

# ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

*Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service*



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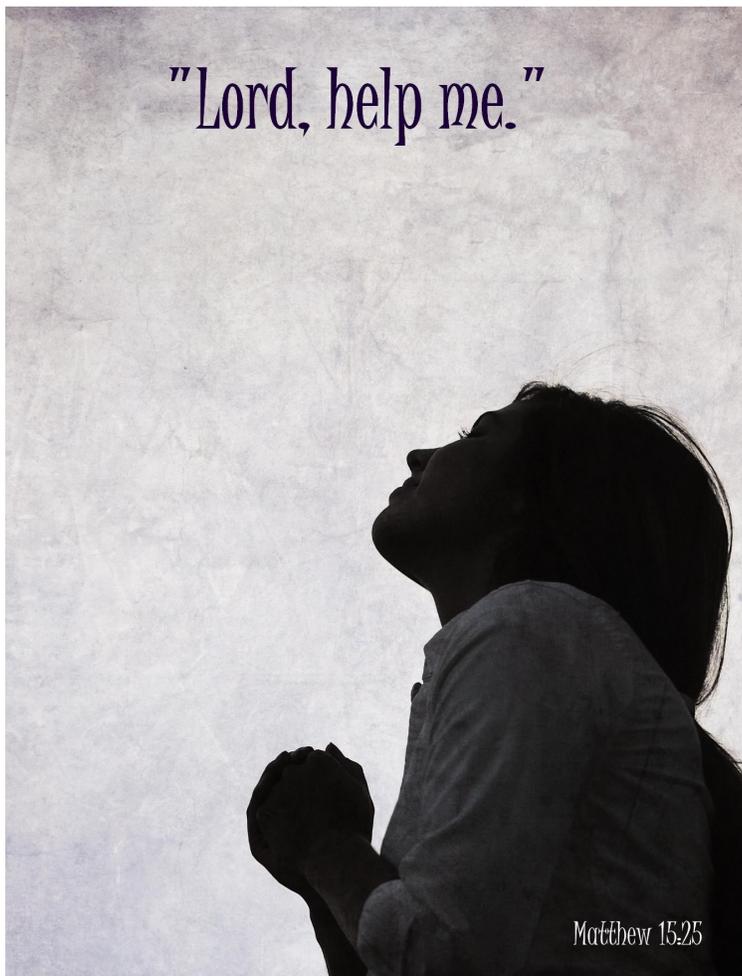
## ***Celebration of the Eucharist***

Weekday: (Mon, Tues, Weds, Fri) 9am

Sunday: Sat - 5pm,

Sun - 8am, 10am & 12 noon

**Confessions:** Saturday—1-2 PM in the  
Parish Center or by appointment.



## 20<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## August 16, 2020

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

**the Parish Office**  
*will be open limited hours this week*  
**Mon, Tue & Wed 9am to 1pm**  
*Any meeting will be by appointment Only.*

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## Dear Parishioners and Visitors,

As we continue to face the challenges of our “new normal,” I invite you to strengthen your faith journey with examples of people from the 20<sup>th</sup> century who faced challenges of their own. Their lives give us a chance to appreciate the different ways that faith can be lived and shared.

*Fr. Jim Wood, Pastor*

### Maura Clarke and Companions

Martyrs of El Salvador (d. 1980)



On a December morning in 1980 a small assembly gathered in a cow pasture in El Salvador to witness the exhumation of four North American women. One by one their broken bodies were dragged from the shallow grave: Maura Clarke and Ita Ford, both Maryknoll Sisters; Dorothy Kazel, an Ursuline Sister; and Jean Donovan, a lay missionary. They had been killed on December 2 by Salvadoran soldiers, who had taken them to a secluded spot, raped two of them, and then shot them in the head. Each woman had followed a different path: Maura and Ita, with many years in mission in Nicaragua and Chile; Dorothy, the longest in El Salvador; Jean Donovan, only twenty-seven, who had wrestled with the possibility of marriage and a lucrative career before choosing to remain in El Salvador. But for each one, called by Christ to live out her faith in solidarity with the poor, the path had led to the same cow pasture.

In these nightmare years in El Salvador, thousands of civilians were killed by security forces on suspicion of “subversion.” Representatives of the Church who embraced the “option for the poor” shared the same fate. Witnesses to the cross, they joined a long line of witnesses to the resurrection.

*“Several times I have decided to leave El Salvador. I almost could except for the children, the poor, bruised victims of this insanity. Who would care for them? Whose heart could be so staunch as to favor the reasonable thing in a sea of their tears and loneliness? Not mine, dear friend, not mine.” —Jean Donovan*

## Please Note Mass Schedule Changes

There is no Mass on Saturday mornings at 8AM for the rest of 2020 as we are videoing the Sunday Mass that morning.

There will be no Mass on Thursday morning ~ 9AM until after Labor Day.



