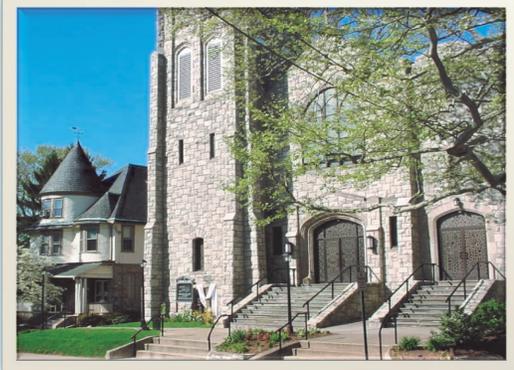


# ST. MARGARET OF ANTIOCH PARISH

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## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME JUNE 30 2019



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**Scrip Sales**  
**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.**



### 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.**

## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

We all remember—perhaps fondly—those multiple choice tests we had to take from time to time during our school days. If we knew our subject, we could whiz through the test and finish well before the allotted time. If we were not so knowledgeable, there was always the chance we took with an educated guess. Those educated gambles came with many a mark we ultimately made with our number two pencil.

As a many years veteran of high school teaching and a few more in colleges, my job entailed the composition of such tests. While they were easy to grade they were hard to create. The “almost but not quite correct” answers were particularly challenging to devise. My “Track one” grade-hungry bright kids often made good arguments for their answers as opposed to the preferred one. Of course, most of the time they lost their appeal.

One lesson those tests taught was the power of good decision-making. As their elder, I knew my students would inevitably have to face heftier decisions in life beyond the classroom. They would relearn that decisions have consequences. So much of life precludes having multiple choices. Many times there is only one.

A person does not have to delve too deeply into the pages of the gospels to learn that Jesus always wanted His disciples to be decisive. Today’s passage from Luke is a case in point. Jesus has, so to speak, “put all His cards on the table.” And He does so for three “wannabes” among the crowd. He tells these three persons in turn that following Him will make, in the first case, what foxes and birds have for homes look luxurious by comparison with any of the roadside camps He will be using. He also tells two other people that His work will have to take priority even over family obligations. The latter is still true today.

All of this captures the meaning of what is meant by “living by the Spirit” that St. Paul writes about to his Galatians. Discipleship calls one to be quite decisive when opportunity comes knocking. We read this weekend about Elijah the prophet making his decision. He obeys the Lord when he throws his cloak over Elisha, making the matter of his successor closed.

Obviously then, there is no place for “fence sitting” in this matter of living our lives with Jesus at the center. The old Harvey Cox quote “Not to decide is to decide” is perennial in this case as well as so many others.

Of course, not all our decisions in other areas will be wise or even welcome. Take the case of “Harry the Hunter.” Some friends who went deer hunting separated into pairs for the day. And that night one hunter returned alone, staggering under an eight-point buck. “Where’s Harry?” asked another hunter. “Oh, he fainted a couple of miles up on the trail,” Harry’s partner answered. “And you left him lying there all alone and carried the deer back?” “Yes it was a tough call,” said the hunting partner, “but I figure no one’s going to steal Harry.”

## Mass Intentions

**MONDAY, July 1**

**7:00 AM Joseph S. Cain**

**TUESDAY, July 2**

**7:00 AM Marie McCloskey  
1st Anniversary**

**WEDNESDAY, July 3**

**7:00 AM John Fean**

**THURSDAY, July 4**

**9:00 AM Caroline Cobaugh**

**FRIDAY, July 5**

**7:00 AM Bill & Lynn DeNardo  
50th Wedding Anniversary**

**SATURDAY, July 6**

**8:00 AM Patricia J. Oliver**



### THE WEEK OF JUNE 30, 2019

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN  
IN MEMORY OF VINCENT QUINN, JR.**

**THE ALTAR CANDLE WILL BURN IN MEMORY OF  
NICHOLAS CIPRIANI.**

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

### Weekend Mass Schedule July 6-7

*(Priest scheduled is subject to change)*

**Saturday, July 6**

Confessions 4:00 - 4:45 PM - Fr. Pesarchick

5:15 PM - Fr. Pesarchick

**Sunday, July 7**

7:30 AM - Fr. Guckin

10:00 AM - Fr. DePrinzio

11:30 AM - Fr. DePrinzio

### **THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

<b>Weekend of June 23, 2019:</b>	<b>\$ 9,112</b>
<b>Including Electronic Funds Transfer</b>	<b>\$ 687</b>
<b>Mail In:</b>	<b>\$ 1,792</b>
<b>Parish On Line:</b>	<b>\$ 1,557</b>
<b>Envelopes:</b>	<b>184</b>

