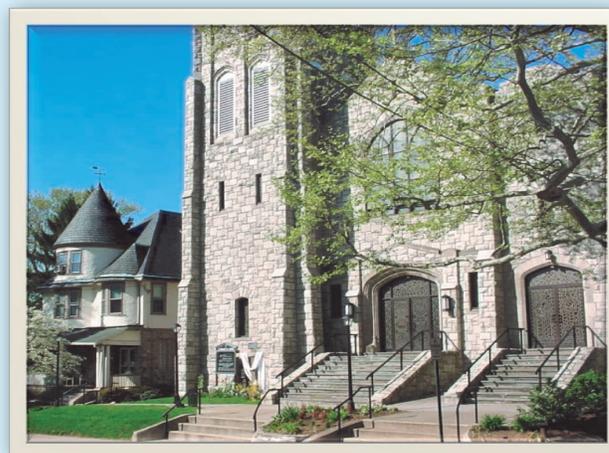


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## *Fifth Sunday of Easter* *April 29, 2018*



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### Scrip Sales

**MONDAY TO FRIDAY**

**FROM 9AM TO 4:30 PM IN THE RECTORY**

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**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.**



## *Fifth Sunday of Easter*

## Mass Intentions

Today's reading from the Gospel of John is part of Jesus' discourse at the Last Supper. Recall that John tells the story of Jesus' Last Supper differently from the other Evangelists. In John's Gospel, the Last Supper begins with Jesus washing his disciples' feet. Jesus then provides them with a series of instructions. We call this section the Last Supper discourse or Jesus' farewell discourse. In these chapters of John's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples about the importance of following his example of love and service, about the gift they will receive when Jesus sends them the Holy Spirit, and about their relationship with Jesus and with the world. The Last Supper discourse concludes with Jesus' prayer for his disciples.

Today's Gospel reading is taken from middle of the Last Supper discourse. Jesus speaks about his relationship to his disciples. In his metaphor of the vine and the branches, Jesus is referencing the Hebrew Scriptures. In the Hebrew Scriptures, Israel is the vineyard, and Yahweh himself tends the vineyard. One of the primary themes of John's Gospel is to show Jesus to be the fulfillment of God's promises to Israel.

In this passage, Jesus teaches his disciples that his relationship with them will not end after his death; he will remain with them always. This unity between Jesus and his disciples is the basis for their ability to continue to do the work that he began. Similarly, Jesus' presence with us through the Gift of the Holy Spirit enables us to continue the work of love and reconciliation that he began.

Jesus also teaches his disciples about the importance of the words he has taught to them. Just as Jesus will remain in the disciples, so too will his words. We come to know Jesus through the Scriptures, the living Word of God. Our commitment to be Christ's disciples is sustained through God's Word. This commitment is also strengthened by our life of prayer and nourished by the Eucharist. Through the Eucharist, Jesus dwells in us, remains with us, and transforms us so that we might bear fruit in his name.

We observe many people who act in ways that show their commitment to serve their neighbor. Christians and non-Christians feed the hungry, care for the sick, shelter the homeless, and give alms to the poor. These actions become acts of Christian discipleship when they are motivated by our relationship with Jesus. Whatever the immediate results, Jesus promises us that these actions will bear fruit when we undertake them in his name.

