# ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND CHURCH

Making Disciples through Prayer, Faith Formation and Service



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## Celebration of the Eucharist

Weekday: (Mon through Fri) 9:00am Saturday: 5:00pm,

Sunday - 8:00am, 10:00am & 12 noon

## **Confessions:**

Saturday - 4:00-4:45 PM in the Church or by appointment.

November 16<sup>th</sup>



St. Margaret of Scotland Pray for Us

**November 13, 2022** 

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## Time, Talent & Treasure

### Stewardship Thought for the Week Pillar of Service: Living Stewardship:

As Catholics, we are (and will be) ridiculed and mocked for our faith. It is important to brush up on the teachings of the Faith and pray for the courage to defend them.

# 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.

## **October 29/30**

|                   | Stewardship | Envelopes |  |
|-------------------|-------------|-----------|--|
| Collected at Mass | \$7,793     | 185       |  |
| Mailed Envelopes  | \$6,100     | 77        |  |
| Total Collection  | \$13,893    | 262       |  |

Readings for Next Sunday

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Second Reading......Col 1: 12-20

Gospel.....Lk 23: 35-43

For the week of November 13<sup>th</sup> Altar Bread & Wine in Memory of



**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:** Ideally, prospective parents should call the Parish Center before the expected birth to discuss the arrangements for your baptism. The ceremony is held the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.

## **FAITH FORMATION OFFICE ~ Parish Center:**

Monday - Thursday: 9:00 a.m. -4:00 p.m.; Or call for appointment -  $\times 131$ .

#### **PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRY ~ Parish Center:**

Tues., Thurs.  $\sim 10$  am -1 pm. Or call for appointment -  $\times 119$ .

## **Masses for the Week**

Monday - November 14<sup>th</sup>
Robert P. Batule

Tuesday - November 15<sup>th</sup>
Margaret Butler

Wednesday - November 16<sup>th</sup> Margory Marchand

Thursday - November 17<sup>th</sup>
Michael Spadavecchia

Friday - November 18<sup>th</sup> Aguedo Chu Jr. & Paterno Gozum

Saturday - November 19<sup>th</sup>  $5^{pm}$ 

For All St. Margaret's Parishioners Sunday - November 20<sup>th</sup>

> Robert G. Aretakis Michael Reynolds

10 am Marie Bugala & Helen Hoehne Alissa Savoy Sadler

> 12 pm Thomas Muratore Frank Guttilla

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



Patricia Fiscina, Marilyn Vacchio, Margaret Jung, John Roucoulet, Logan Baar, Joseph Dulovic, Joseph Laria, Terri Persina, Estelle Beauchamp, Alyssa Baisch, Eppie Larke, Jillian Brown, Virginia Butler, Robert J. Heege, Eric Cohen, Kathleen Weiss, Lorraine Vogel, Steven Vacchio, Laura Durant, Joseph De Aguiar, Sal Restivo, Robert Valletta, Joseph Kiely, Sharon & Ray Klyn, Warne Family, Michael C. Liotta, Anne Logan, Christine Mc Cusker, Dominic Percoco, Gina Rosenberg, Laura Positano, De Santis Family, Particia Wowk, Natasha Roucoulet, John Reynolds, Scott Spencer, Babies Aubry & Greyson, Marie & Tony Caruana, Veronica Sheridan Cox, Wendiann & Nicholas Alfieri, James & Catherine Reynolds, Jennifer, John & Olivia Rose Altieri, Christina Muller, Melanie Seibel, Baby Niko Sais, Christina Muller.

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.

As we make our way through the month of November, I want to highlight a number of events which are important in the life of Saint Margaret.

Our parish feast day is Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. We honor Saint Margaret of Scotland on that day in the Liturgy. Join us for Mass at 9:00 AM that day.

On Sunday the 20<sup>th</sup>, we mark the last Sunday in Ordinary Time. We call that last Sunday the **Solemnity of Christ the King.** The Kingship of Christ is the Kingship of One Who suffered unto death for us on Calvary. Suffering then will always be a key element in the Kingdom's presence in our lives – as painful as it can be for us to bear. Suffering though is our royal road to victory. Let us stand tall in the face of what can crush us - for the Kingdom, despite fierce opposition to it in the world, is not to be defeated.

