



ST. MARGARET, QUEEN OF SCOTLAND

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OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday-Friday: 9:00AM-4:00PM
Closed from 12:00PM until 1:00PM for Lunch

STAFF/TELEPHONE EXTENSIONS

Rev. Jamin S. David, J.C.L. (Ext. 102) *Pastor*
Deacon Byrd Corbett (Ext. 108) *Permanent Deacon*
Deacon Tim Messenger (Ext. 149) *Permanent Deacon*
Mary E. Herbert (Ext. 105) *Administrative Assistant*
Lanie Borum (Ext. 101) *Receptionist*
Lucie Hanewinkel (Ext. 103) *Religious Ed Coordinator*
Shirley Darouse (Ext. 104) *Contributions Manager*
Gill Scioneaux (Ext. 150) *Maintenance Supervisor*
Ansleigh Barras (Ext. 148) *Youth Minister*
St. Vincent de Paul Hotline (Ext. 144)

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Sunday Masses

4:00PM Saturday Vigil (*St. Margaret Church, Albany*)
8:00AM (*St. Thomas Chapel, Springfield*)
10:00AM (*St. Margaret Church, Albany*)
5:30PM (*St. Margaret Church, Albany*)

There is no Mass scheduled on Monday or Tuesday!

Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday Mass

7:00AM (*St. Margaret Church, Albany*)

RECONCILIATION: The Sacrament is offered weekly at 3:00PM on Saturday at St. Margaret Church or by acceptable scheduled appointment.

MARRIAGE: Interested parties should contact the Parish Office at least six (6) months prior to their desired date and must complete an acceptable Marriage Preparation Program.

BAPTISM: Contact Lucie Hanewinkel for preliminary information and to schedule a home visit from the Baptism Prep Team.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK: Visits to the hospitalized and infirm are made regularly. Contact Fr. Jamin for home or hospital visits.

FUNERALS: Call the parish office during normal business hours. After hours, call Mary Hooks at 985.974.1991.

“The Pew Buddy”

The Weekly Parish Bulletin

PENTECOST SUNDAY

08/09 JUNE 2019

IN ONE PLACE, TOGETHER

We are in the upper room today: like the first-followers of Jesus, immediately after his departure, we don't know any more what we should be doing. So much of what used to work no longer does. We are finding it ever-harder to pass on our faith to our own children, to fire the religious and romantic imagination of our culture, and to make a religious and moral dent of any kind in the ever-hardening secularity of ordinary consciousness. What should we be doing in the face of declining church attendance, the emptying and greying of our seminaries and convents, the growing agnosticism of our world, and the ecclesial indifference of so many of our

own children? Biblically, here is our answer: return to the city and remain in the upper room! What is meant by that? In Luke's writings, “the city” refers to Jerusalem which, itself, is an image for the church, the faith, the dream that Jesus had instilled. To walk away from Jerusalem, as the disciples were doing in walking towards Emmaus, was to walk away from the church, the faith, and the dream. So now, like then, Jesus tells us: “Return to the city, to the dream!” And what is the up-



per room? The fundamentals. Our faith has some basics, some elementals, a rock-bottom foundation that we need always to fall back on. Too often, for every kind of noble reason, we forget (irrespective of the importance of the moral or religious struggle we are engaged in) that what God ultimately wants of us is charity, patience, understanding, hospitality, humility, prayer, community with each other, forgiveness, and a non-judgmental attitude. To enter the upper room is to re-root ourselves in these and then trust that God will save all those people that we can't. And we support others and ourselves in all of this by going to meetings. When you don't know what else to do, return to the upper room—keep going to meetings! -Ron Rolheiser

Events Around the Parish

WELCOME VBS ATTENDEES!

Vacation Bible School begins **Monday, 10 June 2019**. Our program lasts Monday through Friday from 9:00AM until 12:00PM. Our young people will discover more about God's love, friends and family, prayer, trusting God, and the Bible, which will help them stand strong in their faith. We're hoping this awesome VBS program will touch children's hearts and lives with God's love and we look forward to seeing you there!