**The Collection for Peter’s Pence: \$1,352**

**The Weekend of June 24, 2018: \$9,173**

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

**Msgr. Dougherty**

## From the Pastor

**Summer Rest** – Summer can be a time of welcome rest provided by vacations and a slower pace of life. The Lord encouraged his disciples to “come aside and rest a while.” We need a good balance of work and rest. Rest and relaxation allow us to step back and enjoy the gift of life and to remember that life is not so much a problem to be solved as a mystery to be enjoyed. We are called to rest in the awesome love of God. May summer rest calm our hearts and restore our appreciation of God’s loving presence with us each day. The Lord tells us, “Do not let your hearts be troubled...have faith in me.” May our summer rest help us to step back and see the presence of God’s love in our families, friends and daily blessings. May our relaxation be a time to open our hearts to God, renew our love for life, and strengthen our bonds with one another.

**Birth of Our Nation** – On Thursday, July 4, we celebrate the birth of our nation. I recall reading a biography of John Adams that impressed upon me the sacrifices that he and our founding fathers endured to establish our nation. We honor our nation’s founders best by being faithful to the ideals on which our nation was built. As we celebrate the birth of our nation this week, we renew our commitment to its goal of liberty and justice for all. We thank God for the gift of our nation and ask him to guide us in the ways of wisdom, respect for all human life, true freedom, and mutual love.

**Blood Drive** – St. Margaret Church is hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive this Wednesday, July 3, from 2-7pm in the School cafeteria. At this time of year there is a special need for donors. Please see the note in this bulletin for how to sign up for the charitable act of giving blood, by which you are helping others in a very significant way.

**Catholic Charities Appeal** – The 2019 Appeal is well underway. 132 St. Margaret parishioners have contributed a total of \$57,616 toward our goal of \$84,835. We are grateful for their support of this important Appeal to serve the needy in the Archdiocese and contribute to the work of the Church. If you have not yet made a donation, please consider it. Your gift helps bring hope to those in need by supporting food banks, literacy programs and the many other programs of the Archdiocese for lifting up the poor.

**Spiritual Thought** – In so far as divine love beautifies our souls, and makes us pleasing to his divine majesty, it is called grace; in so far as it gives us strength to do good, it is called charity; but when it reaches such a degree of perfection, that it makes us not only do good, but do so carefully, frequently and readily, then it is called devotion. (St. Francis de Sales)

**Church Teaching: Union with Jesus** – From the beginning, Jesus associated his disciples with his own life, revealed the mystery of the Kingdom to them, and gave them a share in his mission, joy and sufferings. Jesus spoke of a still more intimate communion between him and those who would follow him: “Abide in me, and I in you...I am the vine, you are the branches.” And he proclaimed a mysterious and real communion between his own body and ours: “He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him.” (from the Catechism of the Catholic Church)

**Lectio Divina Summer Recess**  
We are taking a summer recess through Labor Day from our Saturday morning Lectio Divina Group, during which we read, mark and inwardly digest the coming Sunday’s Gospel reading. Please join us in the fall.

### REBOOT! - with Chris Stefanick

\*\*\*\*\*IMPORTANT UPDATE: VENUE CHANGE\*\*\*\*\*

Please be advised that the location for Chris Stefanick’s REBOOT event on October 10 has been changed to **Archbishop Carroll High School Auditorium**. This change was made due to some unforeseen logistical obstacles at Presentation B.V.M.; we are grateful to Father Montero for suggesting Archbishop Carroll and to the Carroll Administration for opening their doors to us! God is good! Tickets are available online and at the St. Margaret Rectory. Current ticket holders will be notified by email and/or telephone with instructions for their use. If you have any questions about REBOOT! Please contact Chris Maguire at [csmaguire@comcast.net](mailto:csmaguire@comcast.net).