**MONDAY, April 30**

7:00 AM Patrick John Thorne

**TUESDAY, May 1**

7:00 AM John Le

**WEDNESDAY, May 2**

7:00 AM Mary Ellen Harvey

**THURSDAY, May 3**

7:00AM Anne McCloskey

**FRIDAY, May 4**

7:00 AM Dorothy Kane, 1st Anniversary

**SATURDAY, May 5**

8:00 AM Helen Brinkmann



**THE WEEK OF APRIL 29, 2018**

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN FOR THE HUY LE FAMILY.**

**THE ALTAR CANDLES WILL BURN IN MEMORY OF GEORGE MARTIN.**

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

### **THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**THE Weekend Collection of April 22, 2018: \$10,119**

**Including Electronic Funds Transfer: \$872**

**Mail In: \$1,995**

**Parish On Line: \$1,600**

**Envelopes: 215**

**Weekend of April 23, 2017: \$8,816**

**Easter Collection 2018: \$34,952**

**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

**Breaking Through** - Several times the risen Lord came through locked doors to appear to his disciples and show them that he was alive and with them. He stepped into their lives and filled them with joy and peace. The risen Lord wants to be with us also to share his life. He comes into our lives to be with us and give us his peace. The Lord invites us to have a strong faith in his resurrection, to look for him and to have confidence that he comes to be with us to give us the help we need in every circumstance. May we have a faith that allows us to see and be amazed as the risen Lord breaks through into our lives and comes to us.

**Baptism and Reception into the Church** - This Sunday, April 29, at the 11:30 am Mass, Susan Scerbo will be received into the Catholic Church, and will be confirmed and receive her First Communion. Her son, Duncan Haines, will be baptized, confirmed and receive his First Communion. They have been preparing for this day for many months through our Tuesday evening Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults classes (R.C.I.A.). We extend to them our prayers, congratulations and our heartfelt welcome to our faith community.

**First Holy Communion** - Over the next few weekends many of our children, most of them in second grade in our School or in our PREP (Parish Religious Education Program), will be receiving their First Holy Communion. Some of the children will receive their First Communion at a 10:30 am Mass on Saturday, May 5; some will receive it on the following Saturday, May 12, at 10:30 am. We offer sincere prayers for all those preparing for their First Communion. We rejoice with them and pray that they will come to know the love and power of Christ in their lives through the celebration of the Eucharist.

**Finance Council** - Its next meeting will be on Wednesday, May 2, at 7:00 pm in the Antioch Annex.

**May Procession** - Our Annual May Procession will be celebrated on Monday, May 7, at 7:00 pm. We will begin in the Church and process out to crown the statue of Mary in the garden dedicated to her. Come and join us as we give honor to Mary and ask her to intercede for us so that we can be beacons of the light of Christ in our Parish and in our world.

**Ascension of Our Lord** - Next Thursday, May 10, is the Solemnity of the Ascension of Our Lord into Heaven. It is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses will be at 7 pm on Wednesday, May 9, and at 7 am, 12:05 pm and 7 pm on Thursday, May 10. Please plan to attend Mass that day. We celebrate how the Lord ascended into heavenly glory in order to lift up and sanctify us in our humanity. The Lord's Ascension fills us with hope that the Lord shares his life with us now and leads us to the fullness of eternal glory in heaven.

### Helping Other People in Emergency

**Week of April 29, 2018, Pam Owsik 610-659-7021**  
**Please call as early in the week as possible.**



Just a reminder that next Sunday, May 6 is St. Margaret's weekend to take Holy Communion to the sick at the Lankenau. Group A is assigned but Group B is also welcomed. If you cannot go next weekend, please contact someone on the other team. It is very important to get a replacement.

**A Little Humor** - One pig says, "Oink." Another one says, "Oink," but a third says, "Moo." The others ask why he said, "Moo," when he should be saying, "Oink." He answers, "I know, but I am trying to learn a second language." (Courtesy of Matt Norton, who delivered this as one of his many jokes at our Saint Margaret School Talent Show.)

**Catholic Teaching: Transubstantiation** - The Council of Trent summarizes the Catholic faith (in the Blessed Sacrament) by declaring: "Because Christ our Redeemer said that it was truly his body that he was offering under the species of bread, it has always been the conviction of the Church of God, and this holy Council now declares again, that by the consecration of the bread and wine there takes place a change of the whole substance of the bread into the substance of the body of Christ our Lord and of the whole substance of the wine into the substance of his blood. This change the holy Catholic Church has fittingly and properly called transubstantiation."

