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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT MARCH 17 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: 5:15 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.

SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Last month featured the annual Oscars' show, and millions of movie fans sat in front of their TVs for a look-see at their favorite stars. They knew the faces and the names better than I for sure. They chose their favorites for the winners. But there were other unseen people, hidden in plain sight among the theater audience, whose names and faces they did not know. They are the various artists who create the illusion that what we watch on the screen is real. Among them is an even smaller group in charge of makeup. With paints and padding, wigs and wrinkles, they manage to transform the famous actors into their characters. I believe all this effort aids the actors to get into character for their award-winning performances.

The transfiguration of Jesus was a far cry from such illusions. Peter, James and John truly saw what happened when Jesus pulled back the veil of His earthly appearance enough to leave them "dazzled," as St. Luke writes. Realists to their core, the three observers felt their jaws slacken.

Like me, you may wonder why Jesus did not do this sort of thing more often. It would have been so convincing to the skeptics among the crowds that followed Him that they would have dropped their opposition. But Jesus decided differently.

But as I thought about it some more, what the good Lord did with His miracles was to offer a compliment to us, specifically to our powers of deduction. Watching things like that widow's son climb out of his coffin; or that paralyzed man suddenly rise to take up his mat, not to omit that walk Jesus took on the water amid a raging storm. All of that calls forth a conclusion that is inescapable if not awfully hard to deny.

Lest we fail to make the connection, the Church this weekend offers us the thought of St. Paul. Here he writes to his Philippian converts and to us that we too will be changed to conform with Jesus' "glorified body." Since this would have been his feast day, I'll honor "great and glorious St. Patrick" as someone who would believe this to his core.

In the opening scenes of the musical "Camelot," we see King Arthur standing in a field dressed in the clothes of a common peasant. To look at him you would have no idea that he was king. In fact, when Guinevere first met Arthur, she didn't have a clue that he was king over all Camelot. Arthur was, in fact, king, but his appearance gave no evidence of this fact. Sound familiar?

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.

Mass Intentions

MONDAY, March 18

7:00 AM Rita Paddick

TUESDAY, March 19

7:00 AM Patricia Dougherty

WEDNESDAY, March 20

7:00 AM Thomas & Melanie Coyle

THURSDAY, March 21

7:00 AM Jean Funkhouser

FRIDAY, March 22

7:00 AM Patricia Burk

SATURDAY, March 23

8:00 AM Neil F. McNulty

THE WEEK OF MARCH 10, 2019



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN IN MEMORY OF JACK BINSTEAD.

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 Mar 10, 2019: \$ 10,023

Including Electronic Funds Transfer: \$ 803

Mail In: \$ 895

Parish On Line: \$ 2,080

Envelopes: 219

Collection for the Church in Latin America \$ 1,937

Weekend of March 11, 2018: \$9,325

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 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>.

From the Pastor

St. Patrick - March 17 is the Feast Day of St. Patrick. He was from England, but as a young man he was captured and sold into slavery in Ireland. Patrick later escaped, probably to France. He became a priest and was ordained a bishop. He then fulfilled his great desire to return to Ireland and convert it to Christianity. His persistence and courage in preaching the gospel resulted in many conversions to the Catholic faith in Ireland, and he realized his dream of helping the Irish people to come to faith in Jesus Christ and his Church. Although Patrick had been enslaved in Ireland as a young man, he did not let this experience fill him with bitterness and a vengeful spirit. He responded in love. He ventured back to Ireland to share with them the gift of the Christian faith. In his providence, God used Patrick's being taken as a slave to Ireland as a prelude that prepared Patrick for his life's work of preaching the faith to the Irish people. Patrick's trust in God's plan and his dedication to living and preaching the gospel is a great inspiration for us to trust in God's providence in our lives and allow God to use us as instruments of his truth, goodness and peace. Patrick died in about 460 AD, but his life and work continue to bear much good fruit.

Little Sisters of the Poor - The Little Sisters of the Poor will be at the doors of Church this weekend to collect funds for their mission to serve the elderly poor at Holy Family Home in Southwest Philadelphia. Thank you for your support.

School Advisory Board - The Board will meet on Wednesday, March 20 at 7:00 pm in the Antioch Annex

Talk on Saint - Our Lenten faith formation offerings continue this week when I present a reflection on "My Favorite Saint and Why" on Thursday, March 21 at 7:00 pm in the Antioch Annex. Everyone is encouraged to let this Lenten Season be a time of growth in understanding and living our faith. Come and join us in reflecting on our faith.

Catholic Charities Appeal - The Catholic Charities Appeal 2019 is underway. Lent is a great time to make a donation. The Appeal gives you the opportunity to practice almsgiving, one of the pillars of Lenten devotion. Your support helps the Archdiocese to provide food cupboards for the needy and assistance to the homeless and those who have disabilities.

FORMED - This is a website that contains many resources to help you learn more about our faith this Lent. Our Parish has paid a fee that enables all our parishioners to get free access to all the resources provided through FORMED: videos, Scripture reflections, resources for children and families, and much more. Get free access at formed.org/community. Use code WRVZND.

