

ST. MARGARET OF ANTIOCH PARISH

208 N. Narberth Avenue

Narberth, PA 19072

610-664-3770, Fax 610-664-5001

Web site: www.saintmarg.org

Email: office@saintmarg.org

**Msgr. Paul V. Dougherty,
Pastor, Ext. 12**
pastor@saintmarg.org

**Rev. Robert J. Chapman,
Pastor Emeritus**

Weekend Assistants:

Rev. Robert Pesarchick

Rev. Kevin DePrinzi, O.S.A.

Principal, St. Margaret School,
Mrs. Mary Anne Johnston
mjohnston@smsnarberth.org
610-664-2640

Director of Religious Education, Ext.16
Mrs. Mary Anne J. Monroe, M.A.
prep@saintmarg.org

Coordinator of Parish Services, Ext. 20
Miss Nicole Bazis, MATS
faith@saintmarg.org

Parish Business Manager, Ext.17
Mr. Cliff Coombs
busmgr@saintmarg.org

Safe Environment Coordinator, Ext. 21
Mrs. Beth Mirzai
safe@saintmarg.org

Administrative Assistant, Ext. 10
Maryann Cassidy (Mon, Tues, Wed)
Mrs. Teresa Myers (Thurs, Fri)
office@saintmarg.org

Director of Music - Mr. Michael Worth
saintmargmusic@gmail.com
267-304-6490

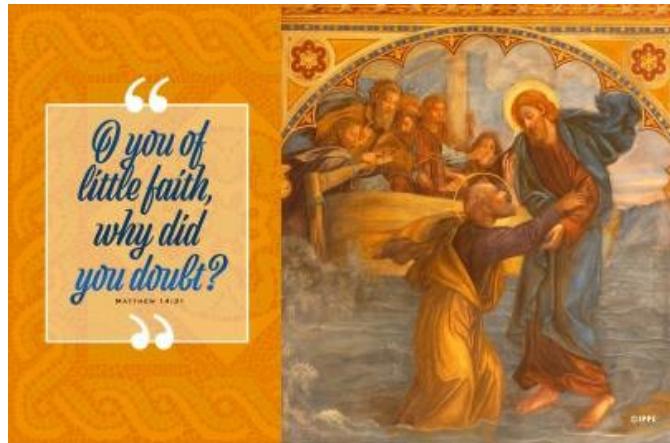
Scrip Sales
MONDAY TO FRIDAY
FROM 9AM TO 4:30 PM IN THE RECTORY

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.



**NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
AUGUST 9, 2020**



Schedule of Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:15 PM

Sunday: 7:30, 8:45, 10:00 and 11:30 AM

Daily Monday - Friday: 7:00 AM,

followed by Morning Prayer

Saturday: 8:00 AM

Holy 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.**

Reflection by Rev. Leonard N. Peterson

Back in June, a good friend sent me a video of something amazing. It seems an Amish farmer wanted to move his large pole barn to another place on his property. So, does he call in a moving company with heavy equipment? No! Instead he calls on about 300 of his closest friends, and they together actually lift the skeleton of the massive structure and walk it to the new location!

Viewed from a distance, the men's black clad legs are seen standing out from the bottom of the red building as they walk in unison following the directions of a leader. It's as if the building becomes a mammoth centipede! The video is worth downloading. For one thing, you will see the importance of "lending a hand" to a friend in need.

"Lending a hand" is precisely what Our Lord does in this week's chosen Gospel passage. A storm at sea is raging. Jesus has left His prayer place on the mountain and suddenly appears walking on the waves! When Peter catches sight of Him, He jumps out of the crowded boat onto the water and he takes a few tentative steps toward His Master. But all of a sudden, logic kicks in; awareness steps up, and Peter loses his confidence and begins to sink. Only when Jesus lends a hand to lift his friend up does the crisis end. (I often picture Jesus with a smile on His handsome Face, maybe even with an added chuckle, as color returns to Peter's scared face as he stands solidly again.)

Of course, it is the perfect opportunity for Our Lord to remind Peter that his faith needs a little updating. Some added depth. More strengthening private prayer.

