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***THE MOST HOLY BODY
AND BLOOD OF CHRIST
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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.



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

Today, the second Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate a second solemnity, which marks our return to Ordinary Time in the liturgical calendar. Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. At one time, this day was called *Corpus Christi*, the Latin words for "the Body of Christ." In the most recent revision of our liturgical rites, the name for this day is expanded to be a more complete reflection of our Eucharistic theology.

In our reading for today, we read the account of the Last Supper found in the Gospel of Mark. It begins with the instructions that Jesus gave to his disciples to prepare their Passover celebration. It then goes on to give an account of the Last Supper. On this Sunday, however, our Lectionary reading omits the verses between these two passages; in those omitted verses we hear Jesus predict his betrayal by one of his disciples.

The Gospel of Mark describes Jesus' Last Supper with his disciples as a celebration of the Jewish feast of Passover. The Jewish celebration of Passover is a memorial to and a ritual participation in the defining moment of Israel's history. It celebrates God's deliverance of his people from slavery in Egypt. The Passover meal includes many ritually important elements, such as unleavened bread, lamb, and bitter herbs. Each food item recalls an aspect of the Exodus event. The instructions for the preparation of this meal are carefully prescribed in the Law of Moses. It is a central obligation of the Jewish faith tradition to celebrate this meal and to give thanks to God for his deliverance and protection.

In the description of the Passover meal found in today's Gospel, however, Mark omits many elements of the Jewish Passover meal. Instead he describes only those elements he believes to be most essential to the Christian Eucharist: Jesus took bread, blessed the bread, broke the bread, and shared it with his disciples. Similar words and actions follow as Jesus shares the chalice with his disciples. This bread now shared is Jesus' own body. Those who drink from the chalice are invited to share in a new covenant which will be sealed by Jesus' own blood. Mark's Eucharistic theology looks forward to the Kingdom of God that Jesus inaugurates.

The Gospel for today reminds us that the Eucharist is a memorial of Christ's sacrifice on the cross. We believe that Jesus is truly present to us in the elements of bread and wine. Each time we celebrate this sacrament, we prepare for the Kingdom of God. This celebration, as the Second Vatican Council taught us, is the source and summit of the Christian life.

MONDAY, June 4

7:00 AM Anne Rovar

TUESDAY, June 5

7:00 AM Eleanor D'Antonio

WEDNESDAY, June 6

7:00 AM Kathleen Lynam

THURSDAY, June 7

7:00 AM Fred Matarazzo

FRIDAY, June 8

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

SATURDAY, June 9

8:00 AM Thomas Gillard



THE WEEK OF JUNE 3, 2018

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN IN
MEMORY OF DICK & JUDY GESCHKE.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR
THIS WEEK ARE IN CELEBRATION OF
SISTER JUDITH GESCHKE'S,
50TH JUBILEE.



**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 May 27, 2018: \$7,087

Including Electronic Funds Transfer: \$ 872

Mail In: \$ 1,005

Parish On Line: \$ 660

Envelopes: 170

Weekend of May 28, 2017: \$6,830

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. 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

Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ - On today's Solemnity we offer praise and thanks to God for the gift of His Body and Blood by which he shares his divine life with us in a very powerful way. We recently finished celebrating the Easter Season, when we commemorate the resurrection of Jesus from the dead, his Ascension into heaven and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost. We celebrate this Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ soon after the Easter Season, because it is through his Body and Blood in Holy Communion that the risen Lord is present for us in a special and preeminent way. There is no greater way of sharing in the life of Christ than through the devout reception of His Body and Blood in Holy Communion. We celebrate this great gift today and renew our commitment to receiving the Lord each Sunday so that his life and goodness can grow and be strengthened within us.

Bequest from the Estate of Anne Johnson - On May 2, the funeral Mass for Anne Johnson was celebrated here at St. Margaret Church. Anne was a parishioner for many years. In her kindness, she remembered the Parish in her will with a generous gift of \$50,000. We are grateful to Anne for her dedication to the Parish. May God bless her for her goodness to us and grant her eternal peace.

Bequests from the Estate of Ethel Ross - At the time of her passing, Ethel resided in Media, but she had been a parishioner at St. Margaret Parish for many years. She fondly remembered her time here and felt that the St. Margaret Community had played an important role in her life. Among other things, she was involved here with Bible Study and as a sponsor in the Rite of Christian Initiation Program. Ethel remembered the Parish in her will with a gift of \$30,000. Ethel was a teacher at Garrettford Elementary School in Drexel Hill for many years. She enjoyed her profession as a teacher and valued being an educator. Because of her respect for teachers, she also designated that \$30,000 be given to our Teacher Bonus Fund to honor our teachers. Over the next three years, we will add \$10,000 each year to the Teacher Fund in order to honor Ethel's request. May God bless Ethel for her love for her faith, her generosity, and her love of learning and teaching. May she enjoy eternal life with the Lord.

