

ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service



Pastoral Staff

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Patchogue, NY 631-475-0422

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Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday: 8:00am, 5:00pm

Sunday: 8:00am, 10:00am

& 12:00pm (Noon)

Weekdays: Monday to Friday 9:00am

Confessions

Saturdays: 4:00 pm - 4:45 pm (or appointment)

Hospitality Sunday



*Come enjoy a special St. Patrick's Day!
March 17th ~ 11 AM - Auditorium
All are Welcome!*

March 10, 2019

Phone: (631) 732-3131

Parish Center Office Hours

<i>Open for Walk-In Business</i>	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Mon thru Thurs	9 ^{am} - 1 ^{pm}	2 - 4 ^{pm}	7 - 8 ^{pm}
Friday	9 ^{am} - 1 ^{pm}		
Saturday	9 ^{am} - 12 ^{pm}		
Sunday	Closed		

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Time, Talent & Treasure



Stewardship Thought for the Week

We are grateful for all Christian stewards who do not judge our brothers and sisters but lead them to Jesus, Who is the Way, the Truth and the Life. To be stewards of the Faith, we must show the world Our Risen 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.

	#	2019	2018	#
Collected at Mass	309	9,138 ⁹⁴	11,006 ²⁶	365
Mailed Envelopes	19	758	1,563 ⁶⁷	31
Electronic Donations	36	2,095	3,029 ³⁴	46
Total Collection	335	\$11,991⁹⁴	\$15,599²⁷	442

Mass Attendance	5 ^{pm}	8 ^{am}	10 ^{am}	12 ^{pm}	Total
This Week	191	152	247	299	889
Last Yr's Avg	269	178	252	280	982

Readings for Next Sunday

Second Sunday of Lent

First Reading Gn 15:5-12, 17-18
 Second Reading.....Phil 3: 17-4:1
 Gospel.....Lk 9:28b-36



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: Prospective parents should telephone the Parish Center about three months before the expected birth to discuss the arrangements for your child's baptism and enroll you in the required baptismal class. Baptism classes are held monthly on the 1st or 2nd Sunday of the month. The baptism date will be set at the time of the class. The child's birth certificate as well as the godparent's "sponsor certificate" (godparents must be Confirmed practicing Catholics) must be presented before a date is finalized.

FAITH FORMATION OFFICE ~ Parish Center: Monday through Thursday: 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.; 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.; Closed on Fridays.

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRY ~ Parish Center: Tuesday and Thursday 10 am -1 pm. and 2 - 4 pm.; Call for appointment.

Masses for the Week

Family members and/or those who requested the Mass are always welcome to present the gifts of bread & wine at the offertory procession. On week-ends, please introduce yourselves to our ushers or call the office during the previous week.

Monday - March 11th
 9:00 A.M.

Aimee Given

Tuesday - March 12th
 9:00 A.M.

Matilda Mc Fadden

Wednesday - March 13th
 9:00 A.M.

Paul Tomko

Thursday, - March 14th
 9:00 A.M.

Lauren Fennell

Friday - March 15th
 9:00 A.M.

Bob Carlsen & Kenny Pike

Saturday - March 16th
 8:00 A.M.

Joan Casey

5:00 P.M.

Patricia Casey

Donna & Joseph Marano

Sunday – March 17th
 8:00 A.M.

Maureen Aguirri

10:00 A.M.

Vincent Aspromonti

12:00 P.M.

For All Parishioners

For all our parishioners suffering from chronic illness, as well as

MaryJane Kogler, Patricia Lunetta, Valerie J. Aurigue, Terri Persina, Jon Lasher, Jillian Brown, Paul Tomko, Patricia Wowk, Eric Chan, John Augusta Jr., June Tamillow, Sue Callari, Sarah Behie, Eppie Larke, Alyssa Baisch, Marilyn & Steven Vacchio, Natasha Roucoulet, Wendiann & Nicholas Alfieri, Michael C. Liotta, Anne Logan, Virginia Nunlist, Laura Durant, Warne Family, Sue Finnigan, James Finnigan, Lorraine Vogel, Sharon Klyn, Vincent Rutherford, Marie Positano, Christina & Baby Muller, Laura Positano, Joseph Kiely, Dominic & Mary Percoco, Frank Guttilla, Jennifer Roucoulet, Robert Finger, Cathy Reynolds, Patricia Ferrere, John Fiscina, Eric Cohen, Baby Emma, Cindy Byrne, Dylan Joseph Sergio & Virginia Butler.



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.

Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

“Mindfulness,” a word that many young people use frequently, means maintaining a moment-by-moment awareness of our thoughts, feelings, bodily sensations, and surrounding environment. It is similar to another phrase that has been used over the years: “One Day at A Time.” Being able to think about the future can be a good thing. We can plan for something we enjoy, or look forward to being with someone we love. But at the same time, being able to think about the future can cause problems. Our imaginations can focus on something we are afraid of; our thoughts can keep circling around and around expected problems. Take this time of Lent that we are beginning. Its length of Lent – forty days – can stir up negative feelings that such an amount of time is impossibly long and such a commitment can be difficult. But it does not have to be that way. This is where “mindfulness” or “one day at a time” comes in. We seek to be faithful to our Lenten promises for TODAY ONLY. Living in the Present, not worrying about the Past or Future, does not come easily to most of us. (If you are a pet owner, you do witness “living in the present moment” all the time. Our pets play, they are tired; they are hungry, they are full; they do not hold grudges. Whatever is happening is the reality.) So, don’t let thoughts about the future determine what we can do today. No matter what we choose for our Lenten activity, the grace we should pray for is “Living in the Present,” with all its possibilities and opportunities. Below are some suggested websites to help you. (You can also access them from our parish website [www.saintmargaret.com] by clicking on the Lenten banner.) ~ *Fr. Jim*

DynamicCatholic.com/40days

Loyola Press Lent

LPI/Lenten Reflections

Creighton University Lent

PARISH EVENTS This Week

Monday March 11

9:30 am Women’s Bible Sharing.....Rm 207

Tuesday, March 12

Office Closed 9-4 ~ Staff Retreat

7 pm Chosen IAuditorium

Ash Wednesday, March 13

6:30 pm C of F Lvl 4.....Church/Auditorium

Thursday, March 14

7 pm Chosen IIAuditorium

7:30 pm Finance Mtg.....Rm 207

Friday, March 15

4:30 & 6:30pm Communion Meditation #1 ...Auditorium

Saturday March 16

9:30-4 CGS Lvl II Training.....Rm 207

9:30 am Children’s Chorus.....Rm 105

Sunday March 17

11 am Hospitality Sunday.....Auditorium

**The Parish Center Office will be closed from
10AM-4PM on Tuesday, March 12th
for Staff Retreat.**

Thank You ~ Blood Drive Success!

Our parish blood drive was again successful in collecting:
69 pints of blood! You have kindly donated your Blood so that someone else might be given a chance at life. Thank you all for your unselfish gesture! To all the volunteers who helped us to make this day a success, thank you for your time & smiles!

Your Blood Drive Chairman — *Joseph G. Callari*



Eucharistic Adoration

Take my life, my moments and my days

Let them flow in endless praise.

Open my eyes, open my heart and let it be

*That Your will be done through my Lenten
journey*

*“Spend as much time as possible in front of
the Blessed Sacrament and He will fill you
with His strength and His power” –*

Mother Teresa



Monday, March 18th @ 7:30 P.M.

Guidelines for Fasting & Abstinence

In keeping with the spirit of penance, Catholics are asked to observe the following practices:

Good Friday is a day of fast* and abstinence**

All Fridays of Lent are days of abstinence**

***Fasting:** All between the ages of 18 and 59 may eat only one full meal & two small meals on these days (no snacks).

****Abstinence:** All from the age of seven onwards abstain from meat on these days.

Illness always exempts people from these requirements.

Faith Formation

CATECHESIS OF THE FAMILY

GRADE 4 ~ WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13TH
6:30 PM - AUDITORIUM

BECOMING A CATECHIST

OR ASSISTANT

St. Margaret's is in need of catechists & assistants on all levels. **Faith Formation needs parents, grandparents and parishioners to share their faith.** Everyone has a faith story to share and our families want to hear yours. Please pray over this invitation & call

Jackie Mirenda. 631-732-3131 X 131
JMIRENDA@SAINTMARGARET.COM.



Vacation Bible School

Due to the construction on the parish property, VBS will be cancelled for the summer of 2019. See you in 2020!



CHILDREN'S CHORUS

Come and sing! Rehearsals for our Children's Chorus in the Parish Center on Saturdays from 9:30 to 10:45AM. All boys and girls (from 2nd grade and above) are invited to come and sing. Please contact Ms. Joanne at 631-698-1597 or comatwins@optonline.net.



Parenting Tips & Videos

Go to DRVC.ORG/FAITH FORMATION/PARENTING AND FAMILY LIFE for up-to-date ideas, activities, reflections and advice.



Parish Social Ministry

OUR PANTRY SHELVES ARE OUT OF OR LOW ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

BEEF STEW, JUICE & JUICE BOXES, & COOKIES Thank You!

