

SAINT MARGARET OF ANTIOCH CHURCH

April 17, 2022

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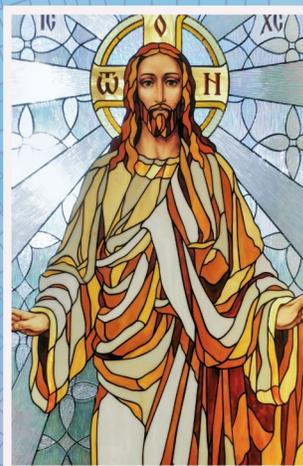
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EASTER SUNDAY of the LORD'S RESURRECTION



MASS SCHEDULE

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 DAYS 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)

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSTION

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 FR. PETERSON

Musicologists tell us that some great classical pipe organs have as many as a thousand pipes in their makeup. But today, even that amazing number falls short of what the Church wants to proclaim musically, the joy that is the message of Easter.

Liturgical committees have likely festooned their parish sanctuaries with a near surplus of Easter lilies. The blooms themselves resemble trumpets, and so they are meant to “blare out” the Gospel of the Resurrection of Christ. But even their beauty and fanciful music is not enough to herald the Easter message of the holy Gospel today.

Today is truly “the Day of days.” The “Alleluias” are sprinkled liberally throughout today’s celebration for all good reason. The word means in English “Praise God.” It conveys exactly what the Holy Spirit wants us to have in our hearts in the wake of the discoveries of Mary Magdalene, Peter and the “beloved disciple” on that unforgettable morning.

To be honest, on Easter our emotions likely differ in kind and intensity from what they are on a Christmas morning. The Infant in the manger is adorably cute as he wriggles in the straw. Greeting card artists help us picture that, along with Mary and Joseph nearby guarding Him. After all, nobody but a few anonymous Roman soldiers actually saw the resurrection. It is fair to assume that they may have been either too drowsy or too shocked at the time. Again, our artists have helped here, but to a lesser degree. Apparently the announcing angels did not form a choir to sing as they did for the shepherds some thirty three years before.

Still, Easter trumps Christmas in its importance and its lasting impact on world history and our own. For us, it’s a faith-based call to pay more attention to the things of heaven and less to the things of earth as St. Paul advises. Easter also urges us to energize that love of God and neighbor that Jesus preached. We cannot forget that awesome display of mercy and love when amid those awful hours while He hung on the cross, He cried out: “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” The news outlets will likely offer a few passing lines on their 24 programming to acknowledge this day, maybe offering a snippet of the pope’s Mass or universal blessing. It will forget all about it on Monday and more or less expect us to do the same. That’s the way it is in a culture based on profit and productivity for which God and the things of God are alien and awkward.

But we know better, mostly because Easter is the guarantee that our trust in God is well-placed. It sources our hope and optimism. The Easter message comes across to our eyes and our ears as we see the lilies and hear the singing and the organ music today. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

God love you and give you and yours His Easter peace.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, April 18

7:00 AM Stanley & Evelyn Kazeniac

TUESDAY, April 19

7:00 AM John McLaughlin III

WEDNESDAY, April 20

7:00 AM The Kienlen Family

THURSDAY, April 21

7:00 AM Ignatius Lo

FRIDAY, April 22

7:00 AM Regina Bierne

SATURDAY, April 23

8:00 AM Mark Weglos

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

THE WEEK OF APRIL 17, 2022



**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE
WILL BURN IN MEMORY OF
THE HOA LE FAMILY.**

**THE ALTAR CANDLES
WILL BURN IN MEMORY OF
GEORGE CONSTANTINE.**



**FLOWERS IN THE MARY GARDEN
ARE IN MEMORY OF
ED COSTA.**

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT

DUE TO THE EARLY TRANSMISSION OF THE BULLETIN THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT WILL BE IN THE NEXT BULLETIN.

CHURCH HOURS

**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**

CARITAS CHRISTI DUCIT

• The Love of Christ Leads •

From the Pastor

The Joy of Easter – The two disciples on the road to Emmaus were sad and downcast. Jesus had been crucified and buried in a tomb. The disciples felt that all their hopes had been destroyed. They had considered Jesus the Messiah and now he was gone, defeated by the powers of evil. A stranger appears and begins to walk and talk with them. It is the Lord, but they did not recognize him, until he stayed to eat with them and broke the bread. Their eyes were opened and they recognized the Lord. He was alive; they were overjoyed. They returned to Jerusalem to spread the good news of the resurrection of our Lord.

Jesus walks with us and we often are not aware of his presence. We are his disciples and he wants to open our eyes to his presence so that we can experience his abiding love for us and the power he shares with us to overcome sin. His presence turns our hearts from sadness to joy. We come to recognize his constant presence with us through the celebration of the Eucharist. The Lord breaks bread with us and our eyes are opened; we recognize that he is alive and with us.

May we rejoice in the presence of the risen Lord. He saves us from sin and leads us to eternal life. Our celebration of the Eucharist each Sunday opens our minds and hearts to the Lord's presence and lifts up our spirits. May our celebration of Easter reaffirm our faith in the resurrection of Jesus Christ. The darkness of sin and death are overcome by the power of the Lord. We can indeed place our hope in him and let our hearts rejoice in his loving presence with us. He is alive! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Little Sisters of the Poor - A couple of the Sisters will be with us next weekend to collect donations at the doors of the Church. Your kindness helps to support their good work in caring for the elderly.

Holy Hour on Divine Mercy Sunday – Next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. We recall on this day how the risen Lord extends his mercy to us. Sister Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938), a Sister of Mercy in Poland, received many revelations from the Lord about his divine mercy. The Lord asked her to help the world appreciate the depth of his mercy. Pope John Paul II designated the Sunday after Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday, a special time to celebrate the mercy of the Lord in rising from the dead to triumph over sin and death. All are welcome to join us for a Holy Hour in Church next Sunday, April 24 from 2:00 to 3:00 pm. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and we will pray the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available during the Holy Hour.

