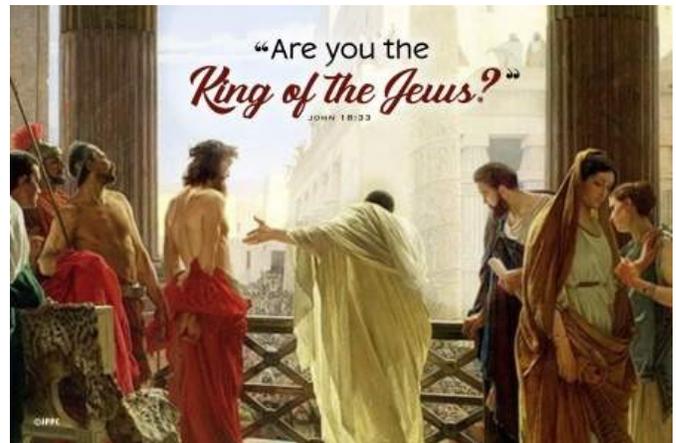


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## OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE

NOVEMBER 21, 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

Vanilla has chocolate. Ups have downs. And kings have jesters. Jesus had Pilate. When kings ruled, most of them had a jester, who was a man whose sole job in life was to make the king laugh, and consequently the people in the king's court. The latter were mostly ambitious sycophants who took their cue from the king's reactions to the show.

Christ our King, void of a throne or a court, had no joker either. But history presented him with this pitiable Roman local official, the very exemplar of a soul trapped by peer pressure. Pilate was never a laugh-getter as far as we know. Perhaps he drew a chuckle or two from underlings at a wine party. But this weekend we see him again in that eternally dramatic scene drawn by John's gospel that we read each Good Friday, standing right in front of Truth itself. All that Pilate can muster in response to Jesus is his hollow query "What is truth?" He could not really hear Jesus' voice. So Pilate becomes his own jester.

Of course, we know better. We do hear the prophet Daniel's voice in that First Reading describing the future Savior's kingdom as one that is destined to be everlasting. If only Pilate had read and believed the Old Testament prophets! We also learn from the Book of Revelation that Jesus is truly the "Alpha and the Omega," the First and the Last, the Almighty. If only Pilate could have read this remarkable New Testament dreamer!

Now, if you and I are really honest with ourselves we could draw up a near endless list of realities in our lives that spark our gratitude. On this coming Thursday, we have our annual civic chance to recognize all that we have been given as a nation and as an individual.

But I believe we sell ourselves short if we do not thank God also for the existence of the Bible. It is our library of God's word and a true source of connection with Him. We find within its pages and books of all kinds all we need to know about the truest, kindest and most loving King of them all.

We can add in humble thanks for the very gift of Faith that will not let us become another Pilate before Jesus. That awakens in us our truest best selves.



**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.**

**MONDAY, November 22**

7:00 AM Debbie Rodia

**TUESDAY, November 23**

7:00 AM Joseph D'Antonio

**WEDNESDAY, November 24**

7:00 AM Stephen Gallagher

**THURSDAY, November 25**

7:00 AM Deceased & Living Members of the Mischler Family

**FRIDAY, November 26**

7:00 AM Ignatius Lo

**SATURDAY, November 27**

8:00 AM Bizzarri & Speranzo Family



**THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 21, 2021**  
**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE WILL BURN**  
**IN MEMORY OF**  
**VINCENT QUINN, JR.**

**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 November 14, 2021:** \$ 9,681  
**Collection in Church:** \$ 5,221  
**Electronic Funds Transfer:** \$ 580  
**Mail In:** \$ 1,620  
**Parish On Line:** \$ 2,260  
**Envelopes:** 178

**The Weekend of November 15, 2020: \$7,857**

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

**Weekend Mass Schedule November 27-28**

*(Priest scheduled is subject to change)*

**Saturday, November 27**

Confessions 4:00 - 4:45 PM - Msgr. Dougherty  
5:15 PM - Msgr. Dougherty

**Sunday, November 28**

7:30 AM - Fr. DePrinzio  
8:45 AM - Msgr. Dougherty  
10:00 AM - Fr. Gill  
11:30 AM - Fr. Pesarchick

