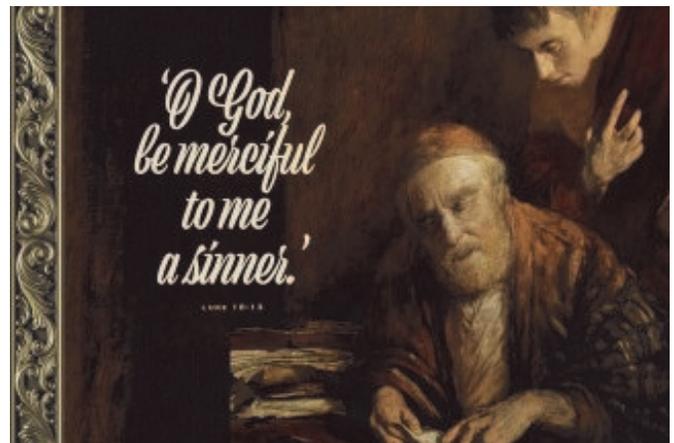


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**THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN
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Scrip Sales
MONDAY TO FRIDAY
FROM 9AM TO 4:30 PM IN THE RECTORY

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: 5:15 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.

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

This weekend features a gospel passage in which Jesus tells another one of His matchless parables that includes a key element in all real prayer: humility. The story includes an indictment of those who were “self-righteous.” That word describes a person who is “smugly moralistic and intolerant of the opinions and behavior of others.” I dislike that definition, not because of any inaccuracy, but because it accurately describes me at times. Not something to brag about at all.

I have this pet description of myself and most people as having in our minds an imaginary courtroom where we are both prosecutor and judge. We diagnose the failure of someone we know, for example, to be Christlike. Then we “pounce and pronounce” on them with a clear and harsh verdict of “guilty,” all the while hinting quite broadly that we never act that way ourselves. This applies to celebrities, well-known politicians and their political parties, our fellow family members, the hierarchy of the Church, our pastors, and nearly anybody we care to name.

And then along comes Our Lord with a devastating parable featuring a man much like ourselves who is obviously so wrong, so full of pride as to be disgusting. To top it off, he is contrasted with his opposite, a virtuous and humble man who mouths a heartfelt request of his God. Obviously, we know which man Our Lord the Storyteller favors.

Listen again to that tax collector in the back of the room that could well teach a college course in prayer. He says “O God, be merciful to me, a sinner.” Just eight words. But worth more than eighteen or eighty in describing a perfect attitude when addressing our all-holy God. We know of the greedy practice of many a Jewish tax collector in those days, ostensibly working for the Romans but secretly working for themselves by overcharging taxpayers. The man in the parable is a wonderful exception. We admire him. We want to be like him. He would know the truth of today’s Responsorial Psalm: “The Lord hears the cry of the poor.”

In the meantime, we trust in God to help us improve each day to be more like the person He had in mind when He created us. Of course, we have to live with people who are the opposite of that taxpayer, who seem to be everywhere. Sometimes we delight when they get their comeuppance. Like the man in this story published in “The Los Angeles Times.”

A flight cancellation had resulted in a long line of travelers trying to get booked on another flight. One man in the line grew increasingly impatient with the slow-moving line. Suddenly, he pushed his way to the front and angrily demanded a first-class ticket on the next available flight. “I’m sorry,” said the ticket agent, “but I’ll have to first take care of the people who were ahead of you in the line.”

The irate man then pounded his fist on the ticket counter, saying, “Do you have any idea who I am?” Whereupon the ticket agent picked up the public address microphone and said, “Attention please! There is a gentleman at the ticket counter who does not know who he is. If there is anyone in the airport who can identify him, please come to the counter.” Hearing this, the man retreated, and the people waiting in line burst into applause.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, October 28

7:00 AM Oleg Zargarian

TUESDAY, October 29

7:00 AM Margaret & Thomas Costello

WEDNESDAY, October 30

7:00 AM Jean Funkhouser

THURSDAY, October 31

7:00 AM Scorzetti Family

FRIDAY, November 1

7:00 AM John Le

12:05 PM Jean Funkhouser

7:00 PM Mary C. Box

SATURDAY, November 2

8:00 AM Lorraine Bizzarri

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

Weekend Mass Schedule November 2-3

(Priest scheduled is subject to change)

Saturday, November 2

Confessions 4:00 - 4:45 PM - Fr. DePrinzio

5:15 PM - Fr. DePrinzio

Sunday, November 3

7:30 AM - Fr. Pesarchick

10:00 AM - Msgr. Dougherty

11:30 AM - Msgr. Dougherty

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT

<u>Weekend of October 20, 2019:</u>	\$ 10,973
Including Electronic Funds Transfer	\$ 671
Mail In:	\$ 1,627
Parish On Line:	\$ 2,055
Envelopes:	197

Collection for Mission Sunday \$3,569

The Weekend of October 21, 2018: \$9,239

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

Msgr. Dougherty



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>.

