



ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service

April 6, 2025

Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Weekday: Monday through Friday 9:00AM

Saturday: 8:30AM, 5:00PM

Sunday: 8:00AM, 10:00AM and 12:00NOON

Confessions

Saturday: 4:00-4:45PM in the church or by appointment

St. Margaret of Scotland Parish Center

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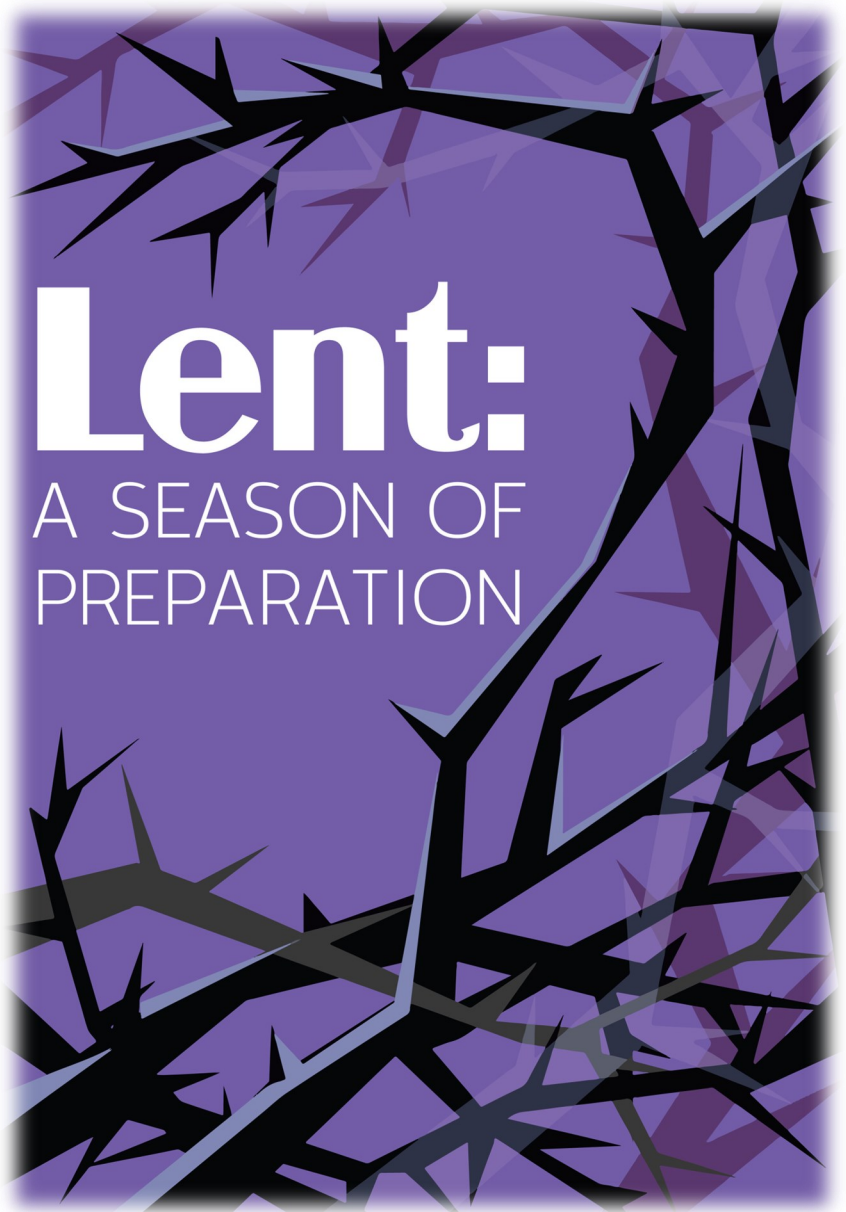
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We continue to keep our Lenten observances all the while we move closer and closer to Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum. Let me comment then on what is immediately ahead of us.

A week from tomorrow, April 14th, there is the annual **Reconciliation Monday**. As most Catholics know by now, this is when the Sacrament of Penance is offered for five hours – two hours in the afternoon (2:00 – 4:00 PM) and three hours at the dinner hour and into the evening (6:00 – 9:00 PM) in all the parishes of the Diocese of Rockville Centre. There is a priest available in the church all the times noted above for sacramental confession.

