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***Third Sunday of Easter
April 15, 2018***



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Scrip Sales

MONDAY TO FRIDAY

FROM 9AM TO 4:30 PM IN THE RECTORY

Rectory Office Business Hours

**Monday - Friday 9:00AM to 4:30PM
CLOSED WEEKENDS**

***Any requests for the weekly Bulletin
should be submitted by
Monday, 12:00 Noon.***

Schedule of Masses

**Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:15PM
Sunday: 7:30, 10:00 and 11:30AM
Daily Monday - Friday: 7:00AM,
followed by Morning Prayer
Saturday: 8:00AM**

**Holy Day of Obligation
Vigil Mass - 7:00 PM
7:00 AM, 12:05 Noon and 7:00 PM**

**Eucharistic Exposition
7:30-8:30 AM Tuesday
7:30-8:00 AM - First Fridays**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday: 4:00 - 4:45 PM
Sunday before 7:30 AM Mass
Tuesday thru Saturday: 7:45-7:55 AM
or by appointment.**



Third Sunday of Easter

On the third Sunday of Easter, we continue to hear Gospel accounts of Jesus' appearances to his disciples following his Resurrection. Today's reading, taken from the Gospel of Luke, follows immediately after the report of Jesus' appearance to his disciples on the road to Emmaus. This is the event being recounted by the disciples in the opening verse of today's Gospel.

Consistently in the reports of Jesus' post-Resurrection appearances, Jesus greets his disciples with the words, "Peace be with you." This is a most appropriate greeting. The disciples have witnessed the death of someone they loved, and they now fear for their own lives as well. Peace is what they need more than anything else. Jesus often connects this greeting of peace with another gift—forgiveness. In today's Gospel, this connection is made in the final verses.

Even as they hear Jesus' greeting of peace, the disciples are startled and terrified. They are uncertain about what to make of the figure before them and, quite understandably, they mistake Jesus for a ghost. Yet the figure before them is not a ghost; Jesus invites them to experience his resurrected body with their senses, to look and to touch. The figure before them is flesh and bone, still bearing the marks of crucifixion. Although the disciples cannot forget his suffering and death, peace begins to take root in their hearts, as their fears turn to joy and amazement.

As further proof of his identity and of his resurrected body, Jesus eats with his disciples. The disciples have known Jesus best through the meals that he has shared with them. Descriptions of these meals are a defining element of Luke's Gospel. By eating with his disciples after his Resurrection, Jesus recalls all these meals, and most importantly, he recalls the Last Supper.

Luke's report of the Last Supper and the meals that Jesus shared after his Resurrection unveil for us the significance of the Eucharist. Having shared a meal with his disciples, Jesus now uncovers for them the significance of what was written about him in the Scriptures. So, too, our celebration of the Mass is an encounter with Jesus, through the Word and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. As Jesus commissions his disciples to be witnesses to what Scriptures foretold, our celebration of the Eucharist commissions us. Like the disciples, we are sent to announce the good news of Jesus' forgiveness of sins.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, April 16

7:00 AM Living & Deceased Members of Cain, Cronin & Stevens Families

TUESDAY, April 17

7:00 AM Richard Griffin

WEDNESDAY, April 18

7:00 AM Mary & Joseph Bizzarri

THURSDAY, April 19

7:00AM Eleanor D'Antonio

FRIDAY, April 20

7:00 AM John Le

SATURDAY, April 21

8:00 AM Mary Ellen Harvey



THE WEEK OF APRIL 15, 2018
THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN FOR
TOMMY YAMAGUCHI FAMILY.

Msgr. Dougherty offers a Mass each Sunday for all the parishioners and for those enrolled in the church memorial fund.

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekend of April 8, 2018: \$12,384
Including Electronic Funds Transfer: \$872
Mail In: \$3,825
Parish On Line: \$ 1,720
Envelopes: 218

Easter Collection: \$33,272

Weekend of April 9, 2017: \$10,772

Easter Collection 2017: \$35,117

I sincerely thank you for continuing to live faithful stewardship. God bless you and your families.

