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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME OCTOBER 31, 2021

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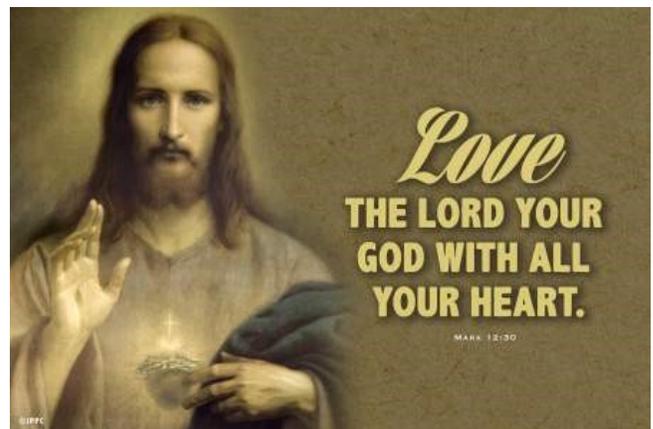
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MONDAY TO FRIDAY
FROM 9AM TO 4:30 PM IN THE RECTORY

Rectory Office Business Hours
Monday - Friday 9:00AM to 4:30PM
CLOSED WEEKENDS



Any requests for the weekly
Bulletin should be submitted
by Monday, 12:00 Noon.



Schedule of Masses

Saturday Evening Vigil: 5:15 PM
Sunday: 7:30, 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.

Background on the Gospel Reading

As we continue to read from Mark’s Gospel, our Lectionary skips a chapter that helps set the context for today’s reading. If we were to read the sections skipped (chapter 11 and part of chapter 12), we would hear about Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem, his cleansing of the Temple, and the questioning of Jesus’ authority by the chief priests, scribes, and elders. The context, therefore, for this Gospel is Jesus’ growing exposure before the Jewish authorities. Jesus is being questioned and tested by the Jewish authorities, yet the scribe who addresses Jesus in today’s Gospel seems to be an admirer; he is not testing Jesus.

The question posed in today’s Gospel requires Jesus to interpret the Law of Moses. The Mosaic Law consists of the Ten Commandments and many additional commandments, numbering into the hundreds. For a devout Jew, adherence to the Mosaic Law is an expression of faithfulness to God’s covenant with Israel. The ranking of these commandments was regularly debated among the teachers of the Law.

Jesus was not the only Jewish religious teacher to connect these two commandments, love of God and love of neighbor. Both of these commandments were central elements of the religious tradition that Jesus learned from his Jewish community. Indeed, these commandments continue to be central aspects of contemporary Jewish religious understanding. Jesus’ response to his questioners proposed an integral connection between these two aspects of the Jewish Law. Love of God finds its expression in our love for our neighbor. Many believe, however, that this connection was heard in a new and fresh way when spoken by Jesus.

The scribe who questions Jesus in today’s Gospel engages in a positive dialogue with Jesus. He agrees with Jesus’ teaching that the commandments to love God and love neighbor stand above the commandment to offer worship and sacrifice in the Temple. With this dialogue, Jesus appears to close the debate with the Jewish authorities. Mark reports that no one dared to question Jesus further.

MONDAY, November 1

7:00 AM Mary Pham
7:00 PM Dougherty and Davis Families

TUESDAY, November 2

7:00 AM Lorraine Bizzarri
7:00 PM Deceased of St. Margaret Parish

WEDNESDAY, November 3

7:00 AM Joseph Panichelli

THURSDAY, November 4

7:00 AM Stephen Gallagher

FRIDAY, November 5

7:00 AM Stephen Gallagher

SATURDAY, November 6

8:00 AM Holy Souls in Purgatory



THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 31, 2021
THE ALTAR CANDLES WILL BURN
IN MEMORY OF
ANGELA FODERARRO.