Parish Finances - Our budget for the Church and School for his current fiscal year projected that we would finish slightly in the red, but the gifts from Anne and Ethel will likely put us in the black. We can all be grateful to these two faith-filled and good women for the timely assistance they have extended to our Parish.

Ice Cream Social - The end of the school year ice cream social will take place on Friday, June 8, from 6:30-8:00pm in the Antioch Annex. If you plan to attend, please email office@saintmarg.org or call 610-664-3770 ext 10 with the number. Come and join us.

Sister Judith Geschke, I.H.M., Golden Jubilee - Sister Judith Geschke, I.H.M., will celebrate her Golden Anniversary in religious life this week. Sister was raised here in St. Margaret Parish. We extend to her our heartfelt congratulations on her many years of faithful service in the Lord's name.

Catholic Charities Appeal - Thus far, 130 parishioners have contributed a total of \$39,657 toward our goal of \$84,835. We are grateful for their generosity. If you have not made a contribution, please consider offering one. Your donation will help to serve the needy of the Archdiocese. Envelopes are available at the doors of the Church.

Helping Other People in Emergency

Week of June 3, 2018, Robert Ritzco 610-649-3973
Please call as early in the week as possible.

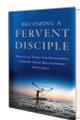


We Welcome into our Parish Community
Carolyn and Grace Antosy, daughters of Marc and Tanya Antosy. Congratulations to the family on the Baptism of these children.



The 2019 Mass Book will open, Tuesday, June 5 at 10:00am. It would be helpful if you are able to prepare a list of your announced Masses when you come to the rectory. You may also leave a copy and we will do our best to accommodate you.

Becoming Joyful and Fervent Disciples



This Wednesday, June 6, will be the final session with Deacon John Lozano from St. Norbert Parish in Paoli will be here at St. Margaret in the Antioch Annex to share with us his practical insights about encountering Jesus, about prayer and about mission. These talks will help us nurture a rich and rewarding life with Christ. The evenings will begin at 6:50 with light refreshments and a time to mingle. The talk will begin at 7:05 sharp with time for discussion and end at 8 PM. Following the talk there will be time to socialize for another half hour. Please come and invite a friend!

Saint Margaret School

Classroom News

The **8th grade students** went on their last class trip together to Baltimore. They had a wonderful time and the weather was beautiful. They are now preparing for exams and getting ready for their graduation celebrations.

The **7th grade students** recently enjoyed two presentations from experts in the field of science and technology. **Mr. Keith Karn** provided the class with an interesting lecture about Engineering and Systems Design. Students reinforced their understanding of the engineering design process, and learned about the purpose empathy serves in relation to the engineering design process. Mr. Karn provided first hand accounts of his many fascinating experiences in the field of product research and development. Next, to supplement the seventh graders' study of cells, Ms. Cherie Walters visited the class to present her research as an accomplished student of biology. Her work, *In Vitro* Scratch Essay: The Effects of Immature Immune Cells on the Wound Healing Process provided valuable insights on the positive impact that our science concepts can have on society. Mr. Karn and Ms. Walters are two exemplary models of scientists at work to make the world a better place!

Our **Pre-K and Kindergarten** began practicing for their Closing Ceremonies, which will be held on Thursday, June 7th for our Pre-K and Friday, June 8th for our Kindergarten.

SMS Alumni & SMS Past Parents - St. Margaret School has educated thousands of children from our parish, and more recently the surrounding area. Volunteers are needed to plan and build connections with past parents, alumni, faculty and classmates. Decade teams are forming... Gatherings will be planned informally & locally using social media to re-connect and gather SMS stories & friends getting ready for St. Margaret School 100th! We are beginning now...send a message to info@smsnarberth.org so we can add you to our volunteers...SMS Forever! Go to www.smsnarberth.org - Advancement page then Alumni Connect.

Sports & Spirituality Camp at S. John Neumann in Bryn Mawr (June 25-29 from 1 to 4pm) and St. Madeline's in Ridley Park (August 20-25 from 10am to 1pm). Campers will enjoy indoor and outdoor sports and games in a non-competitive environment. In addition, each day will include a lesson centered on this year's theme, "I am the vine and you are the branches." For more information and registration visit www.mission5and2.org or call Kath Cloran at 484-486-4089.

Camp Curtain Call - a theatre camp for children ages 5 to 14 will be held at St. Denis Parish Gymnasium/Theater, Havertown, (July 9th – 13th) (9am to 2pm). Daily sessions in voice, dance, and acting. A performance will be held at the end of the week. Cost \$200/camper before June 15th; \$220 after June 15th; discount for 2 or more per same family \$180/camper. Brochures and details available. Contact Mary Agnes Ostick at 610-446-4736 or campcurtaincall1@gmail.com



ALL ARE INVITED TO THE ICE-CREAM SOCIAL

WHO? All parish and SMS Families

WHAT? St. Margaret's Summer Ice-Cream Social

WHERE? Antioch Annex (lower level of the church)

WHEN? Friday, June 8th, from 6:30-8:00 PM

WHY? Come for the FREE ice-cream, games, fellowship, and fun!

