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*Twenty-Fifth Sunday in
Ordinary Time
September 23, 2018*



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

Holy Day of Obligation

Vigil Mass - 7:00 PM
7:00 AM, 12:05 Noon and 7:00 PM

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.



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus again predict his passion, death, and Resurrection to his disciples. The setting here is important. Jesus and his disciples are preparing to journey through Galilee, a Jewish territory in which Jesus has already encountered problems with the Pharisees. Perhaps this is why Mark indicates that Jesus was trying to journey in secret. In predicting his passion, Jesus is acknowledging the danger they will face and is trying to prepare his disciples for it. Yet Mark tells us that the disciples did not understand what Jesus was saying and were afraid to ask what he meant. Such hesitation on the part of the disciples is not characteristic behavior. Peter had no fear about rebuking Jesus in last week's Gospel. Perhaps this is an indication that the disciples were aware that a new situation was emerging.

Mark paints a vivid picture in today's Gospel. Having arrived at Capernaum, Jesus and his disciples enter a house. In this private place, Jesus asks his disciples about the argument they had while they were journeying. Again, the disciples are uncharacteristically silent and afraid to answer. They have been found out. Jesus then summons the Twelve, whom Mark identified earlier in his Gospel as those chosen by Jesus to preach and to drive out demons. To this select group of disciples, Jesus teaches that those who would be first in God's kingdom must be servants of all.

Jesus then calls forward a child and teaches the Twelve that to receive a child in Jesus' name is to receive both Jesus and the One who sent him. We might easily fail to understand the significance of this action. In first-century Palestine, children were without status or power, possessing no legal rights. In this action, Jesus is teaching his disciples and us that when we serve the least ones among us, we serve Jesus himself. Who are the people without power or status in our society that Jesus is calling us to serve? Do we do so willingly? Jesus teaches that God's judgment of us will be based on this criterion alone.

Spiritual Thought - Have courage for the great sorrows of life, and patience for the small ones. And when you have laboriously accomplished your daily task; go to sleep in peace. God is awake. (Victor Hugo)

FORMED - Countless Catholic resources for faith formation and spiritual growth for adults, teens and children are available at your fingertips for free through FORMED: The Catholic Faith on Demand. Everyone in our Parish has free access at FORMED.ORG/COMMUNITY. The Parish has paid a fee to allow you to have free access. Use code WRVZND. If you have any questions about this, contact fatih@saintmarg.org.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, September 24

7:00 AM Joseph Augustine

TUESDAY, September 25

7:00 AM Douglas Michaud

WEDNESDAY, September 26

7:00 AM Dorothy Donahue Kane

THURSDAY, September 27

7:00 AM Bizzarri and Speranzo Families

FRIDAY, September 28

7:00 AM Joseph Binstead

SATURDAY, September 29

8:00 AM Fred Matarazzo, 6th Anniv.

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

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT

The Weekend Collection of Sept. 16, 2018: \$13,156

Including Electronic Funds Transfer: \$ 872

Mail In: \$ 4,190

Parish On Line: \$ 960

Envelopes: 226

Weekend of September 17, 2017: \$9,888

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



NEW ONLINE GIVING - Saint Margaret Parish has arranged a new, secure method of online giving. You can now setup 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 - A turtle is crossing the road when he is mugged by two snails. When the police show up to investigate, they ask him what happened. The shaken turtle replies, "I don't know. It all happened so fast."



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From The Pastor

Grandparent Day at Saint Margaret School - Friday, September 28 will be Grandparent Day at St. Margaret School. The grandparents of our students will come to spend some time with their grandchildren and experience some of life at our School. We all know what an important role of encouragement and support that grandparents can play in our lives. We are looking forward to seeing the grandparents and our students enjoying some time together at St. Margaret School.

Archangels - Friday, September 29 is the Feast day of the Archangels, Saints Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael. The word “angel” means “messenger.” Our belief in these angels is that they are incorporeal, spiritual beings, who enjoy a close relationship with God and are messengers of God’s love to us. St. Michael is seen as one who protects us from evil, St. Gabriel bore to Mary the good news that she was to be Mother of God, and St. Raphael carries God’s healing power to those in need. Our celebration of the archangels gives us reason to praise God for how the angels convey his love and grace to us. The Lord, in his goodness, protects us from evil, proclaims to us the good news of our salvation, and is always there to give us the healing and strength we need in the midst of our human weakness and vulnerability.

The Importance of Community - The ravaging effects of Hurricane Florence on the lives of so many people has dominated the news recently. In addition to the destruction, another aspect of this weather event has been how people banded together to support and help one another in the face of this challenge. It highlighted for me the importance of community, how we need one another. Our differences of opinion and disagreements can obscure how we need to be united in mutual support and help. The challenges of life often cannot be met and overcome by our own resources. We can only meet the challenges by working together. The Lord founded the Church because he knew our need for one another in living our faith well. In the Church we come together as believers in Jesus Christ to receive the grace of God and to support and encourage one another as we face the challenges of living our faith.