## Sacraments are Celebrations!

### Wedding Banns



**Banns II:** Maryrose Favia, St Jude’s, Mastic Beach & Frank De Stefano, St. Margaret of Scotland

## RECONCILIATION / CONFESSION

Saturday ~ 1:00pm to 2:00pm

Due to the need for privacy without using an enclosed room, parishes have had to be creative in finding a suitable space for hearing confessions. We will be using the Parish Center foyer. The red front door will be propped open and a screen will be inside, between the priest and the penitent. There will be no chair or kneeler since we could not disinfect them.

You simply come in, stay standing, confess, receive your penance and depart.



*If you see someone in the foyer, do not come up the walkway! Remain on the sidewalk (or in your car) to keep a safe distance.*



St Margaret’s Sunday mass is available on YouTube as well as our parish website. There is a St Margaret of Scotland channel on YouTube. If you have a “smart” television, and go to the YouTube app, search for St Margaret of Scotland and there under our parish logo, you will find the video for the weekend’s mass.

### 2020 Census Info

The 2020 Census is still ongoing. You can complete your questionnaire online at [www.2020census.gov](http://www.2020census.gov) or by phone. Customer service representatives are available every day from 7am-2am ~ English: 844-330-2020, Spanish: 844-468-2020. **Starting 8/11**, census takers will begin interviewing households that have yet to respond to the 2020 Census. If someone visits your home to collect information for the 2020 Census, check to make sure they have a valid ID badge with their photograph, a U.S. Department of Commerce watermark, and an expiration date. Census takers will follow local public health guidelines when they visit.

## SUNDAY MASS WILL CONTINUE ON ST MARGARET'S WEBSITE

We resume celebrating weekend masses in St Margaret's church as was usual, at 5<sup>pm</sup> Saturday and 8<sup>am</sup>, 10<sup>am</sup> and noon each Sunday. As we continue to deal with covid 19, Bishop Barres is continuing his dispensation from the obligation to attend mass on Sunday.

The Sunday Mass from St Margaret of Scotland Church will be streamed on our website each weekend. Click the Announcement and Online Masses section on the opening page. It will take you to a link for the masses celebrated each day from St Agnes Cathedral as well as the Liturgies from St Margaret's. [WWW.SAINTMARGARET.COM](http://WWW.SAINTMARGARET.COM)

## An Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You  
are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.

Amen.

## Faith Formation

### Fall Faith Formation Registration

Registration forms will be available in the near future. Please watch the bulletin or our website ~ [WWW.SAINTMARGARET.COM](http://WWW.SAINTMARGARET.COM).



St. Anthony's High School  
Franciscan Brothers

*Online Virtual Info Sessions*

Prospective Families are invited to join  
the Brothers and the Admissions Staff for a Webinar  
Every Thursday at 3:00 PM  
Prayer Virtual Tour Q & A—Register by e-mail at  
[ADMISSIONS@STANTHONYSHS.ORG](mailto:ADMISSIONS@STANTHONYSHS.ORG)

This past Friday evening, we celebrated the Confirmations of 17 young parishioners. We congratulate them on taking this great step into our community. We look forward to their sharing their many gifts with the community of St Margaret, Selden, Centereach, Coram, Farmingville, Long Island, New York, The United States, and the world.

Please pray for

Gabrielle A.  
Anthony D.  
Cayla G.  
Deanna M.  
Salvatrice P.  
Matthew S.

Anjali A.  
Riley F  
Rachel H.  
Glenn M.  
Adam P.  
Ieva T.

Joshua A.  
Adrian G.  
Chase M.  
Paul M.  
Alicia P.



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.

# MISSION APPEAL – 2020

Every year during the Summer, representatives from different Missionary Societies speak to us about their work. This year's presenter was to be Sister Regina Mgbakor. However, the Covid-19 pandemic prevented her from being with us. She sent us this summary of what her Order does.

## MARANATHA CARING MISSION

In St. Matthew's Gospel (25:40), our Lord Jesus tells us that "whatever you do to the least of my brethren that you do unto me." Maranatha Caring Mission was established in response to that challenge. We provide free medical clinics in developing countries, as well as food for the hungry, clothes for the poor, clean water to the thirsty, and other works as the Spirit directs.

Our clinic in Umueje, Anambra State, Nigeria, was established on November 12, 2016. The people in this area are predominately peasant farmers who live in impoverished and unhealthy conditions. Eye disease is very prevalent in Umueje and its surrounding towns. Because they are mostly situated on a river, RIVER BLINDNESS is prevalent due to parasites in the water. This can be controlled (but not cured) by drugs. We have provided free medical care to **19,154** patients for this and many other diseases.

But equally urgent are the problems that need surgery. **CATARACTS** are widespread. Our Mission has been able to provide **244** free **CATARACT** and **PTERYGIUM** (a growth on the cornea of the eye) surgeries. Recently, we have been able to add new services including **APPENDECTOMY**, **HERNIORRHAPHY**, and **HYDROCELECTOMY**. Since March 2020, we have performed **40** of the newly added services (surgeries) for the greater glory of God through the assistance of donors.

