

# ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

*Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service*



## **Pastoral Staff**

Rev. James Wood - Pastor x111

Rev. Paul Butler - Pastoral Vicar x118

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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)

## **WELCOME**

*No matter what your present status in the Catholic Church,*

*No matter what your current family or marital status,*

*No matter what your past or present religious affiliation,*

*No matter what your personal history, background, race etc,*

*No matter what your own self-image or esteem,*

*You are Invited, Welcomed, Accepted, Loved & Respected at*

**St. Margaret of Scotland Parish**



## September 8, 2019

**Phone: (631) 732-3131**

### **Parish Center Summer Office Hours**

<i>Open for Walk-In Business</i>	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Mon., Weds., Thurs.	9 <sup>am</sup> - 1 <sup>pm</sup>	2 - 4 <sup>pm</sup>	
Tuesday	9 <sup>am</sup> - 1 <sup>pm</sup>	2 - 4 <sup>pm</sup>	7 - 8 <sup>pm</sup>
Friday	Closed		
Saturday	Closed		
Sunday	Closed		

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*Dear Parishioners and Visitors,*

Due to the ransomware attack on our computers early in August, one of the people from the 20<sup>th</sup> century whose lives invite us to look at our faith in broader ways could not be printed. Here it is, a month later and the last of the series. – *Fr. Jim*

**Oskar Schindler**      *“Righteous Gentile” (1908–1974)*

Among the heroes of the Holocaust, the German industrialist Oskar Schindler cuts a curious figure. Not a man of evident faith or even conventional virtue, he was in fact an opportunist, a philanderer, a member of the Nazi Party who made a fortune employing Jewish slave labor in occupied Poland. But at some point his moral compass shifted. His factory became a haven; the rescue and preservation of “his Jews” became, in fact, his only real business.

To this end he used his considerable wiles, desperately widening the tenuous circle of life. The personal dangers he faced only emboldened him in his audacious mission. As the Jewish population in Poland was steadily decimated, Schindler transferred his entire workforce of 1,100 to Czechoslovakia. The factory was a con game. Though guarded by SS troops and run with apparent efficiency, it produced nothing. Schindler spent his entire fortune to keep the operation running until May 1945 when the war ended. He shamed the guards into disobeying their orders to exterminate the surviving workers.

No one, least of all “Schindler’s Jews,” doubts that what he did was good. But why did he do it? His Catholic upbringing supplies no clear explanation. He lived out his life in obscurity. But as his story became known he was inducted into the list of Righteous Gentiles. After his death in 1974 he was buried, by his request, in Jerusalem.

*“He who saves one life saves the entire world.”*

—Words from the Talmud, inscribed in a gold ring presented to Schindler by his Jewish workers.

**PARISH EVENTS This Week**

**Monday September 9**

9:30 am Women’s Bible Sharing.....Rm 207  
6pm Lvl 1,2,3 & CGS Lvl II –Think First Stay Safe.....Audit

**Tuesday September 10**

No Activities Scheduled

**Wednesday, September 11**

6pm C of F Level 4

**Thursday, September 12**

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

**Friday, September 13**

No Activities Scheduled

**Saturday September 14**

9:30 am Children’s Choir.....Rm 105

**Sunday September 15**

Catechetical Sunday

Please join us in giving thanks and celebrating



**Deacon Biagio’s**

**40<sup>th</sup> Diaconate Anniversary**

**Sunday, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**at 12 PM Mass**

**Hospitality to Follow after Mass**

**\*\*RSVP by: September 13<sup>th</sup>\*\***

*Leave a message with first & last name & number  
of guests attending. 631-732-3131 x133*

**SAVE THE DATE! SAVE THE DATE!**

All liturgical ministers are invited to a gathering of fellowship and renewal.

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30 ~ 3:00 PM or 7:30 PM**



**St. Pius X  
Enriched Living Facility**

*Caring for those who cared for us*

**On Sept. 21/22, we will have our special 2<sup>nd</sup> collection for the retired priests of our Diocese who reside at St. Pius X Enriched Living Facility in Amityville.**

Even in retirement our senior priests retain roles as our shepherds, and St. Pius X enables these dedicated men who live there to be fully engaged members of the community. “Still on duty,” they serve as our teachers, counselors and spiritual leaders.

The facility accommodates our retired priests who require assistance with daily living, while still allowing them to serve as active, fully engaged members of the community. It also is a place for our priests to go on a temporary basis as they recover from illness or other injury.

You may use your envelope to place this donation in the mail or drop in the collection basket next weekend, **September 21/22.**

## Faith Formation

### REGISTRATION DEADLINE HAS PASSED

**IF YOU HAVE NOT REGISTERED YOUR CHILD/ CHILDREN, PLEASE COME IN NOW AS CLASSES HAVE BEEN COMPLETED.**



Any questions, please contact Jackie at Faith Formation office at 631-732-3131 x131.