At night on the 20<sup>th</sup>, we will host an **ecumenical prayer service** ahead of Thanksgiving. Our parish choir will sing and we invite you to join us and the members of other churches and religions when we pray to God in gratitude for His gifts. We start at 7:00 PM. There will be a collation with coffee and cake in the auditorium following the service.

Just a few days later, on the 24<sup>th</sup>, we mark **Thanksgiving Day**, a national holiday. Join us for Mass at 9:00 AM. The celebration of Holy Mass is so fitting for this day on the calendar. We don't have a better way to say thank you than to pray the Holy Sacrifice with deep and earnest faith.

On the last Sunday of the month (the 27<sup>th</sup>), the Church begins her **Advent observance**. As we all know, Advent immediately precedes Christmas. And this year, we will have a long Fourth Week of this holy season, since the Fourth Week begins on the 18<sup>th</sup> of December. Unfortunately, Advent has been overwhelmed by "the holidays" in recent decades, and there really is very little advertence to "the coming" anymore. Thanksgiving just rolls into Christmas now.

Resolve to make the most you can of Advent this time around. Come to Mass on weekdays and join us on the second night of Advent (Monday the 28<sup>th</sup>) when we will have a **Holy Hour** in the church from 7:00 until 8:00 PM. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration and the Holy Hour will conclude with Benediction. Again, we continue to emphasize the Eucharist in this period of **Eucharistic Revival**.

Several **Levels of Faith Formation** will celebrate the Sacrament of Penance during Advent. We ask the students to be present for the sessions which begin promptly in the church at 6:30 PM.

We celebrate another Holy Day of Obligation on Thursday, December 8<sup>th</sup> – the **Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.** Masses are at 9:00 AM and 7:00 PM.

As we had last year, there will be another edition of **Lessons and Carols**. It will be one week before Christmas on December 18<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM in the church. It will feature our choir, and there will be a reception in the church auditorium immediately following the service. Please plan on joining us for this spiritual exercise.

You can add to your calendar something for Lent of 2023. It will be **Evenings of Enrichment around the theme of the Eucharistic Revival.** There will be five (5) of them on Monday nights. Please follow the bulletin beginning in early next year for more details.

We continue to have **Twenty Minutes with the Director/Pastor on Sunday mornings before the 10:00 AM Mass.** We are grateful to all those who are participating – the parents, the students, the catechists and others – for helping us to witness to the Holy Eucharist as the irreplaceable center of Catholic life. May there be a fruitfulness in our prayer and action for the efforts we make to link **our learning with our worship.** 

We keep in mind our veterans whom we honored on Friday the 11<sup>th</sup> (**Veteran's Day**). We are ever grateful for their service to our nation. A free people must defend their freedom; otherwise, it will pass from our historical patrimony. Thank you to our veterans!

As always, watch the bulletin for important reminders of all that is taking place at Saint Margaret.

Until the next time . . . .

Msgr. Batule Pastor

# Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

For your personal adoration and prayers.

FIRST THURSDAYS DEC. 1<sup>ST</sup>, JAN. 5<sup>TH</sup>, FEB. 2<sup>ND</sup>

3:00 - 6:00 PM in the Church





## **Baptisms**

Dominic Fortunato DeStefano, Theodore Frank DeStefano, Savanah Grace Nowack

## **Parish Social Ministry**



## THANKSGIVING WISH LIST

Dinners will be distributed the week of Nov. 14th



St. Margaret's Outreach is asking for donations to make baskets for Thanksgiving. Please choose items off of our wish list & bring them into the Parish Center during office hours or put in the box in the back of the church. Thank You!

(PLEASE-NO PERISHABLES IN CHURCH!)

Turkey (or voucher) Corn muffin mix Canned Fruit
Canned Sweet Potatoes \$10 ShopRite Card Stuffing
Canned Vegetables Applesauce Coffee / Tea
Jars of Apple Juice Shelf Stable Milk Package Gravy

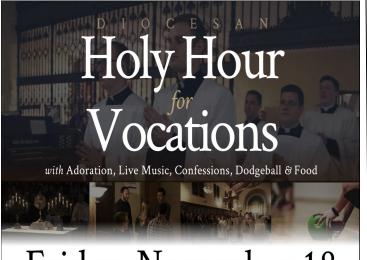
### WASH UP KITS NEEDS

HAVE YOU TRAVELED LATELY? Outreach is in need of small shampoo, soap, & lotions to put in our wash up kits for the homeless. Please drop off these items at the parish center. Thank you!