Naturally, the Holy Spirit wants us to ask ourselves some probing questions as He presents this well-known gospel scene. When life puts us in some "rough water" we know who we can depend on. Such "stormy seas" will come to nearly all of us at one time or another. So, do we turn to God when it happens, or do we rely only on our instinct for self-preservation? Or the cleverly concocted myth of self-reliance that eschews help? That Amish farmer knew better with his problem.

Without belaboring the obvious, I trust that we have all learned a lot about ourselves and our dependency upon each other during these months of the pandemic, with the probability of more months to come. Hopefully, you and I as believers have stepped up our reliance on God. We know in a brand new way that some problems are too much for our finite fiber to cope with, much less to solve. We need a helping hand. God's is the best.

Maybe you don't have 300 friends to call on to help solve your problem. But you do have One better than those by far. He once said: "*Come to Me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will refresh you.*" He never reneges on a promise, and is always there to lend His most powerful Hand. After all, "*problems are only opportunities with thorns on them.*" (Hugh Miller, Scottish scientist, d.1856.) God love you and give you His peace!

MONDAY, August 10

7:00 AM Ignatius Lo

TUESDAY, August 11

7:00 AM Mary Alice Laird

WEDNESDAY, August 12

7:00 AM Sr. Virginia Hasson, RSM

THURSDAY, August 13

7:00 AM The Reppert Family

FRIDAY, August 147:00 AM Michael McColgan
27th anniversary**SATURDAY, August 15**

8:00 AM Frank Farrow

**THE WEEK OF AUGUST 9, 2020**

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN
IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL MC COLGAN.
THE ALTAR CANDLES WILL BURN
IN MEMORY OF EDITH MYERS.**

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

Weekend Mass Schedule August 15-16*(Priest scheduled is subject to change)***Saturday, August 15**Confessions 4:00 - 4:45 PM - Msgr. Dougherty
5:15 PM - Msgr. Dougherty**Sunday, August 16**7:30 AM - Fr. DePrinzio
8:45 AM - Msgr. Dougherty
10:00 AM - Msgr. Dougherty
11:30 AM - Fr. Pesarchick**THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

Weekend of August 2, 2020:	\$ 9,706
Collection in Church:	\$ 3,261
Electronic Funds Transfer:	\$ 665
Mail In:	\$ 3,875
Parish On Line:	\$ 1,905
Envelopes:	153

The Weekend of August 4, 2019: \$8,627

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

From the Pastor

Finance Council – The Council will meet on Wednesday, August 12, at 7:00 pm in the Antioch Annex.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary – Saturday, August 15, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Because it falls on Saturday this year, it is not a Holyday of Obligation. However, it is fitting to honor this great feast by attending Mass that day. Mass will be offered at 8:00 am. We celebrate that Mary's body did not undergo corruption and was lifted up into heavenly glory. Because she was conceived free from original sin, she did not experience the bodily corruption of death. She fell asleep in the Lord and was transported into the fullness of heavenly glory. Mary's Assumption celebrates her special place in God's plan. She exemplifies for us our call to be obedient disciples of the Lord who say "yes" to his plan for us. Mary's cooperation with God's plan gave her a special role in our salvation. From her place in heaven she continues to intercede for us and lead us to her Son, the source of all goodness and light. We turn to Mary to inspire us to strive with all our heart to participate in the heavenly life she enjoys.

Deacons – Tomorrow is the Feast of St. Lawrence the Deacon. Lawrence was a deacon in Rome who suffered martyrdom about the year 258 A.D. during the persecution of Emperor Valerian. We know little else about his life but his position as a deacon indicates that he played an important role in the life of the Church and was a man of service.

Deacons receive the Sacrament of Holy Orders and assist the bishops and priest in serving the people of God. Deacons are especially called to be witnesses to charity, serving the needs of the poor and suffering. Deacons baptize, preach, assist with the distribution of Holy Communion and help to administer the various aspects of Church life.