### Lower Grades First Class

**Monday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>** –Grades 1,2,3 which includes Catechesis of the Family I and CGS II –**First class** ~ auditorium 6-7:30 PM. *Parents are welcome to stay but not required. Parent packets will be given out at this time.*

### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd



There are still a few openings in the 4/5 year old program on Tuesdays at 4:30.

If interested in this program for your child, please contact Jackie Mirenda, Faith Formation Coordinator, at 631-731-3131 x131 or [JMIRENDA@SAINTMARGARET.COM](mailto:JMIRENDA@SAINTMARGARET.COM).

### Catechist Meeting

**Thursday, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>** -Confirmation I and II Catechist meeting 7PM auditorium

## FAITH FORMATION UPCOMING DATES ~ Classes Begins the week of September 16<sup>th</sup>

**Monday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>** - Think First Stay Safe ~ Lvl. 1,2,3 & CGS Lvl. 2 @ 6 PM

**Wednesday, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>** – Lvl 4 Catechesis of the Family @ 6 PM

**Monday, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>**—Lvl 1 Catechesis of the Family ~ Parent & Child @ 6 PM

**Wednesday, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>** - Lvl 5 Catechesis of the Family @ 6 PM

**Tuesday Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>** -Confirmation II (Second year) Parent/Child first meeting @ 7PM

**Thursday, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>** -Confirmation I -(First year) Parent/Child first meeting @ 7PM

## Parish Social Ministry

**SUMMER  
CLEARANCE  
SALE**

### THRIFT SHOP

Tues. & Thurs. 9:30 -12:30 (Closed Saturdays for the summer)

*Come Visit & Shop!*

*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!*

### OUR PANTRY SHELVES ARE LOW ON THE FOLLOWING ITEMS

**HEARTY SOUPS, BEEF STEW, COOKIES, PASTA SAUCE, SMALL APPLE SAUCE, SMALL JELLY, LAUNDRY DETERGENT, SHAMPOO & ADULT TOOTHBRUSHES & TOOTHPASTE. Thank You!**



**Peanut Butter & Jelly Ministry  
will begin on Friday,  
Oct. 4<sup>th</sup> @ 7 PM.**

**Thank you** to all who contributed to our grocery bag collection. Everyone was so generous that we have enough bags to hold us for many months!!

### 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 re-vised 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 this Fall for

### Lectors and Extraordinary Ministers of Communion

#### Training for both Ministries:

Sept. 21 (Sat.)	St. Christopher, Baldwin	(1pm – 4:30pm)
Sept. 30 (Mon.)	St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays	(7pm – 10pm)
Oct. 2 (Wed.)	St. Elizabeth, Melville	(7pm – 10pm)
Nov. 9 (Sat.)	St. Rosalie, Hampton Bays	(9am – 12:30pm)
Nov. 19 (Tues.)	St. Christopher, Baldwin	(7pm – 10pm)

#### 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 ten days before the date of the session  
that you are interested in attending**

explaining why you feel called to one of these ministries.

Emails to [jwood@saintmargaret.com](mailto: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.



### Come, Sing!

St. Margaret's choir needs your voice.  
"Where He leads me, I will follow..."

The choir is growing. If you can hold a tune, and want to enjoy singing and learning songs with others, send a note to the Director of Music Ministries, Dr. Daniel Crews, at

[dcrews@saintmargaret.com](mailto:dcrews@saintmargaret.com) or call him at 631-732-3131 Ext. 117 (or stop by the Music Ministry area, after mass) and we will invite you to Come, Sing!



### ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

for children interested 5<sup>th</sup> grade or older.

Please contact Fr. Paul at  
732-3131 x 118 .

### In Need of Bereavement Counseling?

If your family is in need of Bereavement counseling, go to [HTTP://WWW.DRVC-FAITH.ORG/BEREAVEMENT](http://www.drvc-faith.org/bereavement) for a full list of locations or call the Parish Center at 631-732-3131 x133. A six month wait after the death is suggested.

## Women's Bible Sharing

Come meet other women in the Parish on Monday mornings for an hour of fellowship and discussion. Meet in the Parish Center at 9:30 AM. *Bring a friend!*



## Heaven Can't Wait

The L.I. Women's Retreat Ministry is hosting their annual weekend retreat October 25, 26 & 27 at the Montfort Spiritual Center in Bay Shore. Our Guest Speaker, Barbara Gargiulo, will share her near death encounter and after bearing witness of that, to do the works of fulfilling that the Kingdom. This begins here on Earth in living and spreading the teachings of Christ, leading us back home to the Father, through the workings of the Holy Spirit and His Beloved Spouse, Our Blessed Mother. **Reserve now.** For more info: email: [L.I.WOMENSMINISTRY@GMAIL.COM](mailto:L.I.WOMENSMINISTRY@GMAIL.COM) or Yvonne Bracone (631) 398-4086 /Nina McGee at (516) 449-6197.