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

From the Pastor

Synopsis of Pastoral Council Meeting of October 9, 2019 – The members of the Council are: Nicole Bazis, Bess Combs-Chmielewski, George Gazella, Marybeth Hagan, Robert McCairns, Mary Anne Monroe, Bruce Fay, Martha Ortiz, Monica Romeo, Teresa Albers and April Gordon. The Council discussed an article on helping families to share the faith among themselves. Some items considered at the meeting: a) The enrollment at the School is 300 (170 from St. Margaret parish; 65 from other Catholic Parishes; 65 non-Catholic). The PREP (Parish Religious Education Program) enrollment is about 180 from grades 1 through 7. b) There is one adult currently in our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. c) Forty Hours Eucharistic Devotions will be on Nov. 17 – 19. Deacon John Lozano will preach on the relationship of the Eucharist to Family Life. d) At the recommendation of a Lower Merion Police safety officer, a handout will be distributed at Mass to alert people to the Church exits in a time of emergency. e) Capital improvements this summer were: a gate for the back schoolyard; a new set of security doors and a card swipe entry system in the School; some renovation of two offices in the rectory; and some pointing will soon be done on one wall of the Church. f) Father Dennis Gill, the director of the Office for Divine Worship for the Archdiocese recently visited, praised the beauty of our Church and recommended a few changes to some of the liturgical arrangements in our Church. Monsignor will speak to the Parish about this on Sunday, November 3. g) We are continuing to evaluate some improvements to our sound system. h) Nicole Bazis, the coordinator of Parish Services, explained her work on social media for the Parish and presented her thoughts and efforts at Youth Ministry. i.) Consideration was given to having a Parish Directory. Nicole will look into some ways that this might be able to be done online. j.) Evaluations as to how we can better utilize the Antioch Annex to meet our parish needs are continuing. An architect has been hired to gather input from a committee on how we use the Annex and to draw up some basic plans of how the Annex might be shaped to meet those needs.

Mass for Anointing of the Sick – This Sunday, October 27, the 11:30 am Mass will include the Anointing of the Sick.

Reboot Revisited: Love Yourself – The first practice that Chris Stefanick recommended on living our faith is: Love yourself. The Lord told us to love others as we love ourselves. So if we are to truly love others, we need first to have a healthy love for ourselves. One important aspect of caring for ourselves is getting enough sleep. I recall reading a spiritual poem years ago that began with the words, “God loves the man who sleeps.” The author’s point was that we have to learn to put things in God’s hands. There is only so much we can do as limited human beings. We shouldn’t overwork as if everything depended on us. We do what we can, then put things in God’s loving hands. Sleep is an act of trust. It is laying aside our own efforts and leaving the rest to God. Studies show that a lack of sufficient sleep is the cause of many problems from health issues to accidents. Take care of yourself, get enough sleep, so that you can be better refreshed and renewed to serve the Lord and others.

Catholic Charities Appeal 2019 – As of Oct. 17, 159 of our parishioners have donated a total of \$60,146 toward our goal of \$84,835. If you have not yet done so, please consider making a donation to this important Archdiocesan collection to fund many Archdiocesan programs that serve the needy in our Philadelphia area and help us to proclaim the gospel.

Church Teaching: In the Image of God – Of all visible creatures only man is able to know and love his creator. He is the only creature on earth that God has willed for its own sake, and he alone is called to share, by knowledge and love, in God’s own life....Being in the image of God the human individual possesses the dignity of a person, who is not just something, but someone. He is capable of self-knowledge, of self-possession and of freely giving himself and entering into communion with other persons. And he is called by grace to a covenant with his Creator, to offer him a response of faith and love that no other creature can give in his stead. (from the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

Spiritual Thought – I threw to the right and the left to my little birds the good seed that the good God puts in my little hand. And then, the seed does what it will! I don’t concern myself about it. Sometimes the results are as if I had thrown nothing; other times, something good results. But the good God says to me, “Give, give always without concerning yourself with results.” (St. Therese of Lisieux, on working with the Carmelite novices)

A Little Humor – A man got fired from his job sorting rocks at the quarry because he was taking everything for granite.



St Margaret School

SAVE THE DATES: **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.

MUFFINS WITH MOMS

Last week our SMS celebrated our annual "Muffins with Moms." This event was held in our cafeteria with coffee, juice, fruit and all variety of muffins. This was a huge success! A giant "thank you" goes out to Mr. & Mrs. Arnoldi and our SMS dads who helped make the morning of October 18th so special for all. The children and moms all had a wonderful time!

CLASSROOM NEWS

Grade 8: The 8th grade is getting into the Halloween spirit...reading **Poe, Lovecraft, and Jacobs** and creating storyboards. They are planning for SMS's annual Halloween Parade in the gym for our students. Lastly, the 8th graders are getting excited for their field trip to the Hedgerow Theater (with the 6th and 7th grades) to enjoy **Tales from Poe.**

Grade 2A&2B: Our second graders just finished researching Planets. They found important facts and did a watercolor of their planet. They will begin a new research project soon on desert animals.

K-C (Mrs. Cloud's Class): Kindergarten C made Shape Scarecrows out of circles, triangles, squares and rectangles. They assembled their scarecrows and had to count how many of each shape they used. A little of art mixed with some math!

