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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.



PENTECOST SUNDAY *MAY 31, 2020*



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.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

I have never won a big prize in a chance contest. Small ones, yes, but nothing really exciting such as you see from time to time on TV. But you can bet that if I ever did, I'd show it.

Those thoughts came to me after reading this weekend's Readings. I can easily imagine the faces of the Apostles in those Pentecost scenes. Chronologically, the Gospel section happens first. It is the evening of the first Easter, and the dejected and frightened Eleven are suddenly stunned to see their Master fully alive and glowing with an enhanced appearance. Not only that they hear His familiar voice wish them peace. No scolding. No reminding them of their disappearance from the crucifixion scene. He even lets them see for themselves the scars left on Him from the ordeal of the crucifixion. Their eyes must have widened; their brows furrowed; mouths agape; their whole bodies experiencing shock and relief at the same time. "He is alive!" they think, "and we know for sure that He was truly dead!"

Only days later, their faces again reflected fear and wonder when the wind roared and there appeared tongues of fire above their heads. But they also felt a surge of confidence within themselves. When they later started to preach, they were equally amazed to see that everyone in a mixed crowd understood what they said!

All of this sounds too good to be true as we hear about it again this Pentecost Sunday centuries later. Right now, this pandemic may have loosened our grip on optimism. Made us battered and bruised by statistics. Annoyed by facemasks and false distances from each other. Anyway, we have not experienced tongues of fire overhead or anything like it in the time since. Don't be too sure.

Have we not at least felt a touch of that fire when we know that we have helped lead someone to embrace the faith? Have we not been happily surprised when a complete stranger to the faith understands what we are taking about as we explain a teaching of our Church, and see them nod in appreciation? There is a certain deep joy in hearing a person suddenly acknowledging Jesus as their Lord and Savior, is there not? These are wonderful happenings not to be ignored. We're actually watching the Holy Spirit at work.

Jesus is truly alive, and the sending of His Holy Spirit still lasts beyond our generation. This current time of testing we have endured since last winter will certainly produce lessons to be learned. But we will always have our own unique mission to make our risen Lord known. It's our turn to be His Apostles for our time and place, always remembering a simple truth: that you and I can preach a better sermon with our lives than with our lips. Happy Pentecost!

HELPING OTHER PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY
Suspended until further notice.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, June 1

7:00 AM Annie Woo

TUESDAY, June 2

7:00 AM Gene S. Wentling

WEDNESDAY, June 3

7:00 AM Kathleen Rodden

THURSDAY, June 4

7:00 AM John Mc Laughlin

FRIDAY, June 5

7:00 AM Kathleen Rodden

SATURDAY, June 6

8:00 AM Robert Miles

Until further notice from Archbishop Pérez, Msgr. Dougherty will celebrate weekday and Saturday morning Masses privately for the requested intentions. The Masses are livestreamed on saintmarg.org and our Facebook page.



THE WEEK OF MAY 31, 2020
THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN
IN MEMORY OF
GEORGE H. PAHLER.

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

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekend of May 24, 2020:	\$	7,398
Including Electronic Funds Transfer	\$	665
Mail In:	\$	3,088
Parish On Line:	\$	3,645
Envelopes:		118

The Weekend of May 26, 2019: \$7,012

Collection for Ascension Thursday: \$415

Easter Collection 2020: \$41,822

Easter Collection 2019: \$38,331

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

From the Pastor

Pentecost Sunday – This Sunday marks the end of the fifty days of the Easter Season. We celebrate the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles that enabled them to fearlessly preach the Gospel and draw people to faith in Jesus Christ. The coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost was the fruit of the passion, death, resurrection and ascension of Jesus. The Spirit comes to draw us into union with Christ and one another in the Church. Pentecost is referred to as the birthday of the Church because of the great number of believers that resulted from the preaching of the apostles. Jesus instituted the Church as the means by which he would pour forth his saving grace and the power of the Spirit upon us. We lift up our hearts in thanks today for the wonders of God’s love in sending the Spirit upon us and bestowing on us the gift of the Church, the community of believers, by which the faith of the apostles and the redemptive power of Christ is passed on to his people.

