

ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service



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Rev. James Wood - *Pastor* x111

Rev. Paul Butler - *Pastoral Vicar* x118

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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)



**Classes Begin This Week.
Please keep the children &
catechists in your prayers.**

September 15, 2019

Phone: (631) 732-3131

Parish Center Office Hours

<i>Open for Walk-In Business</i>	Morning	Afternoon/Eve
Mon, Tues, Thurs	9 ^{am} - 1 ^{pm}	2 - 8 ^{pm}
Wednesday	9 ^{am} - 1 ^{pm}	2 - 5 ^{pm} ... No Eve
Friday	Closed	
Saturday	9 ^{am} - 12 ^{pm}	
Sunday	Closed	

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Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

Our first reading is unusual. God has run out of mercy and is ready to show folks who's in charge. It is Moses, we are given to understand, who "talks God down off the ledge." Of course, God does not need the input of any human being to strengthen his patience with us. But, this is a powerful picture of how deeply God feels the weight of our indifference and infidelity. But, even in the face of his love being rejected and unappreciated, God is merciful.

This is true in other stories in the Bible. God shows a remarkable tenderness to Adam and Eve in fashioning clothes for them once they learned shame. This same kindness is extended to Cain in protecting him with a special mark and repeated countless times in the Hebrew scriptures: to Elijah when his courage fails under the broom tree, to Jonah when he sulks under the shade of the gourd plant. While there are events in the Old Testament attributed to "God's wrath"—flood, fire, famine, and pestilence, to name a few—God is understood at the same time to relent quite easily and show remarkable restraint for someone who has the power to crush opposition absolutely at a moment's notice.

Our appreciation of God as the source of abundant mercy comes to full flower in the revelation of Jesus Christ, naturally. After the example of Jesus' teaching, healing, suffering, dying, and ultimate forgiving, can we have any doubts that God's greatest desire for us is to reconcile us to heaven? Our Gospel today is a touching example of that truth. - Fr. Jim



On Sept. 21/22, we will have our special 2nd 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. St. Pius X enables these dedicated men to be fully engaged members of the community. "Still on duty," they serve as our teachers, counselors & spiritual leaders. The facility accommodates our retired priests who require assistance with daily living. 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.**



Sacraments are Celebrations!
Baptisms

William Anthony Saparito V, Aubree Skye Dawson,
Liam-Tatum Diego Ashmore-Kearse, Valentina Charfuelan,
Brayden Robert Blank, Thomas Edward Andrisani



Wedding Banns

Banns I: Giovanna Novara, St. Margaret of
Scotland & Robert Godzieba, Infant Jesus, PJ

Please join us in giving thanks and celebrating



Deacon Biagio's
40th Diaconate Anniversary
Sunday, Sept. 22nd ~12 PM Mass
Hospitality to Follow after Mass

****RSVP by: September 13th ****

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



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

beginning in early Oct. on Saturday mornings
for children interested 5th grade or older.
Please contact Fr. Paul at 732-3131 x 118 .



All Liturgical Ministers
are invited to a gathering of fellowship and renewal.

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

The image of the Church being "one Body" began with St. Paul (1 Corinthians 12:4-11): members with different gifts serving one another under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Our various liturgical ministries express that image throughout the year at our Masses. And so, in order to strengthen our efforts, all Liturgical Ministers are invited to come together as "one Body" to thank our God and to pray with and be enriched by one another. These gatherings will take place at the time and place above, centered on a special presentation.

Sr. Phyllis Esposito, CSJ will be our presenter. Sister comes with experience in different areas of Church life: as Spiritual Director/Retreat Leader and as a Parish Pastoral Associate where she worked with priests, deacons and laypeople in many areas of parish life (including being the chairperson of the parish liturgy committee) for over twenty-five years. She has worked closely with liturgical ministers in the area of planning and implementing. Currently, Sister is part of the leadership team of the Sisters of St. Joseph in Brentwood.

Taking into consideration the demands of our ministers, we are offering two gatherings. You can choose which one you want to be part of; the presentation will be the same in both. A time for fellowship will be part of our gatherings.

We hope that you can come & have a chance to be renewed in your ministry. In addition to this announcement, invitations will be coming through your ministry coordinator. Please call or email them to confirm if you can come & which gathering you will be attending.

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.



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 Miranda, Faith Formation Coordinator, 631-731-3131 x131/JMIRENDA@SAINTMARGARET.COM.

CHILDREN'S CHORUS

Come and sing! Rehearsals for our Children's Chorus in the Parish Center on Saturdays beginning **Sept. 14th** 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.



