

# ST. MARGARET OF ANTIOCH PARISH

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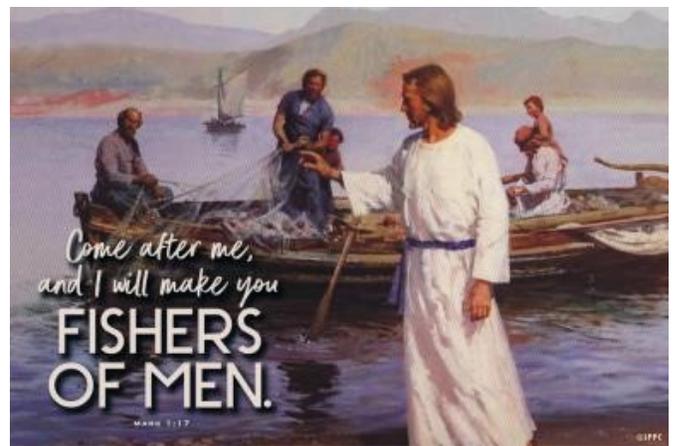
MONDAY TO FRIDAY  
FROM 9AM TO 4:30 PM IN THE RECTORY

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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.



## THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JANUARY 24, 2021



## Schedule of Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:15 PM  
Sunday: 7:30, 8:45, 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.

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

St. Mark, in giving us this scene for meditation as the Holy Spirit's spokesman, hits upon the secret of every good salesperson as well. For it seems to me that such people are actually selling a dream. One they passionately believe in.

My own dear Dad spent the bulk of his working years selling life insurance. In this case, the "dream" is guaranteed security and strong protection against the twin nightmares of uncertainty and fear. But all salespeople offer a product that will not only preclude disaster but also bring a strong dose of hope and optimism.

Our Lord Jesus could also be called "the World's Greatest Salesman." He has all the good qualities of a person who believes in what they're selling, so to speak, and none of the dark characteristics often attributed to salespeople. His "product" of course is "the Kingdom of God." He tells us it is nearer than we think.

In the process, He was actually selling Himself as the perfect actualization of that kingdom. He made His hearers understand that this kingdom is such that positivity is the law of the land and undying love is its hallmark. In other words, He was "selling" God back to those who had abandoned Him. How good He was at His work shows in the way even His first listeners were so quickly able to leave behind much of their old life and walk with Him.

Some of the actors who have played Jesus in Hollywood films have managed for me to capture His charm to a satisfying degree. It may be that as a confirmed romantic I fell for their portrayals too easily. But I watched through the lens of a committed believer in Jesus, and one who has his own ideas of how to play Jesus. However, the Bible tells me not just to play the role but live it.

But no matter our nature or temperament, we are all "hard wired" to be attracted by truth and the obvious conviction of an authentic truth teller. We "buy into" their wares with ease. Is it any wonder that Simon and Andrew, James and John dropped their fishing nets to follow the Divine Troubadour? And aren't you glad that you did too? What we have gained from this magnetism of the Master is the joy of having Someone to believe in. That cannot be taken away from us by anyone, especially the one "evil salesman" who was formerly an archangel. That's why it's best for us to remember:

*"You are writing a Gospel, a chapter each day,  
By deeds that you do, by words that you say.  
People read what you write, whether faithless or true.  
Say! What is that gospel, according to YOU?"*

God love you and give you His peace!

- MONDAY, January 25**  
7:00 AM Gene S. Wentling
- TUESDAY, January 26**  
7:00 AM Peggy Clarke
- WEDNESDAY, January 27**  
7:00 AM John Kienlen - 7th anniversary
- THURSDAY, January 28**  
7:00 AM Nick Augustine
- FRIDAY, January 29**  
7:00 AM Walter J. Wentling
- SATURDAY, January 30**  
8:00 AM Helen Kelso



**THE WEEK OF JANUARY 24, 2021**  
**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN**  
**IN MEMORY OF JOHN KIENLEN.**

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

**Weekend Mass Schedule January 30-31**  
*(Priest scheduled is subject to change)*

- Saturday, January 30**  
Confessions 4:00 - 4:45 PM - Msgr. Dougherty  
5:15 PM - Msgr. Dougherty
- Sunday, January 31**  
7:30 AM - Fr. Cossavella  
8:45 AM - Fr. Pesarchick  
10:00 AM - Msgr. Dougherty  
11:30 AM - Fr. DePrinzio

**THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

<b><u>Weekend of January 17, 2021:</u></b>	<b>\$ 9,144</b>
Collection in Church:	\$ 2,674
Electronic Funds Transfer:	\$ 631
Mail In:	\$ 3,515
Parish On Line:	\$ 2,324
Envelopes:	150

**The Weekend of January 19, 2020: \$8,137.**

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

**Parish Theme for 2020-2021**

*Rejoice in Hope; Endure in Affliction; Persevere in Prayer*

**From the Pastor**

**Year of St. Joseph** – On December 8, 2020, Pope Francis declared that the Church would observe a special year of dedication to St. Joseph until December 8, 2021. This dedication is to celebrate the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of St. Joseph being declared the Patron of the Universal Church. Just as he watched over Jesus as his guardian, St. Joseph watches over the Church, the Body of Christ. St. Joseph is a powerful spiritual figure in the history of salvation. This year of dedication is meant to increase our love for him, implore his intercession, and imitate his virtues. We are looking forward to giving some extra attention to St. Joseph in our Parish this year so that we can be more deeply united through him to our Lord.