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 October 24, 2021: \$ 15,050
Collection in Church: \$ 6,025
Electronic Funds Transfer: \$ 580
Mail In: \$ 4,435
Parish On Line: \$ 4,010
Envelopes: 190

The Weekend of October 25, 2020: \$10,296
Collection for Mission Sunday: \$4,471

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

Weekend Mass Schedule November 6-7

(Priest scheduled is subject to change)

Saturday, November 6

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

Sunday, November 7

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



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.

Parish Theme for 2020-2021

Rejoice in Hope; Endure in Affliction; Persevere in Prayer

From the Pastor

Month of Special Remembrance of the Deceased – The month of November is a time in the Church when we especially remember the deceased. Our deceased loved ones have gone before us but they are still with us. Death is not the end but a beginning of a new way of living. On the St. Joseph altar there will be a book of remembrance in which you can inscribe the names of your deceased loved ones.

All Saints Day – November 1 falls on a Monday this year, so it will not be a holyday of obligation. We will have our regular morning Mass at 7:00 am and an additional Mass at 7:00 pm.

All Souls Day – On Tuesday, November 2, All Souls Day, there will be a Mass at 7:00 pm to remember all of our deceased loved ones, especially the parishioners who passed away during the past year.

Liturgy Committee – The Committee will meet on Wednesday, November 3 at 6:00 pm in the Antioch Annex.

November 4, Feast of St. Charles Borromeo – St. Charles Borromeo holds a special place in my life. I attended our St. Charles Seminary for eight years. My first assignment as a priest was at St. Charles Borromeo Parish in Drexel Hill. A few years later I served on the faculty at the Seminary for 12 years. St Charles Borromeo served as the Archbishop of Milan, Italy and was an exemplary shepherd to his flock. He helped to develop seminary life for the formation of priests, visited the many parishes in the Archdiocese, and cared for the sick and the poor. During a plague and famine in 1576 he tried to make arrangements to feed 60,000 to 70,000 people daily. He died at the young age of 46 and was quickly recognized as someone who lived a saintly life. As we celebrate his feast on November 4, may we pray for all our bishops and priests and for vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Women's Refresh & Reset – We will be sponsoring a Women's Ministry Event on Saturday morning November 20. See the advertisement in this bulletin for information on how to register. Come and join us for a morning of sharing and learning.

Saint Charles Borromeo Seminary – The clergy of the Archdiocese were recently given a report on the plans for St. Charles Borromeo Seminary in Wynnewood. The Seminary property has been sold to Main Line Health, but they have granted the Seminary permission to continue to use the property for a few more years until arrangements for the new location for the Seminary have been made. The Archdiocese has purchased 15 acres of land on the campus of Gwynedd Mercy University. This will become the new site for the Seminary. The purchased property already contains a dormitory, but the Seminary will be constructing another building containing a Chapel, Library and some additional residences for the seminarians and faculty. The Seminary is planning to move to the new location for the 2024-2025 School Year.

Youth Ministry – All youth grades 7-12 are invited to join us for a trip to the Cathedral Basilica of Sts. Peter and Paul in Philadelphia on Sunday, November 14. We will attend Mass at 11:00 am at the Cathedral, followed by a tour of the beautiful church. For more information or to sign up, contact Nicole Bazis at faith@saintmarg.org.

Partnership of Rosemont College and Catholic High Schools of the Archdiocese – Beginning with the 2021-2022 academic year, Rosemont College will offer a tuition grant of \$9,750 to students who graduate from Catholic high schools in the Archdiocese and commit to attending Rosemont as residential students. The grant is 50% off Rosemont's standard tuition and reduces annual tuition to \$10,000 a year. In addition, students will remain eligible for merit scholarships.

Parish Theme for This Year (Rejoice in hope; endure in affliction; persevere in prayer.) - I shared recently with our Confirmation candidates the story of Blessed Chiara Badano. Chiara was a devout, vibrant, athletic girl in Italy, who contracted a very painful bone condition in her teens. She bore the affliction with great faith and offered her suffering in union with the Lord for the good of others. She died in 1990 at eighteen years of age. She is an outstanding example of rejoicing in hope, enduring in affliction and persevering in prayer. May her example inspire us to live saintly lives, especially through our endurance in suffering and difficulties.