HELPING OTHER PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY

Week of September 23, 2018

Robert Ritzco, 610-649-3973

Please call as early in the week as possible.



We are planning a visit to Sight & Sound to see “Jesus” on Tuesday, October 30.

The show is at 11:00 am, followed by lunch at Bird in Hand Restaurant. The cost is \$110 per adult. If you are interested, please call the rectory at 610-664-3770 or email us at office@saintmarg.org. Come and see this fantastic and inspiring musical.

Catholic Teaching: Angels - The existence of the spiritual, non-corporeal beings that Sacred Scripture usually calls “angels” is a truth of the faith. With their whole beings the angels are servants and messengers of God. Because they always behold the face of the Father who is in heaven they are the mighty ones who do his word, heartening to the voice of his word. As purely spiritual creatures angels have intelligence and will: they are personal and immortal creatures, surpassing in perfection all visible creatures, as the splendor of their glory bears witness. Angels have been present since creation and throughout the history of salvation, announcing this salvation from afar or near and serving the accomplishment of the divine plan. (from the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

The Tuesday Morning Bible Study



Although the Tuesday morning Bible Study has begun, it is not too late to join us. We are studying “Hebrews.” All are welcome. We meet in the Antioch Annex at 9:00am.



From September 26 through November 4, you’re invited to join other Christians for 40 Days for Life – 40 days of prayer and fasting for an end to abortion. You’re also invited to stand and peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside of Bryn Mawr Hospital, and also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. St. Margaret Parish is scheduled to pray on two Saturdays from 10 to 11 am on September 29 and October 20. If you’d like more information – and especially if you would like to volunteer to help, please contact: Janis Mazzone at 610-308-0582 or Peggy Walsh at 267-241-3516, email.walsh.peggy71@gmail.com.



Autumn Ethical Trade Sale - Our parish Peace and Justice Committee will host an Autumn Ethical Trade Sale of coffee, tea, chocolate and hot chocolate in the Antioch Annex after all Masses on the weekend of **Sept. 29 and 30**. The Catholic Relief Services (CRS) Ethical Trade Program creates opportunities for us to bring core values of our faith to bear on the choices we make as consumers - choices that have the power to lift our sisters and brothers out of poverty. Therefore, when you purchase products through the CRS Ethical Trade Program, your purchase give twice in that you ensure that the farmers who grew these products get a fair price, and you support CRS work with low-income farmers around the world. We hope to see you at the sale! **THANK YOU**

Our Lady of Confidence Christian Retreat for Persons with Disabilities: A three day retreat at Malvern Retreat House has been scheduled for October 9, 10, 11, 2018 for adults with disabilities. The retreat is geared for adults with intellectual, physical or emotional disabilities. For more information, please contact Malvern Retreat Center at 610-644-0400 or email OLCRetreat@gmail.com.

IHM Sisters Oktoberfest - The annual IHM Oktoberfest will be held on Saturday, October 6 from 10 am - 3 pm on the grounds of Camilla Hall, located in Immaculata, PA. Join us for a fun-filled day of delicious food, crafts, children's games, white elephant flea market, and entertainment. Proceeds benefit Camilla Hall Nursing Home for the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM).

Main Line Health Smoke Free Program - Main Line Health's Free six week tobacco treatment program that covers stress management, healthy eating, non-smoking strategies, problem solving and coping skills.
Bryn Mawr Hospital Community Health Services
 Mondays, October 8, 15, 22, 29, November 5, 12
 933 Haverford Rd., Bryn Mawr, Lower Level Conference Room A (2:00 - 3:00pm)
Bryn Mawr Hospital
 Tuesdays, October 23, 30, November 6, 13, 20, 27
 130 S. Bryn Mawr Ave., Bryn Mawr
 3B Ortho Conference Room (6:00 - 7:30pm)
 To register call 484-227-FREE

Humanae Vitae - The Prophetic Voice of Blessed Paul VI
 October 13, 2018 (8:30am - 4:30pm)
 The Logan Philadelphia Hotel, One Logan Sq., Phila
 Sponsored by Archdiocese of Phila., Office for Life and Family. www.Phillycatholiclife.org.

Archdiocesan Rosary
 Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul
 Sunday, October 7, 2018 at 5:30pm
 6:30pm Sunday Mass to follow.

Saint Anthony's Relics Visit - October 6 - 9
The Cathedral Basilica of Saints of Peter and Paul
 1723 Race St., Phila.,
 Saturday, 10/6 Veneration begins at 4pm followed by Mass at 5:15pm
 Sunday 10/7 Holy Masses at 8, 9:30 & 11am, 12:30 pm
 In Spanish 6:30pm. Veneration after each Mass.
St. John the Evangelist, 21 S 13th St., Philadelphia
 Monday, 10/08
 Holy Masses: 7:45 & 8:30 am, 12:05, 1:05 & 5:15pm.
 Veneration throughout the day.

