

ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service



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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)

St. Margaret's Parish Celebrates Confirmation & First Holy Communion

1st Communion

May 5 & May 19



Confirmation

May 14th

*Please keep the children
in your prayers.*

May 5, 2019

Phone: (631) 732-3131

Parish Center Office Hours

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

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Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

The way of the Kingdom bears little resemblance to the way of the law. In today's First Reading, the religious leaders of the Sanhedrin have the apostles before them. This is not their first post-Easter run-in, which is evident by the remarks of the high priest: "We gave you strict orders, did we not, to stop teaching in that name?" Once again, the law people are at a total loss to comprehend the Kingdom people. Peter patiently explains, "We must obey God rather than mortals." The religious leaders seem to expect that the apostles would do as they're told! They seem to believe that they can command a person's soul by simply giving an order.

The differences between the way of the Kingdom and the way of the law also show up in the post-Resurrection appearances of Jesus. If Jesus were a proponent of lawful living, he would have had a few well-chosen words of correction to administer to his followers, who had failed in their allegiances all across the board. But instead, Jesus does what love longs to do: He comforts Mary in the garden, offers peace to his friends huddled in the upper room, and goes out of his way to include Thomas, who had excluded himself. In today's Gospel, he makes breakfast for his friends when they haven't been able to catch a bite all night. And when Jesus speaks privately to Peter, who is haunted by mortification since his denial, the words are only about love. He doesn't ask Peter for an apology, a pledge of allegiance, or a testimony of faith. Jesus simply asks, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Jesus trusts that if he has Peter's love, all the rest will be added besides. Jesus commissions him to serve. Evidently, no special skills are required beyond love. ~ *Fr. Jim*

PARISH EVENTS This Week

Monday May 6

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

Tuesday, May 7

7 pm Chosen I.....Church

7:30 pm K of C.....Rm 207

Wednesday, May 8

6:30 pm Level 4 C of F.....Church & Auditorium

7 pm Risk Management.....Rm 206

Thursday, May 9

7 pm Chosen II.....Church

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

Friday, May 10

7 pm PBJ Ministry.....Auditorium

Saturday, May 11

9:30 am Children's Choir.....Rm 105

5 pm Mass ~ May Crowning

Sunday, May 12

Mother's Day

Mother's Day May Crowning

Our May Crowning will be on

Saturday, May 11th at the 5 PM Mass

to honor our Blessed Mother. Her statue will remain in the sanctuary throughout our Sunday Masses on May 12th. Let us thank God for the gift of such a loving Mother.



THANK YOU!



The days of Holy Week are unique in the Church Year: many different services expressing different thoughts and feelings that offer us insights into God's work of salvation. But for them to happen, many people had to offer their talents and help. So, before more time passes, there are the people we want to thank:

- all the liturgical ministers: who served at the altar and had to learn extra and different tasks; who read the scriptures; who led and supported us in song and who "danced before the Lord"; who offered the gift of Holy Communion or who welcomed and greeted all who came to our church;
- the planners, the cleaners, the shoppers, the decorators, the sacristans and set-up people; to all who made our Church so beautiful throughout the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter) and who transformed our Auditorium to a worthy place of worship for Easter Sunday Masses;
- the parishioners who said "yes" to being part of the unique rituals on Holy Thursday, and those who stayed to spend time at the Repository.
- the volunteers who prepared and served our "after Vigil" refreshments;
- the members of the AOH who helped our Ushers with the double Masses on Easter morning;
- lastly, thanks to all who brought a great Easter spirit to our Masses through your prayer and singing.

In addition, Fr. Jim and Fr. Paul say a big *Thank You* for all the thoughtful Easter "goodies" and cards that they received!

Our Lady of the Island Shrine

Our Lady of Fatima Day will be held on Monday, May 13th beginning at 10 AM with a Rosary Procession, followed by Mass, Lunch, Conference ~ ending at 3 PM with Holy Hour.

258 Eastport Manor Rd. in Manorville. For info call 325-0661 / shrineoffice@optonline.net



Faith Formation

CATECHESIS OF THE FAMILY

GRADE 4 ~ WEDNESDAY, MAY 8TH
6:30 PM - AUDITORIUM

Vacation Bible School

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



Parenting Tips & Videos

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



Please Pray for our
Confirmation Candidates
as they prepare for the **Sacrament**
on **May 14th**



And
Our First Communion
Children



May 5th & May 19th,
their special days.

Parish Social Ministry

PEANUT BUTTER & JELLY MINISTRY

Our Peanut Butter & Jelly Ministry makes sandwiches for the homeless once a month on Friday evenings. Volunteers of many ages spend an hour making & packaging the sandwiches to be distributed. We can always use more help. Come & have a fellowship night! **Please note-you must wear a baseball cap, hat or supplied hair net.** Mark your calendar - 7 pm ~ **May 10TH AND JUNE 7TH**



Our Outreach is in need of grocery bags! Please be sure they are regular size (no small newspaper size) and sturdy. Paper or plastic is ok.
Your help is greatly appreciated!