Synopsis of the Zoom Virtual Parish Pastoral Council Meeting on May 13 – (Members are: Msgr. Dougherty; Nicole Bazis; Bess Combs-Chmielewski; Lauren DeMaio; George Gazella; Marybeth Hagan; Robert McCairns; Mary Anne Monroe; Martha Ortiz; Monica Romeo; Teresa Albers; and April Gordon) - 1) Announcements and Reports: a) Nicole reported on the Livestreaming of the Masses. The system has been working well and the number of viewers has been good. Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday had particularly high viewership. Daily Masses are averaging about 150 views, and Sunday Masses about 400 views. b) Regarding Parish Finances, there has been a loss of some school income from the cancellation of our fundraiser Maggie’s Pub and the end of the before-and-after School Cares Program. We have continued to pay all our employees and did receive a loan from the government as part of the Paycheck Protection Program. We are currently reviewing the government guidelines to determine how much of the loan can be forgiven. After the third quarter, the projection for this fiscal year was, regarding operating expenses, that the School would break even and the Parish would finish \$75,000 in the black. This money would be used for capital expenses. c) Regarding capital expenses, projects to repair the sidewalks of the Church and School, as well as to better manage the water runoff from the back parking lot, and to reseal both the front and back parking lots will be done in June. Plans for refurbishing the Antioch Annex have been put on hold. Plans to move the baptismal font and to pull up the carpet in the sanctuary and restore the floor will proceed this summer. 2) We discussed current restrictions on Church gatherings, and plans for reopening the Church for public Masses when the permission is granted. We also discussed possible scenarios for School and PREP in the fall. 3) Some members of the Council have served for many years. Monsignor will approach some parishioners over the summer to see if any are interested in serving on the Council. 4) Nicole is working on plans for sending out a Parish newsletter on occasion. 5) Plans for a Parish Social in the fall are on hold until we see what happens with the restrictions surrounding the pandemic. 5) The Meeting closed with a prayer. We will meet again in September.

Seminarian and Priest - Father Anthony Cossavella, a priest of the Archdiocese and a friend of mine, is on a temporary health leave and is currently residing at our rectory. I am glad to be able to offer him our hospitality. Also, Kenneth Omeke, who is a native of Nigeria and currently a seminarian studying for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, has been assigned to our Parish for a summer internship experience. He will be with us from June 6 to August 2. I am grateful that he will be among us this summer and extend to him a heartfelt welcome.

Church Teaching: The Holy Spirit and the Church – Because the Holy Spirit is the anointing of Christ, it is Christ, who as head of the Body, pours out the Spirit among his members to nourish, heal, and organize them in their mutual functions, to give them life, send them to bear witness, and associate them to his self-offering to the Father and to his intercession for the whole world. Through the Church’s sacraments, Christ communicates his Holy and sanctifying Spirit to the members of his Body. (from the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

Spiritual Thought – Go and find Jesus when your patience and strength give out and you feel alone and helpless. Say to him: “Jesus, you know exactly what is going on. You are all I have, and you know all. Come to my help.” And then go and don’t worry about how you are going to manage. That you have told God about it is enough. He has a good memory. (St. Jeanne Jugan)

A Little Humor – The pastor liked to lightheartedly quiz young first communicants during their first communion Mass. “What do you have to do to get to heaven?” he asked. A dozen seven- and eight-year-olds contemplated their shoelaces, but Molly raised her hand confidently. “Die!” she declared.

St Margaret School

Capt'n Chucky's Pick up

If you placed a Capt'n Chucky's order with St Margaret School see below for date and pick up.

Pick up: Thursday June 4th. Time: 4-6 pm

Location: Jim and Kathleen Hocker's Home

608 Manor Road
Penn Valley PA 19072

For questions: Contact Kathleen 610-888-6670 or email hh4sale@aol.com.



CANTATE DOMINO 2020 Summer Choir Camp

Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul
July 27, 28 and 29 from 9 AM - 2 PM
Concert July 29, 2020 at 7 PM

Camp open to boys and girls, ages 7-15. This is a unique musical experience which includes an introduction to sacred repertoire, vocal breathing techniques, vowel formation, choral tone, sight signing, and music theory. Last year, 52 choristers joined us. Don't miss this amazing experience!

For more information, visit: www.cathedralphila.org/



Online Giving - Saint Margaret

Parish has arranged a convenient and 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>.

*This is an easy way to continue to support your parish during the COVID-19 pandemic.
Thank you!*



Tax Information for 2019

To properly claim your donations to the Church, the IRS may require a donation receipt. To request your information go here <http://tinyurl.com/stmargtax> or contact the rectory during normal business hours, 610-664-3770.



St. Margaret's church is open for private prayer from 7:30 AM to 4 PM, Monday through Saturday, and 7:30 AM to 2 PM on Sunday.