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

## **Parish Theme for 2020-2021**

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

### **From the Pastor**

**Forty Hours Devotions** – Our Annual Eucharistic Forty Hours Devotions will take place on Sunday to Tuesday, November 21-23. These Devotions help to renew our appreciation of the Eucharist and to stir up in our hearts a greater desire to adore the Lord and receive Him in Holy Communion. We will celebrate Evening Prayer and Benediction each evening at 7:00 pm. Msgr. Gregory Fairbanks, who teaches Church History at Saint Charles Seminary and is the Director of the Archdiocesan Diaconal Program, will be our preacher on Sunday and Tuesday evenings. Monsignor Fairbanks is not able to be present on Monday, so Msgr. Dougherty will fill in for him that evening. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed from after the last Mass on each of those days until evening prayer at 7:00 pm. Come and spend some quiet time before the Blessed Sacrament and reap the great spiritual fruits that come from being with the Lord. Sign up sheets for time slots for adoration are available in the vestibule. We need to be certain someone will be present in Church during the times of Exposition.

**Christ the King** – This Sunday, November 21 is the last Sunday of the Church Year. It is the Solemnity of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe. This last Sunday is dedicated to Christ the King because all of our worship throughout the year leads us to recognize the kingship of Jesus Christ. He is the source of all goodness and power, the way and the truth and the life. We surrender ourselves to him as the king of our lives because he leads us in the ways of true peace and joy. We bow before Christ our King and give ourselves to him so that we can be open to receiving the many blessings he bestows upon us, especially the gift of holiness.

**Successful Golf Outing** – The Parish and School Golf Outing on October 4 at Bala Country Club was a most enjoyable event. The weather was great and everyone enjoyed the day of golf and camaraderie. The Parish and School realized a benefit of \$9,027 from this Event. Special thanks to Anne Becker for organizing and overseeing this event.

**Thanksgiving** – Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be at 9:00 am. The word “eucharist” means to give thanks, so Mass is a fitting way to honor this holiday. May we all continue to grow in gratitude to Almighty God. Gratitude is our fundamental stance before God, who loves us always and pours his grace and blessings into our lives. Let us lift up our hearts and give thanks to God. The collection at Mass on Thanksgiving Day will be donated to the Interfaith Hospitality Network, a local group that serves the needs of the homeless.

**Coats for Kids** – Many thanks to all who contributed to the Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids Drive. The Knights raised \$10,000, with which they will be able to purchase 500 quality winter coats for needy children. The coats will be distributed through Mercy Ministries in North Philadelphia and several service centers of Catholic Social Services in the Archdiocese. Your help with this program is a beautiful expression of Christian charity.

**Fall Census and Collection** – Many thanks to all who have returned their census forms and contributed to our Fall Collection. If you have not already done so, please return the census form and make a contribution to this important collection in our Parish. I am grateful for your cooperation.

**Many Happenings Next Sunday** – Sunday, November 28 is the First Sunday of Advent and the beginning of a new Church Year. We are marking the occasion here at St. Margaret’s with several special initiatives. At the **10:00 am Mass we are celebrating the renovations that took place in the sanctuary** over the last year and a half. Father Gill, the Rector of the Cathedral and the Director of the Archdiocesan Office for Divine Worship, will be the presider and homilist. Father Gill’s good counsel helped to guide our renovations.

With the beginning of the new Church Year, we are also announcing a **Parish motto, Caritas Christi Ducit, which is translated “the love of Christ leads.”** The motto was suggested by a parishioner and the Pastoral Council agreed that it would be good to adopt this motto, which reflects that the love of Christ is the central and driving force of our faith and Parish. I am hopeful the motto will keep us mindful of the great love Christ has for each of us, lead us to a deeper love for him, and help us to imitate Christ’s love in all that we do.