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!



THRIFT SHOP

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

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

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



Our Parish Celebrates First Communion

Sunday
May 5th ~ 10 AM & 12 PM
May 19th ~ 10 AM & 12 PM

May 5th ~ 10 am

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|-------------|----------------|
| Gea A | Declan M. |
| Sienna A. | Christopher M. |
| Emma A. | Payton M. |
| Milania B. | Chloe N. |
| Jacob C. | Olivia N. |
| Gabriel C. | Sophie P. |
| Dylan D. | Nicolas P. |
| Giuliana E. | Emily P. |
| Krysalee K. | Nadia S. |
| Aiden K. | |



May 5th ~ 12 pm

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| James A. | Zachary M. |
| Sophia C. | Sean M. |
| Tyler E. | Aiden P. |
| Laura F. | Ashley P. |
| Gianna G. | Gabriella P. |
| Anthony H. | Anthony P. |
| Giada J. | Giovanni V. |
| Cora K. | Spencer Y. |
| Cristina K. | |

Becoming a Catholic Christian~ RCIA

Do you know a friend or family member who has expressed a desire to learn more about the Catholic faith? Is there someone who has mentioned to you that they are thinking about becoming a Catholic and does not know how to proceed? Are **you** someone who is reading this yourself and would like to learn more about the Catholic faith? If the answer to any of these questions is "Yes," then you are invited to continue your exploration with the members of our RCIA team. RCIA stands for **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults.**

The first stage is called "Inquiry," a time to ask questions and receive answers without any pressure to make a decision. The goal is to help adults move toward a commitment to the Lord and full participation in the Catholic community at their pace. It is meant specifically for adults who are seeking Baptism, or those who have been baptized but have not received Confirmation or Eucharist. For more information, please call the Parish Center (631-732-3131 x 133).



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

St. Margaret's Website

*Keep up to date with all our activities, info & bulletins. Go check it out & make it a favorite! **SAINTMARGARET.COM***

Sunday, May 05, 2019

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

The goal doesn't change

Common wisdom says everything we need to know about life, we heard in kindergarten. Basic principles like being kind to everyone, sharing what we have, including with the new kid, saying please and thank you—these don't lose their value as we and the kids around us get older. In a similar way, the demands of discipleship don't change the longer we travel the road with Jesus. The first thing Jesus says to newcomers is "follow me." One of the last conversations the Risen Lord has with Peter includes the words "follow me." To get where Jesus is going, keep following.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41; Revelation 5:11-14; John 21:1-19 (48). *"And when Jesus had said this, he said to Peter, 'Follow me.'"*

Monday, May 06, 2019

EASTER WEEKDAY

Here's your cue

The great thing about the gospel stories is that they show the all-too-human way in which folks scurry after Jesus in the wake of a really big miracle like his multiplying of the loaves and fishes or walking on water. In doing so they hold a mirror up to us. Sure, we care about his message, but most of us also like having a friend in high places to answer our calls! Here's the thing, though: Jesus isn't looking for a fan club or stardom; he wants us to pay attention to his gospel and respond to his call. He wants us to get to work, not wait for a show. Are we ready to take the stage ourselves and play a role?

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 6:8-15; John 6:22-29 (273). *"When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they . . . came to Capernaum looking for Jesus."*

Tuesday, May 07, 2019

EASTER WEEKDAY

Do you see clearly?

Early in the 20th century quantum physicists discovered a mysterious phenomenon they called the "disturbing observer." They had learned that merely *observing* a quantum particle changes it in unpredictable ways. As a result, scientists have had to develop elaborate methods for their experiments to compensate for the changes their observations cause. What is true at the quantum level of reality holds true at the visible level as well, only the effects are much more subtle. In other words, your attitude toward a person or event has an unpredictable effect on what you perceive. Today, be aware that what you observe is partly of your own making. Are you judging or loving?

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 7:51-8:1a; John 6:30-35 (274). *"What sign can you do, that we may see and believe in you?"*

Wednesday, May 08, 2019

MEMORIAL OF TERESA DEMJANOVICH

Quiet faith, big impact

Living a brief, obscure life has never been a barrier to sainthood. Such was the destiny of today's memorial saint: Blessed Teresa Demjanovich, born in Bayonne, New Jersey in 1901. She earned a college degree (unusual for women then) and soon after became a nun. Two years later, at age 27, she died of complications following a surgery. Today scholars recognize that

she latched onto the idea of the universal call to holiness decades before the church emphasized the concept in Vatican II. Do you prefer holiness that is spectacular? If so, challenge yourself to also seek faithfulness in the hidden corners, as did Blessed Teresa.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 8:1b-8; John 6:35-40 (275). *"For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life."*