Msgr. Dougherty



New Online Giving - Saint Margaret

Parish has arranged a new, secure method of online giving. You can now setup all your second collections in advance. Create or login to your Parish Giving account by going to the Parish website and clicking on the logo at the lower right or <https://tinyurl.com/StMargGiving>.

From The Pastor

Parishioner Appreciation Breakfast Next Sunday - In celebration of the Easter Season and the presence of the risen Lord among us, we are offering a parishioner appreciation breakfast next Sunday, April 22, in the Antioch Annex after the 10:00 am Mass. We give thanks for all our fellow parishioners as we recognize the presence of Christ within them. Come and join us. Breakfast foods (eggs and pancakes) will be available after the 10am Mass. Also, after the 7:30am Mass, lighter refreshments will be available.

Easter Season: Interior Peace and Joy - The Easter Season is the most sacred of all the Seasons in the Church Year. The resurrection of our Lord is the core tenet of our Christian faith. During the fifty days of the Easter Season, we reflect on the gift of everlasting life, and the power of God to overcome sin and death. Jesus is with us to make all things new. He especially wants to make us new, and give us spirits that are filled with his peace and joy. The constant greeting of the risen Lord to his disciples was, "Peace be with you." This is a tremendous gift that Jesus offers us, the gift of inner peace. This peace comes because of our faith that the Lord is alive and with us and actively working for our good and well being. Nurture within you the gift of inner peace and joy. Inner peace allows us to be more in tune with the wisdom, patience and goodness of the Lord. May the peace and joy of the risen Lord be with you always.

Service Trips Support - Some high school students in our Parish will be participating in some service projects in conjunction with their school. Next weekend the students will be speaking at all the Masses to solicit our interest, prayers and financial support for their participation in these projects.

Mass for Presentation of Candidates for Confirmation - Next Saturday evening at the 5:15pm Mass those who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation next Fall will be presented as candidates for the reception of the Sacrament. The candidates and their families are invited to a pot luck dinner in the Annex following the Mass.

Catholic Teaching: The Feast of Feasts - Therefore Easter is not simply one feast among others, but the "Feast of feasts," the "Solemnity of solemnities," just as the Eucharist is the "Sacrament of sacraments," (the Great Sacrament). St. Athanasius calls Easter "the Great Sunday" and the Eastern Churches call Holy Week "the Great Week." The mystery of the Resurrection, in which Christ crushed death, permeates with its powerful energy our old time, until all is subjected to him. (from The Catechism of the Catholic Church)

Spiritual Thought - We know that Christ alone performed all the great works which belong to our salvation, and no one but he; and just so, he alone acts now in the last end, that is to say he dwells here in us, and rules us and cares for us in this life, and brings us to his bliss. (Julian of Norwich)

Helping Other People in Emergency

**Week of April 15, 2018, Pam Owsik 610-659-7021.
Please call as early in the week as possible.**

WELCOME TO THE PARISH COMMUNITY Emilia

Grace Buckridge, daughter of Brett and Jessica Buckridge who was Baptized on April 8, 2018. Congratulations to the family.

Pro-Life Note - Some people (including many Catholics) feel like it is futile to continue to have a debate over the issue of abortion because people feel too strongly about it and have already made up their minds as to what they think. This is wrong. People throughout history have changed their minds on vital social issues. When the United States was new, there was no suffrage or equal rights for women and racial minorities. Almost universally in the United States today, the general populace recognizes this was wrong and that women and non-whites are entitled to their basic rights as human beings, and the law recognizes it too.