Lenten Schedule of Events

Stations of the Cross - Every Friday during Lent at 2 PM and 7 PM. **Adoration** on Fridays at 6 PM.

Thursday, March 21, 2019 - Presentation by Msgr. Dougherty on his favorite saint at 7 PM in the Annex.

Wednesday, March 27, 2019 - Poor Man's Supper at 6:30 PM in the Annex.

Tuesday, April 2, 2019 - Introduction of Prayer Walk by Marge Vance in the Annex at 7 PM.

Wednesday, April 3, 2019 - Prayer Walk available all day in the Annex.

Wednesday, April 10, 2019 - Lenten Penance Service in the Church at 7 PM.

Thursday, April 11, 2019 - Presentation by Chris DeMaio on his journey toward the Diaconate - 7 PM in the Annex.

Spiritual Thought - If you suffer with Him, with Him you will reign, grieving with Him, with Him you will rejoice, dying with Him on the cross of tribulation, with Him you will possess mansions in Heaven among the splendors of the saints. (St. Clare of Assisi)



Stations of the Cross

Every Friday during Lent at 7:00 PM

March 22	Can You Drink of This
March 29	Mary's Way of the Cross
April 5	Stations for Teens
April 12	The Way of the Cross with texts from Scripture

Church Teaching: Conversion - Conversion is accomplished in daily life by gestures of reconciliation, concern for the poor, the exercise and defense of justice and right, by the admission of faults to one's brethren, fraternal correction, revision of life, examination of conscience, spiritual direction, acceptance of suffering, endurance of persecution for the sake of righteousness. Taking up one's cross each day and following Jesus is the surest way of penance. (from the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

HELPING OTHER PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY

Week of March 17, 2019

Pam Owsik 610-659-7021

Please call as early in the week as possible.

St Margaret School

Message from Mrs. Johnston, Principal

Another page on the calendar has turned. March is here in full blast. Our Lenten journey has begun and the students have been asked to reflect on what their path will entail. Temperance is the virtue for the month of March. Through this virtue we invite your child to practice self-control in order to bring a balance to their thoughts and actions. Our social emotional focus is "social awareness." We want to lead our children to appreciate diversity and empathize with others, wherein they can grow in respect. Recently, one of our student's mentioned in a small group meeting that so many times we do not give others a chance. If they don't agree with us we think THEY are wrong. If they don't do things the way we do things THEY are weird. She stated "That is so wrong." She continued "We need to STOP judging one another and give others a chance. Thank you for her pure heart and wisdom.

PENNY WEIGH-IN! Thank you to all SMS students, faculty, staff, and parishioners who participated in our annual Penny Weigh-In. It was a huge success. We raised close to \$950.00 for the Catholic Missions. Thank you for all your support!

SMS 8TH GRADE LENTEN CAPTAIN CHUCKY'S CRAB CAKE SALE ORDERS

Last week, an order form was inserted in the church bulletin for Captain Chucky's crab cake items. All orders and payment must be received by **Monday, March 18** to the school office. Please make checks payable to St. Margaret School. Orders can be picked up at the SMS cafeteria on Friday March 22 until 6 PM. Thank you for your support.

SMS LIBRARY NEWS SMS Scholastic Book Fair was held in the school library. Many parents took the time to volunteer and also helped the younger students shop for their favorite book. SMS had "Character Day" where students and faculty dressed as their favorite book character. It was a fun day. This is how we fund the library! **Middle School Reading Olympics**: The countdown to our competition is starting - only 3 weeks away! Our SMS students go to weekly meetings and continue to read each day for this completion.

BLUEFEST - APRIL 6, 2019 "NIGHT AT THE RACES"

TUITION RAFFLE: New this year for Bluefest! Enter to win a free year's tuition for 2019/20. See form on our SMS website if you would like to purchase a ticket and help a family/friend who attends SMS School.

Come join us for a lovely night of dinner, dancing and bidding on wonderful items.

Paddock Day is just one month away! Thank you to the fine families that are helping to make this day a success! If you would like to make a donation, please send it to the school office along with the Bluefest donation form on our website or call the school office.



The Ministry of Mothers (MOM) meets this Wednesday, March 20, from 9 AM - 10:15 AM in the Antioch Annex. Our topic is *St. Patrick*.

Come, and bring a friend, as we grow our faith and get to know and support each other. Kids welcomed! For more information, see <http://saintmarg.org/ministry-of-mothers-mom/>.

CYO Spring Sports

Registration is now open and available for all parishioners and parish school attendees who are age-grade appropriate. Practice will begin in early-mid March depending on weather. Please contact Jim McNulty at mcnulty@novacare.com with questions. For more information, see <https://leagueathletics.com/Default.asp?org=SMSNARBERTH.ORG>.

The Annual Archdiocesan Mass Honoring the Gifts of Persons with Disabilities, The Deaf Community, Family, Friends and Caregivers

is **Saturday, March 30, 2019, at 10:30 AM** at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul at 18th and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia. Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap., will be the principal celebrant and homilist. There will be a reception immediately following the Mass. **All are Welcome.** To **RSVP**, go to www.opdarchphilly.org, or call the Office for Persons with Disabilities at 215-587-3530 with the number attending.

