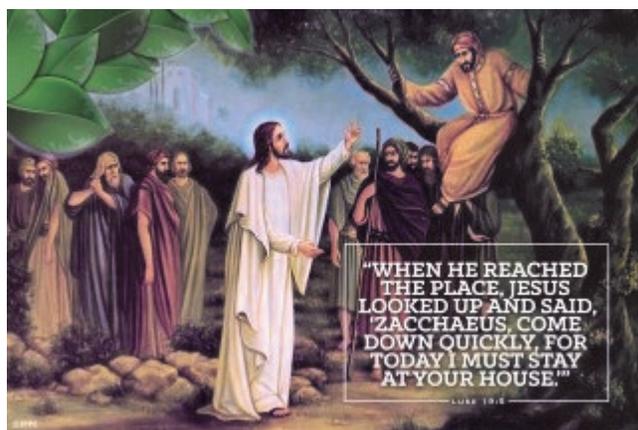


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MONDAY TO FRIDAY

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

Holy Day of Obligation

Vigil Mass - 7:00 PM
7:00 AM, 12:05 PM and 7:00 PM
(schedule subject to change on certain Holydays.
Check website for final schedule)

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.

THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

We know nothing of the famous Zaccheus other than what St. Luke tells us. We do know he held the worst job in town. He made his money working for the hated Romans as one of their tax collectors. We can be sure that he was ostracized by the Jewish townspeople. He was likely often alone at night when others might be dining out, or otherwise socializing. Today we might call him "marginalized." That would be enough right there to have him show up on Our Lord's "radar."

So Jesus does spot Zaccheus, half hiding up there in that sycamore tree just waiting for a glance of the Man of wonder that he might not otherwise have the chance to see, much less meet. But is he ever in for the surprise of his life! For the Lord looks up, likely with a kind smile on His face, and with a wave of His strong arm, urges Zaccheus to come on down. Not only that, He tells the poor rich man that He'd like to dine that evening at his home! Was there a word equivalent to "Wow" that Zaccheus said? We can only guess.

Obviously we have no video of this scene, but you have to imagine the looks of shock on the faces of the townspeople gathered around who heard the rabbi, the one they call "Master," just say that He is going to "that one's" house to eat? Unbelievable!!" Of course, that's precisely Jesus' point. God can be unbelievable at times with His decisions. Here Jesus, the "sign of contradiction" chooses to reach out to this social leper who had climbed up so that Jesus could reach out. Come to think of it, that is precisely what Jesus is always doing to us: reaching out. He came among us to end this separation from our best self, the one attuned to God.

Alienation from God takes many forms. Not always dramatic, much less the stuff of novels. Sometimes it is so subtle that we miss it. Or we catch what's happening but refuse to admit there is a problem. For example, take the use of coarse language. It is disrespectful of the person(s) who hear it. That is to say also that it is irreverent of a part of God's creation. It may even give scandal to "little ones," by that I mean children. Such speech can also be a thinly veiled form of violence. And certainly it would make us most uncomfortable in the presence of Jesus. The same holds true for racial slurs. Or deliberately ignoring the speed limit on the road. Having little tolerance for another's unintentional mistake. A little too much to drink too often. Little lies now and then. None of these are earth-shaking, but each tears down the ideals set for us at Baptism, and the promises we made at our Confirmation.

We don't know whether or not Zaccheus bragged about his visitor and that wonderful supper he enjoyed with Him. But boasting is one of those forms of pride that not only violates humility but also can backfire on us. A newly promoted Army colonel moved into his new and impressive office. As he sat behind his new big desk, a private knocked at his door. "Just a minute," the colonel said, "I'm on the phone." He picked up the phone and said loudly, "Yes sir, General, I'll call the President this afternoon. No sir, I won't forget." Then he hung up the phone and told the private to come in. "What can I help you with?" the colonel asked. "Well, sir," the private replied, "I've come to hook up your phone."