OUR THRIFT SHOP ~ IS OPEN!

Come visit, shop, and say hello! Our hours are
Tuesday & Thursday - 10 - 2 & Saturday 10 - 1.

Please do NOT leave bags for Thrift Shop out in inclement weather or over the weekend. Use bin to the right of the shop. We are unable to accept any furniture. Thank you!



HAVE YOU TRAVELED LATELY?

Our parish prepares wash-up kits for the homeless and could use donations of **small travel toiletry items ~ shampoo, conditioner, body wash & lotion**. Many Thanks!



MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Cards are available in our *Outreach* office, if you would like to make a donation in memory of a loved one. For more info, visit or call the Parish Center at 732-3131 x119.



Helpful Phone Numbers

- Domestic Violence 1-800-799-SAFE & 631-666-8833
- Post Abortion Counseling - days 722-4355
- Project Rachel - evenings 242-0907 or 1800-456-HOPE
- Crisis Pregnancy/Counseling 243-2373
- 24 hr State Child Abuse 1-800-342-3720
- Baby Safe Haven Hot Line 1-877-796-HOPE
- Depression after Delivery 1-800-944-4PPD
- The Life Center 243-2373
- Drug Hotline 1-800-522-5353
- Suicide Prevention 1-800-639-5433

Liturgical Ministry Training

One of the most important fruits of the Vatican Council (1962-1965) was the desire of the Bishops from around the world for more active participation on the part of the congregation at Mass. This began by having the Mass translated into local languages. Building on that, various ministries were revived or created to allow men and women to use their gifts to strengthen the local parish. Readers of the Scriptures (Lectors) and Ministers to assist with Holy Communion have enriched our worship here at St. Margaret over the years.

Longtime or new parishioners are invited to prayerfully consider this opportunity to become part of these wonderful ministries. It would be a wonderful way to thank the Lord for his blessings!



Training sessions will be offered in March, April and May for

**Lectors and
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion**
at Parish Masses

Training for both Ministries:

Wednesday 7pm – 10pm *[April 3 in Baldwin]*
Thursday 7pm – 10pm *[May 23 in Melville]*

Additional training for Ministers of Holy Communion to hospital/homebound only:

A new program has been established.
Please call Fr. Jim for more information.



**If you are interested, please write to Fr. Jim
at least two weeks before the date of the session
that you are interested in attending**

describing why you feel called to one of these ministries.

Emails to jwood@saintmargaret.com are welcome, too.

If you would like more information, please call Fr. Jim (732-3131 x 111)
or email to the address above.



The Catholic Faith Network (CFN) - is at the service of the Word, the Church, the Bishops and the Encounter of Faith and Culture. Our mission is to proclaim the teachings of our Lord to the Catholic Community and beyond using media in all forms. (CFN) is available on Optimum channel 29/137, Verizon FiOS TV channel 296, and Charter Spectrum channel 162/471 throughout the New York, New Jersey, and Connecticut area. The Catholic Faith Network (CFN) is also available on selected cable and satellite systems nationwide, along with a vast on-demand library of original programming and a high quality 24/7 live stream

*Your gifts make a difference
in the lives of others!*

Donor Name: _____
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 Parish: _____
 Email: _____

Please make checks payable to:
Catholic Ministries Appeal

I/We agree to make a gift of:

- \$500 \$250 \$100 \$50 \$25
 Other \$ _____

Pledge Total \$ _____ Initial Payment \$ _____
 Balance \$ _____

Charge your credit card:

- Mastercard Visa American Express Discover

Account # _____

Exp. Date: ____ / ____ Total Amount: _____

Phone # _____

Signature: _____

If you wish to make monthly deductions via your credit card, please call 516-678-5800 ext. 296 to verify how many months are remaining.

When you provide any information to the Catholic Ministries Appeal, we maintain the confidentiality of such information and use it only to serve you better.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

100% of All Funds Raised are Restricted to Support the Ministries of the Catholic Ministries Appeal.

The Catholic Ministries Appeal is conducted on a calendar-year basis. Amounts received under the Appeal are time-restricted for the most fiscal year. Please visit our web site for a listing of the ministries supported by the Appeal www.drvc.org/CMA.