It took many years and decades of intense struggle involving emotions just as fierce if not more fierce than those surrounding the Pro-Life Movement in the 21st century. But victories for freedom were won and people certainly did change their minds. That is how change happens. Education is vital so that more people understand the struggle to protect innocent life in the womb and then stand ready to defend the rights of all living people, including the unborn. Change can happen, and change will happen, providing we do our part to work tirelessly to advocate change for a freer, better world where the weak and the vulnerable are protected and not exploited and/or victimized. (from www.pro-lifearticles.org)

Matrimony: Rediscovering Its Truth
Saturday, April 21, 2018 - 10am-6:15pm

Keynote Speaker: His Eminence Raymond Leo Cardinal Burke, D.D., J.C.D., Member and Prefect Emeritus, Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura;
Other Speakers: Rev. Gerald E. Murray, J.C.D., EWTN Commentator; Rev Gerald Dennis Gill, S.S.L., M.Div., Director, Office for Divine Worship, Archdiocese of Philadelphia.
Location Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul; 18th St and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia.
View the website:
<https://www.saintjohnneumannchapter.org> for registration.

Wedding Anniversary Mass - Are you celebrating a special anniversary this year? The annual Archdiocesan Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place on Saturday, April 28, 2018 at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at the 5:15 Vigil Mass with Archbishop Charles J. Chaput O.F.M., Cap. presiding. This Mass is to pray for and with all married couples who are newlyweds, or who have been married 25, 50 years or more. Friends and family are welcome and encouraged to attend. Registration Required. To register visit: www.phillycatholiclife.org or call 215-587-0500.

Mothers of Children with Disabilities Retreat
Tuesday, May 1, 2018, 9:30am - 2pm.

A retreat for mothers and grandmothers who are raising children with disabilities and also those who have adult children with disabilities. There will be time to pray, reflect, and chat with other mothers.
Location: Malvern Retreat House
Speakers: Sr. Suzanne Mayer, IHM, retreat director; Fr. Jim Olson, Mass celebrant.
To register, visit www.opdarchphilly.com
For more information please call 610-644-0400 or the Office for Persons with Disabilities at 215-587-3530.

Theology on Tap - April 20, 2018 - Adults age 21 to 35 are invited to St. Charles Borromeo Seminary for Theology on Tap, Friday April 20, 2018. Doors open at 6:45pm. The evening includes live music with refreshments and snacks, presentation on "Conquering Adversity through Prayer" by Matt Falcone, and ends with night prayer. Photo ID is required.

Archdiocesan May Procession - Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 2:00pm, Cathedral Basilica of SS Peter and Paul. Come honor the Mother of Jesus and our Mother.



2018 NARBERTH CF RUN & WALK celebrates its 23rd Anniversary, scheduled for Saturday, April 28th, starting at 9:00am. All proceeds from the Run go to the "Take a Breather Foundation" which fulfills wishes for area children living with CF. **Volunteers are needed.** Without the help of volunteers, the Narberth CF Run would not be the success that it is. Volunteering mainly involves traffic control, which is extremely important to help keep our runners safe by making sure that no vehicles are moving on the streets. The Run kicks off at 9:00 am and ends about 10am and volunteers are asked to be at their designated assigned stations at 8:30am. Students grade 3 and up are needed as volunteers for water stations; adults **MUST** accompany any children younger than this. Volunteering is fun and easy, plus you can enjoy the post-run activities at the Narberth Playground, including the Kidz run, face painting and moon bouncing. Volunteers will also receive a t-shirt for their support. Anyone interested in being a volunteer can contact us at narberthcfrun@gmail.com or visitnarberthrun.com or you can stop by the volunteer table at pre-registration, Friday, April 27th, between 5-7 pm in the Narberth Girl Scout Room, next to the Narberth Library, or on race day at the Playground before 8:30am. Thank you.

ARE YOU CALLED TO BE A DEACON?

We invite Catholic men (and their wives if married) with a deep spiritual life who are between the ages of 29 and 55, and would like to discern a call to serve Jesus Christ and His Church within the Archdiocese of Philadelphia as permanent deacons to take the next step and contact us for more information and to register for the upcoming Permanent Diaconate Information Night.
2018 Permanent Diaconate Information Night
Thursday, April 19, 2018, 7:00 to 9:00 pm
St. Charles Borromeo Seminary - Vianney Auditorium
Registration for this event is required.
Please email the following information to Laura Nimmons at inimmons@archphila.org. Name, Address, Age, Parish, Email, Marital Status, if married, Wife's name.