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, November 4

7:00 AM Bunny McKenna

TUESDAY, November 5

7:00 AM Jack McShea

WEDNESDAY, November 6

7:00 AM Sally Gray

THURSDAY, November 7

7:00 AM Stan Kazeniak

FRIDAY, November 8

7:00 AM James Jr. & James Sr. Molyneaux

SATURDAY, November 9

8:00 AM Giustino Giuliani

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



THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 3, 2019
THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN

**IN MEMORY OF
FELICIA FALCONE.**

**THE ALTAR CANDLE WILL BURN IN MEMORY OF
JOSEPH GAUDINI.**

Weekend Mass Schedule November 9-10

(Priest scheduled is subject to change)

Saturday, November 9

Confessions 4:00 - 4:45 PM - Msgr. Dougherty

5:15 PM - Msgr. Dougherty

Sunday, November 10

7:30 AM - Fr. DePrinzio

10:00 AM - Fr. Guckin

11:30 AM - Fr. Pesarchick

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekend of October 27, 2019:	\$ 7,641
Including Electronic Funds Transfer	\$ 671
Mail In:	\$ 455
Parish On Line:	\$ 1,030
Envelopes:	192

The Weekend of October 28, 2018: \$9,783

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

Parish Theme for 2019 - 2020 The Family: a Communion of Life and Love

From the Pastor

Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotions – Our Annual Forty Hours Devotions will be celebrated on Sunday, November 17, Monday, November 18 and Tuesday, November 19. Deacon John Lozano will be our preacher. He will help us to relate the Eucharist to our experience of daily family life. Deacon Lozano will speak at all the Masses on Sunday, November 17, and at Evening Prayer and Benediction at 7:00 pm on all three days. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for adoration on the altar each day from after morning Mass until the Devotions at 7:00 pm. Come and join us for these sacred devotions. Plan to spend time in quiet adoration during the days of the Devotions. A sign-up list will be in the vestibule so that we can be sure to have at least two people present at the various times for adoration.

Reboot Revisited: Prayer – The second practice recommended by Chris Stefanick to help nurture our faith was prayer. Prayer has many forms. The most powerful prayer is the celebration of Mass. At Mass we join with Christ in offering ourselves through him and in the Spirit to the Father. This sacred offering opens the gates of heavenly grace and the saving power of God flows upon us and our world. This grace is especially made present for us through the reception of Holy Communion, the Body and Blood of Christ. It is in Christ that we grow in holiness and goodness and through him we bring the light and love of the Lord to our world. Prayer keeps us in a lively and personal relationship with Christ, and the best means of nurturing that life-giving relationship is through the celebration of Sunday Mass.

Confirmation – Bishop Michael Fitzgerald will preside at the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation here at St. Margaret's on Tuesday, November 5 at 4:00 pm. Fifty-eight of our young people will be receiving the Sacrament. We join together in praying that they will experience the power of the Holy Spirit and live by the wisdom, courage and devotion the Spirit will pour into their hearts.

FORMED, an internet site containing many and multifaceted resources for growing in the knowledge and prayerful practice of our Catholic faith. The site contains movies, documentaries, talks, books and other resources on our faith for people of all ages. As a member of our parish, you have free access. Go to FORMED.org. The Parish Code is : WRVZND. I invite you to make good use of this wonderful and easily accessible resource.

Church Teaching: The Call to Prayer – Man may forget his Creator or hide far from his face; he may run after idols or accuse the deity of having abandoned him; yet the living and true God tirelessly calls each person to that mysterious encounter known as prayer. In prayer, the faithful God's initiative of love always comes first; our own first step is always a response. As God gradually reveals himself and reveals man to himself, prayer appears as a reciprocal call, a covenant drama. Through words and actions, this drama engages the heart. It unfolds throughout the whole history of salvation. (from the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

Spiritual Thought – We know certainly that our God calls us to a holy life. We know that He gives us every grace, every abundant grace; and though we are so weak of ourselves, this grace is able to carry us through every obstacle and difficulty. (St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)

HELPING OTHER PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY

Week of November 3, 2019
Robert Ritzco 610-649-3973
Please call as early in the week as possible.

Food Collection

Weekend - Next

Weekend is our monthly food collection weekend
(**November 9 & 10**).

This program collects non-perishable foods each month for the Archdiocesan Community Food Distribution Centers Program. They provide food for 120,000 people each year at 40 Food Cupboards throughout the Philadelphia area. All items should be brought to the Cafeteria of the school next weekend. Thank you for your generous support of this program.