**Donations can be dropped off
at the Parish Office**

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DIOCESE OF ROCKVILLE CENTRE



Witnessing Forgiving Loving Helping Teaching Igniting Evangelizing
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Supporting *Dramatic Missionary Growth* in Our Community

HIGHLIGHTS OF PEOPLE SERVED IN 2017

Living and Sharing our Faith

Baptisms: 11,823 Confirmations: 11,668 First Eucharist: 11,445 Marriages: 2,177
 Children and Youth in Faith Formation: 88,573 Volunteer Catechists: 10,000

Vocations

Seminarians: 23 Diaconate Candidates: 26

Education

Diocesan Elementary and High Schools: 14,591

School of Missionary Disciples: 200

Caring for God's People

Parish Outreach Program: 100,000

Hospital Ministry: 200,000

Respect Life: 132,607 in 32 initiatives

Catholic Charities

Housing: senior, physical disability and pastoral care: 4,042

Mental Health Outpatient Services: 1,895

Senior Services: 3,995

Food and Nutrition Services: 17,087

Disaster Response: 153

Parish Social Ministry 1,617

Building God's Kingdom

Campus Ministry: 3,500 a month

Youth Ministry: 5,800

Young Adult Ministry: 3,500 a month

Hispanic Ministry: 250,000

Catholics of African Ancestry: 25,000



St. Margaret of Scotland Parish Retreat

A Time of Grace

Presented by Michael Sullivan, O.S.A.

March 25 - 27, 2019

7:30-9:00 PM



Join us as Father Sullivan offers dynamic and engaging reflections that will renew your heart this Lent. Confessions will be available on Monday evening of the retreat. Wednesday evening includes Benediction. A free will offering will be taken on the final night. All are invited.

Bring a friend.

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FREE Benefits & Resources Event for Veterans

Save the date ~ Saturday, **April 27** from 9-1. The LI State Veterans Home is holding a free info and screening event along with answers on numerous topics. Go to www.listateveteranshome.org or call 631-444-8606.



Stony Brook University Grounds
100 Patriots Road, Stony Brook, NY

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

St. Mary's Parish on Main St. in East Islip will offer a 8 week support for adults who are coping with the death of a loved one. Registration required ~ group begins on **Tuesday, March 12th** from 7-9 PM. Refreshments will be served. For info/register, call 631-581-4266 x100. *Please note that in order to participate, the loss must have occurred prior to 12/12/18.*

Molloy College Open House

Spring Open House will be held on Sunday, **April 7th** at 1 PM. Located at 1000 Hempstead Ave., Rockville Center. For info call 516-323-4000.

Family Center ~ Town of Brookhaven

Family Support free of charge ~ Middle Country Library
Referrals to Community Agencies, Health & Social, Child Care, Immigration & Residency, English Second Language, Food, Clothing & Utility Assistance, programs for Parents & Children & more. To schedule an appointment or confidential message ~ 631-585-9393 x290 or email FAMILYCENTER@MCPL.LIB.NY.US.



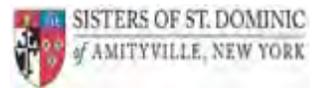
Tax Statements

Call the Parish Center if you would like your 2018 tax statement at 732-3131 x133. Please leave a clear message with your name, address and if you know your envelope number which is located under the DATE. Thank you.

Calling All Alumni!

Did you attend: All Saints High School (Brooklyn, NY) Bishop McDonnell High School (Brooklyn, NY) Dominican Commercial High School (Jamaica, NY) Maria Regina Diocesan High School (Uniondale, NY) Queen of the Rosary Academy (Amityville, NY) St. Agnes Academic High School (College Point, NY) St. Agnes High School (Rockville Centre, NY) St. Albert's High School (Brooklyn, NY) St. John the Baptist Diocesan High School (West Islip, NY) St. Joseph's Mountain School (Monticello, NY) St. Michael's High School (Brooklyn, NY) St. Nicholas High School (Brooklyn, NY) ?

If so, then we're looking for you! The Sisters of St. Dominic would like to invite you to an alumni gathering on Sunday, April 7th from 2 -5PM at the Motherhouse in Amityville. Join classmates for a meet & greet with some of the Sisters who taught at your alma mater, tour the Motherhouse grounds, and gather for prayer at St. Albert's Chapel. Tickets are \$25 PP in advance (\$30 day of event). Proceeds will support the mission of the Sisters. For more info, call: 631.842.6000 ext.246 or advancement@amityop.org. We hope you will join us!



SCPD Police Exam is scheduled for **June 15th, 2019**. Be sure to note that the registration deadline for this exam is **April 3rd, 2019**. This exam is given only once every **4** years.