**Spiritual Thought** - O Heart of Love, I put all my trust in you. For I fear all things from my own weakness, but I hope for all things from your goodness. (St. Margaret Mary Alacoque)

### **Catholic Home Missions Appeal**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Here in the United States there is a great need for evangelization and sharing the message of Christ and the beauty of the Church. The Church at home needs to be strengthened and fortified. Soon, as a diocese, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal (CHMA), which supports the neediest dioceses in the United States. This appeal makes the most basic faith programs possible and shares the gospel message with our brothers and sisters in dioceses where Church communities are scattered and struggling.

The Diocese of Pueblo's terrain, very mountainous and lonely, has shaped the attitude of pastors and parishioners alike - they tend to be highly independent. This has served them well, since only 44 priests and 45 deacons are available to serve the needs of over 64,000 Catholics. The diocese is primarily rural, covering the entire southern half of the state of Colorado, and the priest shortage is felt very strongly there. But with your support of CHMA, the Diocese of Pueblo offers lay ministry training programs. This training will provide ministers to serve the most isolated parishes and offer spiritual support for Catholics in the diocese.

Your support of this appeal makes a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters right here in the United States. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the appeal this year. Thank you for strengthening the Church at home.

Gratefully and with best wishes in Jesus Christ,  
Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.  
Archbishop of Philadelphia

**Archdiocesan May Procession** - Sunday, May 6, 2018 at 2:00pm, Cathedral Basilica of SS Peter and Paul. Children who have received Confirmation and their First Holy Communion are invited to wear their sacramental attire for the May Procession. Come and honor the Mother of Jesus and our Mother.

### **Flame of Love Easter Retreat**

**Saturday May 5, 2018 (8:30am - 3:00pm)**

St. Anthony Padua Church, 259 Forest Ave, Ambler.  
For further information, please call 610-622-4257 or visit [www.flameoflove.us](http://www.flameoflove.us).

### **Catholic Answers Live**

#1 Catholic Radio Show Monday - Friday - 6-8 PM  
One great program. Many ways to listen!  
[catholic.com/radio](http://catholic.com/radio)

### **Enrollment Opportunities St. Margaret School**

We're Catholic and proud of our service to others integrated through the curriculum and ask each family to consider enrollment opportunities in our 4 year old PK, Full Day Kindergarten, or 1st Grade. Enrollment in other grades is based on class size constraints. Enrich your child's life through our faith, with academic challenges providing scholarships to private area high schools. We form, inform and transform. Questions or personal visits can be arranged through [info@smsnarberth.org](mailto:info@smsnarberth.org) or call the school 610-664-2640.

**IHM Conference Center, Bryn Mawr**- Wednesday, May 9 (9:00-11:30am) Saints & Sainly People: St. Katharine Drexel, Philadelphia's Saint for the People of God. Presenter, Sr. Beth Woodward, will share how Katharine's life and vocation impacted the Church and American History. Stipend \$15.

**The Credible Catholic** - Fr. Robert Spitzer, S.J., Ph.D., President of the Magis Center for Reason and Faith, has produced seven excellent faith formation modules responding to some of the most common questions that modern men and women pose to believing Catholics, especially related to science and the existence of God. In order to be better equipped to converse compellingly with others on essential topics such as evidence of a soul from medical studies, evidence of God from science and philosophy, proof of the Resurrection, where to find True Happiness, and why God allows suffering in the world, visit the Credible Catholic website: [crediblecatholic.com](http://crediblecatholic.com).

**Our Story: A Bible Refresher for Catholics** - The American Bible Society has created a new resource that will help all of us immerse ourselves in the living Word of God. The series of 5-minute video segments offers a refresher course on the Bible's big picture. It can be used by individuals or in a group setting. The series provides a uniquely Catholic approach to the Scriptures and a short lesson on Lectio Divina, the Church's ancient practice of meditating on the Scriptures in a way that helps you hear God's voice speaking to you personally. The videos and study guides are available in English and in Spanish. Access these resources at [abs.us/biblerefresher](http://abs.us/biblerefresher).

## Saint Margaret School

**SAVE THE DATE** - May 3rd is the one-year anniversary of our beloved Sister Corinne's entry into Eternal Life. We will have a school Mass on **Thursday, May 3rd at 10:30** in the church. All families and friends are invited to attend this special memorial Mass.

