



# ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

*Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service*

May 4, 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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Christ Is Risen!

CHRIST  
IS RISEN  
INDEED

Alleluia

## Time, Talent & Treasure



**Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Formation:** "To the one who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor, glory and might, forever and ever." As we continue through this Easter season, let us take the lessons and devotions we learned and practiced this past Lent and grow in our spirituality—so as to give proper worship to the Lord.

**General Intercession:** For all the youth in our parish that will receive their First Holy Communion this year. 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.

**April 26/27**

	Stewardship	Envelopes
Collected at Mass	\$8,279.00.....	163
Mailed Envelopes	\$2,702.00.....	54
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$10,981.00</b>	

Readings for Next Sunday  
Fourth Sunday of Easter

First Reading.....Acts 13:14, 43-52  
Second Reading.....Rv 7:9, 14b-17  
Gospel.....Jn 10:27-30

For the week of  
May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025



Altar  
Bread & Wine  
in Memory of

John Schlageter

### PARISH OFFICE

Monday—Thursday 9:00AM—1:00PM, 2:00—5:00PM

Friday 9:00AM—1:00PM

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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 each month.

### FAITH FORMATION OFFICE ~ PARISH CENTER:

Monday—Thursday: 9:00AM – 4:00PM. Call for an appointment - x131

### PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRY ~ PARISH CENTER:

Tuesday—Thursday: 10:00AM – 1:00PM. Call for an appointment - x119

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

**Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>**

Special Intention James Heelen

**Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**

Sienna Katz

**Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>**

Special Intention James Heelen

**Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>**

Spec. Int. Henryk & Margaret Chelminski

**Friday, May 9<sup>th</sup>**

MaryAnn DeMott

**Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup>**

8:30AM

Palumbo Family

5:00PM

All St. Margaret's Parishioners

**Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>**

8:00AM

Mother's Day Novena

10:00AM

Florence Vigorito

12:00PM

Anne Prementine

**For all our parishioners suffering from chronic illness,**

as well as Jim Rojas, Marilyn Vacchio, Anne Logan, Wendiann & Nicholas Alfieri, Laura Durant, Laura Positano, Lorraine Vogel, Patricia Wowk, Sharon & Ray Klyn, Veronica Sheridan Cox, Joseph Dulovic, Joseph Laria, Scott Spencer, Christina Muller, James & Catherine Reynolds, Valarie & Victor Aurigue, Elizabeth Robitaille, Diana Lyons, James DeVivo, Lauren Esposito, Steven Vacchio, Brooklyn Gonzalez, Melissa Kitching, Angela Discepolo, The Fais Family, Christine Rosado, Joseph Benevento, Rosemarie Rizzo-Cohen, James Bennett, Katherine & Kenneth Kermain, John Sullivan, Melissa Rodgers, Richard Martin, Suriah Bridglall, Phillip Bruce McGinty, Petrone Family, Joseph Jianette, Estelle Beauchamp



*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.*

We continue to await the election of a new Pope following the death of Pope Francis the day after Easter Sunday. As I write, the conclave has not yet begun. At this stage, the cardinals are still prepping for the conclave, having what we call General Congregations. At this time, the cardinals are meeting among themselves, trying to develop a profile concerning what qualities are needed in the next Pope, and trying to identify the priorities the Church should have after the first quarter of the twenty-first century.

It is good to recall now the marks of the Church that we acknowledge every week in the recitation of the Nicene Creed. In particular, I call attention to the Church's universality. All over the world, the Church is found in places far different than the United States of America, especially this part of our nation where we live - with a dense population, a higher standard of living than just about any other place on the planet, and a deeply secularized culture which barely tolerates the place of religion in our national life.

As we continue to celebrate the Easter Mystery and we realize all over again the Church's responsibility to evangelize by hearing passage after passage from the Acts of the Apostles at Mass, we wonder if we might learn from where the Church is "young" how to spread the faith into which we were baptized. From where the Church is "old," I am not sure that there is the dynamism and zeal to build once again a vibrant Catholic culture which influences the wider social context.