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Saint Margaret School

CONGRATULATIONS

Patrick Rooney, 8th grade, received an Academic Merit Scholarship to Archbishop Carroll High School. Congratulations Patrick!

Classroom News

SMS Art Class - Just in time for Spring, Grade 3 has completed stunning flowers done in oil crayon, in the style of Georgia O'Keefe. Examples are now on display in the hall outside of the Art Room.

Designer Bag Bingo – Start Gathering your friends - Friday, April 20, 6:30. Sign up forms enclosed in this week's bulletin! Cost: \$35 (includes entrance to the event, 12 rounds of bingo, 3 chances per round to win a designer bag, and entry for seven great door prizes). BYO food and beverages. Coach, Michael Kors, Kate Spade and Tory Burch bags will be featured! Kendra Scott will be there with a trunk show selling their amazing jewelry too!

Special deal - New this Year! For an additional \$20, you get over \$40 worth of extras including an extra Bingo book giving you three extra cards per round, a dauber, and 12 raffle tickets for our surprise raffles, EXCLUSIVE entry in the "Tips and Tails" game for a cash prize, and entry into the 13th round play with an extra card for the Tory Burch bag.

Walk In Wednesdays at SMS (9 to 11am)

Anyone wishing to register students for 2018-2019 school year for Grades PK and Kdg may call the school office at 610-664-2640 or e-mail info@smsnarberth.org to make an appointment for a tour.

Age Requirements: Pre-K: 4 years by Sept 1 – 8:15-11:45,
Extended Day available from 11: 45-3pm

Kindergarten (Full Day): 5 years by Sept 1, First Grade: 6 years by Sept 1

AM CARES (7:15am to 8:00am) & PM CARES (3:00 pm to 6:00 pm) are available to all grades.

Share our news with your friends, neighbors and family!
Visit our web:www.smsnarberth.org for more information on our home page under "Prospective Students"

Merion Mercy Summer Programs- We have a variety of academic, enrichment and athletic offerings for girls and boys, including our acclaimed pre-eighth grade Summer Academy and High School Placement Test Preparation course, and our popular (entering) 6th and 7th grade Jump Start Program, which focuses on math, language arts, writing and study skills. We also offer fun enrichment programs and sports camps. Please visit our website at www.merion-mercy.com/summerprograms. Visit our website www.merion-mercy.com/summerprograms to download a full brochure and to register online. For more information, please contact Mrs. Barbara Harrison, Director of Summer Programs, at 610-664-6655 ext 120 or email bharrison@merion.mercy.com.

Intellectual Disabilities and Autism Help-Line.

Do you need help accessing services and supports for someone with an intellectual disability or autism? The CSS Developmental Programs Help-Line is available to answer your questions. 484-472-5041.

A Little Humor - A woman explained that she was curious when she found two black-and-white negatives in a drawer. So she had them made into prints. She was pleasantly surprised to see that they were of a younger and slimmer version of her, taken on one of her first dates with her husband as they stood by his car. When she showed him the photos, his face lit up, "Wow look at that!" he said with appreciation. "It's my old Plymouth!"

Academy of Notre Dame de Namur - will offer summer enrichment programs and athletic camps for elementary (basketball), middle, and high school girls on its Villanova Campus.

Science and Dance enrichment programs will also be available in July in Stone Harbor, NJ.

Please visit ndapa.org/summer camps for specific details on dates and grade levels or call 610-687-0650.

Concerts at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul

Tickets at CathedralPhilaConcerts.org
April 28, 2018 - 8:00pm - Chanticleer - The world-class ensemble **Chanticleer** returns to Concerts at the Cathedral Basilica for a thrilling evening of a cappella singing in the glorious acoustics of the Cathedral Basilica.



Official new website of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, delivers up-to-date Catholic news and information twice each week to your email inbox for free - it's easy to sign up at CatholicPhilly.com/newsletter.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

In case of serious illness, please contact the Rectory to make arrangements. If someone is already in the hospital, be sure to register as a Catholic so that the priest will visit.

