

# ST. MARGARET OF ANTIOCH PARISH

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**FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
**APRIL 25, 2021**



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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, 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

No matter how speedily our computers compute, or how “Wi” your “fi” is, the image we hear today of God’s Son as “The Good Shepherd” persists in popularity and persuasive power. Chalk that up to our unexpressed longing for a gentler human landscape, free of the hard edges technology prefers to give our interactions with one another. Often those are more blunt than beneficial. At any rate, this perennial power of the Holy Word of Scripture is evident.

As a result, we can easily summon to mind that familiar painting or statue of a virile Christ shouldering a helpless lamb. Equally easy to think of ourselves as that needy creature, wordlessly longing for the solace that is our salvation. Admittedly we can be so lost at times that we wonder whether or not we will find our way back to a place of peace.

Mature Christian living will not let us ignore for long the ugly fact that there are many bad shepherds out there, who lurk around our pending decisions. They secretly laugh at our weak faith in the Lord if things don’t work out as we had hoped.

It is interesting that the Greek word John uses for “good” in this instance means “ideal” or “noble,” and not simply “good at.” That keeps us from falling into the fallacy which holds that only the person who is productive is worthwhile. That in turn foments a fear of retirement among many people of a certain age, thinking that their personal value will go down.

This Sunday happens to be “The World Day of Prayer for Vocations” by our Church. Unless you’ve been vacationing on Venus the last few decades, you have noted the diminished number of priests and religious. Easy to ascribe that fact to the tired canard that such a life is against nature, or is just plain odd. Odd I’ll grant you. But it is so good for those so called. A more serious claim for those lesser numbers can be attributed to the awful scandals we have experienced. That last is why I call today’s seminarians and novices “heroes.”

Truth to tell, the Holy Spirit obviously wants to wake up the “sleeping giant” of lay participation in Church life to do even more. Yet the fact remains that our Church is built around the Holy Eucharist. Without the priest there is no Eucharist. But in this endeavor, we can never neglect or underestimate the power of prayer. That’s what today is all about. We do have to beg the “Harvest master” for an increase in “field laborers.”

Here is a story of one who said “yes” to his calling. Father Vincent Capodanno, a chaplain with the Marine Corps, was killed in battle on September 4, 1967 somewhere in the QueSon Valley in Vietnam. The last section of the official citation of the Congressional Medal of Honor, awarded posthumously, reads as follows:

*Upon encountering a wounded corpsman in the direct line of fire of an enemy machine gunner positioned approximately fifteen yards away, Chaplain Capodanno rushed a daring attempt to aid and assist the mortally wounded corpsman. At that instant, only inches from his goal, he was struck down by a burst of machine gun fire.*

*By his heroic conduct on the battlefield, and his inspiring example, Lt. Capodanno upheld the finest tradition of the U.S. Naval Service. He gallantly gave his life in the cause of freedom.”*

**MONDAY, April 26**

**7:00 AM Beth McMordie**

**TUESDAY, April 27**

**7:00 AM Anna Nardi**

**WEDNESDAY, April 28**

**7:00 AM Albert Sborlini**

**THURSDAY, April 29**

**7:00 AM Deceased & Living members of the Mischler family**

**FRIDAY, April 30**

**7:00 AM McColgan & Renniger families**

**SATURDAY, May 1**

**8:00 AM Vincent Quinn, Jr.**



**THE WEEK OF APRIL 25, 2021**  
**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN**  
**IN MEMORY OF CATHERINE CIPRIANI**

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

**THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT**

**Weekend of April 18, 2021:** \$ 7,940  
**Collection in Church:** \$ 2,622  
**Electronic Funds Transfer:** \$ 591  
**Mail In:** \$ 2,078  
**Parish On Line:** \$ 2,649  
**Envelopes:** 139

**The Weekend of April 19, 2020: \$7,464**

**Easter Collection: \$44,303**

**Easter Collection 2020: \$26,197**

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

**Weekend Mass Schedule May 1-2**

*(Priest scheduled is subject to change)*

**Saturday, May 1**

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

5:15 PM - Fr. DePrinzio

**Sunday, May 2**

7:30 AM - Fr. Cossavella

8:45 AM - Msgr. Dougherty

10:00 AM - Fr. Pesarchick

11:30 AM - Msgr. Dougherty

**Parish Theme for 2020-2021**

*Rejoice in Hope; Endure in Affliction; Persevere in Prayer*

**From the Pastor**

**The Risen Lord and the Eucharist** – When the Lord appeared to his disciples after his resurrection from the dead, he assured them that he was not a ghost but was bodily present to them. He ate with them and pointed out the wounds on his hands and side to show them that he was indeed physically present. The Lord wants us to experience the presence of his Body with us, so he left us the gift of the Eucharist. In the Eucharist the Lord is present to us Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. We can see the presence of the Lord by looking with faith at the Eucharist, and we receive the Lord in Holy Communion so that he can fill us with his life and love. When the two disciples on the road recognized the Lord when he broke the bread for them, he then vanished from their sight. Once he left them his presence in the Eucharist he could go forth confident that they would experience his presence in the breaking of the bread at the Eucharist. The Lord is risen. He is alive. The most powerful place that we can experience the presence of the risen Lord is at the Eucharist, his great gift by which we receive the Body of the Lord and share in his life.