I encourage all parishioners to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance before Easter – if not on Reconciliation Monday, then during one of two other periods designated for this purpose during Holy Week (Good Friday afternoon and on Holy Saturday morning). Please see the Easter mailing sent to parishioners in the regular mail or on the bulletin boards of the church.

Again, I encourage all parishioners to attend the liturgies of the **Sacred Triduum**. These would be the liturgies on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday. I point out that because of the special character of the Triduum, there aren't Masses in the morning of the Triduum. We have **Morning Prayer on** each of these days at 9:00 AM.

On Holy Thursday night, we mark the commemoration of the institution of the Holy Eucharist and the ministerial priesthood. The Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated at 7:30 PM. Following the Mass, there is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the church until midnight. I ask parishioners to commit to one hour of prayer before the tabernacle. Once again, there is a sign-up for Adoration on Holy Thursday night in the vestibule of the church by the hour (9:00 PM; 10:00 PM and 11:00 PM).

On Good Friday afternoon, we mark the death of Jesus on the Cross in what is known as the Liturgy of the Passion (it is **not** Mass). The liturgy begins at 3:00 PM. The Passion of Saint John's Gospel is used and there is a Veneration of the Cross, and the distribution of Holy Communion.

On Holy Saturday night, the Church celebrates the Easter Vigil. The Easter Vigil begins at 8:00 PM. The impressive Easter fire is lit, the Easter Candle is inaugurated, and we renew our baptismal promises. On Easter Sunday, we recall (at our Masses) how the Resurrection changed the apostles and how we are changed by the Sacrament of Baptism.

Easter is not one day but a season: the great fifty days! It culminates in the **Solemnity of Pentecost** on June 8th. This year, the Diocese of Rockville Centre is holding a **Eucharistic Congress** at Saint Anthony High School in South Huntington for Pentecost Sunday. Please follow the bulletin for more information on our participation in the Eucharistic Congress.

For several weeks now, we have highlighted that adult Catholics (age 18 and above) who were never confirmed as youngsters can celebrate the **Sacrament of Confirmation**. It is preceded by a five-week catechesis on Monday nights in the pastoral center building starting at 7:30 PM. If you wish to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation, you may want to call the pastoral center in advance of April 28th when the catechesis begins. Those seeking Confirmation as adults should know that attendance at all the catechetical sessions is **required**. The conferral of the Sacrament of Confirmation will be on Saturday, June 7th at the 5:00 PM Mass.

For the second year in a row, we are having a **Communion Breakfast**. It will be held on Sunday, May 18th following the 10:00 AM Mass in the auditorium. Tickets are available starting the weekend of May 3rd/4th. The members of the Heart of the Island Council of the Knights of Columbus will be in the vestibule offering tickets at \$10.00 each. There will be a speaker at the Breakfast, too. It is Fr. Joe Nixon, a priest of our Diocese who grew up in Northport. He is a classmate of mine.

Our last **Holy Hour** for Lent is Monday, April 7th. All parishioners are invited to join us in prayer before the Eucharistic Lord. As always, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for adoration on Saturday afternoons before the 5:00 PM Mass **and** on Sunday mornings in between the 10:00 AM Mass and the 12 noon Mass.

Next weekend, we observe **Palm Sunday**. Church-goers will receive palm branches for a blessing before Mass starts. There will also be the reading of the Passion according to Saint Luke. In the days of Holy Week, rehearsals are scheduled for the Triduum liturgies. If that pertains to you (deacon, lector, server), please do not forget to be present for the rehearsal.

Until the next time.