English and Spanish recruitment flyers and registration forms for the exam can be found at www.JoinSCPD.com

Minimum Requirements

Age-Minimum age: 19 years on the date of the written exam to be eligible for appointment. • Maximum age: 34 years on the date of the written exam. **Education**-Graduation from a standard senior high school or possession of a high school equivalency diploma recognized by the New York State Department of Education, by the date of appointment. **(No college required for appointment)**. **License Requirement** - Possession of a valid New York State operator's or chauffeur's license at the time of appointment. **Written Examination** - Candidates who attain a reachable passing grade will have to pass the following qualifying tests and evaluations: Medical, Personality Assessment (Psychological), Polygraph, Extensive Background Check & Physical Fitness Screening. **Citizenship & Residency**-Candidate must be a NY State resident and a US citizen at time of appointment.



PAINT & WINE* FUNDRAISER

Sunday, March 10th ~ 2 - 4 pm

Registration required by March 6th ~ limited seats.

Artist/Instructor: April Keough

As a Cenacle calligrapher, April will share her enjoyment of painting while inspiring others to express their creative artistic talent. Offering: \$40. Includes the \$20 non-refundable/non-transferable deposit and materials to paint two wine glasses!



***Bring your own beverage!**

To Register please call 631-588-8366 x116 or go www.cenaclesisters.org/ronkonkoma
Cenacle Rd., Ronkonkoma, NY

Job Opportunities at Catholic Charities

For a full list of jobs f/t and p/t- CATHOLICCHARITIES.CC/JOBS. Respond by mail, email, or fax. The website will assist you.

Campaign Catch Up



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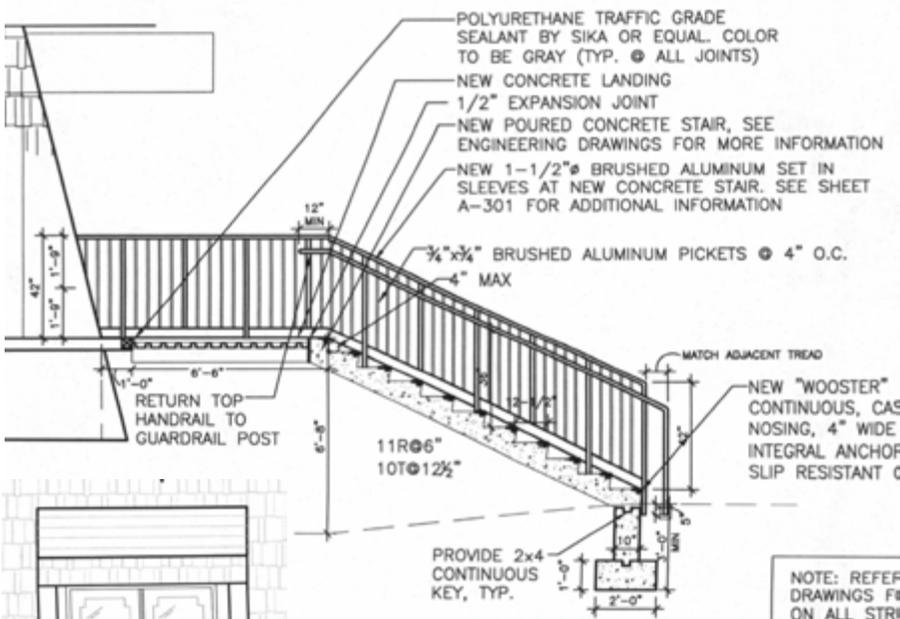
Total Pledged: \$856,209



Handrails Schedule: by end of March

Architect approved shop plans. Fabricator says work to be finished by end of month.

entrance bridge so that the full job can begin after Communion, Confirmation and weddings this



Projects in our pipeline:
 ① Work on the church side entrances,
 only awaiting the railings to allow us to reopen the side entrances.
 ② Initial work done on the main

spring (a defrosting system has been built into all three to minimize any icing).
 ③ Architect has made first visit to take specs for blueprints for the auditorium restrooms and design an ADA compliant restroom and bring the kitchen up to code. We hope to see this work done this summer.
 ④ Contract signed for the conversion of the Parish Center heating system to gas. To be done after PSE&G installs a gas line.

Proposed Schedule of Work

Funded	PHASE I	Fall 2018
	Approximate Cost: \$450,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Replace the Church Entrance Bridge and Side Stairways ● Mandated Removal of the oil tank in the Parish Center and replace the Boiler ● Update the Kitchen in the Auditorium
Pledged	PHASE II	Fall 2019
	Approximate Cost: \$290,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Update Auditorium Bathrooms and Replace Parish Center's Handicapped lift ● Add Handicapped Parking spaces and Re-coat & re-stripe the Parking lot ● Install new padding on the kneelers
Unfunded	PHASE III	Fall 2020
	Approximate Cost: \$210,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Update Fire and Security Alarm systems in the Church and Parish Center ● Replace the Sidewalks ● Replace the Windows in the Parish Center