## BABY DIAPERS

Has your child changed diaper size? We will gladly accept all <u>children's sizes</u>. Please package them tightly in a strong bag and drop them off at the Parish Center. Thank you!





# Friday, November 18

AT THE SEMINARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION IN HUNTINGTON



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with Guest Preacher

Fr. Eric Fasano, J.C.L.

Fr. Fasano is originally from Sacred Heart Parish in North Merrick. Following his ordination, Fr. Fasano was assigned to St. William the Abbot Parish in Seaford where he was an Associate Pastor for 6 years. He earned his Licentiate of Canon Law in Rome and, upon his return, Fr. Fasano was assigned to the Diocesan Tribunal with residence at Our Lady of Good Counsel in Inwood.

In 2017, Fr. Fasano was named Co-Chancellor and Secretary to Bishop Barres. In 2019, he was named as Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia.

# Mass Book for 2023

The Mass Book for 2023 is open in the parish center.

We encourage you to remember deceased relatives and friends at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Through the Communion of Saints, we are never removed from those whom we love. We hope for a reunion with them in God's providence, and praying for them now helps to bring that reunion a nearer prospect.



## Filipino Mass

St. Margaret of Scotland Church

Come join to sing and praise! **Sunday, November 13**<sup>th</sup>

Rosary  $\sim 2:00$  PM Mass  $\sim 2:30$  PM

## Volunteers Needed

If you are able to assist the parish with any of the items below, please call Julie at x133 with your name and phone number. Thank you!



- Light church sprucing up ~ weekly / monthly
  - Hospitality set up ~ Auditorium
  - Carpentry or Plumbing Expertise
- Ministry of Hope ~ Funeral Home prayer service
  - Holiday Church Decorating Team
    - Faith Formation Monitor

## From the Pastor's Desk

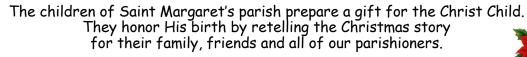
We are in the process of updating our donation records. If you are contributing to the parish using electronic giving and are **not** using donation envelopes sent through the regular mail, please contact the parish office. If you are not using envelopes at all to support the parish, please let us know too. If you are not supporting the parish at all but you do receive envelopes through the regular mail, please let us know as well.

Each month, the envelope company sends envelopes to as many as three times the parishioners who use them. The envelope company in turn charges the parish for all envelopes sent regardless of use or not. We hope to have a much more accurate number of regular envelope users by Christmas time. Your cooperation is very much appreciated.

## Faith Formation

# Calling all Children! Christmas Pageant

Saturday, December 10th ~ 2:00 PM



Cast Call ~ All are welcome to participate!

There are speaking and non-speaking parts

Rehearsals ~ 6:00 - 7:00 PM in the Church. ~ Nov. 16, 18, 22 & Dec. 2 Dress Rehearsal ~Friday, Dec. 9 @ 6:00-7:00 PM COSTUMES PROVIDED

Saturday, Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> Day of Show—arrive at 1:30 PM ~ Cast Party to follow immediately after Pageant.



St. Margaret of Scotland Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM.

Consider this an invitation to join us for the occasion. Our choir will sing at the service.



## Charismatic Healing Service

St. Joseph's Prayer Center invite you to Our Lady of Mt. Carmel in Patchogue

Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 7PM

Presider will be Fr. Rov Tvrdik Music by Yvonne Bracone



To register call 631-730-6210 or emailstjoepc7@gmail.com

Our prayer teams will be available after Mass.

## Liessons and Carols

Sunday, December  $18^{th} \sim 4:00$  PM in the church.

We invite all parishioners to join us. The service consists of biblical readings and hymns as we await the birth of Our Savior.

The Music Ministry will lead us in the singing portion of the prayer service.