Thank you for your recent generous donation of \$500 to Mercy Hospice. Please accept our grateful appreciation on behalf of the women and children who reside with us at

Mercy. If they had the opportunity to do so, each one would surely express heartfelt thanks for the difference that your support of our mission makes *in empowering them and lifting their spirits*.

Mercy Hospice has been a lifeline of support and compassionate service for women in crisis who became homeless because of substance abuse and addiction. Mercy continues to be one of the only recovery house programs in the city where women can stay with their young children. With your vital assistance, we are able to offer life-sustaining services to these women: hot meals seven days a week, shelter, clothing, educational programming, recovery support, and case management.



If you or someone you know is curious about religious life, visit www.sistersofmercy.org.

A Summer Week-long Catholic Family Retreat

Marianist Family Retreat Center Cape May Point, NJ



Retreat weeks start each Monday beginning June 22 through the end of August.

July 13 -18 - Special Single-Parent Family Week
Scheduled recreation and free time with ocean swimming are part of all family retreats. The beach is only 1/2 block from our house. For more information, call 609-884-3829, email mfrfc@capemaymarianists.org, visit us at www.capemaymarianists.org, or call 609-884-3829.



The 2021 Mass Book will open Tuesday, June 2. Please prepare a list of your announced Masses and send via US mail, email to office@saintmarg.org, or leave in the inbox on the porch. We will do our best to accommodate your preferred dates.



Please remember in your prayers the souls of Rev. Joseph J. Zingaro and Rev. Francis J. Gramigna who recently passed away. May they rest in peace and their loved ones be comforted.



A Prayer to Combat the Coronavirus Pandemic

Most Merciful and Triune God,
We come to You in our weakness.

We come to You in our fear.

We come to You with trust.

For You alone are our hope.

We place before You the disease present in our world.

We turn to You in our time of need.

Bring wisdom to doctors.

Give understanding to scientists.

Endow caregivers with compassion and generosity.

Bring healing to those who are ill.

Protect those who are most at risk.

Give comfort to those who have lost a loved one.

Welcome those who have died into Your Eternal Home.

Stabilize our communities.

Unite us in our compassion.

Remove all fear from our hearts.

Fill us with confidence in Your care.

Jesus, I trust in You.

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Lankenau Ministry is suspended until further notice. On March 17, 2020, Archbishop Pérez stated, “**In conjunction with directives already in force in hospitals and institutions, all visits to the sick with Holy Communion, including in private homes, by priests, deacons, and extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion are suspended. In such instances, only priests will be available to celebrate the Sacraments for those in immediate danger of death.**”

Nightly Rosary to End Coronavirus

Each night at 8:00 PM, the Office for the New Evangelization is hosting an online **Rosary Campaign** for an end to the Coronavirus at phillyevang.org/rosary/. This Rosary will continue nightly until it’s no longer needed!



Project Rachel: Healing after Abortion

Peace Starts Here

project rachel

Peace starts here

Prayer - Jesus, Healer of Wounds and Source of Mercy, your hands embrace and welcome little children. As we look on your

hands painfully nailed to the cross, extend your Divine Mercy to the tens of millions of women and men in our nation who are wounded from their participation in abortions. Help us as a Church to recognize the unique pain that abortion brings to individuals, families and our society. May the wounds of your hands on the Cross remind us each day of your steadfast love for us as we seek to build a culture of life and be faithful instruments of your hope and healing.

Project Rachel is a collaboration of The Office for Life and Family and Catholic Social Services. For more information, call 1-844-772-2435 or email ProjectRachel@chs-adphila.org.



Archdiocese
of
Philadelphia

DO YOU KNOW YOUR TRIBUNAL?

The Tribunal is available to help people who have experienced divorce and who may wish to remarry in the Catholic Church.

When a divorce occurs, the Catholic Church always seeks to balance two realities. One is the durable bond of marriage. This is God’s law. On the other hand, the Church is concerned about the spiritual welfare of the people involved. Even though a Catholic marriage was celebrated, perhaps there was some deficiency in the consent of the parties involved regarding intentions, understanding or ability. The annulment procedure addresses these circumstances.

If you are divorced and want to marry in the Church, or remarried outside the Catholic Church, please find us on the web at archphila.org under the “How Do I” tab.

**Metropolitan Tribunal, 222 North 17th Street
Philadelphia, PA 19103
(215) 587-3750**



Visit our parish website
and celebrate the

Mass,
with our parish community!

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 24, 2020 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/ArchbishopPerez>
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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