Currently, there are about **180** people on the waiting list for cataract surgeries and **30** waiting for Herniorrhaphy and Hydrocelectomy. It costs equivalent of **\$100** to perform one cataract surgery and **\$20** to provide one month of eye care after the cataract surgery. One Appendectomy or Herniorrhaphy cost **\$50**.



Your support is vital for us to continue to provide free medical care to those who desperately need cataract and other surgeries. Through your donations, these patients who do not have the resources to afford operations can have the chance to regain their eyesight!

We are very grateful for your contributions. You and your various families are remembered in our prayers especially during this COVID-19 Pandemic in our time.

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*There will be special baskets in the Lobby  
on August 29 & 30.  
However, if you wish to offer a donation before that,  
simply put it in an envelope marked Missions  
and drop it in the regular basket.*

## The Distribution of Holy Communion

- **The Precious Blood will not** be available to the faithful.
- There will be two stations for receiving Communion – at the front of the side aisles. A small table and kneeler will be at each communion station in the front of the church. Priest and EM will sanitize their hands at these tables BEFORE distributing Communion.
- All are asked to remain in their seats until directed by the ushers. The people in the rear pews will go up first. They should not remove their face covering until immediately before approaching the minister to receive Holy Communion, allowing their hands to be free. **Holy Communion may not be distributed with gloves, nor may it be received in the hand if a member of the faithful is wearing gloves.** At the Communion Station, they should extend their hands (non-writing hand on top of dominant hand). The minister will say, “The Body of Christ” and place the host on the extended hand. Use the dominant hand to place the Eucharist in your mouth and immediately replace your mask.
- Anyone requiring reception on the tongue will need to stand behind the kneeler at the station until the minister has completed distributing the Eucharist. Ministers must sanitize their hands after each distribution of the Eucharist on the tongue.

## *Offertory Support through* **ONLINE BILL PAY**

is the form of Electronic Giving we have been using in the parish. Your bank offers this service, sending money out of your bank account to whomever you wish. ONLINE BILL PAY services will print an *actual check* and mail it to St. Margaret of Scotland. Sending your regular Offertory support electronically will save you time and money.

It is an easy way to continue your support of St Margaret of Scotland Parish during this difficult time. Your Bank **does not charge** a fee for this service. You have complete control of your funds, starting, stopping and changing at your will. We have no access to your accounts, receiving only what you wish. If you pay your bills this way currently, you know how easy it is.

### **To set up sending your Offertory Support all you need is:**

Your St. Margaret Account Number: (**Located on your stewardship envelope directly under the date**)

(*or call the Parish Center 631 -732-3131 x0 for your number*). Please make sure this number is listed under notations or in address.

St. Margaret's Mailing Address:

St. Margaret of Scotland Church  
81 College Road  
Selden, NY 11784

1. Visit your bank's website or call your bank for more information.
2. On your bank's website: Click on BILL PAY or Pay Bills: each bank may have a different name for bill pay service.
3. Click on "Set up NEW PAYEE": Complete all required fields.
4. Enter amount you will be remitting. Schedule payments for desired frequency (weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly: 52x, 26x, 12x).

## **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!**

# Parish Social Ministry

## Food Pantry

We will only be available to accept donations at the Parish Center Back Door on **Thursday** from **9am until 11am.**

**Back to School Supplies**  
**Backpacks, Notebooks**  
**Binders, Looseleaf**  
**Target & Walmart Gift Cards**

*A very special THANK YOU to all!*

## Thrift Shop

Closed during Pandemic

**Please DO NOT LEAVE ANYTHING**

*All our Volunteers are at home as directed by Governor. We are unable to process any donations. ~ Thank you!*

## Emergency Care: Maximum Safety for Urgent and Emergent Needs

Catholic Health Heightened Safety Measures  
Protects Emergency Department Patients

Catholic Health Services (CHS) maintains the highest level of safety across its integrated health care system. We've elevated that stellar care as we battle COVID-19. This is critical, because even during a pandemic, people will have accidents or health issues requiring emergency care. CHS wants you to know our emergency departments (ED) are safe centers of care. In fact, CHS has been successfully treating patients across the system and performing emergency surgeries throughout this pandemic. Similarly, CHS has been delivering babies, protecting the well-being of both mother and child.

CHS has put extensive measures in place to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 virus—from intensive sanitization to safe social distancing to isolation of COVID-19 patients.

If you or a family member are experiencing any symptoms that may require emergency care, call 911 or drive directly to a CHS hospital. We're ready, safe and able to help you.

You may also contact our ambulance partner, Hunter Ambulance by calling (516/631) 719-HELP.



# Campaign Catch Up

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## Porcelain, Wow!!



Imagine being excited about these being installed. Who'd have thought?