SUMMER YOUTH GROUP

Just a reminder that summer youth nights will be held after the **5:30PM** Mass on **Sundays**. Here are the dates:

09 June	07 July
16 June (Cancelled)	14 July
23 June	21 July
30 June (Cancelled)	28 July

Dinner will be served at each meeting. Please make plans to join us for food and fun. All high school youth are invited to attend!



COME AND SEE

On **Saturday, 15 June 2019** from **9:00AM-2:30PM** at the Corcoran Conference Center in Baton Rouge, the Franciscan Missionaries of Our Lady invite single women aged 15 and older to visit them. They are eager to answer questions that you may have about the Franciscan Sisters, help you explore your vocation as a person who is single, married or considering a closer relationship with the Sisters through their Lay Associate Program or Consecrated Life. Anyone interested is asked to contact Sr. Margarida Vasques at either margarida.vasques@fmoles.org or call 225.922.7443 or 225.765.8068.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Opportunities still remain if you would like to sponsor any of the various furnishings for the newly renovated church. Your generosity will further assist us in this endeavor and help to raise money to offset the costs. Here are the remaining items:

- Altar - \$7,170 (1 giving opportunity)
- Altar Reredos - \$34,794 (1 giving opportunity)
- Ambo - \$4,698 (1 giving opportunity)
- Baptismal Font - \$6,470 (1 giving opportunity)
- Choir Loft Chairs - \$318 per chair
(14 giving opportunities)
- Deacon's Chair - \$1,684 (1 giving opportunity)
- Pews - \$3,458 per pew
(30 giving opportunities)
- Prie Dieu (kneelers) - \$1,434 (1 giving opportunity)
- Rear Statue Pedestals - \$1,529 per pedestal
(2 giving opportunities)
- Sacristy Statue Pedestal - \$2,463
(1 giving opportunity)
- Sanctuary Statue Pedestals - \$1,990 per pedestal
(2 giving opportunities)
- Stations of the Cross - \$5,580 per station
(12 giving opportunities)
- Windows - \$9,032 per window
(11 giving opportunities)

The form for sponsoring an item can be found on our website or you can contact Mary E. Herbert in the parish office. Cash, checks and credit cards are accepted. A payment plan can also be arranged. Remember, your name and any dedication in memory or in honor of a loved one, family member or friend will be inscribed in our Book of Acknowledgements to be displayed in the church.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY



Benny Baham, Cindy Brasington, Morgan Carel, Rosa Flores Castellon, Judy Cremeans, Doreen Daniels, Hattie Davis, Amanda Degenhardt, Shorty DeMars, Peggy Desselle, Shelli Domiano, Therese Domiano, Pauline Frisbie, Mimi Francis Goelz, Malissa Gonzales, Phyllis Harrison, Mary E. Herbert, Mildred Hoffmann, Tammy Horn, Carlton Kennedy, May Kimler, Helen Kropog, Gregg Mader, Andrew Morales, Edward Murray, Vincent Palisi, Carl Rabalais, Sylvia Rachal, Carol Rippal, Dutch Schilling, Iris Stillely, Joseph Stolf, Sharon Stolf, Annie Tallia, Jamie Tarver and Joseph Tarver's Children, Sharmon Thompson, Rita Valjoin, Liz Varnado, Joe Vilardo, Debbie Wheat, Tonya Wheat, Hilma Woods, those in the Armed Services and law enforcement, and all who are in need of our prayers.

Want to add someone to the prayer list? Call the parish office for more information.

Want our parishioners to pray for your intentions? Contact Frances Dantin at 225.209.6537 or fdantin@bellsouth.net.

STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY

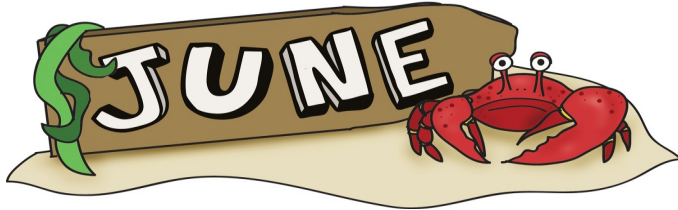
Weekend of 01/02 June 2019

Weekly Church Support Collection	\$7,415.50
Building & Maintenance Collection	\$2,692.00



Thank you for your continued and generous support!

The Special Collection next weekend is for the Catholic Communications Campaign!



THE CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Sunday, 09 June 2019

St. Vincent de Paul Society Second Collection!

5:30PM—Adult Confirmation, St. Margaret

6:30PM—Youth Night, JP II Room

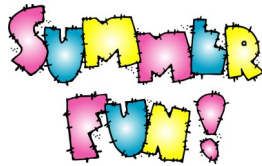
Monday, 10 June 2019

Vacation Bible School!

10:00AM—Altar Society, Parish Hall

Tuesday, 11 June 2019

Vacation Bible School!



Wednesday, 12 June 2019

Vacation Bible School!

7:30AM—Eucharistic Adoration, Parish Hall

6:30PM—Baptism Seminar, Ignatius Room

7:00PM—KC Fourth Degree, Goretti Room

Thursday, 13 June 2019

Vacation Bible School!

6:00PM—St. Vincent de Paul, Seton Room

Friday, 14 June 2019

Vacation Bible School!

Saturday, 15 June 2019

Catholic Communications Special Collection!

FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATION



Day gift will be waiting for you!

Don't forget that next weekend is Father's Day! Have you taken the opportunity to get dad something special to celebrate all he has done for you? Join us at St. Margaret for a special Father's Day blessing. You never know what kind of Father's



Sundry Ruminations

A Weekly Column from Your Pastor

How do you know there was something more than what you see before you? Look at the immediate and lasting impact of Pentecost Day! The immediate effect was to begin to share the Good News of Jesus with those who were far off as well as with those who were near the Jewish faith. That was a shocking break in tradition to think that God would redeem those who seemed to be unredeemable. And look at who shared the message – 11 men who were so afraid of their own death that they locked themselves in a room so that no one could find them. It took more than just religious hysteria to shake this group into breaking tradition and boldly proclaiming a message that would cost them their lives.

Pentecost can't be reduced to "it was nothing but." We can't say "it was nothing but hysteria" or "it was nothing but a long-ago event that we can't explain." No, Pentecost was nothing less than the presence of God. It's a reminder to us that worship is more than just music, readings, and a homily. The Eucharist can never be nothing but bread and wine any more than baptism is nothing but water and words. For when we adopt this pessimistic attitude of reductionism, we make God "nothing but" a figment of our imagination.

The invitation of Pentecost is a simple one. Be an optimist. Realize that you cannot limit who God is and how He acts no matter how hard you try. Plant the seeds of love and faith even though you might believe they might not take root. Invite your relative who never comes to Church to come with you every weekend knowing that they'll probably say no. This Pentecost, do nothing more but believe the impossible and let God's spirit do the rest!

This Sunday at our 5:30PM Mass, eight (8) men and women will make their Confirmation. Even though I will serve as the minister of the ceremony, don't worry — it's all legit! Bishop Duca has given me permission to do so. Congratulations to **Amanda Arledge, Amy Canik, Jennifer Chavez, Meredith Drude, Peyton Kahl, Sheri Martin, Jeffrey Michon and Eric Warren!** May the Holy Spirit dwell richly with each and every one of you. Interested in Adult Confirmation? Contact Deacons Byrd or Tim. We also thank our two deacons and Mrs. Darlene Gendusa for preparing men and women for this sacrament.

Construction is coming along well. Actually, it looks like the project is going to be completed sooner than we expected. Mark your calendar for **2:00PM on Sunday, November 17, 2019** for the Church re-dedication or "grand opening." We'll have a celebration of which St. Margaret herself would be proud!

Father Finn