COMMUNION CALLS

Parishioners unable to attend Mass regularly because of age or illness should call the Rectory to make arrangements to receive Communion at home. If any member of your family is hospitalized, please be sure to register as a Catholic and inform the Rectory so that a visit can be arranged.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is celebrated on Sundays at 1:00 PM. Arrangements must be made in advance at the Rectory by calling Msgr. Dougherty, ext. 12. If parents have not attended a Baptism class, they must attend our Baptism Preparation Seminar. Call the rectory to register for the class. Godparents guidelines state that one godparent must be Catholic. They must be at least 16 years of age, registered in the parish where they live, fully initiated, and practicing their faith; they must obtain a letter of eligibility from their own parish. One practicing non-Catholic Christian may also be admitted as a Christian Witness. [The next Baptism Preparation Seminar is Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at 7:00pm in the Rectory.](#)

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Registered parishioners who wish to marry at St. Margaret should contact Msgr. Dougherty. The Sacrament of Marriage is celebrated after a period of preparation of not less than six months. Engaged couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage can register, explore possible dates or find out more information for pre-marriage classes by visiting PhilaMarriagePrep.com. For email inquiries, Amy@PhilaMarriagePrep.com.

REGISTRATION

A warm welcome is extended to new parishioners. You may register by calling the parish office during office hours to set up an appointment. Parish registration is required for reception of the Sacraments and letters of eligibility to serve as godparent or sponsor.

REQUESTS FOR ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATES

The role of a sponsor is primarily a spiritual role to model a Christian life for the child. Therefore, anyone requesting a certificate must be a registered, participating member of St. Margaret Parish, a practicing Catholic in good standing (not living in violation of the church laws), at least 16 years of age and have received the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). Please call the rectory for an appointment if you need a certificate.

SOCIAL NETWORKING WITH THE ARCHDIOCESE

<http://www.facebook.com/ArchbishopChaput>
www.twitter.com/ArchPhilly
www.youtube.com/user/CatholicPhilly
<http://livestream.com/archphila>

PRAYER GROUP

The Living Vineyard Prayer Group meets the second Wednesday of the month at 10:00 AM in the church to celebrate Mass.

BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study meets every Tuesday from September to June in the Antioch Annex (9:00 to 10:30am).

THE ROSARY

Every Saturday the Rosary is recited beginning after the 7am Angelus. Come and pray with us.

PRAYER CIRCLE

Do you have an immediate prayer need or can you offer the Gift of Prayer? Tap into our electronic Prayer Circle and receive an outpouring of heartfelt prayer by members of St. Margaret Parish and others. E-mail your prayer requests or if you want to join the **Prayer Circle at cbuhn@yahoo.com**.

REMEMBER THOSE YOU LOVE

For a donation of \$10.00, **the sanctuary candle or altar candles** will burn for a week for your intention or in memory of a loved one. Another memorial opportunity is to have **flowers** placed on the altar for a donation of \$100. Each week the intention or memorial will be published in the bulletin. If you would like to take advantage of these opportunities, please call Teresa or Rose Marie at the rectory, 610-664-3770, Ext 10.

EUCHARIST FOR CELIAC COMMUNICANTS

St. Margaret Church is aware of the need to have the low gluten hosts available at all Masses. If you or a member of your family is interested in receiving Low-Gluten Holy Eucharist at any Mass, please contact Maria at mecarinato@gmail.com.



JOURNEY WITH US TO EXPLORE THE CATHOLIC FAITH

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey to a deeper experience of God's love manifested through the teaching and treasures of the Catholic Faith. St. Margaret Church offers instructions for people seeking more information about the Catholic Faith, the Sacraments and living the Christian Life. These instructions are for adults who would like to inquire about following Jesus and becoming a member of the Catholic Church, or, if you are already a baptized Catholic would like to receive Confirmation and Holy Communion. **RCIA classes meet on Tuesday, at 7pm.** Please contact Msgr. Dougherty at pastor@saintmarg.org or 610-664-3770, Ext *812.



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