The Archdiocese is beginning on this First Sunday of Advent an initiative called **“Nothing Compares to Being There.”** Covid-19 seems to be loosening its grip, so everyone is invited to return to the in-person celebration of the Mass. Our numbers have increased in recent weeks and the Church has proven to be a safe place. If you are still reticent about returning at this time, please consider coming back when you feel comfortable and safe. Gathering together to worship the Lord and support one another in our faith is the most powerful way of availing ourselves of the good graces that the Lord pours out upon us through the celebration of the Eucharist.

As we did last year on the First Sunday of Advent, we will **be consecrating our families to the Holy Family.** The family is the most powerful place in which we come to know the Lord and share his love with one another. It is fitting that we consecrate our families to the Holy Family and seek to imitate their profound and sacred love for one another.

**Year of St. Joseph** – The Apostle Paul writes, that in the next life Jesus Christ “will render to every man according to his works.” What great glory must we not suppose that he bestowed upon St. Joseph, who served and loved him so much while he lived on earth! At the last day our Savior will say to the elect, “I was hungry, and you gave me to eat. I was a stranger, and you took me in; naked, and you clothed me.” These, nevertheless, have fed Jesus Christ, have lodged him or clothed him, only in the persons of the poor, but St. Joseph procured food, a dwelling, and clothes for Jesus Christ in his own person. What must be the reward of St. Joseph! All this helps to increase our confidence in St. Joseph; it makes us reflect, on account of so many merits, God will refuse no grace which St. Joseph asks of him for his devout clients. (St. Alphonsus Liguori)

**Church Teaching: The Mass and the Sacrifice of the Cross** – The Mass makes present the sacrifice of the Cross; it does not add to that sacrifice nor does it multiply it. What is repeated is its memorial celebration, its “commemorative representation”, which makes Christ’s one, definitive redemptive sacrifice always present in time. The sacrificial nature of the Eucharistic mystery cannot therefore be understood as something separate, independent of the Cross or only indirectly referring to the sacrifice of Calvary. (from the encyclical letter of Saint John Paul II entitled “On the Eucharist in its Relationship to the Church”)

**Spiritual Thought** – Whenever I see so many poor brothers and neighbors of mine suffering beyond their strength and overwhelmed with so many physical or mental ills that I cannot alleviate, then I become exceedingly sorrowful; but I trust in Christ, who knows my heart. (Saint John of God)

**A Little Humor** – Two guys stole a calendar. They got six months each.

**THANK YOU** to the generous and thoughtful parishioners who donated to the monthly Food Collection. We were able to send 28 boxes of soup and spaghetti sauce, cereal and sweet potatoes, muffin mix and mac & cheese, cans of corn, and other much needed food and hygienic supplies to the Archdiocesan Food Cupboards. It is greatly appreciated! Please share your bounty at our next Collection, December 11-12.



**Nightly Rosary for an End to Coronavirus and for Renewal in the Church** continues until December 8, 2021. **Please join us for the final weeks** with the link found at [phillyevang.org/rosary/](http://phillyevang.org/rosary/).



**SCRIP**



**Giving gift cards this year? Please consider buying your gift cards through the Saint Margaret Home and School Scrip program. Order forms are available in the vestibule.**



*Children attend a Catholic Relief Services school in a camp for displaced people on the outskirts of Herat.*

**CRS Spotlight**

U.S. troops may be gone, but Catholic Relief Services continues to aid desperate Afghans under Taliban rule. CRS is beginning an emergency campaign to get food on tables and crops in the field as a hunger catastrophe looms in Afghanistan.

“This is maybe the worst, or at least one of the worst, climate-induced droughts in the world,” Mr. Hartigan said, describing conditions in Afghanistan’s Adraskan district and central highlands. CRS is the only Western aid organization on the ground in Adraskan, and Mr. Hartigan became one of the first Americans to visit the district in years. Ironically, it is only because of the end of the war that the gravity of the crisis in this farming region near Herat has finally become clear. Visit [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org) for more information and to see how you can help!