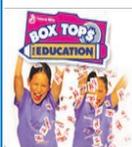
Please let your friends and neighbors know about our upcoming St Margaret School Open Houses

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.

REGISTRATION FOR CYO BASKETBALL IS NOW OPEN.

Anticipated teams are as follows: Boys Gr 5+6, 7+8; HS Boys Gr 9-10, 11-12; Girls Gr 5+6, 7+8; HS Girls will depend on number of sign ups. All parish members who are age-grade eligible are eligible to play. Tryouts-practice will start after Nov 1 but no player may participate until registration process has been completed for him/her.



<http://stmargaret.website.sportssignup.com>

Also we are looking for Adults who would be willing to help coach at any level. If there are any questions please contact Jim McNulty at jmcnulty@novacare.com.



We welcome into the Church

Juniper Ann Close
daughter of Brendan and Jenna Close
Congratulations to the family on the Baptism of their child.



Waldron Mercy Academy is a Catholic, coeducational, independent school where students from age 3 to grade 8 learn through the joy of discovery. Sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy, our students engage in service learning from the minute they step through our doors. A Waldron Mercy student graduates well-rounded, excelling academically and socially. Students are prepared to take on challenges through an enriched spiritual life and advanced technology.

We invite you to attend an open house to learn more about the benefits of a Waldron Mercy education. Register for Tuesday, November 5 at 9:00 a.m by emailing our Director of Admissions, Sr. Joellen McDonnell, at jmcdonnell@waldronmercy.org or by visiting www.waldronmercy.org.



Sacred Heart Academy Bryn Mawr Upper School Scholarship and Entrance exam will be given once more on Sunday, November 10. Please visit shabrynmaur.org to register.

Lankenau Ministry



Next Sunday, November 3, is St. Margaret's weekend to take Holy Communion to the sick at the Lankenau. Group A is assigned but Group B is also welcome. If you cannot come this weekend, please try to exchange with someone. It is very important to get a replacement.



Immaculata University will host a light dinner and open house in Immaculata's Villa Maria Hall on Wednesday, October 30, at 5:30 PM. This event is designed for adult students interested in flexible undergraduate and graduate programs. For more information, or to RSVP, please visit www.immaculata.edu/events.

A Time Apart With Jesus to Grow in Your Spiritual Life

Our Lady's Missionaries of the Eucharist invite you to a special weekend retreat

November 1 - 3, 2019 at the Ave Maria Retreat House at the Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA. For more information, please call 610-582-3333, email olme@olme.org, or visit www.olme.org.



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.



The Spiritual Year of St. Charles Borromeo Seminary Presents

*Sunday sung Evening Prayer
Saint Matthew Church, Conshohocken, PA
October 27, 2019 at 4:00 PM*

Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will follow. Join us!

HELPING OTHER PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY

**Week of October 27, 2019
Pam Owsik 610-659-7021
Please call as early in the week as possible.**



Durufle Requiem Mass Saturday, Nov. 2, 2019 2:30 pm

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul *"Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine"*

The Cathedral Parish invites you to gather in communal remembrance of our loved ones who have gone before us.

The liturgical music ministry wishes to remember and pray for our deceased loved ones with Maurice Durufle's *Requiem*, to be sung as part of the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

In order to experience the full beauty of this masterwork for chorus and orchestra, we are looking for donors to help financially support this music for the Mass. All who donate will be given the opportunity to have the names of deceased loved ones included in the *In Memoriam* section of the worship aid for this Mass.

For more information, please visit

<http://cathedralphila.org/music/durufle-requiem-mass/>.



Jason Evert is coming to: Saints Simon and Jude Church 8 Cavanaugh Court (Routes 3 and 352)

West Chester, PA 19382

On **November 13, 2019, from 7:00 to 9:00 PM**, come to a family-based event to learn about God's plan for human sexuality. Jason Evert will present the same liberating "**PURIFIED**" message that he has brought to more than a million teenagers on six continents. This is a rare opportunity for parents and teens and is open to those age 13 and older, teens and adults. One need not be Catholic to attend. **Confession will be available at 8:30 pm.** For information & tickets go to: simonandjude.org/purified or contact Marty at: email@simonandjude.org or 610-696-3624.

Get your tickets today so you don't miss out!



St. Edmond's Home The Women's Auxiliary of **FOR CHILDREN** St. Edmond's Home is CELEBRATING 100 YEARS *Where Miracles Happen Every Day* hosting their **80th Annual**

Cup Day honoring Mr. Robert Shields of Shields Construction on **Saturday, November 16, 2019, at 6:30 pm** at Overbrook Golf Club. For 100 years, St. Edmond's Home has provided care for medically fragile children, ages 6 weeks to 21 years, with severe or profound intellectual and physical disabilities. Tickets are \$125 per person which include cocktails, dinner stations, and music by Deja Blue. All proceeds go towards maintenance of the Home and to supplying nursing care and therapy aids for the children. To purchase tickets or make a donation, please go to womensauxsted.org. or call Stacie Bole 610 331-1720.

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

<http://www.facebook.com/ArchbishopChaput>
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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