### Our REBOOT! Team is Expanding!

With just four months to go until Chris Stefanick comes to share REBOOT! with us, our team is meeting monthly to continue in prayer, reflection, and planning. We have a strong group of parishioners from St. Margaret’s and other neighboring parishes. Want to learn more about Chris Stefanick and why you should be at REBOOT? Our next meeting is Wednesday, July 10 at 10 AM (Rectory) and 7 PM (Antioch Annex). Come to the time that works with your schedule. Questions? Please contact Chris Maguire at [csmaguire@comcast.net](mailto:csmaguire@comcast.net).

**REBOOT!**  
a life-changing event

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I enthusiastically welcome your support of our annual archdiocesan collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD)**, which will soon commemorate 50 years of concretely demonstrating the Church's solidarity with disadvantaged members of our communities.

In Philadelphia and other urban areas in our region, there is a growing gap between those who are financially secure and those who are not, including middle class families as well as the poor. U.S. Census data in 2018 show that Philadelphia's poverty rate has remained at 26% since 2013, while the national average is half that, ranking Philadelphia as the poorest of the country's 10 major cities. The median income in our four suburban counties is double that of families in Philadelphia, where many households have incomes below \$18,450 for a family of three, and nearly all of those households include children, the frail elderly, and the disabled. Nearly one in four Philadelphia residents suffers from food insecurity. These brothers and sisters of ours are victims of what some have called "an unnatural disaster" that is both preventable and able to be rectified by the collective efforts of those who care to make a difference.

Across our country today, more than 46 million people are living in poverty, and one third of that number are children. Their challenges stem from a cycle of systemic poverty that often prevents them from realizing their God-given promise and vocation in life. While some people's situations may have resulted from their own poor decisions, the majority have simply not had the opportunities or the blessings of support and good example to achieve economic security or household stability. Keep in mind that the vast majority of the poor want a better future for themselves, and most especially for their children. As Catholics we are called to stand with them and be their advocates as they strive to achieve living conditions worthy of their God-given human dignity. That is why your support of CCHD is so vital, providing funding for local community organizations that work with those living on the margins to facilitate their own efforts to overcome the causes of their poverty.

Pope Francis called our attention to the struggles of the poor in his message for the second *World Day of the Poor*: "God's salvation is a hand held out to the poor, a hand that welcomes, protects and enables them to experience the friendship they need...Each individual Christian and every community is called to be an instrument of God for the liberation and promotion of the poor, and for enabling them to be fully part of society. This demands that we be docile and attentive to the cry of the poor and to come to their aid." The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops holds an annual CCHD collection to give us a way to be a hand of friendship held out to the poor. In the Archdiocese of Philadelphia, the CCHD collection will occur at Masses on the weekend of July 6-7. Your contribution can help your neighbors to finally break free of poverty and achieve a better future for themselves and their families. May God bless you for your generous response to this year's CCHD appeal.

Gratefully and with best wishes in Jesus Christ,  
Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, O.F.M. Cap.  
Archbishop of Philadelphia.

## Honors

We are very proud of the following students who have achieved academic honors for the second semester.

### St. Joseph's Prep

First Honors: **Francis Coyne, Maxwell Coyne, Daniel Friedlander, Denis Gallagher, and Sean Walker.**

Second Honors: **Benjamin Friedlander, Martin Gallagher, and Christopher Gutt.**

### Merion Mercy Academy

Distinguished Honors: **Regina Passarella, Kaitlyn Conway, Grace Brazunas, Violet Lorei, and Eleanore Paller.**

Honors: **Payton Fox, Yuxin (Gloria) Kang, McKenna Byrne and Olivia Gutt.**

## Employment Opportunities

### Coordinator of Parish Services

**Saint Margaret Parish, Narberth, PA**, is looking to hire a Coordinator of Parish Services. The main aspects of this position will involve: coordinating adult faith formation, assisting with Parish communications and the use of social media to advance the mission of the Parish, overseeing youth ministry, and coordinating evangelization and outreach. Requisites desired: a degree in Theology, good technology and organizational skills, and the ability to work with youth. Anyone interested in applying can send a resume to: Msgr. Paul Dougherty, Pastor, Saint Margaret Church, 208 North Narberth Avenue, Narberth PA 19072, or email it to him at [pastor@saintmarg.org](mailto:pastor@saintmarg.org).