Adult Four Shooting Contest – As a fun night and a fundraiser, the Knights of Columbus are hosting an adult four shooting contest on Friday, April 22 at 7:00 pm in the gym. You are welcome to come to the Annex for some pizza and beer after the contest. Come and join us for this fun night. Register online at koc17262.org. The entry fee is \$20 per person and \$24 per couple by online registration. At the door pricing is \$25 per person and \$30 per couple. For information, contact knights17262@gmail.com.

Humanitarian Aid for Ukraine – The Archdiocese has notified us that individuals who wish to make a direct contribution for humanitarian aid to Ukraine can do it by using a pay pal account set up by the Ukrainian Archeparchy of Philadelphia, the Ukrainian Catholic Rite Diocese here in Philadelphia. You can go to ukarcheparchy.us/donate to access the pay pal account. Questions can be answered by phone (215-627-0143) or email (ukrmet@ukrcap.org).

SPIRITUAL THOUGHT

Be not afraid to tell Jesus that you love Him; even though it be without feeling, this is the way to oblige him to help you, and carry you like a little child too feeble to walk. (St. Therese of Lisieux)

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 23

Confessions 3:30-4:45 PM - Fr. Pesarchick
7:30 PM - Fr. Pesarchick

Sunday, April 24

7:30 AM - Fr. DePrinzio
8:45 AM - Fr. DePrinzio
10:00 AM - Msgr. Dougherty
11:30 AM - Msgr. Dougherty

CHURCH TEACHING

The Eucharist and Communion with God – The Eucharist appears as the culmination of all the sacraments in perfecting our communion with God the Father by identification with his only-begotten Son through the working of the Holy Spirit. With discerning faith a distinguished writer of the Byzantine tradition voiced this truth: In the Eucharist “unlike any other sacrament, the mystery of communion is so perfect that it brings us to the heights of every good thing: here is the ultimate goal of every human desire, because here we attain God, and God joins himself to us in the most perfect union.” Precisely for this reason it is good to cultivate in our hearts a constant desire for the sacrament of the Eucharist. (from the encyclical “On the Eucharist in its Relationship to the Church” by Saint John Paul II)

A LITTLE HUMOR

The manager was angry over the secretary’s sloppy work habits. “You don’t even answer the phone anymore,” he complained. “Of course not,” the secretary retorted. “Nine times out of ten, it’s for you anyway!”

PARISH NEWS

Msgr. Dougherty extends his gratitude to those who graciously participated in the parish Listening Session for the 2021-2023 Synod. Two small groups, facilitated by parishioners Kyra & Joe Koons, engaged in Spirit-led conversations concerning: their experiences in the parish, joys and concerns about the universal Church, ideas of how the Church can accompany individuals in their personal relationship to Jesus, and personal testimony of their experiences in the faith.



CRS RICE BOWL—Happy Easter!

Our CRS Rice Bowl journey has ended, but our prayers, fasting and almsgiving continue as we seek a closer relationship with God and our global family. Let us hold in our hearts our sisters and brothers in Guatemala, Bangladesh and Rwanda and commit to share our Easter joy with those in our local community and around the world.

YOU'RE INVITED!

PARISH SOCIAL *Party*

7:00pm

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2022

\$25 per person | adults ages 21+
tickets can be bought at the rectory, dropped off in the collection basket, or online at the following website
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/310604936727>

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for April

Health Care Workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.



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 Nicole at the rectory, 610-664-3770

*St. Margaret Parishioners have an opportunity to enjoy some great resources on **FORMED.org!***



*Presence—The Mystery of the Eucharist
Forgiven—The Transforming Power of Confession
Reborn—You, Your Child, and the Heart of Baptism
Beloved—Finding Happiness in Marriage*

As a member of St. Margaret Parish, you have **FREE ACCESS** to the many resources on **FORMED**. Sign up today at **FORMED.org** using the parish code **WRVZND**. *Not every parish offers a subscription to FORMED so take advantage of this opportunity!*

EVENTS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE

Part-time business manager is needed for St. Bridget Parish, located in the East Falls section of Philadelphia.

Must be proficient in QuickBooks.
For more information, please contact St. Bridget's rectory at 215-844-4126 or email secretary@stbridgeteastfalls.org



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.

Archdiocesan

APRIL 30, 2022

9AM - 4:30 PM
CARDINAL OHARA HIGH SCHOOL



Family Festival

Join us for
'Family, become what you are!'

A fun-filled and blessed day for families in the
Archdiocese of Philadelphia.
Come as you are and grow in the Lord together!



Mother & (Adult) Daughter Retreat

When: May 11 –13 (Mother's Day Weekend)

Where: Marianist Family Retreat Center
Cape May Point, NJ 08212

Info: Knowing that your relationship is special, and the need to nurture it throughout the years, this is a wonderful opportunity to walk upon common ground while celebrating your differences. Eucharist, small group sharing, prayer experience, socials, and fun are included—beach walks too!

Cost: \$145 per person

Register: sign up online at www.capemaymarianists.org or call 609-884-3829 for more information.

Summer at the Mount

The Mount is offering grade and middle school girls a variety of immersive, hands-on camp experiences this summer. With programs in STEM, the arts, and athletics, there is something at the Mount for everyone! Camps are open to girls entering grades 5—9. Visit msjacad.org/summer for the full schedule and to sign up. Please email summercamp@msjacad.org with any questions. We hope to see you this summer!

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 12:30 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 Tuesday, April 26, 2022, 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**.

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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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