**Liturgy Committee** – The Committee will meet by Zoom on Tuesday, April 27 at 6:00 pm.

**Discussion on St. Joseph on Zoom** – We will discuss St. Joseph and the role he plays in our lives on Wednesday April 28 at 7:00 pm. The discussion will take place via zoom. Contact Nicole at [faith@saintmarg.org](mailto:faith@saintmarg.org) to receive the link.

**First Holy Communion** – Thirty-three of our second grade students in Saint Margaret School and PREP will soon receive their First Holy Communion. Some of them will receive on Saturday, May 1 and some on Saturday, May 8. Please keep them in your prayers. They are excited to receive the Lord. Their enthusiasm can help to rekindle our own desire to stay close to the Lord in the Eucharist and receive him faithfully at Sunday Mass.

**Consecration to St. Joseph**

We invite anyone who has been preparing for thirty three days to make the consecration to St. Joseph to join us at the 8:00 am Mass on Saturday, May 1, the feast of St. Joseph the Worker. After the homily, we will offer together the prayer of consecration to St. Joseph. Honoring St. Joseph draws us closer to Jesus, our Lord and Savior.

**Year of St. Joseph (December 8, 2020 – December 8, 2021)** – As master of the interior life, a worker deeply involved in his job, God’s servant in continual contact with Jesus: that is Joseph. It is ad Joseph (Go to Joseph). With St. Joseph, the Christian learns what it means to belong to God and fully to assume one’s place among men, sanctifying the world. Get to know Joseph and you will find Jesus. Talk to Joseph and you will find Mary, who always sheds peace about her in that attractive workshop at Nazareth. (St. Josemaria Escriva)

**Church Teaching: Sunday and the Meaning of Time** –

Since Sunday is the weekly Easter, recalling and making present the day upon which Christ rose from the dead, it is also the day that reveals the meaning of time. The Christian Sunday is wholly other! Springing from the resurrection, it cuts through human time, the months, the years, the centuries, like a directional arrow that points them toward their target: Christ’s Second Coming. Sunday foreshadows the last day, the day of the Parousia, which in a way is already anticipated by Christ’s glory in the event of the resurrection. (from the Apostolic Letter “Keeping the Lord’s Day Holy” by Saint John Paul II)

**Spiritual Thought** – This labor of ours is brief, but the reward is eternal; let the noises of the fleeting world and its shadow not confound you. (St. Clare of Assisi)

**A Little Humor** – What happens when an artist has trouble finding inspiration? She draws a blank.



**We welcome into the Church**

*Charlie Marie O’Donnell  
daughter of  
Stephen and Elizabeth O’Donnell*

Congratulations to the family on the Baptism of their child.



*St. Margaret Church is open  
from 7:30 AM to 4:30 PM,  
Monday through Friday, 7:30  
AM to 6:30 PM on Saturday,  
and 7:15 AM to 1:30 PM on  
Sunday.*



**Lankenau Ministry** continues to be suspended due to COVID 19 until further notice.



**Congratulations to the  
2021 First Communicants**

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| Wyatt Addis              | James Marra       |
| William Badler           | John Mastro       |
| William Bauman           | Finley McFarlane  |
| Emily Caprari            | Reagan Most       |
| Andrea Caraballo-Morales | Benjamin Nicolosi |
| Stella Carra             | Christopher Nolan |
| Evan Close               | Olivia Perez-Sala |
| Patrick Cuff             | William Pratz     |
| Adriana DeAscanis        | Penelope Rendle   |
| Emma D'Erasmus           | Claire Richards   |
| Caroline DiRico          | Michael Smaldone  |
| Gabriela Estrada-Lucano  | Clara Spero       |
| Emma Fannin              | Gabriel Thompson  |
| Thomas Gambino           | Harper Vogel      |
| Lilith Holcomb           | Reese Ward        |
| Caitlyn Kaufmann         | Aidan Winward     |
| David Keller             |                   |



**St Margaret School**

St. Margaret School welcomes your applications for 4 year old PreK to 8th grade. Our experienced faculty strive to educate the whole child, while building character through a daily focus on our faith and virtues. Our current 8th grade students have received over \$430,000 in academic scholarships to private high schools which speaks volumes to our success! Tuition is affordable and opportunities for need-based scholarships and assistance are available.

