



ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service

September 6, 2026

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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Time, Talent, & Treasure



Living Stewardship ~ Pillar of Hospitality: Take time this week to reach out to someone who may need prayers—offer your prayer time to pray for their intentions.

General Intercession: For all those who lost loved ones on 9/11, that they may be comforted. 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 29/30

	Stewardship	Envelopes
Collected at Mass	\$7,439.00.....	175
Mailed Contributions	\$2,218.00.....	42
Total Collection	\$9,657.00	

Readings for Next Sunday
Twenty-Fourth Sunday
in Ordinary Time

First Reading.....Sir 27:30—28:7
Second Reading.....Rom 14:7-9
Gospel.....Mt 18:21-35

For the week of
September 6



Altar Bread & Wine
In Memory of

Roy Winkler

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

Friday 9:00AM—1:00PM

(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 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, September 7

Spec. Int. William & Jenna Goodman

Tuesday, September 8

Fannie & Carmine Abbruzzese

Wednesday, September 9

Hanora Reilly

Thursday, September 10

Leonard Sammon

Friday, September 11

Norman Gottfried

Saturday, September 12

8:30AM

Glennise Bradley

5:00PM

Ottavio Quartucci

Sunday, September 13

8:00AM

Phyllis & Richard Savona

10:00AM

All St. Margaret's Parishioners

12:00PM

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For all our parishioners suffering from chronic illness, as well as: Jim Rojas, Marilyn Vacchio, Wendiann & Nicholas Alfieri, Laura

Durant, Laura Positano, Ray Klyn, Veronica Sheridan-Cox, 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 Discepola, Christine Rosado, Joseph Benevento, Rosemarie Rizzo-Cohen, James Bennett, Katherine & Kenneth Kermain, John Sullivan, Melissa Rodgers, Richard Martin, Estelle Beauchamp, Christopher D'Costa, Crotieau Family, Jaime Ottenwalder [U.S. Navy], Carol Etro, John Roucoulet, Raymond Grunthaner, John Positano, Thomas McInnes, Fred Detweiler, Jerry Roucoulet



Family members: please resubmit names for those who are ill. We will list them for four 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.

As we remember the warm days of summer and vacations taken, we set about other things now – most of us, anyway. And that means schools of various kinds and jobs too. Along with a more sharpened focus on the things at hand, we include an awareness of things related to our Catholic faith happening not just here but in our nation.

In a short while, there is the Beatification of Archbishop Fulton Sheen. It is being held in Saint Louis and it is scheduled for the 24th of this month. I encourage you to read up on the soon-to-be Blessed Fulton Sheen. (Up until then, he is known as Venerable Fulton Sheen.) Men and women of a certain age will probably recognize his name and may even recall what he looked like from pictures.

He is best known as a tele-evangelist – not of the more recent kind but as a bold pioneer. He hosted a television program which drew millions of viewers decades and decades ago, and not all of them Catholic, either. But that wasn't all he did. He was an author of books, among which is *Treasure in Clay*. It's a title which is still read by conscientious Catholics today.

Archbishop Sheen was a promoter of Eucharistic Adoration. That promotion started with himself early in his priestly ministry, making a Holy Hour every day.

He preached on Good Friday afternoon in New York City for a period of time and enormous crowds came to hear him at Saint Agnes Church near Grand Central Station. He headed up the Diocese of Rochester (New York) where he was the Bishop for several years toward the end of his ministerial life. He died in December of 1979.

The Beatification is going to be televised. I imagine Catholic Faith Network will carry it. EWTN will also carry it live. Consult your local listings for the exact time.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass is offered each weekday at Saint Margaret. On Monday through Friday, the time is 9:00 AM, and on Saturday it is 8:30 AM. I encourage you to attend the Eucharistic Liturgy during the week even though there is no Obligation to do so. It is the way we come to love the Bread of Life which the Lord gave us so that we might be holy in his sight.

I mention the above about the Mass because holiness was the animating force in Archbishop Sheen's life while on earth. We ought to strive after that same holiness ourselves. It is within each of us by grace – the grace of Baptism.

Linked of course to the Mass is Eucharistic Adoration, another staple in the spiritual regimen of Archbishop Sheen. I encourage you to include praying before the Blessed Sacrament as part of your spiritual repertoire. And that too can be satisfied right here at Saint Margaret. Please follow the bulletin for when we have Holy Hours.

The next Holy Hour is Wednesday the 16th of this month. It begins at 7:00 PM in the church. It concludes with Benediction too.

I ask that all of our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion attend the Holy Hour and the meeting we traditionally hold after the Holy Hour in the pastoral center building.

If there are any Extraordinary Ministers or lectors or catechists who did not pledge a re-commitment on June 7th on the Solemnity of Corpus Christi (at the 10:00 AM Mass that day), there will be an opportunity at the meeting for a re-committal.

Lastly, about a month from now, we mark liturgically the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary. The date on the calendar is October 7th, a Wednesday. Following Mass that morning, if the weather is decent, I invite all parishioners to pray the Holy Rosary at the grotto.

I ask the daily mass-goers to make a point of participating in this Marian devotion on October 7th.

Until the next time.

Msgr. Batule
Pastor

Saint 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 Saint Margaret's parishioners. For more information contact Barbara Gottfried at (631) 698-6053.

Catechism Classes

Catechism study classes with Msgr. Batule will be resuming next Tuesday, September 8th at 2:00PM, in the Parish Center. It is an hour-long session of immersion in the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC). All are invited.

Please bring your Catechism.
The parish will provide you with a copy if you do not own one.