Parish Giving **ONLINE GIVING** - Saint Margaret Parish has arranged a secure method of online giving. You can set up 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>.

A Little Humor – My wife kisses the dog on the lips yet won't even drink from my glass." (Rodney Dangerfield)



St Margaret School

Classroom News

Mrs. Rooney and grade KA are working hard and they have accomplished so much in the past two months. In Religion, the students have been taught about the church year and the different ways they celebrate God’s love throughout the year. In Math, they continue practicing counting, reading and writing numbers through 20. They are focusing on counting groups of 11 and 12. In Science/Social studies, they are learning about the parts of a plant - flower, stem, leaves and roots. They were excited to draw and label out the Pennsylvania state flower, the Mountain Laurel.

SMS KIDSCARE NOVEMBER CAN DRIVE

SMS will be holding a Thanksgiving Food Collection from November 11 to November 19. (We will accept frozen turkeys as well.)

SAVE THE DATE: March 14, 2020 - Maggie's Pub will be back for St. Patty's Day 🍀! In lieu of Bluefest, this year, the HSA will present "Maggie's Pub" - a great night of food and drink and dancing in our gym. Plus, we will have **DUELING PIANOS!** This is a fundraiser as well as a great community builder, so please save the date! A planning meeting will take place in November. Stay tuned for more details.

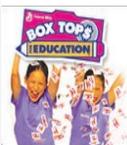
Please let your friends and neighbors know about our upcoming St Margaret School Open Houses

We are welcoming new families to visit this fall on some of our Wednesdays, 9 am to 11 am:

November 6 or 20 (1st & 3rd Wednesday)

December 4, 11, or 18 (Walk in any Wednesday)

Learn More About St. Margaret School (www.smsnarberth.org or email info@smsnarberth.org)



Wanted: Box tops and used ink cartridges benefit our school in so many ways! By collecting these, we are able to earn money that will benefit our school! We couldn’t do it without the support of our parents, the parish community and faculty and staff. During these “fall cleaning” months, don’t forget to cut out your box tops, and any recycled ink cartridges and send them St. Margaret School. You may also place them in the back of the church. Thank you for your continued support.



Congratulations to the 2019 Confirmation Class

Donald **James** Adams
Finnegan **Zacharias** Adams
Gary **Eugene** Barbera
Caleb **Francis** Barnett
Joaquin **Celedonio** Basanta
Kelsey **Mary** Beck
Jackson **Sebastian** Booker
Bethany **Sebastian** Braun
Henry **Maximilian** Carson
Elena **Joan** Cengel
Margarete **Teresa** Choksi
Joshua **Sebastian** Cloud
Taylor **Margaret** Conroy
Elizabeth **Victoria** Coyle
Matthew **Peter** Cuff
Liam **Francis** Curley
Christian **Michael** Dawley
Christopher **Francis** DeMaio
Kathryn **Mary** Doucette
Anna **Therese** Dymek

Emily **Catherine** Fleming
Marcello **Anthony** Froio
Shannon **Anne** Gabor
Andrew **Peter** Gambino
Elsa **Valentine** Gauen
Eve **Francis** Halbert
John **Peter** Hillman
Cameron **Mary Magdalene** Huntington
JohnChristopher **Thomas Aquinas** Keller
Samuel **Nicholas** Kleiner
Benjamin **Augustine** Klick
Otis **Francis** Krom
Charles Edward Krug
Emma **Catherine** Maloney
Hayden **Sebastian** Masotti
Sean **Patrick** McDermott
Caroline **Sebastian** Messick
Mason **Michael** Millard
Jacopo **Peter** Morabito
Olivia **Katharine** Nardi

Matthew **Mark** Norton
Claire **Elizabeth** O’Connor
Brooke **Anne** Olender
Avery **Christina** Pelletier
Coleman **Patrick** Reardon
Calvin **Pio** Rendle
Lucy **Sebastian** Rice
Mateo **Jude** Ruiz
Grace **Francis** Ryan
Sophie **Elizabeth** Ryan
John **Paul** Soeffing
Grace **Mary** Stead
Sophia **Jude** Sturm
Colin **Maurice** Sullivan
Quinn **Joseph** Sullivan
Ava **Elizabeth** Terosky
Duncan **Phillip** Thain
Joseph **Matthew** Zanon



Men's Retreat at Malvern

Fr. George Rutler, a renowned "Golden Voice" orator, will lead an expected full house retreat on November 15-17 at the Malvern Retreat House. Fr. Rutler is a convert, author, expert commentator on the Church of our day, a pastor and an EWTN contributor. He is the perfect antidote to the confusion rampant in our Church and culture today. Register online at Malvern Retreat House. \$250 suggested offering. Half price discount for all first-time retreatants. For more information, call Tim Murnane at 267-924-6127 or e-mail tmurnane44@gmail.com.