**Liturgy Committee** – We will meet by Zoom on Tuesday, Feb. 2 at 6:00 pm.

**Mass for Respect Life at the Cathedral-Basilica** – In conjunction with the March for Life in Washington, D.C., a Mass for Life will be celebrated at the Cathedral-Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul in Philadelphia at 10:00 am on Friday, January 29. All are welcome.

**Parish Theme for this Year (Rejoice in hope; endure in affliction; persevere in prayer.)** – St. Joseph is a great witness to living this Scripture passage. He was a man of great strength because of his unwavering hope in God’s plan. Filled with hope, he endured every affliction, such as the flight into Egypt to protect Jesus from King Herod. In good times and in difficulties he was a man of prayer, constantly turning toward God to give him praise and rely on his help.

**Church Teaching: Role of Mary and Joseph** – To the shepherds, the angel announced the birth of Jesus as the Messiah promised to Israel: “To you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord.” From the beginning he was the one whom the Father consecrated and sent into the world, conceived as holy in Mary’s virginal womb. God called Joseph to “take Mary as your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit,” so that Jesus, who is called Christ, should be born of Joseph’s spouse into the messianic lineage of David.

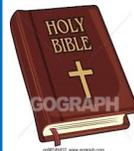
**Spiritual Thought: Patience and Perseverance** – We must endure and persevere if we are to attain the truth and freedom we have been allowed to hope for. Faith and hope are the very meaning of our being Christians, but if faith and hope are to bear fruit, patience is necessary.” (St. Cyprian)

**A Little Humor: A Mother Experiencing the Generation Gap** – “My daughter just asked me why we say ‘hang up’ the phone, and now I feel 90.

**HELPING OTHER PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY**  
Suspended until further notice.



**St. Margaret Church is open from 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday, 7:30 AM to 6:30 PM on Saturday, and 7:15 AM to 1:30 PM on Sunday.**



**Bible Novena**

Between September 2020 and May 2021, the Vocation Office will be praying an extended Novena, reading the entire Bible over the course of these 9 months, and we invite you to join us as we proclaim and hear the word of God and listen for His voice in our lives.

On the first and third Sundays of each month, we will issue videos of the faithful of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia reading the Bible - including priests, deacons, seminarians, and lay faithful. For more information on this 9-Month Bible Novena, please visit [Heedthecall.org/BibleNovena](http://Heedthecall.org/BibleNovena) or contact Fr. DeLacy or Sue Matour in the Vocation Office at 610-667-5778.



Please remember in your prayers the soul of Elizabeth Ann Neely who recently passed away. May she rest in peace and her loved ones be comforted.

**Full-Time Job Opening**  
**Saint John Vianney Parish, Gladwyne**

Saint John Vianney Parish, Gladwyne, is hiring for a full-time Parish Secretary! Please visit [www.sjvgladwyne.com](http://www.sjvgladwyne.com) to view the full job description.

Resumes can be submitted to [resume@sjvgladwyne.com](mailto:resume@sjvgladwyne.com). For questions, please contact the Parish Offices at 610-642-0938.



**Martin Saints Classical**  
**High School**

**Admissions Open House:** January 31, 2021 @ 11am  
**7<sup>th</sup> Grade Visitation:** March 30, 2021

**Guest Student Visit:** Contact our admissions counselor, Ms. Lindmeier, to schedule a visit during the school day.

**Location:** On the campus of Holy Martyrs Church, 120 Allison Road, Oreland PA 19075.

[www.whymsc.org](http://www.whymsc.org)

Come be "fully alive" with us!  
Any questions?

**Contact:** Ms. Laura Lindmeier to RSVP  
([lindmeier@martinsaintsclassical.org](mailto:lindmeier@martinsaintsclassical.org))



project rachel

Peace starts here

**Project Rachel: Healing after Abortion**  
**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](mailto:ProjectRachel@chs-adphila.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 both during the COVID-19 pandemic and going forward. Thank you!*



**ACADEMY OF NOTRE DAME DE NAMUR**  
**48TH ANNUAL**

**Virtual Fine Art Show & Sale**

Visit [www.ndapa.org/artshow](http://www.ndapa.org/artshow) for more information. The online exhibition will feature nearly 100 artists' works in a variety of mediums, including oils, watercolors, acrylics, ceramics, metals and glass.