**For this week’s online resource, please visit:** <https://www.americamagazine.org/politics-society/2021/11/05/afghanistan-catholic-relief-services-taliban-241791>.

**The Apostleship of the Sea Catholic Cruises and Tours**

Take your **FAITH ON A JOURNEY** to Fatima, Lourdes and Shrines of Spain on this 12 day experience, **April 5, 2022—April 16, 2022**. Mass and Rosary will be offered throughout your journey. Register by December 26 as space is very limited. For further information or to register, contact Luke or Eileen at 860-399-1785 or [Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com](mailto:Eileen@CatholicCruisesandTours.com).





Need some encouragement in these difficult times in the world and the Church? Join us for a holy hour with fellow priests, religious and lay faithful as we seek strength and hope from Jesus, our Good Shepherd, the saints and one another. The Holy Hour includes Rosary, Litany and Benediction. Afterwards join us for a short talk on a saint, exploring how he or she remained faithful to Christ and His Church during the trials of his or her time.

**December 5, 2021—2:00-4:00 PM**

Talk topic: *How Carmelite Nuns Brought an End to the French Revolution*, Rev. Sean Loomis, Chaplain/Coordinator, The Deaf Apostolate.

**Location:** St. Charles Borromeo Church, 3422 Dennison Ave., Drexel Hill, PA.

**To RSVP, visit [phillyevang.org/events](http://phillyevang.org/events).**



Currently featured on **FORMED** is *The Search*, hosted by Chris Stefanick, whose ReBoot presentation in October 2019 was sponsored by St. Margaret Parish.

*The Search* removes barriers to the Gospel by engaging life's big questions. It is an entertaining, uplifting series for everyone, from committed Catholics to adults, teenagers and those outside the Church who are longing for meaning and purpose in their lives.

**As a member of St. Margaret Parish, you have FREE ACCESS** to *The Search*, as well as many other multifaceted resources for adults and children on **FORMED**, an internet site designed for growth in the knowledge and prayerful practice of our Catholic faith. Not every parish offers a subscription to FORMED, so take advantage of this opportunity as a St. Margaret's parishioner and go to [FORMED.org](http://FORMED.org) to sign up. The Parish Code is WRVZND.



**Nourish for Caregivers  
Caring for the Caregiver**

Virtually every one of us will care for a loved one at some point in our life.

Though rewarding, it is not always easy. The *Nourish for Caregivers* ministry understands that family caregivers need somewhere to turn to for information, support in their faith and personal connection during the caregiver journey. Each *Nourish* gathering provides practical approaches, tools and resources to help navigate these times with a Christ-centered view. For more information, visit [Phillyevang.org/nourish](http://Phillyevang.org/nourish).

***Nourish for Caregivers Virtual "House Calls"***  
**Tuesdays or Thursdays at 11:00 am**

*Nourish For Caregivers* offers two weekly virtual support groups through the "House Calls" ministry. Caregivers may participate via land line, cell phone, or through the use of a computer/tablet device. Each session will last approximately one hour depending upon the number of participants. Visit this website for log-in information: <https://page.co/j05Km>.



The Gianna Center of Philadelphia is dedicated to providing general gynecologic care, natural family planning education and infertility services – all while honoring the

sanctity of each human life, the dignity of women and the integrity of marriage. Their commitment to pro-life health care includes:

- A restorative approach to reproductive health care
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- Modern, effective natural family planning
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- Pro-life alternatives to in vitro fertilization
- Support for abortion-vulnerable women

For more information, call 215-857-9599 or visit [www.phgiannacenter.org](http://www.phgiannacenter.org).



**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>.



**We welcome into the Church**  
**Maria Cecilia Frota Maximo**  
*daughter of*  
**Davi Maximo and Ilane Frota**

Congratulations to the family on the Baptism of their child.



Please remember in your prayers the soul of Paul Gillespie who recently passed away. May he rest in peace and his loved ones be comforted.

### **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 Thursday, December 9, 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**  
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[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 12.



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