Learn about the changing experience of church in the Philadelphia Archdiocese in "Our Changing Church," a special multi-part series on CatholicPhilly.com. Visit the website at www.CatholicPhilly.com/church on your smart phone or computer for this and all the latest local Catholic news. Sign up for a free email newsletter at catholicphilly.com/newsletter.



The 2019 Solemn Novena will be taking place at The Miraculous Medal Shrine in Philadelphia from November 18 - November 27. The theme is "The Sacrament of Reconciliation." For full details regarding Mass schedule and daily sermon topics, please visit: MiraculousMedal.org/shrine-novena/. For more information, please contact Danielle Ferrari at dferrari@cammonline.org or 215-848-1010.

Men's Retreat, November 15 - 17 Marianist Family Retreat Center Cape May Point, NJ 08212



609-884-3829 or www.capemaymarianists.org. The weekend, open to men from all walks of life, focuses on unique male issues on the spiritual journey. The retreat will consist of Eucharist and other prayer, input, quiet time, small group sharing, socializing, and fun within a supportive, intentional community of men. **Cost:** \$140 per person, double occupancy.

Immaculata University's College of Undergraduate Studies will host an open house on **Saturday, November 16, from 9AM to 1 PM** on campus. The open house is designed for high school juniors and seniors and students interested in transferring. Registration begins at 8:30 AM in the rotunda of Villa Maria Hall and a hot breakfast will be provided in the dining hall. For more information, call 484-323-3060, email admiss@immaculata.edu, or register online at www.immaculata.edu/visit.



VOCATION OFFICE FOR THE
DIOCESAN PRIESTHOOD
ARCHDIOCESE OF PHILADELPHIA
HEED THE CALL

National Vocation Awareness Week will be held between November 3 and 9, and is a time set aside to promote awareness of, and the need for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. For two nights, via Facebook Live (www.facebook.com/PhillyPriest), hear the tales of three inspiring priests of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

Monday, November 4, 7:30 PM - Fr. Joe Bongard, Msgr. Fred Britto and Fr. Mike Speziale
Tuesday, November 5, 7:30 PM - Msgr. Ralph Chieffo, Fr. Jim DeGrassa and Fr. Tom Gardner.
For more information, see heedthecall.org/VAW2019.

St. John Vianney Parish P3: Young Adult Night Prayer - Penance - Pub

Friday, November 22, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Calling all young adult Catholics! Join us for an evening of praise and spiritual enrichment followed by fellowship and fun. Exposition and Benediction, Confessions, a presentation on "Overcoming Faulty Core Belief," at St. John Vianney Church, 350 Conshohocken State Rd., Gladwyne, PA, followed by fun at Tired Hands Brewing Company in Ardmore. For more information, contact Matt Robinson at mrobinson@sjvgladwyne.com.



A RETREAT FOR WOMEN

Presented by: The Springs in the Desert Ministry Team

Saturday, December 7, 2019, 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Location: Mother Boniface Spirituality Center, Philadelphia, PA

Speakers: Kimberly Henkel, PhD, Alexandra Kleineck, Ann M. Koshute, MTS, and Andrea Mahoney

Join other women experiencing infertility for a day of talks, personal reflection and sharing as we walk together in hope and the confidence that God is calling us to a unique fruitfulness.

For more information, visit <https://springsinthedesert.org/the-seasons-of-infertility/>.



Catholic Community Choir presents Disney's **Frozen, Jr.** on November 7th and 8th at 7PM and November 9th and 10th at 3PM at Cardinal O'Hara High School. Tickets are on sale on the website at www.catholiccommunitychoir.com or can be purchased at the door. For more information, call 610-544-5217.

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, November 20, 2019 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

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

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 Maryann 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 12.



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