Thursday, May 09, 2019

EASTER WEEKDAY

Ask and you shall receive

Often in life you can use a mentor: someone wiser and more experienced to show you the ropes. A couple married longer than you knows a little something about getting past the rough spots. A retired colleague can share a few tricks about problem-solving at the office. In a story from the Acts of the Apostles, an Ethiopian eunuch was clearly on a faith journey: not a Jew, yet traveling to Jerusalem to worship and read Hebrew prophecy. He'd done all the prep work for faith: walking the walk, doing his homework. Now all he needed was a guide. Cue Philip. As the saying goes: "The teacher appears when the student is ready." Need a mentor? Prepare to receive one!

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 8:26-40; John 6:44-51 (276). *"He replied, 'How can I, unless someone instructs me?'"*

Friday, May 10, 2019

MEMORIAL OF DAMIEN DE VEUSTER, PRIEST

Take it to the limit

How far would you go for God? Father Damien de Veuster went all the way from his native Belgium to minister in Hawaii. He went all the way to the margins of society to care for the bodies and souls of lepers in a quarantined colony there. He went all the way to living in solidarity with them—tending their wounds and eating with them from his hands—and contracted leprosy himself. When he died in 1889, news of his death went all the way around the world via telegraph and steamship. Be inspired by this saint to take the next steps in your service to the mission of Christ.

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 9:1-20; John 6:52-59 (277). *"Whoever eats my Flesh and drinks my Blood has eternal life."*

Saturday, May 11, 2019

EASTER WEEKDAY

When the rubber hits the road

"The Christian ideal has not been tried and found wanting; it has been found difficult and left untried," wrote British author G.K. Chesterton. The gospel teachings are indeed challenging; they go against the grain, especially in a culture that encourages us to focus on a different "trinity"—the self-absorbed trinity of Me, Myself, and I. Jesus challenged us to look beyond our own needs (which God is fully aware of in any case) and respond to the needs of those around us. Many walked the other way when they heard this message. But others stayed. Will you stay or will you go?

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 9:31-42; John 6:60-69 (278). *"Many of Jesus' disciples who were listening said, 'This saying is hard; who can accept it?'"*

Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time



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Family Prayer Service of the Lord's Supper





CATHOLICMOM
MOMENTS OF FAITH AND FAMILY

SUNDAY GOSPEL ACTIVITIES

Third Sunday of Easter

John 21:1-19

Name: _____



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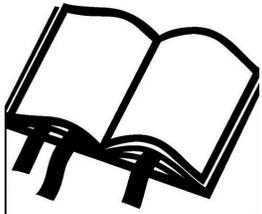
Liturgical Ministry Training

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 May for

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



Training for both Ministries:

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.

Bereavement

He is Risen! Easter Blessings from Good Shepherd Hospice located on the campus of St. Charles Hospital in Port Jefferson.

We are here for you -- ready to serve patients and their families. Our dedicated inpatient center will allow us to provide specialized care for patients whose symptoms and medical needs cannot be managed in a home setting.

**For more information about Good Shepherd Hospice,
please call 631-465-6350.**

**To refer a patient to Good Shepherd Hospice,
please call 631-465-6363.**

Visit our website GOODSHEPHERDHOSPICE.CHSLI.ORG/ to learn more.



CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS



THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE ISLAND, MANORVILLE.

May 11th ~ 10 am-4 pm.

Fr. Chrisphter Heanue & Fr. Lachlan Cameron. Registration-

[HTTPS://CONTA.CC/2JPLZ4B.](https://conta.cc/2JPLZ4B)

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Catholic Charities ~ TALBOT HOUSE

Are you or someone you know having family or interpersonal problems due to drinking ALCOHOL and/or using DRUGS?

CATHOLIC CHARITIES /Talbot House, a Chemical Dependence Crisis Center, located in Bohemia, provides withdrawal & stabilization services on a voluntary basis to males & females over the age of 18, who are seeking to stop and/or withdraw from alcohol and/or drug use. The medical & clinical staff at Talbot House will assess the kind of care the person needs to begin their journey in recovery. For more info, call confidentially 631-589-4144. Talbot House staff is available 24/7.

Talbot House is a "NO fee for service" program.

Town of Brookhaven Housing Meeting

Residents are encouraged to attend this Fair Housing meeting as citizen participation is the best way to help identify affordable housing needs that help shape housing for our community. Tuesday, **May 7th** from 6-8 PM at the Mastic Moriches Shirley Community Library, 407 William Floyd Pky., Shirley. For more info call the Dept. of Housing & Human Services at 631-451-6600.