**ONLINE PREVIEW SALE**  
**NDARTSHOW.com**

Powered by Shopify with online customer care services  
\$100 Preview Guest Pass Friday, January 29, 2021

**ONLINE SALE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Saturday, January 30 through Sunday, February 7, 2021  
All proceeds generated support Notre Dame's mission of educating young women for responsible living in a global society. 35% of all artwork sales are eligible as tax deductions. To purchase a Preview Guest Pass or for more information, visit [www.ndapa.org/artshow](http://www.ndapa.org/artshow).



**February 2, 2021**  
**Flame of Love Feast Day**  
**The Presentation of the Lord**  
**The Feast of Candlemas**

**Place:** St. Mary Magdalen Church  
2400 N. Providence Rd  
Media, PA

**Rosary:** 6:00 PM

**Talk:** 6:45 PM, Speaker: Maureen Lomady  
Host of the FOL Radio Maria Program

**Holy Mass:** 7:30 PM, Celebrant Msgr. Ralph Chieffo

*It will be on-site and livestreamed*  
<https://www.stmarymagdalen.net/live-stream>



**Nightly Rosary to End Coronavirus CONTINUES!**

Every week until March 25, 2021, the rosary will continue

Monday through Thursday at 8:00 PM in English using the link found at [phillyevang.org/rosary/](http://phillyevang.org/rosary/). For details about joining the rosary in Spanish on Thursdays, please email [pherrera@olguadalupe.org](mailto:pherrera@olguadalupe.org).

**Tax Information for 2020**

**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.



Pope Francis has announced *The Year of Saint Joseph*, which will last from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021. The use of the following prayer, written by Pope Leo XIII, has been included among those enriched with a plenary indulgence. It may be said on any day of *The Year of Saint Joseph*, but especially on days devoted to St. Joseph - his feast days, March 19 and May 1, the nineteenth day of each month, or every Wednesday.

**Prayer to Saint Joseph**

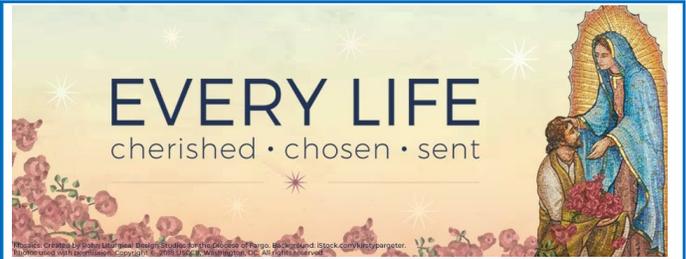
To you, O blessed Joseph, do we come in our tribulation, and having implored the help of your most holy Spouse, we confidently invoke your patronage also.

Through that charity which bound you to the Immaculate Virgin Mother of God and through the paternal love with which you embraced the Child Jesus, we humbly beg you graciously to regard the inheritance which Jesus Christ has purchased by his Blood, and with your power and strength to aid us in our necessities.

O most watchful guardian of the Holy Family, defend the chosen children of Jesus Christ; O most loving father, ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence; O our most mighty protector, be kind to us and from heaven assist us in our struggle with the power of darkness.

As once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's Holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity; shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live piously, to die in holiness, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven.

Amen.



**MARCH FOR LIFE**

Join us for **Mass in Philadelphia** in solidarity with the National March for Life in Washington, DC. This Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Pérez at 10 AM on Friday, January 29 at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul.



**Spiritual Adoption Program**

**What is the Spiritual Adoption Program?**

It is very simple. Participants in the Spiritual Adoption Program promise to pray for nine months for a baby in danger of abortion. While this child will remain unknown to his or her “spiritual parent,” God knows who the child is. Many people have found that naming “their child” helps to keep them focused on the reality that their prayers are helping to save a particular baby from the harm of abortion. This can be done in a parish or school setting, with age appropriate materials. To learn more, visit [www.spiritualadoption.org](http://www.spiritualadoption.org).

***“Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of [baby’s name] the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.”***

- Prayer of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen



**St. John’s Hospice Casserole Program PAUSED**

The casserole program is currently on hold due to an accident on the afternoon of January 13, affecting the truck that they use for pick-ups. They will let us know when they are able to resume picking up casseroles.



**Learn more about St. Margaret School!**

Our 4 year old prekindergarten through 8th grade continues to grow strong faith, develop outstanding character and offer exceptional academics in our unparalleled community. Learn more through an online inquiry and virtual tour today. Request more information: [bit.ly/382vTAU](http://bit.ly/382vTAU) or visit our website: [smsnarberth.org](http://smsnarberth.org).

We welcome Prekindergarten 4 year olds and Full Day Kindergarten applications after a virtual tour | meeting. Contact our Admissions/Advancement Director at 610-664-2640 ext 2 or at [info@smsnarberth.org](mailto:info@smsnarberth.org). We look forward to hearing from you, to engage our parish community in Catholic education at its best!

### 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, February 24, 2021 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](mailto: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](http://www.twitter.com/ArchPhilly)  
[www.youtube.com/user/CatholicPhilly](http://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](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 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](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 12.



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