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**THIRD SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 27 2019**



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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
(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.

3RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

It has almost become cliché for TV magazine shows to interview a celebrity from any field, but especially from the world of entertainment, in the setting of his/her hometown. The TV narrator will begin by saying something like “Here is where it all began for X”, or “Here on this quiet street X years ago, a young X took his/her first steps in the career that we all know today.” If the setting just happens to be your hometown also, you will pay special attention, and you will delight in seeing street scenes and other locales where you too grew up.

St. Luke, whose gospel we will be reading this year in the C cycle of Readings for Ordinary Time, brings what I’ll call “his imaginary TV camera” to a very special homecoming of the greatest “celebrity” of them all: Jesus the God-Man, the center of our Christian lives. The setting is the synagogue of little Nazareth, a dusty village not even noted on Roman maps of the time.

Luke uses dramatic touches as he tells us that the young Jesus stood up, unrolled the scroll of Isaiah’s writing chosen for the day, which happened to refer to the coming Messiah, the Anointed One who would save Israel. Then, rolling up the scroll, Jesus looks out on the small congregation whose every eye is on Him, and tells them that today this passage is fulfilled in their midst. Talk about a bombshell! The people are at first shocked, and then become wrapped up in another reaction. We’ll have to wait until next Sunday’s gospel to find out what that was, but I can offer a hint here and now: it wasn’t pretty!

For now, please note that word Our Lord used: “today.” This brings the whole instance into closer perspective for us, because Luke is referring not just to the historical then of Christ’s time, but to our own, in which we are living the period of the fulfillment of God the Father’s promise.

This can lead us to pause with profit at this early stage of a brand new year to ask ourselves some basic questions of our spiritual lives. What do we, you and I really believe about Jesus? Are we content to stay at the level of Him as teacher? Or is there something more about Him?

Do we realize that we are hearing in the gospel the words of a divine person speaking through His human nature? And what does that mean for us as we begin a new week of our lives here below?

Returning to the scenario of a celebrity coming back home, it makes all the difference when we place Our Lord in our city or town right now, with His focus on us, as He looks at us with those all-seeing but all-loving eyes of His. We then find ourselves in the company of a great writer of the last century, C.S. Lewis, who gave us, among other treasures, the intriguing play called “The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe.” Here is what that good Christian man said: “*On the whole, God’s love for us is a much safer subject to think about than our love for Him.*”

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, January 28

7:00 AM Mark Robert Nicoletti, Jr.

TUESDAY, January 29

7:00 AM Michael I. Morley

WEDNESDAY, January 30

7:00 AM Walter J. Wentling

THURSDAY, January 31

7:00 AM William Jenkins McKeown and his granddaughter Mary

FRIDAY, February 1

7:00 AM Donald B. Zager

SATURDAY, February 2

8:00 AM Jim Thorpe

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 Jan 20, 2019: \$ 9000

Including Electronic Funds Transfer: \$ 803

Mail In: \$ 1540

Parish On Line: \$ 1180

Envelopes: 219

Catholic Relief: \$ 1963

Weekend of January 21, 2018: \$10,026

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>.

Tax Information for 2018

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.

From the Pastor

Catholic Schools Week - This is Catholic Schools Week. We ask God's continued special blessing on our School, which was founded in 1922. I am grateful to our Principal, Mrs. Johnston, and all our faculty and staff for their dedicated service to the children in our School. Several special events are planned for School this week to help us celebrate God's goodness to us. I am grateful to our Parish community for its support of St. Margaret School.

Surpassing of Goal for the 2018 Catholic Charities Appeal - We have received a letter of gratitude and congratulations from the Catholic Charities Appeal 2018 for surpassing our goal of \$84,835. As of January 10, 2019, 202 donors from our Parish contributed a total of \$86,163. Thank you for your tremendous generosity in helping to serve the needy of the Archdiocese.

February 17 Marriage Anniversary Recognition - On February 17, which is the Sunday following Valentine's Day, we would like to recognize and bless the married couples in our Parish who are celebrating their 25th, 50th, 60th, and any multiples of five beyond the 60th. Wedding Anniversaries. At each Mass that Sunday we will announce the couples, ask them to stand, and offer a brief blessing and prayer for them. If you are celebrating one of the Anniversaries mentioned above and you wish to be recognized and blessed on Feb. 17, please call (610-664-3770) or email (office@saintmarg.org) and give your name, the anniversary you are celebrating, and the Mass you will be attending on February 17.

Finance Council - Meeting will be at 7:00 PM on Wednesday, January 30 in the Antioch Annex.

World Day for Consecrated Life - February 2 is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, when we celebrate how Mary and Joseph presented Jesus at the Temple and Simeon pronounced that Jesus would be a light for the world. On this Feast the Church asks us to celebrate and pray for those who are living the Consecrated Life, which includes religious Sisters and Brothers, monks, those living the contemplative life, and other forms of service to the Lord. Just as Jesus was presented to God in the Temple, those living the Consecrated Life have placed themselves in a special way at the service of God and his people. We thank God for all those living the consecrated life, especially those who have served us in some way, and we ask that God will continue to raise up men and women to respond to this call to devoted love for the Lord and his people.

