

SAINT MARGARET OF ANTIOCH CHURCH

May 15, 2022

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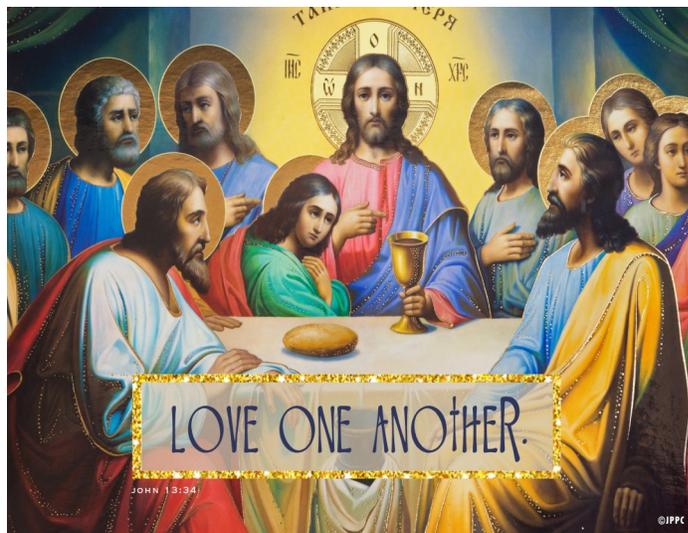
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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



MASS SCHEDULE

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 DAYS 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)

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSTION

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 FR. PETERSON

Like an early morning fog that later yields to the sunshine and uncovers what has been hidden, the event of the Passion, Death and Resurrection shows us the true glory of Jesus as the Son of God. There is no other event like it in the history of human life on planet earth. We note from the gospel scene that Jesus Himself declared it as such, and added that it is His glorification. Judas had left the room with betrayal on his mind. But it freed Jesus from hesitation and I imagine He must have raised His voice a bit to say the great "Now!" Now the stage was set for the selfsame glory to come.

What this implies is that the agony in the garden, the arrest, the trial, the jail time, the rejection of Him before Pilate, the scourging, crowning with thorns and the crucifixion itself all amounted to "the Son of Man being glorified." Certainly not the way we would describe glory. But then, God's ways are not ours. The resurrection is the ultimate end of the process. But it was also a beginning. That is why we celebrate a "Triduum" of Liturgies, that is three days all components of one great Day. It is one methodical passage of Our Lord from agony to ecstasy.

So we return five weeks after the Last Supper event to note the importance of Our Lord's "new commandment." He announced it at that Supper. So He had the undivided attention of His now eleven closest friends. Note also that Jesus did not speak of methods or plans. No long list of rules and procedures for the future. Just one powerful command: "Love one another as I have loved you." So it becomes the distinctive hallmark of a Christian. It would be noticed later by pagan historians writing descriptions of the Church. It is meant to identify each of us.

"Did Christ have the credentials to make that command, that overarching demand" some outsiders might ask? The nearest crucifix is our answer. "Is it easy to obey?" they might coyly ask us. Our short answer is a definite "No!" And we know why. It's because of sin. Sin in the world and in each of us, vestige of the damage done by our first parents. Each of us could name the sins, especially if they are our personal downfall. We might even add the fact that God has created some people who are custom designed to annoy us. All of it makes for a command that demands.

At this juncture it is always helpful to recall two facts. First, that we are not asked by God to *like* a whole lot of people as our choice of best friends. That number is limited to a precious few. Maybe even to one.

Secondly, we are not to let *feelings* interfere in our efforts. Feelings confuse the issue as is their habit. It's a matter of decision, an act of our will. We decide to love others, to will their good, because Jesus said we have to do so. If it's any comfort, note that there were no Pharisees or Sadducees at the Last Supper table. Jesus had decided who would be there. Those others were His designated enemies. Yet His love would prompt Him to die on the cross for their sins also. To live as Christ wants us to requires perseverance. That only comes from prayer and a close association with the saints, those canonized and those not.

God love you and give you His Easter peace.

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, May 16

7:00 AM Fred & Theresa Yost

TUESDAY, May 17

7:00 AM John Rossi (first anniversary)

WEDNESDAY, May 18

7:00 AM Adele Healy

THURSDAY, May 19

7:00 AM Anthony J. Cappelli

FRIDAY, May 20

7:00 AM Mary Lutz

SATURDAY, May 21

8:00 AM Thomas Gavin, Sr.