**DESIGNER BAG BINGO** - Thank you to all SMS families, friends and parishioners who attended SMS's 2nd Annual Designer Bag Bingo last Friday evening. What a great turnout!! We had over 160 people in attendance. This special event is an 8th Grade Fundraiser that is used to help pay for the graduation party and trip, and other graduation expenses. Many thanks to Monsignor Dougherty, who greeted everyone as they came in and started the evening with a special prayer. The well-attended event was filled with fun and many designer bag winners. The participants who purchased the \$20 Bingo Bundle (with a value of over \$40) also got to play Tips and Tails (winner received a \$100 bill PLUS a pair of [Badgley Mischka](#) earrings!!) plus many, many other extras, that made the night really special! Thank you to Meg Hill for heading up this event!! Thank you to Monica Lawrence, Heather Emery and the 8th grade volunteer moms who helped make this a success. Home & School Association looks forward to next year's Designer Bag Bingo event. Many thanks to Nicole Veith for designing our marketing materials and web site.

### **SMS CLASSROOM NEWS:**

**Grade 2** is practicing and preparing to receive their First Holy Communion on next Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:30.

**Grade 4** students are learning about bartering and trading posts in Social Studies. They discussed making it into a fun activity - setting up their own trading with different candies or snack foods. Students could bring in a snack or candy. One student asked if they can bring in broccoli! They are looking forward to this fun activity.

**Grade 6** students will teach a lesson (in a group or individually) on any Science related topic of their choice. The students are keeping busy researching Science topics they find interesting.

**SMS TALENT SHOW** - A special thank you is extended to our coordinators Linda O'Keefe, Frank Sorbello, Peg Iannone, and Meg Hill for organizing this annual SMS event. It was a huge success; we are very proud to have such a huge array of talented students here at our school. See you next year!

**Merion Mercy Academy**, an independent, all girls Catholic High School Sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, has an opening for a full time teaching position in the English department for the 2018-2019 school year. Qualified applicants with an English degree and secondary certification are asked to submit a cover letter and resume by Monday, April 30th. Experienced preferred. Send email to Mary Ann Danovich, Assistant Head of School for Academic Affairs, [madanovich@merion-mercy.com](mailto:madanovich@merion-mercy.com).

**Camp Caritas: Summer Faith Formation Camp** - This summer, the archdiocese of Philadelphia will pilot a new summer program of faith formation for 7th & 8th graders.  
**Who?** For students in 7th & 8th grade  
**What?** A week-long Faith Formation summer camp  
**Where?** Bonner and Prendergast Catholic High School.  
**When?** June 18-22, from 8:30am - 3:00pm  
**Cost?** \$185(does not include lunch)  
Questions? Contact [admin@campveritas.com](mailto:admin@campveritas.com) or 845-663-1689.

**Welcome one another, then, as Christ welcomed you, for the glory of God. (Romans 15:7)**

### **Welcome Prayer:**

Lord Jesus, you welcomed all who came into your presence. May I reflect that same spirit through this ministry of hospitality. May your light shine in my heart this day. Remove from me anything that would stand in the way of radiating your presence.

As people enter this Church to worship and praise You, may they hear your voice in my words and see your love in my actions. May my "welcome" reflect our joy at their presence and may my "good-by" encourage them to return soon.

I thank you, Father, for the opportunity to serve you and ask your blessing upon all my efforts. I ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ who is the giver of all gifts.  
Amen.

Please be in touch with Bruce Fay ([Brewster.fay@gmail.com](mailto:Brewster.fay@gmail.com)) or Robert Cermignano ([faith@saintmarg.org](mailto:faith@saintmarg.org)) if you have an interest in becoming a part of the Welcome ministry at St. Margaret Church.

### **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](http://www.twitter.com/ArchPhilly)

[www.youtube.com/user/CatholicPhilly](http://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](mailto: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.

### **EUCARIST 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](mailto: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](mailto:pastor@saintmarg.org) or 610-664-3770, Ext \*812.



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