Christopher DeMaio, a parishioner here at St. Margaret of Antioch Church, is being formed to become a deacon. The formation process extends over seven years. Chris has completed three of those years. He has been assisting at the altar and in various other capacities here in the Parish. We are grateful for his willingness to serve the Church as a deacon and we pray for him as he continues his formation through courses and programs at St. Charles Borromeo Seminary.

Blood Drive – Because of the distancing and sanitizing requirements implemented in the face of the pandemic, many places cannot host Blood Drives. For this reason, the Red Cross has asked us to host another Blood Drive here in our School cafeteria. The Drive will take place on Saturday, August 22, from 9 am to 2 pm. To make an appointment to give blood go to redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-red cross.

Church Teaching: The Altar – At the Eucharist, the liturgical assembly celebrates the ritual sacrificial meal that recalls and makes present Christ's life, death and resurrection, proclaiming "the death of the Lord until he comes." The altar is the center of the thanksgiving that the Eucharist accomplishes and the point around which the other rites are in some manner arrayed. Since the Church teaches that the "altar is Christ," its composition should reflect the nobility, beauty, strength and simplicity of the One it represents. In new churches there is to be only one altar so that it signifies to the assembly of the faithful the one Christ and the one Eucharist of the Church.

Spiritual Thought: Mercy – The mercy of God is not some beautiful idea, but rather a concrete action. There is no mercy without being concrete. Mercy is not doing good "in passing," but getting involved where there is something wrong, where there is illness, where there is hunger, wherever there is exploitation. (Pope Francis)

A Little Humor - How do you make a pirate furious?
Take away the p.

HELPING OTHER PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY
Suspended until further notice.

Resealing of School Parking Lot
Please be aware that the school parking lot will be sealed and restriped beginning on Sunday, August 9 at 2PM. The parking lot should again be available for use on Wednesday, August 12.



*St. Margaret Church is open from
7:30 AM to 4 PM, Monday through
Friday, 7:30 AM to 6:30 PM on
Saturday, and 7:15 AM to 2 PM on
Sunday.*

St Margaret School

Enrollment Opportunity for St. Margaret School

Our 1st Grade, Kindergarten and Pre-kindergarten 4 year old programs have openings for this fall. Our students and faculty finished the year remotely on a positive note from day one! We would love to share our great school with you and your family!

If you are interested in learning more about our programs, please email: info@smsnarberth.org to receive more information!

Our early childhood education continues to exceed expectations in all regards: spiritually, developmentally and academically!

We are here to serve!
info@smsnarberth.org



Mount Saint Joseph Academy Class of 2025

The Mount application is now open! Visit msjacad.org to apply. **Practice Test - Saturday, August 15.** All interested girls entering 8th grade are invited to the Practice Test for the fall entrance exam. Register today at msjacad.org/practicetest.

Open House – Sunday, October 4. All interested families of 5th-8th grade girls are welcome. Save the date and register today at msjacad.org/openhouse. For more information or with any questions, email the Admissions Team at admiss@msjacad.org.



CYO GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY ST MARGARET PARISH (gr 5-8)

No experience necessary!

If your daughter is interested in joining the JV/Varsity Field Hockey Team this year, please contact Miss Ellen Thorburn at ethorburn@smsnarberth.org or Mrs. Tracy Gabor at trgabor@smsnarberth.org. Please let us know as soon as possible so we can order the uniforms.

Thank you!

SAVE THE DATE
3rd ANNUAL GOLF OUTING
for St Margaret Parish & School
MONDAY OCTOBER 5, 2020
BALA GOLF CLUB!

If you want to help with planning and organizing, contact info@smsnarberth.org and put "Golf" in the subject line! Tell your friends - we will all need a socially distant event like this in our fall!



St. Margaret Parish Blood Drive

Saturday, August 22, 2020, 9AM - 2PM

St. Margaret School Cafeteria

Sign up at redcrossblood.org/give.html using sponsor code **SMRCCNarberth**.