## "Holiday Visit to Calverton National Cemetery

**Branch Funeral Home** in Smithtown is offering a free bus trip to the cemetery on Friday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>. 8:15 AM - Depart from Branch FH, 190 E. Main St., Smithtown

8:30 AM- Depart from Smithtown Senior Center, 420 Middle Country, Smithtown The Bus will make stops at both locations on return. Please arrive 15 minutes before bus departure.

9:30 Am - Arrive at Calverton ~ 1:30 PM Leave Calverton Must reserve a seat.

Call Branch FH at 631-724-9500 by Friday, November 25th.

Coffee, donuts, pizza & cold drinks will be served on the return trip. The bus does have a lavatory.



#### Sunday, Nov 13, 2022

#### Apocalypse soon?

The approaching end of the church year brings a cascade of dreadful-sounding biblical images in many of the scripture readings. Should we be packing our bags for a mad dash to the end-times? As Malachi says, "Lo, the day is coming"—and of course it is. Time forecloses both personally and cosmically. This is why we're regularly reminded to stay "sober and alert," "awake," and "watchful." The threats are real: climate change, global disease, catastrophes, and random violence, not to mention the genetic time bomb that is our bodies. Live each day with purpose. Meet each moment with love.

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME TODAY'S READINGS: Malachi 3:19-20a; 2 Thessalonians 3:7-12; Luke 21:5-19 (159). "There will be powerful earthquakes, famines, and plagues from place to place; and awesome sights and mighty signs."

#### Monday, Nov 14, 2022

#### Call upon his names

We often call people close to us by special names: Sweetheart, Honey, Angel. The names both describe the person and reveal how we feel about them. The same goes for our names for God and Jesus in particular. We call him Christ, Messiah, Son of David, Son of God as well as Prince of Peace, the Good Shepherd, King of Kings, Light of the World, Bread of Life, the Living Word—among many others. Say a Litany of the Holy Name of Jesus today to ponder the meaning of his names. In the end, remember his birth name, Jesus, means, "God saves." The catechism says: "The name 'Jesus' contains all: God and man and the whole economy of creation and salvation." Shakespeare famously asked, "What's in a name?" In our Lord's case, everything!

TODAY'S READINGS: Revelation 1:1-4; 2:1-5; Luke 18:35-43 (497). "Jesus, Son of David, have pity on me!"

#### Tuesday, Nov 15, 2022

#### With passion, pursue the good

You could say Saint Albert the Great was a real renaissance man, even though he died in 1289, before the Renaissance flourished. As a learned Dominican friar, he was an astute professor of philosophy, mentoring his famous pupil Thomas Aquinas and thus laying the groundwork for scholasticism. But Albert also wrote on other subjects he was passionate about: chemistry, physics, biology, astronomy, and geography—and served as bishop and theologian to the pope. "Knowledge of divine things is imprinted on our minds by union with God, who is Wisdom itself," said Albert. Thank God for the good things you are passionate about, using them wisely to honor our Creator.

MEMORIAL OF ALBERT THE GREAT, DOMINICAN, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

TODAY'S READINGS: Revelation 3:1-6, 14-22; Luke 19:1-10 (498). "Because you are lukewarm, neither hot nor cold, I will spit you out of my mouth."

#### Wednesday, Nov 16, 2022

#### Demonstrate a mother's love

On this day 160 years ago, one of America's most influential nuns died in her hometown of New Orleans. A Creole, Venerable Henriette DeLille—founder of the Sisters of the Holy Family and their first mother superior—toiled for decades in education and philanthropy on behalf of the region's black community. She

founded her convent in 1834 as a place where black women with a religious calling could serve the community, despite racist opposition from many in the church. Following her death, DeLille's reputation for holiness resulted in her cause for canonization being opened in 1997, the first for a U.S.-born African American. May her spirit of indefatigable service inspire us all to grow in sanctity and serve the forgotten in a country where racism continues to damage church and society. Mother Henriette, pray for us!

TODAY'S READINGS: Revelation 4:1-11; Luke 19:11-28 (499). "He called ten of his servants and gave them ten gold coins and told them, 'Engage in trade with these until I return.'"