We hold that the Holy Spirit has guided the Church since the first Pentecost. Yet there is always discernment regarding the path the Church should take at any point historically. This discernment is carried out preeminently but not exclusively in a conclave. May the Holy Spirit Who rocked the Church in the upper room do the same for us now, giving us a holy and wise Successor of Peter who may lead us to an ever-greater evangelical fruitfulness.

Let me address a few other matters on the first Sunday in May, the month for honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Next Sunday, we have our annual **Crowning of the Blessed Mother** outdoors – weather permitting, of course. In the event of inclement weather, we will have it inside the church following the 12 noon Mass. We ask our First Holy Communicants and their families to join us at the grotto (again, presuming we are outside). All parishioners are welcome to join us, including those who might attend another Mass.

Later this month, we have our second annual **Communion Breakfast** (May 18<sup>th</sup>). This weekend and next, there will be members of the Heart of the Island Council of the Knights of Columbus in the vestibule offering tickets at \$10.00 each. The breakfast is held in the auditorium immediately after the 10:00 AM Mass. The guest speaker is Fr. Joseph Nixon.

In June, there are two important events on the calendar. The first is the **Diocesan Eucharistic Congress** which is being held at Saint Anthony High School in South Huntington from 10:00 AM to 5:30 PM. Please see the bulletin boards and the sign in the vestibule of the church for details. I encourage parishioners to attend, especially our catechists. To make it easier for you to participate, I have arranged for transportation without any charge from Saint Margaret. And there is no charge for admission to the Congress, either.

The other event, as I explained recently, is not an event inasmuch as it is a liturgical observance every year. And that would be the **Solemnity of Corpus Christi** (on the 22<sup>nd</sup>). The principal Mass on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of June is at 10:00 AM. I ask all catechists, lectors and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion to attend. At the Mass, there will be a re-dedication to your apostolate or ministry. Following the Mass, there is a Procession with the Blessed Sacrament. Join us as we continue to be formed more thoroughly in and through the Holy Eucharist.

I add now words of gratitude to the ushers for their assistance at the liturgies of the **Sacred Triduum** last month. The same goes for the Choir under the direction of Dr. Dan Crews. Thank you for the time and effort you gave.

We remember our mothers on Mother's Day (next Sunday, the 11<sup>th</sup>). Have your mother remembered in our **Novena of Masses**. Envelopes may be returned in the collection basket or by using the designated box in the vestibule of the church.

Until the next time.

Msgr. Batule  
Pastor

## Communion Breakfast

St. Margaret's annual Communion Breakfast will take place Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00AM. This year's guest speaker is Fr. Joseph Nixon. Tickets are \$10 each. They will be on sale in the church vestibule this weekend and next weekend, as well as in the Parish Center during the week.



## Adult Confirmation

**Pentecost Weekend**

**Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup>**

**At the 5:00PM Mass**

*All are invited to attend Mass as we welcome these fully-initiated parishioners into the Catholic faith.*



## Baptisms

Chosen Wayne Randy Carlin



### Mother's Day May Crowning

*We will be honoring the Blessed Mother after the 12:00 Mass on Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup>. Our First Communion children and their families are invited to come and join as we process to crown our Statue of Mary to thank God for the gift of such a loving Mother.*



## Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

*For your personal adoration  
And prayers*

*Saturday Afternoons 4:00-4:45PM*

*Sunday Mornings 11:15-11:45AM*

*In the Church*



## Diocese of Rockville Centre

### Eucharistic Congress

Save the date! Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>. See page 7 of the bulletin for more information. If you would like to attend, please sign up with your name and phone number in the Church Vestibule after Mass **and** on the internet, at [www.drvc.org/congress](http://www.drvc.org/congress). Saint Margaret's would like a headcount of who's planning on attending to represent our parish. A decision will be made for transportation based on the number of interested attending. Call the Parish Center if you need assistance in registering.

## Faith Formation



### Vacation Bible School July 7-11



Contact Jackie Mirenda at x131 or [jmirena@saintmargaret.com](mailto:jmirena@saintmargaret.com) to sign up.