Catechist Meeting

Thursday, Sept. 19th -Confirmation I and II Catechist meeting 7PM auditorium

FAITH FORMATION UPCOMING DATES ~ Classes Begins the week of September 16th

Monday, Sept. 16th - Lvl 1 Catechesis of the Family ~ Parent & Child @ 6:30PM ~Auditorium

Wednesday, Sept. 18th - Lvl 5 Catechesis of the Family @ 6:30 PM ~ Auditorium

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

Thursday, Sept. 26th - 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 until further notice)

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. 4th @ 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 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 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 are welcome, too.

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

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 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. 20th.

PARISH EVENTS This Week

- Monday September 16**
 9:30 am Women's Bible Sharing.....Rm 207
 6pm C of F Lvl 1 Parent/Child.....Auditorium
- Tuesday September 17**
 7 pm K of C.....Rm 207
- Wednesday, September 18**
 6:30 pm C of F Lvl 5.....Auditorium
- Thursday, September 19**
 7 pm Catechist Mtg Confirmation 1 & 2Auditorium
- Friday, September 20**
 No Activities Scheduled
- Saturday September 21**
 9:30 am Children's Choir.....Rm 105
- Sunday September 22**
 No Activities Scheduled

CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

You are invited to explore the benefits of a Catholic High School Education.
Open House Schedule

September 2019

Sat., Sept. 21 - 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. - Our Lady of Mercy Academy

Sat., Sept. 28 - 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. - Sacred Heart Academy

Sun., Sept. 29 - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. - St. Anthony's HS

October 2019

Sat., Oct. 5 - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. - Kellenberg Memorial HS
 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. - Chaminade HS

Sun., Oct. 6 - 1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - St. Dominic's HS

Sat., Oct. 19 - 11 a.m. - 1:30p.m. - Holy Trinity HS

Sun., Oct. 20 - 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. - St. John the Baptist HS
 1 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. - St. Mary's HS

Go to WWW.CHSEE.ORG ~ call 516-739-5030 for INFO & TIMES or pick up the brochure at the Parish Center.

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://WWW.MENYLL.ORG/](https://www.menyll.org/).



Preparing for Marriage?

Do you need to fulfill your Marriage Prep Requirement? Engaged Encounter is an effective PreCan program designed to provide you with the tools for a successful marriage. Couples are given the opportunity to explore many aspects of their relationship through a series of presentations, writings & dialog. There are no group discussions. To be held at the Seminary of the Immaculate Conception, Huntington on Nov. 15-17 For info/registration call Lenny & Pat Walker - 631-563-1032 or WWW.ENGAGEDENCOUNTERLI.ORG



Fr. Charles & Laurie Mangano

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

Tuesday, September 24th 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!



Farewell Summer Concert

Suffolk County Office of the Aging is holding a Farewell to Summer Concert on Weds., Oct. 6th at 7PM in the Patchogue Theatre located at 71 E. Mains St. in Patchogue. Get your **free** tickets at WWW.PATCHOGUETHEATRE.ORG. For info call 631-853-8200.

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!*



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.

Bishop Barres

recently addressed the Child Victims Act in this video produced by Catholic Faith Network. It is airing on CFN and diocesan media platforms.

Here is the link:

<https://youtu.be/aU8Ps8fRFIU>.

For Information Regarding
The Child Victims Act

www.drvcchildvictimsact.com



Post Office Box 9023, Rockville Centre, New York 11571-9023.
 Phone 516-678-5800. Fax 516-678-3138. bishopsoffice@drvc.org

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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Side Lobbies Retiled

Total Pledged

\$858,180

During the week, both the side lobbies were retiled. This brings more pieces of the entrance work closer to completion. The new tile should stand up to the weather better and lighten up the lobbies.

In the meantime, the new boiler and water heater for the Parish Center have arrived and been placed in the boiler room. They are awaiting the plumbers to make the water attachments to the system.



Schedule of Work

PHASE I 2019

- Replace the Church Entrance Bridge and Side Stairways
- Mandated Removal of the oil tank in the Parish Center and replace the Boiler

PHASE II 2020

- Update Auditorium Bathrooms and Kitchen
- Replace the Sidewalks
- Add Handicapped Parking spaces and Re-coat & re-stripe the Parking lot

Funded



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 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!

PART TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY

Our Parish is seeking a Part Time front desk receptionist for Tuesday & Thursday evenings from 5-8:30 and alternating Saturdays from 9am-1pm.

For consideration please email or call Lisa Boyd: 631 - 732 - 3131 extension 113 or lboyd@saintmargaret.com.



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. 3rd 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.

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 or Yvonne Bracone (631) 398-4086 /Nina McGee at (516) 449-6197.



St. Anthony of Padua Reunion

We are so excited to announce that on October 12, 2019, we will be having a Reunion for all alumni from St Anthony of Padua elementary school in E. Northport. For info go to Facebook ~ SaintAnthony Reunion or call me at 631-252-2884. Bernadette Hehir-Gartner & the Reunion Committee.

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. 28th from 10AM-2:30PM. Call 516-678-5800 x245 or SCOUTING@DRVC.ORG.