## Golden Wedding Liturgy

*Honoring Couples Married Fifty Years or More*

This Fall, couples that have been married fifty years or more will be honored at a Special Mass on Sunday, **Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>** at Maria Regina RCC in Seaford. The Liturgy will begin at 2:00 PM. **Registration forms will be on a first come first serve basis as space is limited.** Registration forms are at the Parish Center. For info call (516) 678-5800 x 506 or [www.drvc-faith.org](http://www.drvc-faith.org).

## GENNESARET RETREAT

*for those facing serious illness.*



A retreat especially designed for persons who live with a serious illness is planned on **Sept. 20-22** at the Montfort Spirituality Center in Bay Shore, NY. This retreat offers a respite, a quiet time, an oasis, to enable one to continue the journey. The retreat focuses on God's love, forgiveness and faithfulness. To register or info please call Colette Fanelli at 631-665-7052.

## Job Opportunities at Catholic Charities

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

## CHILDREN'S CHORUS

*Come and sing!* Rehearsals for our Children's Chorus in the Parish Center on Saturdays beginning **Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>** from 9:30 to 10:45AM. All boys and girls (from 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and above) are invited to come and sing. Please contact Ms. Joanne at 631-698-1597 or [comatwins@optonline.net](mailto:comatwins@optonline.net).



## Worldwide Marriage Encounter



Jesus calls us to love the Lord and to love one another. Deepen your communication, rekindle your romance and renew your sacrament by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends **Nov 8-10, 2019 & Jan. 31-Feb. 2, 2020** in Huntington, NY. For more info, call John & Toni Torio at 877-697-9963 or go to [HTTPS://WWMENYLL.ORG/](https://wwmenyll.org/).



## Fr. Charles & Laurie Mangano

*Join them in a night of song, inspiration and reflection!*

Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM ~ St. Anne's Church, 88 Second Ave. in Brentwood. This night is a fundraiser for Jesus Alive. The event is FREE but are asking for a Free Will offering to feed the Long Island hungry. The night's topic is *Divine Providence*-guaranteed to be uplifting! Bring a friend!



## Senior Apartments Available

St. Anne's Gardens in Brentwood has low income senior renting ~ 60 years or older. Call Stanan Management at 516-486-1000.

## Yard Sale & Car Show

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Parish will be holding their annual Yard Sale Bonanza & Car Show on Saturday, **September 14<sup>th</sup>** from 10AM to 3 PM. Rain or shine. To register your car for the show call Gerry at 585-9291. Bring the family for food and fun. 800 Portion Rd., Ronkonkoma.



## Girl Scout Pray & Play Day

Gather with Girl Scouts, Daisies to Ambassadors, for a day of prayer, handicrafts and fun! To be held at the Shrine of Our Lady of the Island in Eastport on Saturday, **Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>** from 10AM-2:30PM. Call 516-678-5800 x245 or [SCOUTING@DRVC.ORG](mailto:SCOUTING@DRVC.ORG).

## Cenacle Happenings



TOPICS FOR ONGOING PROGRAMS—Contemplative Singles, Centering Prayer Afternoon and the Present Moment. The Cenacle Retreat House is located at 310 Cenacle Rd. in Ronkonkoma. Throughout the year they offer prayerful Retreats & Programs. [WWW.CENACLESISTERS.ORG/RONKONKOMA](http://WWW.CENACLESISTERS.ORG/RONKONKOMA) OR CALL 631-588-8366 for info.

**CONTEMPLATIVE SINGLES** at the Maude Adams House ~Sundays, 10 am-2 pm, Join other faith-based singles as we explore God's desire for each of us and discuss our call to action in the Ministry of Single Life. Facilitator: Joan McGovern, Cenacle Ministry Staff Offering: \$35 ea month - Lunch included. **\$20 deposit required to hold your monthly reservation.**

**Spirituality for Seniors** ~ Thursdays, Oct. 10,17,31 and Nov 7 from 1:30-3pm. To help us to focus on aging with hope and faith, gracefully, contemplatively and prayerfully. Workbook includes for required weekly reading, reflective questions, spiritual sharing and conversation. All dates require attendance. Presenter is Carmela Bergman, Cenacle Staff Associate. Suggesting offering \$95 payable upon registration for book and all four sessions. Registration closes by Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>.

# Campaign Catch Up



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## Total Pledged: \$857,880



## Summer is Past, Now we Look for Heat



The work continues in the Parish Center for our new furnace. As you can see in the photos above, the panel holding the controls has been modified and the base of the old boiler has been further removed.

It is our hope that now that Labor day is behind us and with the prep

work done, the new boiler will soon find it way to the boiler room.

Meanwhile, we are rethinking the auditorium work (due to the high estimates) preparing to ask for re-bidding, with work to begin in late May 2020.

### 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

**Funded**

**Pledged**

**Unfunded**