School

Saturday, Oct. 5 - 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Kellenberg Memorial High School

Saturday, Oct. 5 - 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. - Sacred Heart Academy

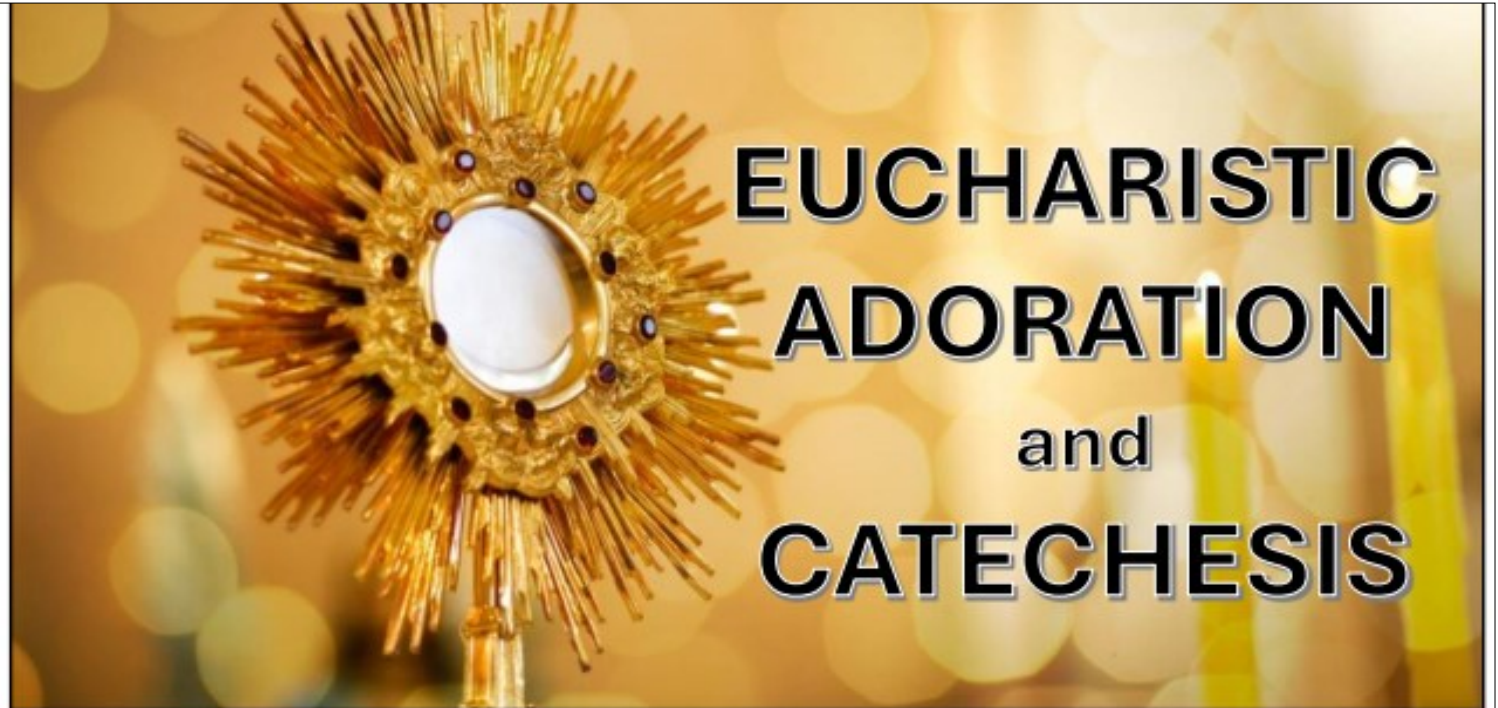
Sunday, Oct. 6 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School

Sunday, Oct. 6 - 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. - St. Dominic High School

Saturday, Oct. 19 - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. - Holy Trinity Diocesan High School



For more information go to [CHSEE.ORG](http://CHSEE.ORG)



# EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION and CATECHESIS

Join **BISHOP ANDRZEJ** this Fall

for the monthly times of prayer and reflection called

## EUCCHARISTIC HORIZONS

exploring the deeper understanding of our mysteries of life  
in the light of perpetual gift of grace and real presence of Jesus  
in **His Sacrament of Love**

**September 24, 2024**

**October 29, 2024**

**November 26, 2024**

**December 17, 2024**

At 7:00 pm

**Church of St. Paul the Apostle**

2534 Cedar Swamp Rd., Brookville

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

For further information

Call - 516.744.6850

Email - [worship@drvc.org](mailto:worship@drvc.org)



# Parish Social Ministry



**Food Pantry Needs ~ We are in need of  
SOUP, CRACKERS, JELLY, COOKIES, BAR SOAP, TOOTHPASTE**

**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 cloths, 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.

## L. I. Women's Retreat Ministry

*Breathing Underwater-A Journey of Hope*



*You are invited to our annual retreat at*

***St. Joseph Villa in Hampton Bays***

***October 11,12 & 13<sup>th</sup>.***

*Our guest speaker is Eileen Benthal. She is an author, speaker, worship leader and coordinator for Magnificat Ministry Suffolk Country Chapter.*

*To hold reservation and for information call*

*Yvonne Bracone ~ 631-398-4046*

*Nina McGee ~ 516-449-6197*

*Cost is \$260 for single room and 5 meals.  
\$150 for commuters.*

***Reservations are limited.  
Please call as soon as possible.***

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