#### Thursday, Nov 17, 2022

#### Carry on the healing tradition

Christianity has always elevated care for the sick as a key virtue. From Jesus' focus on healing to modern medical systems built by religious orders, helping the ill has been central from day one. Today's saint, Queen Elizabeth of Hungary, built two hospitals. After she lost her fortune, she gave hands-on care to the sick, the aged, and the poor. The next time you shoulder extra work for a sick co-worker or make a late-night run for medicine for a family member, think of it as an opportunity to practice your faith.

MEMORIAL OF ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY, QUEEN, THIRD ORDER FRANCISCAN

TODAY'S READINGS: Revelation 5:1-10; Luke 19:41-44 (500). "[Jesus] saw the city and wept over it, saying, 'If this day you only knew what makes for peace.'"

#### Friday, Nov 18, 2022

#### Learn the language

Making Jesus known to others is a gospel imperative. Saint Philippine Duchesne, R.S.C.J. possessed that evangelizing spirit when she left Paris for New Orleans to serve the French-speaking people in U.S. territories. As a member of the Society of the Sacred Heart, her mission was education. She not only taught people to read and write, but she watched as newly baptized adults, particularly members of the Potawatomie tribe, began spreading the gospel in their own language. As you play your own part in making Jesus known, remember to start with the language of love. That is always an attention getter.

MEMORIAL OF ROSE PHILIPPINE DUCHESNE, SACRED HEART MISSIONARY

TODAY'S READINGS: Revelation 10:8-11; Luke 19:45-48 (501). "It is written, My house shall be a house of prayer, but you have made it a den of thieves."

#### Saturday, Nov 19, 2022

#### Make men whole

International Men's Day is a little-known commemoration held today that needs more notice. Wounded (some would say toxic) masculinity—a distorted and often violence-oriented view of "what it means to be a man"—is manifest in so many ills in our society, starting with what Father Richard Rohr calls the "father wound." Rohr tells a story from when he was a prison chaplain: He found great demand among the imprisoned men for Mother's Day cards to send. When he offered them cards to send on Father's Day, however, he had no takers. Real men can be strong without violence, kind without coercion. Help the men in your life (men, this starts with you!) to heal their wounded masculinity.

TODAY'S READINGS: Revelation 11:4-12; Luke 20:27-40 (502). "Teacher, you have answered well."

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



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# Lunch With Santa



Take your family picture with Santa & enjoy lunch with friends and family.

Adults \$13 per person, / children 5-12 yrs. old \$6 4 yrs. & younger - free. Call the Parish Center 732-3131 or 917-365-7546 to register.

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Sat. ~ Dec.  $3^{rd}$  12 ~ 3 PM AUDITORIUM



## A Christmas Carol

Presented by St. Anthony's High School

Wolf Hill Rd., Huntington Friday, 12/17, Saturday, 12/18 ~ both at 7pm Sunday12/19 at 2 PM~ Tickets ~ \$10 For info LCordina@stanthonyshs.org

## Annual Christmas Craft Fair

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton in Ronkonkoma is holding their Fair on Sunday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> 9-4 in the Parish Hall. Christmas shopping crafts baked goods, raffles refreshments.

## Oplatek - A Polish Christmas Tradition

One of the highlights of Christmas festivities in Poland is the Opłatek (pronounced "o-PWAA-tek"). The Opłatek is a decorated Christmas wafer, similar to a large white host. Each person receives one, and then invites the others gathered to break a piece off and eat it. While they are breaking one another's oplatek, people exchange wishes for a blessed Christmas and good health and prosperity. After all those present have broken and shared the Oplatek, good food and Christmas car-ols (in Polish and English) are enjoyed.

This year, members of our Polish community will gather for a traditional Opłatek celebration, and they invite all parishioners to join them in this beautiful tradition.

We will meet in the auditorium on Saturday, **December 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 PM.** If you would like to come, we ask you to do few things: (1) number of people coming & (2) plan on bringing a traditional Christmas dish that can be shared at the potluck meal, (3) consider a monetary donation (\$25 per family) to cover the costs and church offering. Since arrangements take time, we ask that you call or email before December 4<sup>th</sup>. Call the Parish Center at 631-732-3131 x133 or Henryk Chelminski at 631-693-9310. Email: HENRYKCHEL@GMAIL.COM.