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



THE WEEK OF MAY 15, 2022

**THE SANCTUARY CANDLE
WILL BURN IN MEMORY OF
HELEN M KIENLEN.**

THE STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekend of May 8, 2022: \$ 10,903

Collection in Church:	\$ 4,598
Electronic Funds Transfer:	\$ 483
Mail In:	\$ 2,490
Parish On Line:	\$ 3,332
Envelopes:	192

Catholic Home Missions \$ 1,450

Weekend of May 9, 2021 \$ 11,316

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

Msgr. Dougherty

CHURCH HOURS

**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**

CARITAS CHRISTI DUCIT

• The Love of Christ Leads •

From the Pastor

Deacon Kenneth Omeke — Kenneth Omeke was ordained a deacon on Saturday, May 14. He will be preaching at the 11:30 am Mass today, Sunday, May 15. Mass will be followed by a reception for him in the Antioch Annex. Sandwiches will be served. Kenneth resides at the rectory when he is on break from the Seminary, so St. Margaret's is his local home. Come and celebrate his ordination to the transitional diaconate. We offer him our prayers as he progresses toward ordination to the priesthood for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia next May.

Parish May Procession — The Parish May Procession will be on Monday, May 16 at 7:00 pm. We will begin with a Prayer Service in the Church and then process to the Mary Garden for the crowning of the statue of Mary there. We encourage our First Communion class to come in their First Communion Day attire. Everyone is welcome to attend the May Procession as we give fitting honor to Mary, Our Blessed Mother. She intercedes for us, her children, and leads us to share in the life and goodness of her Son, Jesus Christ. May our devotion to Mary inspire us and help us to grow in holiness.

Adult Faith Formation Committee — We will meet on Wednesday, May 18 at 6:00 pm in the rectory.

Parish Pastoral Council — We will meet on Wednesday, May 18 at 7:00 pm in the Antioch Annex.

Notre Dame Chorale — The thirty-two strong Notre Dame Chorale will be performing a free concert at our Church on Friday, May 20 at 7:00 pm. We are blessed that they will be here. Don't miss this opportunity to hear some truly beautiful music.

Parish Social — On Saturday, May 21, we are having a Parish Social in the Antioch Annex and under a tent by the rectory. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased online through our Parish website, or at the Parish offices. Come and join us as we gather to celebrate and support one another as parishioners and fellow disciples of the Lord.

First Holy Communion — Many of our second grade students in Saint Margaret School and in PREP received their First Holy Communion on May 7 and May 14. Four more will be receiving on Sunday, May 22 at the 11:30 am Mass. We offer our sincere congratulations and heartfelt prayerful support to all of them as they grow in their relationship with the Lord through the Eucharist.

Summary of Finance Council Meeting on Thursday, May 5 — The members of the Council are: Msgr. Dougherty, Cliff Coombs, Lyle Nehls, Nicole Bazis, John Shea, Guido DeAscanis, Terri Power, Anne Becker, John Braun, Christopher Klock, Michelene Fliszar. 1) We reviewed the Parish financials through the third quarter of this year (July 1, 2021 to March 31, 2022). The Parish is ahead of budget and we are forecasting that we will finish the fiscal year with a surplus of about \$94,000. 2) Updates were given on the School. The School is ahead of budget for this fiscal year. Enrollment for next year is currently at 242. We are projecting that next year's enrollment will be about 260. Some families are in arrears on tuition payments, but we anticipate the money will be received by the end of the school year. 3) We are having some issues with the school roof. We anticipate that we will be able to patch it for now, but will need a new roof in a few years. The anticipated cost for a new roof will be about \$500,000. The school is celebrating its 100th Anniversary this coming school year. We are planning on a capital campaign during the 100th Anniversary that will help raise some of the money for the roof and other school priorities. Since the 125th of our Parish is in 2025, we discussed uniting raising funds for the School with some fundraising for the new organ and for the renovation of the Antioch Annex to provide adequate kitchen, chapel, meeting and storage space there that would better meet our Parish needs. We agreed to further discussion of this matter after Monsignor consults with the Archdiocese. 4) Monsignor has sent a letter to the Archdioceses requesting permission to purchase a digital organ to replace the current organ. The cost will be \$68,000. If permission is granted, we will proceed with the purchase and anticipate the organ will be installed in about four months. 5) Antioch Annex Renovation — We are awaiting estimates on dividers and will then further discuss the plan for the renovations. 6) Snow railings on the Church roof - After heavy snows, ice and snow can slide off the roof and endanger passersby on the sides of the Church. We are looking into the cost of installing snow railings on the roof to help alleviate the problem of falling snow and ice. 7) The rectory porch will be repaired and painted this summer. 8) We have been repointing parts of the Church exterior for several years. Another portion will be repointed this spring. After that work is completed, the only part still in need of repointing will be the high tower. 9) Debris from the large oak tree in front of the school is causing some clogging of the drains on the school roof. We are getting prices on the trimming of the tree or its removal and replacement by a smaller tree. 10) For several years we have been replacing the carpets in the school classrooms with tile floors. The six classrooms still in need of new floors will be done this summer and that will complete the project. 11) The emptying and moving of the recycle paper bins in the parking lot have damaged the all behind the bins. We are looking into having the bins removed. We have not received any compensation for the recycling for several years now, and people can now easily recycle at their homes. 12) Nicole Bazis, our former Coordinator of Parish Services, shifted to the position of Administrative Assistant in the Parish Offices when Maryann Cassidy retired. We recently posted our opening for a part-time Coordinator of Parish Services. Applications will be reviewed and interviews scheduled in the coming weeks. We anticipate the position being filled by the middle of August. 12) The next meeting will be on August 10.