Bible Study



Mark your calendars! Bible Study with Deacon Ed Hayes will be resuming on Wednesday, September 23rd, in the Parish Center. All are invited to attend.

The Parish Center will be closed on Monday, September 7th, in observance of Labor Day. It will reopen on Tuesday, September 8th, at 9:00AM.



Holy Hour

Our next Holy Hour and Benediction will take place Wednesday, September 16th. At 7:00PM All are invited. Extraordinary Ministers are also encouraged to attend.



2027 Mass Book



The 2027 mass book is now open. We encourage you to remember deceased relatives and friends at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Through the Communion of Saints, we are never removed from those whom we love. We hope for a reunion with them in God's providence. Praying for them now helps to bring that reunion a nearer prospect.

The requested offering for announced and unannounced mass intentions is \$20.

Is God Calling You to Be a *Lay Dominican*?



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 type of vocation, and wish to learn more, you are welcome to attend their

OPEN HOUSE on Sunday, September 13th, at 11:00AM at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Center (behind the church). For more information, contact OurLadyOfHopeDominican@gmail.com.

Faith Formation

Faith Formation Registration

Registration info has been sent home to Faith Formation families! The letters contain all you need to know about registering or re-registering your child for Faith Formation, and what the next school year is going to look like. Classes will begin in September.



- ◇ First-time registrants will need a copy of each child's baptismal certificate submitted with their registration form.
- ◇ All children need to be enrolled for Faith Formation each year.
- ◇ The deadline has passed—please register your child as soon as possible!

Orientation Days

Please Note: All orientation gatherings are for parent/child.
Materials and workbooks will be distributed.

- ◇ Level 1: Monday, September 21st, 5:00PM
- ◇ Level 2: Monday, September 14th, 5:00PM
- ◇ Level 3: Tuesday, September 15th, 5:00PM
- ◇ Level 4: Tuesday, September 15th, 5:00PM
- ◇ Level 5: Tuesday, September 15th, 5:00PM
- ◇ Level 6: Wednesday, September 16th, 5:00PM
- ◇ Level 7: Thursday, September 17th, 6:00PM

Contact Jackie Mirenda at JMirenda@saintmargaret.com or x131 with any questions.

Blessing of the Backpacks



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

- ◇ September 13 — Level 8
- ◇ September 20 — Levels 5, 6, 7
- ◇ September 27 — Level 8
- ◇ October 4 — Levels 1, 2, 3, 4
- ◇ October 11 — Levels 5, 6, 7
- ◇ October 18 — Levels 5, 6, 7



St James RC Church Parish Event
Scott Hahn & John Bergsma
 "Renewed and Transformed" - Romans 12:2
Saturday, September 12, 2026 7:30 AM - 3:30PM
 St. James Parish Center
 429 NY-25A Setauket NY 11733

Price: \$35 per person

Scan the QR code to register online or call the
 St. Paul Center Customer Service line at (740) 264-9535
<https://stpaulcenter.com/events/hbsetauket2026>
 Contact Tara - 631-877-7322 or Barbara - 516-313-4029 for more information




EMAIL: EVENTS@STPAULCENTER.COM FOR MORE EVENT INFORMATION

New York Blood Center **Blood Drive**

In giving, we remember.

2001-2026
25 years

Callari Memorial Blood Drive

Selden Fire Department
 Sponsored by Legislator Nick Caracappa
Tuesday, September 15
1:45PM-7:45PM
44 Woodmere Place, Selden

Prepare to donate

- Eat well and hydrate
- Bring a photo ID
- Feel good and symptom free
- Meet minimum weight requirements
- Must be 17-75
 - 16 with parental permission form
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Parish Social Ministry

Back to School "Thank You"

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, Grant-Marinello Funeral Home, and the office of Legislator Nick Caracappa, we were able to assist 57 children from 21 families with their back-to-school needs. The children of our community will be starting their school year off on the right footing! Wishing a prosperous school year for all!



United for Life PRESENTS Life Rosary Retreat

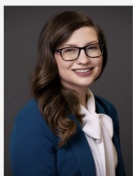
**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 26, 2026
9AM - 5PM
Breakfast & Lunch
included**



**At the
Shrine of Our Lady
of the Island
258 Eastport Manor Rd.
Manorville, NY**

RETREAT SCHEDULE

- 9:00-11:00 Coffee/Bagels-Intro w interactive faith filled activities
- 11:30-12:30 Mass
- 1-1:45 Lunch
- 1:45-3 Life Rosary
- 3-3:30 Divine Mercy Chap.
- 3:30-4:30 Guest Speaker
- 4:30-5 Conclusion



**Guest Speaker
Clare Hinshaw**
Young America's
Foundation (YAF)



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Food Pantry Needs

The parish food pantry assists the needy in the community. We ask that parishioners who would like to make donations to bring them to the front door of the Parish Center during office hours or to place items in the box in the back of the church. *Please do not leave items by the locked front doors of either building.*

Thank you! This week's requests:



**Food
Pantry
Needs**

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| ◇ Hearty Soup | ◇ Stew/Chili |
| ◇ Saltines/Cookies | ◇ Oatmeal |
| ◇ Shelf Stable Milk | ◇ Bathroom Tissue |
| ◇ Egg Noodles | ◇ Shampoo |

PBJ Ministry



The Peanut Butter & Jelly Ministry takes place on Tuesdays at 10:00AM in the Parish Center. The sandwiches feed the hungry in surrounding areas. Parishioners are invited to attend as their schedule allows. Volunteers must be Virtus compliant. Call the Outreach office at (631) 732-3131 x119 for more information or if you would like to volunteer.