Learn more by visiting us on our website [www.smsnarberth.org](http://www.smsnarberth.org) or email Anne at [Info@smsnarberth.org](mailto:Info@smsnarberth.org) We are your PARISH School, we look forward to connecting with you and serving your children!

Message from Marketing  
and Development  
Mrs. Becker -  
[info@smsnarberth.org](mailto:info@smsnarberth.org)

Applications Available  
for St. Margaret's  
School 2021-2022  
School Year!  
Feel free to share with  
your friends!

Apply to SMS:  
<http://bit.ly/3j7icGi>



The Annual Archdiocesan **Wedding Anniversary Mass** has been scheduled for Saturday, May 1, 2021 at 5:15 PM at the Cathedral Basilica of SS. Peter and Paul. Archbishop Nelson Pérez will be the principal celebrant and homilist. Th Mass will be celebrating those couples marking their 1 year, 5 year, 10 year, 25 year and 50 year wedding anniversary milestones. For more details, visit [www.phillycatholiclife.org](http://www.phillycatholiclife.org) or call 215-587-0500.

**LOST & FOUND**



A St. Margaret's parishioner recently lost a pair of eyeglasses in church and we're hoping that someone might have mistakenly taken them home. If you find them, please drop them off at the rectory and we will reunite them with their owner.

Also, please note that any items that aren't picked up by **May 9** from the lost and found basket located in the vestibule of the church will be discarded.

***Thank you!***

**HELPING OTHER PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY**  
**Suspended until further notice.**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Here in the United States there are great needs for evangelization and sharing the message of Christ and the beauty of the Church. The Church at home needs to be strengthened. Soon, as a diocese, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal (CHMA), which supports the neediest dioceses in the United States. This appeal makes the most basic faith programs possible and shares the Gospel message with our brothers and sisters in dioceses where Church communities are struggling.

In their pastoral letter *Responsibility, Rehabilitation, and Restoration*, the bishops of the United States called the faithful to embrace an approach to criminal justice that takes into account the dignity of crime victims and their families, communities, and offenders.

The Catholic Home Missions-funded Diocese of Santa Rosa is answering this call for an approach that upholds justice and healing in its six counties of northwestern California, stretching from Napa in the south along the coastline to the Oregon border. The diocese's Catholic Restorative Justice Ministries program ([www.restorejusticesantarosa.org](http://www.restorejusticesantarosa.org)) works to fulfill the bishops' vision through various activities that include support for inmates reentering society, as well as pastoral ministries for crime victims and their families, justice system personnel, and inmates. The program's broad range of goals are being implemented, expanded, and refined yearly with financial assistance from the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. When you participate in the appeal, you join in the Church's healing mission of mercy to all.

Your support of this appeal makes a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters right here in the United States. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the appeal this year. Thank you for strengthening the Church at home.

Gratefully and with best wishes in Christ,

Most Reverend Nelson J. Pérez, D.D.  
Archbishop of Philadelphia

#### 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.



**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. For more information, please visit <https://springsinthedesert.org/>

#### **Nightly Rosary to End Coronavirus WILL CONTINUE UNTIL DECEMBER 8, 2021!**



With the added intention of praying for renewal in our Church, the Archdiocesan rosary will continue in English at 8PM,

Monday through Thursday, until the end of the *Year of St. Joseph*, December 8, 2021.

The Tuesday night rosary is being hosted by two families who alternate weeks: the Nepomuceno Family of St. Matthias parish and St. Margaret School and the Stolarczyk family from St. Anastasia parish.

Please join the family of more than 500 households who have been praying since the beginning of the pandemic, with the link found at [phillyevang.org/rosary/](http://phillyevang.org/rosary/).

#### **MAIN LINE SINGLES DINNER CLUB (AGES 52-67)**

CATHOLIC men & women are cordially invited to join "The Main Line Singles Dinner Club" to share common interests and dine together twice a month. Our next scheduled event is Sunday, May 16, 2021, at 5:00 P.M, a safe seating restaurant event at the new JIN DING Chinese Restaurant located at 1051 Conestoga Rd., Bryn Mawr, PA 19010. For more info call Barb (610) 896-6542. Catholic men are encouraged to participate. The club is also looking for a food server for house parties, one Saturday evening a month, September through May. Call Barb for more details.



#### **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!***



**Tax Information for 2020:** 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.

### **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 12:30 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, May 26, 2021, 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/ArchbishopPerez>

[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)**.

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### **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 12.



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