WAIT! Students are needed to help set-up, clean-up, serve food, and monitor games. All rising 6th - 7th graders have this great opportunity for Community service. Please contact Mrs. Monroe if your child would like to help out.

If you are planning to come to the social, email office @saintmarg.org or call to give us the number attending.



The CYO Soccer Program

at Saint Margaret's is looking for a few volunteers to

coach. The Soccer Program at Saint Margaret's has been in existence the past five years, and currently has a Boys 3/4 Soccer Program and a Co-Ed JV Soccer Program. In looking to expand to Varsity in the fall, there are open positions for coach and/or assistant coach for Co-Ed Varsity and for assistant coach for Boys 3/4 Soccer. If interested, please contact Ed Zaroni

Catholic Teaching: The Body and Blood of Christ -

The mode of Christ's presence under the Eucharistic species is unique. It raises the Eucharist above all sacraments as the perfection of the spiritual life and the end to which all the sacraments tend. In the most blessed sacrament of the Eucharist the body and blood, together with the soul and divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially contained. This presence is called "real" - by which is intended not to exclude the other types of presence as if they could not be "real" too, but because it is presence in the fullest sense: that is to say, it is a substantial presence by which Christ, God and man, makes himself wholly and entirely present.

Testimony Requested! - The Historical Commission for the sainthood cause of Fr. Bill Atkinson, OSA (1946-2006), seeks information on him from the general public. We are asking anyone who knew Fr. Atkinson to contact us and relate what you know about him. No story or encounter is too small. Whether you met him at Msgr. Bonner High School or at Archbishop Prendergast High School, or at any of the parishes where he celebrated Mass or the Sacraments, we wish to have your written recollections. In particular, we are interested in obtaining any personal letters or documents, mementos and unpublished source materials that may be used to foster a greater understanding of Father Atkinson's life. Photographs or videos of Father Atkinson would also be useful. Please give your contact information to us, the Historical Commission for the Cause of Fr. Bill Atkinson, OSA, by e-mail at Atkinson.cause@gmail.com or by telephone message to 610-519-6937. Fr. Joseph Ryan, OSA (chair)

A Little Humor - Questions for Mom: Where are my shoes?; What's for dinner?; Did you wash my shirt?; Can you help me with my project?; What time is my game tonight?; Can you take me to the store? Questions for Dad: Where is Mom?



Catholic Charities Night with the Phillies, Monday - June 25, 2018, 7:05 pm - Citizens Bank Park. To purchase tickets, visit:

www.phillies.com/catholiccharitiesnight. For more information on CCA Night with Phillies, Call 215-587-5650.

Pro-Life Note - Humans receive their basic genetic structure at the moment of conception. Written into the single fertilized cell possessing 46 chromosomes is all the information that the human zygote will need to grow towards full development. No other extraneous genetic material will ever be needed. Science tells us, therefore, that from the moment of conception we have a genetically living human being (and the development continues throughout life until death.)

Learn Natural Family Planning (NFP) June 29 (6-9pm) Engaged and married couples, as well as single women and men, are invited to learn about NFP. This date is for Class 1 of 3. Class 2 is July 27th and Class 3 is August 24th. Location: Mother of Divine Providence Parish Offices, King of Prussia. Speakers: Jim and Jen Volpe Registration is required: https://register.ccli.org/class_series/11306.

Spiritual Thought - Be merry, really merry. The life of a true Christian should be a perpetual jubilee, a prelude to the festivals of eternity. (Blessed Theophane Venard)



Worldwide Marriage Encounter has been strengthening marriages for 50 years. Join the millions of couples around the world who have made a weekend. The next weekends in the Philadelphia Area are July 13-15 and October 19-21 both at Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. For more information or to register go to www.wwme-philly.org or call 484-393-1645. Help us celebrate 50 years by experiencing a Weekend of Discovery and a Lifetime of Love!

Daughters of the King

Catholic Women's Conference 2018 Saturday, October 27 (9am - 4pm). National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown. For more information or to register visit www.catholicwomensconference.org

Mother's Home First Annual Gala Dinner and Fundraiser - Please join us on September 21, 2018 (7:00pm - 11:00pm) for a wonderful night of dinner and dancing in support of the women and children of Mothers' Home. Meet and congratulate our honoree, Msgr. Ralph Chieffo, pastor of St. Mary Magdalen Parish, Media, for his unwavering support of our program. Tickets and sponsorships can be purchased at www.mothershome.myevent.com.

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 Wednesday, June 27, 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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