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 21

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

Sunday, May 22

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

CHURCH TEACHING

The Dignity and Grandeur of the Eucharist – The bread which is broken on our altars, offered to us as wayfarers along the paths of the world, is panis angelorum, the bread of angels, which cannot be approached except with the humility of the centurion in the Gospel: “Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof.” With this heightened sense of mystery, we understand how the faith of the Church in the mystery of the Eucharist has found historical expression, not only in the demand for the interior disposition of devotion, but also in outward forms meant to evoke and emphasize the grandeur of the event being celebrated. This led progressively to the development of a particular form of regulating the Eucharistic liturgy, with due respect for the various legitimately constituted ecclesial traditions. On this foundation a rich artistic heritage also developed. Architecture, sculpture, painting and music, moved by the Christian mystery, have found in the Eucharist, both directly and indirectly, a source of great inspiration. (from the Encyclical letter of Saint John Paul II entitled “On the Eucharist in its Relationship to the Church”)

SPIRITUAL THOUGHT

Make many acts of love, for they set the soul on fire and make it gentle. Whatever you do, offer it up to God, and pray it may be for his honor and glory. (Saint Teresa of Avila)

A LITTLE HUMOR

A burned-out assistant pastor was advised by his senior pastor to see a Christian counselor. “Do you have trouble making decisions about your sermon themes?” the counselor asked. “Well...yes and no....,” the pastor replied.

PARISH NEWS

YOU'RE INVITED!

PARISH SOCIAL *Party*

7:00pm

21 MAY,
2022

\$25 per person | adults ages 21+
tickets can be bought at the rectory, dropped off in the collection basket, or online at the following website
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/310604936727>

Parish Trip

SAVE THE DATE for JULY 21! We are going on a parish pilgrimage to the NATIONAL CENTER for PADRE PIO in Barto, Pennsylvania

The itinerary includes:

- Mass with Msgr. Dougherty upon arrival
- the rosary in the spiritual center
- catered lunch
- a movie on the life of Padre Pio
- exploration of the museum and cultural center
- time in the gift shop
- dinner at a nearby restaurant

Our bus will be leaving St. Margaret's at 9 AM and returning at about 9 PM. Price is \$25 (not including cost of dinner). Reserve your spot by contacting the rectory! First come, first served.

Notre Dame University Chorale

When: Friday, May 20 at 7 PM

Where: St. Margaret of Antioch Church
Narberth, PA 19072

Free and open to the public!

The 32 strong Notre Dame Chorale singers are touring and giving a performance here at St. Margaret Church. Don't miss this opportunity to experience some beautiful live music.

Please note, registration for Vacation Bible School 2022 is now CLOSED. All spots have been filled. We look forward to seeing all of our participants and volunteers in June!



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 left sidebar or <https://tinyurl.com/StMargGiving>.

EVENTS IN THE ARCHDIOCESE



Dads and Daughters!
Spend the afternoon in song,
conversation and prayer
with Marty Rotella



Don't Wait
till the
Wedding
Dance!

Malvern Retreat House – Main Dining Hall/Upper McShain
1:30 pm – 4:30 pm - June 5, 2022 Includes Lunch!

Marty Rotella integrates his gift of music with his unique preaching style for adults and teens!

Register at: malvernretreat.com/register or call 610-644-0400
315 S Warren Ave, Malvern PA 19355

Lower Merion Young Bulldogs Youth Camps Summer 2022

The Lower Merion Youth Football Camp is a non-contact youth football camp for boys in grades 1 through 8 looking to master both the fundamentals and specialties of high-level football techniques. The camps are designed to teach the players the basics of football, which will enhance their overall football ability, along with specialty skills that will push the players to the next level. All camps are held at Arnold Field.

Youth Day Camp

Session 1 June 27 – July 1

Session 2 July 25 – July 29

9 AM to 2 PM

Cost: \$150 per player/\$250 for two players

BIG DOGS Lineman Clinic

This clinic is for players in grades 5 through 9 who play Offensive Lineman or Defensive Lineman. During this clinic, players will receive direct instruction on the skills and techniques to improve their game in the trenches. This is a highly focused clinic where players will work on steps, hand placement, body position, and finishing techniques.

Date: July 11 – July 15

9AM – 12PM

Cost: \$75 per player

Skills Development Clinic

This clinic is for players in grades 5 through 9 who play "Skill Positions" and are looking for a competitive edge. This clinic will focus on ball handling, footwork, precision, as well as increasing vision and the players "Football IQ". This is an intense camp to hone the skills needed to become a dynamic playmaker.

Date: July 18—July 22

9AM – 12PM

Cost: \$75 per player

To register, visit the following website:
<https://www.leaguelineup.com/forms.asp?url=lmaces>

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, May 19 2022, 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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