Church Teaching: The Salvific Power of the Eucharist – When the Church celebrates the Eucharist, the memorial of her Lord's death and resurrection, this central event of salvation becomes really present and the work of our redemption is carried out. This sacrifice is so decisive for the salvation of the human race that Jesus Christ offered it and returned to the Father only after he had left us a means of sharing in it as if we had been present there. Each member of the faithful can thus take part in it and inexhaustibly gain its fruits...What more could Jesus have done for us? Truly, in the Eucharist, he shows us a love which goes to the end, a love which knows no measure. (from the encyclical letter of Saint John Paul II entitled "On the Eucharist in its Relationship to the Church")

Spiritual Thought – To change that which is dust into light, to make pure that which is unclean, holy that which is sinful, to make the creature like its Creator, man like God...only God by His grace, by His abundant extraordinary grace, can accomplish it. (St. Luis de Montfort)

A Little Humor – When asked what animal would describe him, a man commented, “Hermit crab describes me twice.”

 **REGISTRATION for CYO BASKETBALL** is now open. JV BOYS and GIRLS grade 5-6, Varsity Boys and Girls grade 7-8, High School grade 9-12. Practice and tryouts will commence in early NOVEMBER. All potential participants must be registered prior to attending any practice or tryout. Please use following link to register: <http://stmargaret.website.sportssignup.com>.

If you have any questions please contact Jim McNulty at jpm0075@gmail.com.

St. Margaret School—Job Opportunity

St. Margaret School is looking for someone to work at our after school **CARES Program** (3pm to 5pm). Must have clearances. To apply, email school principal, Ms. Terri Power at tpower@smsnarberth.org or call her at 610-664-2640 ext.3.

The Knights of Columbus’ Coats 4 Kids 2021

The Knights of Columbus is collecting funds for its annual Coats 4 Kids campaign. Our goal is 500 coats and we have achieved 75% of our goal. We are extending our donation period to November 4, 2021. Please go online to www.koc17262.org/donate, buy a coat—or two or three—and encourage your family and friends to donate. The Sisters of Mercy and Philadelphia’s Catholic Social Services are counting on us to help them keep Philadelphia’s kids warm.



Join the Collegium Institute for our high school workshop
On Reconciling Science and Religion!

On Reconciling Science & Religion, will take place on Saturday November 20th from 9:00am-5:30pm at St. Agatha-St. James Church, 3728 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia and will feature lectures by world-renowned Catholic scientists and speakers, breakout seminars with peers and Collegium Institute facilitators, interactive exercises, and a panel discussion on vocations in science, medicine, and engineering, along with a special Gold Mass for Catholic Scientists at midday!

Continental Breakfast and Lunch included with registration. **The final registration deadline is Friday, November 5th.**

Registration: This event is for high school students. To register, please visit <https://collegium-science-religion.eventbrite.com>.

Merion Mercy Academy, located in Merion Station, PA, is seeking:



Part Time School Nurse for 3 days/week for the 2021-2022 school year. As a licensed registered nurse, the school nurse handles acute medical issues, assists with health screenings, monitors records, administers medications, and promotes wellness in accordance with Merion Mercy’s commitment to providing a safe and healthy environment. Please visit the school website for a full job description

<https://www.merion-mercy.com/page.cfm?p=785>.

School Van Driver—a reliable, responsible and experienced driver for its school van shuttle to the Narberth train station. The hours are before and after school dependent on the train schedules. Interested applicants should contact Mrs. Marianne Grace at mgrace@merion-mercy.com or 610.664.6655, ext. 109.



Join the Collegium Institute for a special Gold Mass for Catholic scientists on November 20th!

Gold Masses are for Catholics who are or have been involved with science, including scientists, retired or former scientists, science teachers at any level, science graduate students and undergraduate science majors, as well as all of those with an interest in science, formal or informal.