Ethical Trade Sale - Our parish Peace and Justice Committee will once again sell Ethical Trade coffee, tea, chocolate, and hot chocolate in the Antioch Annex after all Masses March 30-31. Your purchase supports the work Catholic Relief Services does with low-income farmers and artisans around the world.

A Little Humor - A man was praying to God. He said, "God, what is a million years to you?" God replies, "A million years to me is only a second." "Hmm," the man wondered. Then he asked, "God, what is a million dollars worth to you?" God said, "A million dollars to me is as a penny." So the man said, "God, can I have a penny?" And God said, "Sure! Just a second."



New Council of the Knights of Columbus

We have begun the process of forming a Council of the Knights of Columbus here at St. Margaret's. We already have 14 men and are looking for at least 6 more to reach the minimum number of 20 needed to officially form a Council. The next meeting is on Tuesday, March 19 at 7:00 pm in the Antioch Annex. New members can be admitted that evening. If you wish to join us or want more information, you can call Frank Garofolo at 610-664-8708.

Patient Education Day

Creating community and sharing knowledge for people with migraine and other headache disorders and their loved ones.

Saturday, March 23, 2019 from 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM

Annenberg Center for Medical Education at Lankenau

Featured Speaker: Ana Recober, MD, FAHS, Assistant Professor of Neurology, Perelman School of Medicine, University of Pennsylvania.

Visit milesformigraine.org to register.

POOR MAN'S LENTEN SUPPER WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27 at 6:30 PM

You, your family and interested persons are cordially invited to a simple Lenten supper in the Antioch Annex. Please come to share a simple meal with fellow parishioners as we join in solidarity with those in need throughout the world. Anne Ayella, former Director of Community Relations, Nutritional Development Services, Archdiocese of Philadelphia, will be the guest speaker. Anne will discuss *Our Call to Encounter*, the Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl Program. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the impact of CRS Rice Bowl on our sisters and brothers locally and worldwide. Please RSVP to faith@saintmarg.org so that we know how much food to order. Thank you!!

ENCOUNTER ANNET - In Uganda, we encounter Annet and her family, children forced to flee violence, searching for stability. How are we called to welcome the stranger in our midst? How can you support those worldwide who are forced to flee their homes to find safety or better opportunities? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

March 22-24 - Discernment Retreat at Villa Maria House of Studies, 220 IHM Drive, Malvern, PA

Singie women ages 18-35 are invited to experience a weekend of prayer, spiritual conferences, meals, and times of recreation with the sisters and novices of the *Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary*. For more information, contact Sister Marianne at 610-889-1553 or ihmvoc@gmail.com.

FAST AND ABSTINENCE

AND OTHER ACTS OF PENANCE FOR LENT

The Bishops of the United States prescribe, as minimal obligation, that all persons who are fourteen years of age and older are bound to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, March 6, 2019, on all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday. Further, all persons eighteen years of age and older, up to and including their fifty-ninth birthday, are bound to fast by limiting themselves to a single full meal on Ash Wednesday and on Good Friday, while the other two meals on those days are to be light.

All the faithful are encouraged, when possible, to participate at Mass and to receive the Holy Eucharist daily, to celebrate frequently the Sacrament of Penance, to undertake spiritual reading, especially the study of the sacred Scriptures, and to participate in parish Lenten devotions as well as Lenten education programs. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is especially recommended.

All are encouraged to participate in Operation Rice Bowl which has aided countless hungry persons here in the Archdiocese as well as throughout our nation and our world.

Remain in My Love - the Archdiocesan Initiative for the Renewal of Christian Marriage and Family Life

Topic 1 - Marriage: Created by God, for God

Speaker: Megan Murphy

Upcoming sessions

Sunday, March 17, 2:00-4:30 PM at the Cathedral Chapel of SS. Peter and Paul, Philadelphia

Sunday, March 31, 1:00-3:30 PM at Nativity of Our Lord Parish, Warminster.

For more information, and to register for these and all upcoming 2019 sessions, visit <http://archphila.org/remain/>.

Saturday, March 23, 2019, 2:00 PM Procession and 2:30 PM Mass

Event: Cultural Heritage Mass 2019

The principal celebrant and homilist will be Archbishop Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.

Location: Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter & Paul, 18th Street and Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Phila., PA.

For more information, please call the Office for Pastoral Care for Migrants and Refugees, 215-587-3540.

Springs in the Desert is a new ministry that responds to struggles with infertility through accompaniment and discernment of new paths of fruitfulness. This ministry seeks to help couples process the pain of infertility and to discover the fruitfulness God has planned for their marriages. Please visit <https://springsinthedesert.org/> for more information.

Part-time Teaching Assistant needed at St. Katherine Day School-Wynnewood Campus. Contact Lauren Bell, Principal, at principal@stkds.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 Tuesday, March 26, 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 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 *812.



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