Due to social distancing, there will be no walk-ins, so please sign up for an appointment today. Save time and pre-register the morning of at www.redcrossblood.org/rapidpass. If you have any questions, or need assistance in scheduling an appointment, email Christina Braun at christinabraun2002@yahoo.com or call her at 610-952-5766.

Donors are needed!

LIFE SKILLS EDUCATION TEACHER

Our Lady of Confidence School, Willow Grove, PA
St. Katherine's School, Radnor, PA

Our Lady of Confidence School and St. Katherine's School are special education schools that serve students with intellectual disabilities and other developmental differences. The teacher must have a degree in special education elementary and their PA certification.

Interested candidates should send their cover letter, salary requirements, resume and transcripts to:

Katie Bier, Principal of Our Lady of Confidence at principal@ourladyofconfidence.org

Lauren Bell, Principal of St. Katherine's School at principal@stkds.org.

Mark OLC or STKS-Teacher-2020 in the subject line. The deadline for applications is August 15, 2020.

Long Term Substitute Teacher of the Visually Impaired **Saint Lucy School for Children with Visual Impairments**

4251 L Street, Philadelphia, PA 19124

We are seeking a certified Teacher of the Visually Impaired to teach in a resource room for academic students who are blind and visually impaired. Consider being a part of an amazing, energetic, and dedicated team of vision professionals. Interested parties should send a cover letter, resume, and list of references to:

Sister Lisa Lettiere, Principal of St. Lucy's School at llettiere@lucy-ryan.org.

The deadline for application is August 15, 2020.

EDUCATOR CAREER FAIR

Thursday, August 13, 2020 - 9AM to 3PM
A Virtual Event

The Archdiocese of Philadelphia is hiring teachers for the 2020-2021 school year. Please visit www.AOPcatholicschools.org for information on our schools. For questions concerning the application process, please contact Barbara Giuliano, HR Assistant at bguiliano@archphila.org.

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I appeal to you today to give generously to the National Collection for The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

As the only institution of higher education founded by the U.S. bishops and chartered by the Vatican, Catholic University is the national university of the Catholic Church, charged with educating the future leaders of the Church, the nation, and the world. Here are just two ways Catholic University is educating the next generation of clergy, religious, and young lay men and women from every geographical region of the United States:

- Catholic University is helping to renew and strengthen the Church. Through hosting a national conference series focused on laity response to the sex abuse crisis, and in creating an Institute for Diocesan Excellence in Administration (IDEA), where lay scholars and professionals can support clergy by providing expertise and accountability in the areas of education, finance, canon law, culture, and more, Catholic University will serve as a springboard in renewing and strengthening Catholicism in our country.
- Catholic University serves the Church by engaging its students to discover knowledge and truth through excellence in teaching and research. With its 12 schools and 23 research centers, the University provides an exceptional Catholic education to almost 7,000 students annually. By way of its many programs, such as those in ethical business practices; classical architecture; intelligence studies; neuroscience; nursing; Spanish language and Hispanic ministry; social service; and Catholic bioethics the University prepares students to respond to the many issues facing the Church and society today.

Our national university is educating an important generation of lay and ordained leaders within the United States. The **Collection for The Catholic University of America** will be held in parishes of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia on the weekend of August 15 and August 16, 2020. Thank you and God bless you for supporting America's Catholic university and the countless numbers of students who will experience an education grounded in Catholic tradition.

Sincerely in Christ,
Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, D.D.
Archbishop of Philadelphia

Casseroles for St. John's Hospice

Recipe # 4 will be collected Wednesday morning of this week, August 12, between 9 and 9:30 AM at St. Margaret School



Parking Lot. Pans are available in the vestibule if you would like to participate.

You can also support the efforts of St. John's Hospice to continue to provide life-sustaining support to those experiencing homelessness by donating at:

<http://saintjohnshospice.org/>

RETRouveAIlLE REDISCOVER THE LOVE IN YOUR MARRIAGE



Tens of thousands of couples have healed their marriages through Retrouvaille (pronounced Retro-vy). If you know anyone who could benefit from this program, please pass this on. Couples learn to build communication skills and to increase intimacy. It provides help for marriage problems, difficulties or crises. The next program will be held the weekend of **August 14-16** at the Family Life Center in Malvern, PA. For more information, or to register, visit www.HelpOurMarriage.org or call 215-766-3944 or 800-470-2230. All inquiries are strictly confidential.