HELPING OTHER PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY

Week of January 27, 2019

Robert Ritzco 610-649-3973

Please call as early in the week as possible.

A Little Humor - A young man who was chosen to give the commencement speech at his high school graduation began reading from his prepared text: "I want to talk about my mother and the wonderful influence she has had on my life. She is a shining example of parenthood, and I love her more than words could ever do justice." At this point, he seemed to struggle for words. After a pause, he looked up with a sly smile and said, "Sorry, but it's really hard to read my mother's handwriting."

Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary invites you to the sixth annual John Cardinal Foley Lecture on the Church and Social Communications. This year's lecture, on Monday, January 28 at 7:00 PM will be given by Kim Daniels, the associate director of the initiative on Catholic Social Thought and Public Life at Georgetown University. Her talk is entitled "From Anger to Renewal: Communications and the Crisis in the Church." The event is Free and open to the public. For more information, go to www.scs.edu/cardinal-foley-lecture.

Catholic Teaching: Consecrated Life - Christ proposes the evangelical counsels, in their great variety, to every disciple. The perfection of charity, to which all the faithful are called, entails for those who freely follow the call to consecrated life the obligation of practicing chastity in celibacy for the sake of the Kingdom, poverty and obedience. It is the profession of these counsels, within a permanent state of life recognized by the Church, that characterizes the life consecrated to God. The state of consecrated life is thus one way of experiencing a more intimate consecration, rooted in Baptism and dedicated totally to God. In the consecrated life, Christ's faithful, moved by the Holy Spirit, propose to follow Christ more nearly, to give themselves to God who is loved above all and, pursuing the perfection of charity in the service of the Kingdom, to signify and proclaim in the Church the glory of the world to come. (from the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Feast Day Retreat

Saturday, February 2, 2019. Full Day Retreat
Presentation of Our Lord & Candlemas Day.

St. Mary Magdalen Parish, Media.

Mass 8:30 am - Ends 2:30 pm

www.flameoflove.us

St Margaret School

Saint Margaret School will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week from January 28th - February 1st. The theme is: Catholic Schools – LEARN. SERVE. LEAD. SUCCEED. We have an exciting week planned with the annual 8th Grade Basketball game, Family Bingo Night, a Religion Bee, Closing Mass, and days of appreciation for our teachers, staff and students. Our 8th grade students will be reading their essays on what Catholic education means to them at all the Masses this weekend.

FAMILY BINGO NIGHT: Join us on Friday, February 1st from 6:30-8:30 for pizza and family bingo. It's fun for the whole family! Questions: Email Linda O'Keefe at lindaokeefe@comcast.net

Congratulations to Francis Rogai who was awarded the Augustinian Scholarship to Malvern Prep and the Xaverian Scholarship to St Joseph Prep.

Saint Margaret's School is proud to offer many and varied extracurricular clubs and activities for our students including CYO sports teams, art club, choir, band, drama club, chess club and a creative writing course. Our students are excited to take part in these activities and to grow in knowledge.

Upcoming Events

- **Save the date for Designer Bag Bingo** on the evening of Friday, February 22nd.
- **Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 6th for our annual SMS Bluefest Auction:** "A Night at the Races". If you would like to support Bluefest through volunteering, a sponsorship, offering items for donation for the auction or just to come and enjoy a fun night out!

Mount Saint Joseph Academy

The Mount, a Catholic preparatory school for girls, invites all interested 7th grade girls to the **7th Grade Practice Test (Pre-HSPT)** to be given on **Saturday, March 23, 2019 from 8:00 to 11:30 AM.**

The Pre-HSPT is a 7TH grade edition of the actual Scholarship/Entrance Exam given to eighth grade applicants

Registration is available **online only**. Register at:

www.msjacad.org/practicetest

You will receive registration confirmation via email.

St. Margaret School hosts "Walk in Wednesdays"

for interested parish members and area Catholics to learn more about our school from 9am - to 11am weekly. As we approach Catholic School week, take this opportunity to learn about our 4 year old programs through 8th grade. Applications are currently being accepted for grades PK, Full Day Kindergarten and 1st grade. Your family is welcome to visit our parish and school websites to learn more, or email info@smsnarberth.org

Waldron Mercy Academy (WMA), a Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, located in Merion, is a Catholic, co-educational, independent Preschool through Grade 8 school, with a Montessori program for ages 3 through 6. WMA is a sponsored work of the Sisters of Mercy. A challenging and well-rounded curriculum offers opportunities to develop the whole child academically, athletically, artistically and socially. Students are prepared to face the challenges of the world today with an enriched spiritual life, fluency in language and advanced technology. To learn more about WMA, please call Admission Director Sr. Joellen at 610-664-9847, ext 113 or jmcdonnell@waldronmercy.org

Open House - Sacred Heart Academy Bryn Mawr invites you to an Open House on Saturday, Feb. 2* at 11 am - 1 pm (*snow date Feb.9), 480 S. Bryn Mawr Ave. Bryn Mawr. More info. at

New faith formation group starting: The Ministry of Mothers (MOM) group seeks to develop our faith and deepen our relationship with God while getting to know and support each other in the everyday joys and challenges of raising Catholic children. The MOM group starts on February 6th, and meets every other week on Wednesdays from 9am to 10:15am in the Annex. All parents and guardians—regardless of religious affiliation—are invited. Kids of all ages are welcomed.