Employment @ Catholic Cemeteries

Cemetery Seasonal Staff from April-October, 4 days / 7 hours a day. General landscaping, assist concrete work, able to lift 50 lbs., be able to understand oral and written communications plus numerous other duties. Located in Westbury and Coram. For more information



<http://www.holyroodcemetery.org/career-opportunities.html>

Career Opportunities at DDI

DDI, Developmental Disabilities Institute, is looking for people to be part of a team of over 1800 who play a crucial role in the everyday lives of children & adults with developmental disabilities. Training, placement, 403B Retirement plan, tuition reimbursement and so much more. Go to DDINY.ORG for info & to apply.

Free Job Readiness Program

Have you struggled finding a job in today's market? Learn the proven fundamentals that will get you noticed and hired. **3 free** classes by John Coverdale on **5/16, 23, & 30** from 5:30-8:30 PM. Brookhaven Town Hall ~ 1 Independence Hill. Farmingville. Call to register for your place at 631-451-6563. Preference to Veterans.

PGA Championship ~ Help Wanted

HR Connections is hiring 250 people for parking attendants at the PGA Tournament in Bethpage from May 13-19. You **MUST** work every day. Approx. 8 hr. shifts @ \$12 an hr. For more info call 812-491-6171.

Free Counseling at Hope House

In the age of high cost health insurance, Hope House Ministries in Port Jefferson offers free individual, couple, family and group counseling services by licensed professionals & interns. We also offer psychiatric evaluations for medication. In addition, Sr. Mary Ann Bazata, S.S. N. D. offers free spiritual direction. If interested, please call 928-2377.

Envelopes do Help

A special thank you to the parishioners who have been using envelopes. Please remember that the parish is not able to record your donation for tax purposes unless it is in an envelope. Use of envelopes helps us when asked to sign forms attesting to eligibility to serve as a sacramental sponsor, determine Faith Formation parish support, as well as Catholic school subsidy for individual families. **Please do not use staples or scotch tape.** Thank you!

Campaign Catch Up



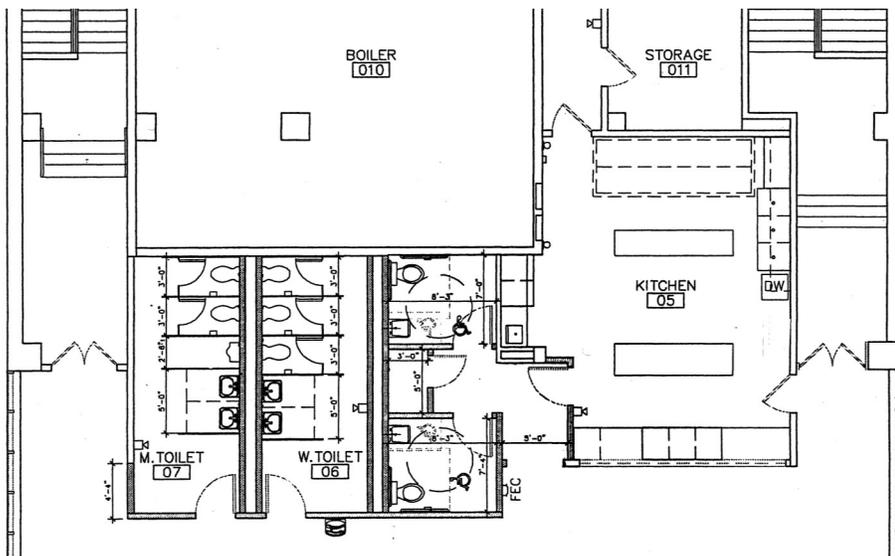
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Total Pledged: \$856,209



Side Steps & Auditorium Info



Unfortunately, the railings delivered were badly made and imperfect in design. The fabricator would not do what we demanded, so we did not pay him and asked another company, who gave us a sample before we made the deal. He knows our needs and will deliver them as soon as possible.

As reported, the planning for the update of the Auditorium is well under way. It is our plan that the work be done this summer while the entrance bridge is replaced.

The rest rooms will be

enlarged to accommodate the widening of the stalls for “adult sized” bodies. Two ADA compliant restrooms will be added for the convenience of those in wheelchairs or walkers.

A new hood will permit the re-installment of our long stored stove. Other improvements will allow for preparing food for our parish celebrations. A new hot water heater and dishwasher will make cleaning up easier.

Under-counter refrigeration and a freezer will make it easier to access food needed for an event. New lighting will brighten the kitchen area. We are looking to address the electric needs of the kitchen and auditorium for coffee urns.

Proposed Schedule of Work

PHASE I **Fall 2018**

Approximate Cost: \$450,000

- 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

PHASE II **Fall 2019**

Approximate Cost: \$290,000

- 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

PHASE III **Fall 2020**

Approximate Cost: \$210,000

- Update Fire and Security Alarm systems in the Church and Parish Center
- Replace the Sidewalks
- Replace the Windows in the Parish Center

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