Nightly Rosary to End Coronavirus has been EXTENDED!



Until further notice, and through October at least, the rosary will continue Monday through Thursday at 8:00 PM in both English and Spanish, everyone raising up prayer at the same time. The English and Spanish rosaries have separate links, both found on the website below. Thursday's English rosary will be a World Mission Rosary. The Office for the New Evangelization is hosting this online **Rosary Campaign** for an end to the Coronavirus at phillyevang.org/rosary/.



Online Giving - Saint Margaret Parish has arranged a convenient and secure method of online giving. You can 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>.

This is an easy way to continue to support your parish both during the COVID-19 pandemic and going forward. Thank you!

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, August 26, 2020 at 7:00pm in the Rectory.**

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Registered parishioners who wish to marry at St. Margaret should contact Msgr. Dougherty. The Sacrament of Marriage is celebrated after a period of preparation of not less than six months. Engaged couples preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage can register, explore possible dates or find out more information for pre-marriage classes by visiting PhilaMarriagePrep.com. For email inquiries, Amy@PhilaMarriagePrep.com.

REGISTRATION

A warm welcome is extended to new parishioners. You may register by calling the parish office during office hours to set up an appointment. Parish registration is required for reception of the Sacraments and letters of eligibility to serve as godparent or sponsor.

REQUESTS FOR ELIGIBILITY CERTIFICATES

The role of a sponsor is primarily a spiritual role to model a Christian life for the child. Therefore, anyone requesting a certificate must be a registered, participating member of St. Margaret Parish, a practicing Catholic in good standing (not living in violation of the church laws), at least 16 years of age and have received the sacraments of initiation (Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist). Please call the rectory for an appointment if you need a certificate.

SOCIAL NETWORKING WITH THE ARCHDIOCESE

<http://www.facebook.com/ArchbishopPerez>
www.twitter.com/ArchPhilly
www.youtube.com/user/CatholicPhilly
<http://livestream.com/archphila>

BIBLE STUDY

The Bible Study meets every Tuesday from September to June in the Antioch Annex (9:00 to 10:30am).

THE ROSARY

Every Saturday the Rosary is recited beginning after the 7am Angelus. Come and pray with us.

PRAYER CIRCLE

Do you have an immediate prayer need or can you offer the Gift of Prayer? Tap into our electronic Prayer Circle and receive an outpouring of heartfelt prayer by members of St. Margaret Parish and others. E-mail your prayer requests or if you want to join the **Prayer Circle at cuhn@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.

EUCARIST FOR CELIAC COMMUNICANTS

St. Margaret Church is aware of the need to have the low gluten hosts available at all Masses. If you or a member of your family is interested in receiving Low-Gluten Holy Eucharist at any Mass, please contact Maria at mecarinato@gmail.com.



JOURNEY WITH US TO EXPLORE THE CATHOLIC FAITH

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a journey to a deeper experience of God's love manifested through the teaching and treasures of the Catholic Faith. St. Margaret Church offers instructions for people seeking more information about the Catholic Faith, the Sacraments and living the Christian Life. These instructions are for adults who would like to inquire about following Jesus and becoming a member of the Catholic Church, or, if you are already a baptized Catholic would like to receive Confirmation and Holy Communion. **RCIA classes meet on Tuesday, at 7pm.** Please contact Msgr. Dougherty at pastor@saintmarg.org or 610-664-3770, Ext 12.



Catholic Answers Live - #1 Catholic

Radio Show. Monday - Friday, 6-8 PM.
 One great program. Many ways to listen! catholic.com/radio



Looking for local Catholic news?
CatholicPhilly.com It's as easy as email - sign up for the free, twice-weekly email newsletter of CatholicPhilly.com, official news website of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Sign up at CatholicPhilly.com/newsletter.