Rachel's Vineyard Ministries

Post-Abortion Healing Retreat

March 22, 23, 24, 2019 - Malvern-Frazer, PA

For information call or email:

Lauren (215)720-5828, lklovesnyc@gmail.com

Priscilla (215)906-6337, priscillaconnor2@gmail.com

Spiritual Thought - Miss no single opportunity of making some small sacrifice, here by a smiling look, there by a kindly word; always doing the smallest things right, and doing all for love. (St. Therese of Lisieux)

Malvern Retreat House 8th Annual Art Show

The Malvern Retreat House invites you to the 8th Annual Art Show to be held at the beautiful McShain-Horstmann Family Life Center on the Retreat House campus at 315 S. Warren Avenue in Malvern. **The show runs from Wednesday, January 30 through Sunday, February 3. Daily 10AM to 7PM. Join us and meet the Artists at our Complimentary Wine and Cheese Reception on Thursday, January 31 from 5 to 8PM.** Over 100 Juried Artists and more than 2,000 fine art pieces including painting, sculpture, photography, jewelry, fiber art, glasswork, wood and ceramics. We have a special focus room theme this year: "Water". Please visit malvernretreat.com or call 484-321-2562 for more information. **FREE ADMISSION** all days. No PA sales tax and 35% of all artwork sales are tax deductible and benefit Malvern Retreat House programs.

Friday - Sunday, February 8-10, 2019

Event: Retrouvaille for Stressed or Troubled Marriages

A healing program that offers a welcoming and loving space to married couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope that it is not too late for a different and better marriage. Location: Malvern Retreat House, McShain-Horstmann Family Life Center, 315 S. Warren Ave., Malvern **For more information**, or to register visit our web site at: www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.

Monday, February 25, 2019, 7:00 PM

Event: USCCB Listening Session on Racism

Join us in a USCCB listening session on Racism lead by Bishop Shelton Fabre. Location: St. Joseph University, Chapel of St. Joseph. More information: Contact the Archdiocese of Philadelphia Office for Black Catholics, Fr. Richard Owens, O.F.M. Cap, Directory at fr.rowens@archphila.org or by phone at 215-587-3541.

Cardinal O'Hara Fashion Show

"Stepping through the Seasons"

February 17, 2019 at Drexelbrook

Luncheon starts at 1:00 pm, doors open at noon.

Seating will be by reservation only and can be purchased online at cohs.com

Tickets are \$50 per adult or \$450 for a table of 10

\$25 for children 12 and under,

Email cohsfashionshow2019@gmail.com with any questions

Dear Friends in Christ,

As we near the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord, celebrated on February 2, we once again take this opportunity to acknowledge in the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, the many men and women who have dedicated their lives in service to the Church. Saint John Paul II spoke of the different forms of consecrated life as "the many branches which sink their roots into the Gospel and bring forth abundant fruit in every season of the Church's life." These diverse forms include: Monastic Life, the Orders of Virgins, Hermits, and Institutes completely devoted to contemplation, Societies of Apostolic Life, Secular Institutes, and new or renewed forms of the consecrated life. We're blessed to have each of these forms represented in the Archdiocese.

Today, in our Church and in our world, the dedicated witness of consecrated men and women is essential. The need for that special form of witness, along with prayer and the Sacraments as weapons of holiness, has never been more obvious. So please pray for an increase of vocations to consecrated life, and an increase in spiritual and material support for those who choose to heed God's call.

This year we would also like to invite all consecrated women and men to come for a Holy Hour at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral Chapel of Saints Peter and Paul, prior to the 12:05 Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the Feast of the Presentation on Saturday, February 2, 2019.

May the gift of vocations to the consecrated life and the many founders and foundresses who have been raised to be "Clouds of Witnesses" in our Archdiocese continue to be that source of inspiration for all of us as Catholic Christians as we celebrate once again, the World Day of Consecrated Life.

Sincerely yours in Jesus Christ,
Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.
Archbishop of Philadelphia

Thursday, January 31, 2019 - 8:00 to 9:00 PM

Event: On-line LIVE Support Group for Adult Children of Divorce (Must be 18 or Older)

Join us monthly on the Last Thursday of Every Month for a LIVE support group for adult children of divorce.

Location: On-line via Laptop or Call-in with Phone
Speakers: Presented by the St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Freedom, Family, and Faith. Prayer, Reflection, Sharing in a Safe Setting. Guided by the teachings of the Catholic Church.

To Learn More/Sign-up: Email director.srnf@gmail.com and type THURSDAY in the title to receive sign-in link. Call/Text 215-870-9913 for more information. www.nonnatus.org.

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 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 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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