



# 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*  
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Lucie Hanewinkel (Ext. 103) *Religious Ed Coordinator*  
Shirley Darouse (Ext. 104) *Contributions Manager*  
Gill Scioneaux (Ext. 150) *Maintenance Supervisor*  
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## 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!*

### 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*

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 01 SEPTEMBER 2019

# HUMBLE EXULTATION

One tradition in the Hebrew Scriptures frequently highlights the irony of inverted expectations. Thus Sirach's sage teaches that love is experienced in giving rather than receiving; that greatness is revealed in humility; that wisdom is a better listener than talker. Luke's Jesus is fully a child of this oral tradition of paradoxical reversals. His own wisdom teaching, offered at a banquet of elite

lawyers and Pharisees, actually draws upon the advice in Proverbs that it is “better to be invited, ‘Come up here,’ than be humiliated in the presence of the prince.” Jesus' own parable portrays people seeking the place of honor who are eventually asked to move, now blushing, to a lower place. This seems like a bit of advice on how to win friends and influence people:

If you want to look good, put on the mask of humility. But it is clear that Jesus is not offering mere courtly etiquette. He is talking about an existential reality. Those who exalt themselves, whether covertly or openly, will be humbled, and all who humble themselves shall be exalted. Pretending to be the least will not yield greatness in the kingdom of heaven. Luke is not presenting a stratagem to win approval. He is describing again something already expressed by Mary herself, that God routs the proud of heart, dethrones the worldly prince, and exalts the lowly. In such matters, faking it will not do the trick! -Rev. John Kavanaugh



# Events Around the Parish



## MARCH FOR LIFE INFO. MEETING

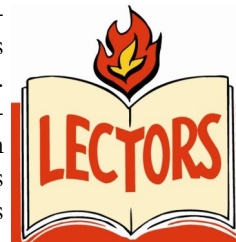
There will be a March for Life information meeting to plan for the 2020 pilgrimage on **Wednesday, 04 September 2019 at 5:30PM** in the Hall of Saints. If you are interested in going to March for Life, you must attend this meeting! We hope to see you there!



## MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT: LECTORS



One of the parts of the Mass is the Liturgy of the Word. Being a lector means to bring the Word of God to the people with clarity, sincerity and an eagerness to proclaim God's message. This ministry involves a willingness to get immersed in God's Word, to bring his message to the hearts of his people.



*"Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the Word of Christ"*  
Romans 10:17



## FAMILY FORMATION SESSION

Join us for the first session of our Family Formation Series for the 2019-2020 season on **Sunday, 15 September 2019** after the 10:00AM Mass in the Hall of Saints. Fr. Jamin will be the presenter. Participation and engagement in these sessions and the witness of parents learning alongside their children coupled with their intentional decision to bring the whole family to Mass weekly and on Holy Days of Obligation communicates to young people that life is more than work or sports (as important as are these activities.) Rather, it communicates the message that we are worth more than we do and shows this not just by words but also by family action!

## FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

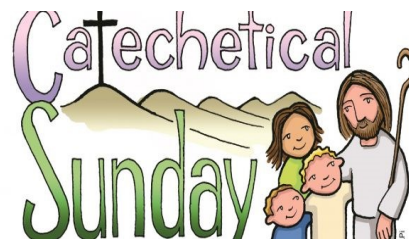


## YUMMY FOR YOUR TUMMY

Come and grow in community while getting to know your fellow parishioners! This month's "Yummy for Your Tummy" will be held in the St. Margaret Room on Saturday, **14 September 2019 at 5:00PM**. The theme will be "Breakfast for Dinner". Bring any of your favorite breakfast foods and don't forget dessert! Join us for food, fun and fellowship.

## CATECHETICAL SUNDAY

The work of catechesis in the Parish is never limited to the pastor alone. The cooperation of many lay leaders is necessary to continuously spread the faith. Catechetical Sunday will be celebrated on **15 September 2019** this year. Fr. Jamin will even offer our catechists a special blessing at the 10:00AM Mass. Join us in thanking these men and women for their commitment and sacrifice to preach the Gospel! We thank our catechists for their hard work!



## PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

Cindy Brasington, Ezekiel Jaleel Broussard, Morgan Carel, Rosa Flores Castellon, Doreen Daniels, Donna Davis, Hattie Davis, Amanda Degenhardt, Irene DeMars, Shorty DeMars, Peggy Desselle, Shelli Domiano, Therese Domiano, Rosemary Ellis, Pauline Frisbie, Mimi Francis Goelz, Malissa Gonzales, Mary E. Herbert, Hunter Hoffman, Mildred Hoffmann, Tammy Horn, Carlton Kennedy, May Kimler, Helen Kropog, Gregg Mader, Andrew Morales, Edward Murray, Sue Novak, 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 Vilaro, Út Vù, Tracey Wascom, 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.

## MASS INTENTIONS

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time — 31 August/01 September 2019

4:00PM Vigil  
Sat., 31 Aug.  
St. Margaret

**Philip Brabham** (By Knights of Columbus Assembly 2801)  
**Karen Chemay** (By Mark Chemay)  
**Fred Gauthier** (By Rose Gauthier & Family)  
**Rose Hakenjos** (By Trudy Badzinski)  
**Walter Hakenjos** (By Rose Hakenjos)  
**Doris Haydel** (By A. J. & Cindy Martinez)  
**John Kropog** (By Helen Kropog & Family)  
**Vernon & Dorothy Landry** (By Pete Pffnner & Family)

**June Koles Olah** (By Rosemary Novak)  
**Audrey Onellion** (By Pete Pffnner & Family)  
**Lynette Pffnner** (By Pete Pffnner & Family)  
**Peter J. & Elizabeth Pffnner** (By Pete Pffnner & Family)  
**Steve & Mary Resetar** (By Charles & Marjorie Resetar)  
**Denise Schilling** (By the Family)  
**Andrew & Irene Sziszak** (By Chuck & Sandy Raborn)  
**Souls in Purgatory** (By Mary Stabile)

8:00AM  
Sun., 01 Sep.  
St. Thomas

**Jerry Adamcewicz** (By the Family)  
**Janis Brough** (By the Family)  
**Jason Degenhardt** (By the Degenhardt Family)  
**Floyd "Boogie" Johnson** (By A. J. & Cindy Martinez)  
**Lawrence Kluka** (By the Family)  
**John LaGrange** (By Edie & Family)  
**Adrian & Lorraine Martinez** (By A. J. & Cindy Martinez)

**Joan McKinney** (By Larry Kiss)  
**Denise Schilling** (By the Family)  
**Patrick Tobin** (By the Family)  
**James Waguespack** (By the Family)  
**Bobby Wolfe** (By Al & Judy Wolfe)  
**Henry Wrich** (By James & Judy Planetta)

10:00AM  
Sun., 01 Sep.  
St. Margaret

**Missa Pro Populo**  
(The Mass for All Parishioners)

5:30PM  
Sun., 01 Sep.  
St. Margaret

**Sonny Sziszak**  
(By Rosie Sziszak)



Tues., 03 Sep. (7:00AM)  
St. Gregory the Great (M)  
**Michael Darouse**  
(By the Family)

Wed., 04 Sep. (7:00AM)  
Weekday in Ordinary Time  
**Eric Navarre**  
(By George & Kim Navarre)

Thurs., 05 Sep. (7:00AM)  
Weekday in Ordinary Time  
**Lynette Pffnner**  
(By Pete Pffnner & Family)

Fri., 06 Sep. (7:00AM)  
Weekday in Ordinary Time  
**Michael Darouse**  
(By the Family)

The Sanctuary Lamp at St. Margaret this week is given in memory of **Rose Hakenjos** by Trudy Badzinski.



### FEAST DAY PLANNING MEETING

Our annual celebration of the Feast of St. Margaret is only two months away. To prepare for this celebration of our patroness and of our community of faith, Fr. Jamin will host a Fall Feast Day Planning Meeting on **Wednesday, 04 September 2019 at 5:00PM** in the St. Ignatius Room of the Hall of Saints. If you are interested in helping plan the St. Margaret Feast Day, please join us as we would love to hear your ideas! St. Margaret, patroness of our parish, pray for us (and for good weather!)

### BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Gear up for another season of diving into the Sacred Scriptures! St. Margaret will offer an evening Bible Study series called "Women of the Old Testament" beginning on **10 September 2019**. St. Margaret will also have a morning Bible Study series called "Panorama of the New Testament" beginning on **24 September 2019**. Please consider participating in either study course about your Catholic faith. For more information, contact Christine at



caribe500@gmail.com or at 504.450.7343, or contact the parish office. Your participation in this study and future bible study offerings are important to help us grow in faith. Sign up now!

### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Gather Hymnal Number 1157

**Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29**

*Wise advice on humility.*

**Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a**

*The glory of living in the new covenant with Christ.*

**Luke 14:1, 7-14**

*A banquet parable on living humbly and serving the most needy.*



### ANTICIPATING NEXT WEEK

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time — 07/08 September 2019  
**Wisdom 9:13-18b; Philemon 9-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33**



## STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY

*Weekend of 24/25 August 2019*

Weekly Church Support Collection \$6,940.00



*Thank you for your continued and generous support!*

*The Second Collection next weekend will be for the Building and Maintenance Fund!*

## THE CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, 01 September 2019

9:00AM—Coffee & Donuts, St. Thomas  
11:00AM—Coffee & Donuts, St. Margaret

### Monday, 02 September 2019

*Happy Labor Day!*

10:00AM—Altar Society, Parish Hall  
10:00AM—Altar Society, St. Thomas



### Tuesday, 03 September 2019

7:00PM—Knights of Columbus, Ignatius Room  
7:00PM—Ladies Auxiliary, Goretto Room

### Wednesday, 04 September 2019

7:30AM—Eucharistic Adoration, Parish Hall  
5:00PM—Fall Festival Planning, Goretto Room  
5:30PM—March For Life Meeting, JP II Room  
6:00PM—GriefShare, Ignatius Room  
6:30PM—Open Doors (RCIA), Seton Room  
6:30PM—RCIC, Drexel Room  
6:30PM—Youth Night, JP II Room

### Thursday, 05 September 2019

7:00PM—Dedication After Party Meeting, Bosco Room

### Friday, 06 September 2019

*No Extraordinary Events Scheduled!*

### Saturday, 07 September 2019

*Building & Maintenance Fund Second Collection!*

## THEOLOGY IN A BOTTLE

Our next installment of Theology in a Bottle, our adult education ministry, will be held **Sunday, 15 September 2019** from 6:45PM until 8:00PM in the St. Margaret Room. Father Brad Doyle will be this month's presenter for his presentation entitled "No Such Thing as a Free Drink: The Theology of Ecology." This presentation is a timely one to encourage good stewardship! Do consider joining us to explore more about our rich faith with a cold brew in tow!



## Sundry Ruminations

*A Weekly Column from Your Pastor*

I can only imagine that the twelve apostles were trying to protect their reputation in today's Gospel reading. Here is a group of men, walking along with Jesus, watching his preaching, healing and comforting mission. He is a celebrity of some sorts, and he and his ragamuffin band are invited to the home of a high ranking Pharisee – to a nice home for dinner. I can imagine them sitting on those soft cushions around the table full of delicacies trying to protect their reputation. I can see Peter with a stem of nice, juicy grapes about to fall into his mouth, or John about to tear into some warm bread, or James taking a sip of nice fine wine. Then all of a sudden, Jesus, who has been sizing up the people in the room around him, begins to tell a parable, one that might ruin their reputation and tonight's good meal. They probably muttered to themselves, "Here we go again! Let's find the closest emergency exit!" The apostles probably cared what the Pharisees thought about them, then comes Jesus, Mr. Manners, not really caring what other people think.

His parable is downright insulting to the people who have sat down at the table. In teaching them about how to be humble, he tells them not to be humble! He tells them to take a place at the end of the table with the expressed hope that you might be upgraded to a more reputable place at the table. He makes fun of their good manners and picks on these reputations that they are trying to protect by getting the best seat at the banquet table. Jesus was trying to show the upper-crust of Jewish society that they had it all wrong: don't try to protect your reputation among each other, impressing each other with the place that you sit or the clothes that you wear. The only important person you need to impress is God. God knows you better than anyone. He knows the good points of your life and the bad ones too. We can fool other people with tummy tucks and surgeries; we can try to become someone we're really not. But in the end, the only one who needs to recognize us is God. It turns out that some of the things that we do that others find most impressive may be far down on God's list.

Recognition by God calls for our humility: changing our world view from self-centeredness to being centered on the other - offering our seat in a crowded church to someone who is elderly, having lunch with a co-worker that usually eats alone, or doing a good deed for someone who never says 'thank you.' We will then realize that we are loved, we are appreciated, we are recognized in the smiles, laughs, and joy in the people we put first.

Ireland was good, but so is being back home! Looking forward to seeing you in a mood of relaxation during this Labor Day weekend!

*Father Finn*