The patron of this Mass is St. Albert the Great, a Dominican friar, born around 1206, noted for his great works in the natural sciences. Among his students was St. Thomas Aquinas. St. Albert is the patron saint of scientists. Mass will be celebrated **Saturday, November 20, 2021, 12:15-1:00pm at St. Agatha-St. James Church, 3728 Chestnut St., Philadelphia.** There will be a reception following the Mass. All are very welcome to attend.

Registration: This event is free and open to the public. To RSVP, please visit <https://www.collegiuminstitute.org/calendar/gold-mass-for-catholic-scientists>



Refresh + Reset
WOMEN'S MINISTRY EVENT

DISCOVER YOUR FEMININE GENIUS

with special guest
MEGHAN COKELEY

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2021
ST. MARGARET PARISH ANNEX, NARBERTH
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM | \$10 PER GUEST | RSVP REQUIRED

MORE INFORMATION ONLINE. PLEASE RSVP BY NOV. 8.

REGISTER ONLINE: <https://bit.ly/DYFG2021>



Virtual Speaker Series

Dates: Every Friday beginning November 5

Time: 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. (ET)

Location: via Zoom (link will be sent upon registration)

November 5—Saint ALIVE with Victoria Rose Bonito

November 12—Family Life with St. Catherine with Sr. Mary Kay McDonald, MSBT

November 19—In Community as a Daughter of Charity with Sr. Marge Clifford, DC

November 26—The Legacy of St. Catherine Labouré in the World—a panel discussion

Registration \$5. For more information and to register, visit:

<https://miraculousmedal.org/beyond-sunday/saint-catherine-laboure-the-silent-saint-who-secretly-changed-the-world/>

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. Join with the link found at phillyevang.org/

HELPING OTHER PEOPLE IN EMERGENCY
Suspended until further notice.

IHM Conference Center
401 S. Bryn Mawr Avenue
Bryn Mawr, PA 19010

To register for any event, please call 610-581-0120 or email ihmconferencecenter@gmail.com.

Morning Reflection:
“A Bigger Picture of the Church” (All Souls’ Day)
Tuesday, November 2, 2021
9:30 – 11:30 a.m.
Presenter: Sister Beth Woodward, IHM
Stipend: \$20 (includes refreshment break)
A sharing of how “we are all in this together” with time for private prayer.

Movie With Meaning: “A Beautiful Mind”
Wednesday, November 16, 2021
10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.
Stipend: \$25 (includes lunch)
*Lunch is served at 12:00 noon for both groups
A human drama inspired by events in the life of John Forbes Nash, Jr. and his painful and harrowing journey of self-discovery.

An Advent Day:
“Season of Anticipating or Longing?”
Monday, November 29, 2021
9:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Presenter: Sister Marie Gipprich, IHM
Stipend: \$40 (includes Continental breakfast, Lunch and Mass)
We will discuss the difference between anticipating and longing both of which are gifts of the Advent season.

St. Margaret Parishioners have an opportunity to enjoy some great resources on FORMED.org!



Presence—The Mystery of the Eucharist
Forgiven—The Transforming Power of Confession
Reborn—You, Your Child, and the Heart of Baptism
Beloved—Finding Happiness in Marriage

As a member of St. Margaret Parish, you have **FREE ACCESS** to the many resources on [FORMED](http://FORMED.org), Sign up today at FORMED.org using the parish code WRVZND. **Not every parish offers a subscription to FORMED so take advantage of this opportunity!**



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>.

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, November 18, 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](#). 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 cbuhn@yahoo.com**.

REMEMBER THOSE YOU LOVE

For a donation of \$10.00, the **sanctuary candle or altar candles** will burn for a week for your intention or in memory of a loved one. Another memorial opportunity is to have **flowers** placed on the altar for a donation of \$100. Each week the intention or memorial will be published in the bulletin. If you would like to take advantage of these opportunities, please call Teresa or Maryann at the rectory, 610-664-3770, Ext 10.

EUCHARIST FOR CELIAC COMMUNICANTS

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



JOURNEY WITH US TO EXPLORE THE CATHOLIC FAITH

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



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