Msgr. Batule
Pastor

Monday Night Holy Hour

Monday, April 7th
7:30PM—8:30PM

- ◇ Personal Prayer
- ◇ Preaching on Themes
Relating to the Holy Eucharist
- ◇ Benediction

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Friday, April 11th
12:00NOON



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday Vigil Mass: 5:00PM
Sunday Masses: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12:00PM
Distribution and Blessing of Palm Branches
at all Masses

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Confessions: 2:00PM–4:00PM
6:00PM–9:00PM

HOLY THURSDAY

Morning Prayer: 9:00AM
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: 7:30PM
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
until 12:00 Midnight

GOOD FRIDAY

Morning Prayer: 9:00AM
Liturgy of the Lord's Passion: 3:00PM
Confessions: 4:30PM–5:30PM
Stations of the Cross: 7:30PM

HOLY SATURDAY

Morning Prayer: 9:00AM
Confessions: 11:00AM–12:00PM
Easter Vigil: 8:00PM

EASTER SUNDAY

Masses: 8:00AM, 10:00AM, 12:00PM



EASTER FOOD BLESSING ~The annual blessing of the Easter food and baskets will take place on Holy Saturday, April 19th, at 10:45AM in the Church. Please be on time.

PALM CROSSES \$10 CASH EACH



Available after all masses this weekend
While supplies last

Family Stations of the CROSS

Good Friday, April 18th
11:00AM



STATIONS of the CROSS

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.



DIVINE MERCY NOVENA



The Divine Mercy Novena will begin on Good Friday, April 18th, after 9:00AM Morning Prayer

Holy Saturday will be after the 9:00AM Morning Prayer

Easter Sunday you may do privately

Beginning Easter Monday, Daily Novena will be after morning Mass

Divine Mercy Sunday will be April 27th ~ 3:00PM in the Church

Faith Formation



Save the Date! Vacation Bible School

Theme ~ True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World
July 7th-11th ~ 9:15AM—12:30PM

Ages 4 years to entering 6th grade ~ Fee: \$45 per child

Volunteers Needed! Adults & Students grade 7 and up. High Schoolers welcome.

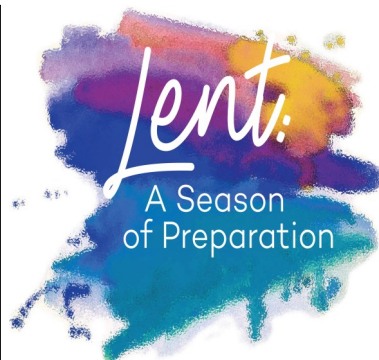
Registration limited to first 100 children. Any questions, contact Jackie Mirenda at (631) 732-3131 x131 or jmirenda@saintmargaret.com.

20 Minutes with the Pastor/Director Sundays at 9:30AM



- April 6th – Levels 1, 2, & 3
- April 13th – Levels 4, 5, & 6
- April 27th – Level 7
- May 4th – Levels 1, 2, & 3
- May 11th – Levels 4, 5, & 6
- May 18th – Level 7

**Holy Angels
Regional School**
Registration Pre-K to 8th Grade
 1 Division Street, Patchogue
 PRINCIPAL JEANNINE STEWART
 CALL (631) 475-0422
 FOR MORE INFORMATION
 OR TO SCHEDULE A TOUR



Parish Social Ministry



Our food pantry is critically low on many items. The items we are in most need of are:

Pantry Needs

- ◇ BEEF STEW
- ◇ CANNED CHICKEN
- ◇ LAUNDRY DETERGENT
- ◇ PASTA MEALS
- ◇ SHELF STABLE MILK
- ◇ TOILET TISSUE
- ◇ CRACKERS
- ◇ JUICE BOXES/JUICE
- ◇ SHAMPOO

Please bring all donations to the front door of the Parish Center during office hours or leave in the box in the back 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, and wash cloths for wash up kits.

These kits will be donated to

LONG ISLAND CARES
MILITARY APPRECIATION
TUESDAYS PROGRAM

This program provides veterans with essential items such as food, personal care products, household supplies, and more.



Peanut Butter & Jelly Ministry

We will be starting back up on Tuesday mornings in the Parish Center.

There will be an information meeting on Tuesday, April 22nd, at 10:00AM in the Parish Center.

Call the Outreach office at x119 if interested.



ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND
81 College Rd.
Selden, NY 11784



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Palm Sunday

"Who is this King of glory?" and answers that the King of glory is "The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle" and "The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Psalm 24:8-10"

APRIL 13, 2025

Rosary at 2:00 PM
Mass at 2:30 PM


STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Saturday | April 12th
1:30 pm (outdoors)



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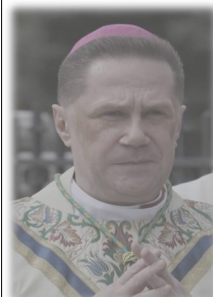
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Manorville, NY
(631) 325-0661





COFFEE with JESUS

Lenten Reflections on the Meaning of Season in Christian Life

Join Bishop Andrzej
All Fridays of Lent
March 7, 14, 21, 28, April 4, 11 at 3 pm
for Webinar Lenten Reflections



Registration Required
Call Suzanne at 516.744.6850
or email - westernvicariate@drvc.org
to receive Zoom Webinar Link

March 5 - April 13
40 DAYS FOR LIFE.

HELP SAVE LIVES IN YOUR COMMUNITY

You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization! Through prayer, fasting, peaceful vigils, & community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!

Here's how to take part:

- **Vigil location:** Sidewalk near Planned Parenthood at 450 Waverly Ave., Patchogue.
- **Vigil hours:** Monday/Wednesday/Saturday, 10am -noon. Wednesday, 3pm-5pm.
- **Local contact:** Bob Williams, 631-615-1735, WaverlyAvenueRespectLife@gmail.com

Learn more and get involved by visiting our campaign:

40daysforlife.com/Patchogue

Guidelines for Fasting and Abstinence

All Catholics who have reached their 14th year are bound to abstain entirely from meat on all the Fridays of Lent.

All Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 inclusive are also bound to observe the law of fast on Good Friday.

This means limiting oneself to a single full meal and avoiding food between meals. Two other light meals, which together do not equal a full meal, may be taken during the day.

Those whose work or health would be impaired are excused from fast and abstinence. Individual conscience should decide proper cause for excuse. A more serious reason is required to excuse oneself from Good Friday fast and abstinence.



MOLLOY UNIVERSITY

SPRING OPEN HOUSE

SUNDAY, APRIL 6TH — 1:00PM

1000 HEMPSTEAD AVE.

ROCKVILLE CENTRE, NY 11570

REGISTER AT www.molloy.edu/openhouse25

**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
DIOCESAN HIGH SCHOOL**

2025 SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS

Our Summer Sports Camps
are **OPEN TO ALL!**

5 weeks of camps!

All camps run Mon-Thurs/
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

NEW this year! Girls' Flag Football
& Tennis/Pickleball (co-ed)

Registration now open!

Scan the QR Code to view digital brochure

Registration will be accepted
online or in person
on the first day of
the session.



Have fun & make friends at SJB
Summer Sports Camps!

1170 Montauk Hwy, West Islip, NY 11795

RETRouvaille

A LIFE LINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

You Can Help Heal Your Marriage!

Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse?

Our next weekend is:

April 25th-27th (Register by April 11th)

The Immaculate Conception Seminary, Huntington
To register or for more information:

(516) 405-0323 | HelpOurMarriage.org

PRESENTING



Pig in a Poke

A Blind Auction

at the

Hibernian Culture Center

80 Magnolia Drive, Selden

on

Sunday, April 6, 2025; 2PM

Coffee & Tea Snacks Cash Bar

Admission: **FREE**

Joan (631)745-7864 – **For information** – Dottie (631)687-9183

The Diocese of Rockville Centre GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASSES

Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years

The Diocese of Rockville Centre would like to honor those couples who celebrated Fifty Years of Marriage in 2025 by inviting them to attend one of the Masses below for a special blessing.

Sunday, May 18, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.

Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Patchogue

Celebrant: Most Reverend Luis M. Romero

Registration must be received by Tuesday, April 16, 2025

Sunday, June 1, 2025, at 3:00 p.m.

The Cathedral of St. Agnes, Rockville Centre

Celebrant: Most Reverend John O. Barres

Registration must be received by Tuesday, April 30, 2025

Register online at drvc-faith.org

For questions, please contact Lisette Robustelli, Associate Director at
(516)678-5800 ext. 200 or via email at lrobustelli@drvc.org