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

Remaining Dates:

May 4<sup>th</sup> – Levels 1, 2, & 3

May 11<sup>th</sup> – Levels 4, 5, & 6



## Parish Social Ministry



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

- ◇ BEEF STEW
- ◇ PASTA MEALS
- ◇ CRACKERS
- ◇ CANNED PEAS
- ◇ JUICE BOXES
- ◇ TOILET TISSUE
- ◇ TOOTHPASTE
- ◇ LAUNDRY DETERGENT

Please bring all donations to the front door of the Parish Center during office hours or bring to the box in the back of the church. *Please do not leave items by the locked front doors of either building. Thank you!*



St. Margaret's Outreach would like to thank Middle Country Automotive for their plentiful donation of food to our pantry! It is so appreciated!

### Wash Up Kits

Please continue to donate travel size soaps, shampoo, and wash cloths for wash up kits. These kits will be donated to

#### LIGHTHOUSE MISSIONS

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



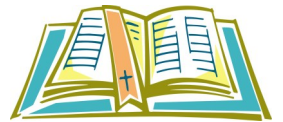
### Please Pray for our First Communion

Children as they prepare to receive on **May 10<sup>th</sup>**.



### Bible Study

Bible Study group meets every Wednesday from 10:00AM to 11:00AM in the parish center. Deacon Ed Hayes will be the facilitator. Please bring your Bible.



### 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.



### Peanut Butter & Jelly Ministry

The Peanut Butter & Jelly Ministry will be starting back up on Tuesday mornings at 10:00AM in the Parish Center. Call the Outreach office at 732-3131 x119 for more information.



# Blessing of the Easter Food and Baskets



## Upcoming Events at Saint Margaret Parish

- Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> – First Holy Communion
- Sunday, May 11<sup>th</sup> – May Crowning
- Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup> – Communion Breakfast
- May 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> – Holy Land Wood Carvings for Sale in Auditorium
- May 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> – Food Drive (hand out bags)
- May 31<sup>st</sup>/June 1<sup>st</sup> – Food Drive (collect food)
- Saturday, June 7<sup>th</sup> – Adult Confirmation
- Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup> – Eucharistic Congress at St. Anthony's High School

### Thank You!

The Knights of Columbus wish to thank the parishioners of St. Margaret's for attending last week's hospitality. All who came had a great time.



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FILIPINO COMMUNITY  
Selden, NY

**FILIPINO MASS**

*"Her children rise up and call her blessed; her husband too, praises her."  
(Proverbs 31:28)*

- ★ May Crowning
- ★ Flower Offering
- ★ Blessing of Mothers for Mother's Day

**MAY 11, 2025**

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



# SPRING

## Chinese Auction FUNDRAISER

**Sunday, May 4th**

**ST. ELIZABETH ANN SETON CHURCH**  
★ PARISH HALL ★  
800 PORTION ROAD, LAKE RONKONKOMA  
ALL PROCEEDS SUPPORT OUR PARISH MINISTRIES

DOORS OPEN AT 12:30 PM  
RAFFLES CALLED AT 2:00 PM  
CASH ONLY

OVER 100 PRIZES!!

**\$10 ADMISSION—INCLUDES:**  
(25 YELLOW TICKETS + COFFEE + CAKE)  
\*EXTRA SHEETS \$5.00\*

DELUXE PRIZES - WHITE TICKETS :  
3 FOR \$5  
7 FOR \$10

GRAND PRIZES - BLUE TICKETS:  
1 FOR \$10  
3 FOR \$20

50/50 RAFFLE - RED TICKETS

ALL NEW ITEMS!!  
GIFT CARDS!!

**YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO WIN! JOIN US FOR AN AFTERNOON OF FUN!**

 DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE

# EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS BEHOLD 2025

with Guest Speakers:



Dr. Edward Sri



Father Pierre Toussaint, CFR



Father Jose Diaz



Sister Mary Gabriel, SV



Father Daniel Rivera

**PENTECOST  
SUNDAY  
JUNE 8**



**10AM-5:30PM**

Saint Anthony's High School,  
South Huntington



Admission is free but registration is required.

All are invited for a day of prayer, catechesis, Adoration, and Holy Mass with Bishop John O. Barres. This congress will deepen devotion and equip attendees to share the graces of the Eucharist through inspiring talks, witness testimonies, worship, fellowship, and the culmination of the Eucharistic Pilgrimage.

**For registration, schedule, and more details, visit:**

**[www.drvc.org/congress](http://www.drvc.org/congress)**