SAINT COLMAN PARISH MISSION
 St. Colman's in Ardmore is hosting a Parish Mission, led by Catholic lay evangelist Bill Wegner of Good News International. On Sunday September 23, through Wednesday, September 26, at 7:00 P.M., Bill will present engaging talks on "Our Call to Holiness!". For those who cannot attend the evening sessions, the same talks will be given after the 8:00 A.M. daily Mass. The thrust of the Mission is to bring us walk more closely with Jesus. Confessions will be heard on Tuesday evening. Bring the family and invite friends.

The Catholic Tent Revival, Sunday, October 7th from 12 noon to 7:30 pm on the grounds of Malvern Retreat House. This is a FREE event for individuals and families endorsed by Archbishop Charles Chaput. Under a gigantic 1,000 person tent, Mass will be celebrated by Auxiliary Bishop Timothy Senior, Rosary in conjunction with The National Rosary Crusade, confessions in the field, adoration. Free parking at Radnor Hunt Club with shuttle buses all day. Food trucks. Inspirational teaching and music by the Donut man for children under 10 years of age. We are encouraging registration at www.malvernretreat.com or by calling 610-644-0400.

The Blue Mass - September 30, 2018 at 11:00 am
 We will celebrate the Blue Mass to pray for local law enforcement officials, firefighters and first responders. We are grateful for their unwavering commitment and selfless dedication to the common good.
 Location: Cathedral Basilica of St Peter & Paul, Phila.
For more information: <http://cathedralphila.org/bluemass/>

ST. MARGARET SCHOOL

Message from Mrs. Johnston, Principal - Our school year started with a special enthusiasm. The students and the teachers returned with a desire to “hit the ground running”. May that enthusiasm and desire to learn ignite in all of us a quest to explore and invent, as well as, a deep sense of gratitude for all of the work and support given to make SMS the school that it is. Making mercy real...

SMS NEWS

Smart panels are coming!! - Our new Smart Panels will be installed in the sixth, seventh and eighth grades classrooms. We are most excited and grateful to all of you who made this a reality for our students.

The Halls will be filled with the Sound of Music - The third and fourth grade students will be learning to play the recorders. We are all in anticipation of this new musical venture.

SMS Walkathon - Save-the-date for our annual **Walkathon**, which will take place on **October 5, 2018**. This is one of our major fundraisers.

CLASSROOM NEWS

Pre-Kindergarten - Last week, our little SMS students began their Pre-k year. They spent their week learning all about new friends and getting familiar with their new school. They were introduced to all the faculty and staff. The teachers shared many books with their class about making friends and discussed how to be good friends. They are off to a great start!

Kindergarten - In Math, the Students began counting, reading and writing numbers 0-5. The students' used various manipulatives to practice counting and identifying groups of objects up to 5. They are doing a great job. The students also started a special “get to know you” book where each child shared something they like. It will start to travel home with the students. They students will love reading it to their family.

Grade 8 - has started the year with enthusiasm! We have many students preparing speeches in anticipation of Student Council Elections, which was held this past Friday. The school walls were papered with campaign posters for the 6-8th graders who have decided to run. Winners TBA.

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! Please feel free to drop off at school or place in back of the church. Thank you for your support!



OPEN HOUSE

Mount St. Joseph Academy - The Mount Open House will be on October 21 from 12 - 3:00pm. Girls in 6th, 7th and 8th grade are invited to attend with their parents to explore the innovative programs and spaces at the Mount. Register at www.msjad.org.

The Scholarship/Entrance exam will be on Saturday, November 3rd from 8am to 12pm.

Waldron Mercy Academy is holding an Open House for prospective families on Tuesday, October 2 at 9am. Join us and experience the advantage of a Mercy education. For students in preschool to grade 8. Visit www.waldronmercy.org/visitus for more information.

Merion Mercy Academy

Open House for 6th, 7th, and 8th Graders, Sunday, October 7th, Mass: 11am, Presentation: Noon.

Tours: 12:30 - 3:00pm.

Scholarship and Entrance Exam, Saturday, October 27th from 9am to 12:30pm. Make-up date: November 3rd.

Registration required.

Visiting Days - Students are welcome to visit Merion on any regular school day beginning October 1st. The form to arrange your visit can be found online.

La Salle College High School

Open House on Sunday, September 30 from 9:00am to 12:00 pm.

The Scholarship and Entrance Exam for 8th grade boys will be held at the school at 8:30am on Saturday, October 27 and Saturday, November 10.

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 Thursday, October 18, 2018 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 Rose Marie 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 *812.



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