### St. Katherine School - Wynnewood Campus

Part-time Teaching Assistants needed to work with students with disabilities. Contact Lauren Bell, Principal, at [principal@stkds.org](mailto:principal@stkds.org).

### Waldron Mercy Academy

7th and 8th grade Religion teacher  
5th grade Religion/Social Studies teacher.  
Please contact Theresa Gannon at  
[tgannon@waldronmercy.org](mailto:tgannon@waldronmercy.org).



**St. Margaret Parish Blood Drive**  
**Wednesday, July 3, 2019, 2PM - 7PM in**  
**the St. Margaret School Cafeteria**

Sign up at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) using sponsor code **SMRCCNarberth**. Blood supplies are generally low in the summer. We have 60 slots to fill and need your help!! If you are unable to donate but would like to volunteer, or if you have any questions, email Christina Braun at [christinabraun2002@yahoo.com](mailto:christinabraun2002@yahoo.com).  
*All presenting donors receive a Red Cross T-shirt.*

**Holy Martyrs Respect Life Committee**  
**Presents**  
**Gosnell the Movie**  
**Wednesday, July 17, 2019 at 7:00 PM**

**Location:** The Fr. Szal Conference Room at Holy Martyrs Church, 120 Allison Rd., Oreland, PA  
 Discussion to follow led by  
**Dr. Monique Ruberu**  
 Freewill Offering to support the  
 Respect Life Committee



**Rediscover the Love in Your Marriage!**

Is your marriage going down the right road...or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track.  
 Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes all married couples. **Our next program is coming up at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA, August 9 - 11.** For more information, or to register, visit [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org), or call 1-800-470-2230. All inquiries are kept strictly confidential.



**Lankenau Ministry** Next Sunday, July 7, is St. Margaret's weekend to take Holy Communion to the sick at the Lankenau.

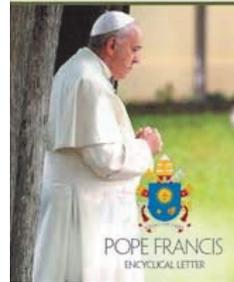
Group A is assigned But Group B is also welcomed. If you cannot come this weekend, please try to exchange with someone. It is very important to get a replacement.



**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>.

ON CARE FOR OUR  
 COMMON HOME  
 LAUDATO SI'



**CRS Spotlight**

Four years ago, Pope Francis released his landmark encyclical on the environment called "Laudato Si." Catholic Relief Services encourages you to read the full encyclical online for free at [www.vatican.va](http://www.vatican.va) and then reflect on the question, "What are you doing to protect God's present to us?"

*"Climate change is a global problem with grave implications: environmental, social, economic, political and for the distribution of goods. It represents one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day. Its worst impact will probably be felt by developing countries in coming decades. Many of the poor live in areas particularly affected by phenomena related to warming, and their means of subsistence are largely dependent on natural reserves and ecosystemic services such as agriculture, fishing and forestry. They have no other financial activities or resources which can enable them to adapt to climate change or to face natural disasters, and their access to social services and protection is very limited ... Sadly, there is widespread indifference to such suffering, which is even now taking place throughout our world. Our lack of response to these tragedies involving our brothers and sisters points to the loss of that sense of responsibility for our fellow men and women upon which all civil society is founded."*  
 ~ Pope Francis



**Report to Duty**

**Honor Flight Philadelphia** is looking for women who served our great nation during World War II, the Korean War or the Vietnam War.

We invite you to join us on September 21, 2019, for an All Women in the Military Tour of Honor to Washington, D.C. to view those memorials dedicated to your service and sacrifice AT NO COST to the veteran. Transportation, Meals, Memorabilia will be provided to our veterans. ***We can never repay you for your service and sacrifice, but we can show you our appreciation.*** For more information, contact Andrew at 610-662-1812 or [Andrew@honorflightphiladelphia.org](mailto:Andrew@honorflightphiladelphia.org).

**HELPING OTHER PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY**

**Week of June 30, 2019**  
**Robert Ritzco 610-649-3973**  
**Please call as early in the week as possible.**

**A Little Humor** - To err is human; to point it out with glee is Internet.

### 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, July 17, 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](http://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/ArchbishopChaput>  
[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 \*812.



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