



ST. MARGARET, QUEEN OF SCOTLAND

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“The Pew Buddy”

The Weekly Parish Bulletin

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OFFICE HOURS

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

STAFF/TELEPHONE EXTENSIONS

Very Rev. Jamin S. David, J.C.L. (Ext. 102) *Pastor*
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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*)

Daily Masses (St. Margaret Church, Albany)

7:00AM, Monday through Friday

RECONCILIATION: The Sacrament is offered weekly at 4:00PM on Thursday and on Saturday at 3:00PM 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 the parish office 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, please leave a message on the emergency line at extension 106.

IN IT FOR THE RIGHT REASONS?

Widows tend to have little money and less power. A person who preys on widows is really dishonorable. But the scribes are dishonorable even just in striving for honor, aren't they? If you saw your mother trying hard to get to be honored by others, you'd be ashamed for her, wouldn't you? There is something shameful about trying to get honor. It follows that Christians should not care about honor. In fact, if a person who seeks honor is shameful, then it seems that a person who strives not to care about honor is honorable. And so it seems that it ought to be a point of honor with Christians that they disdain honor. But here things can begin to slide out of control. Suppose you seek the honor of disdaining honor. Does *this* seeking after honor make you like the scribes? If it is shameful to seek after honor, is it *also* shameful to seek after the honor of disdaining honor? And if it is shameful to strive for honor and also shameful to strive to disdain honor, is there any road at all to honor? It is worth noticing that in the Gospel, Jesus singles out a widow for honor. Poor as she is, she is giving from the little she has in order to help those who are needier than she is. Jesus praises her and points her out as an exemplar of goodness. To be praised by Jesus is to be honored indeed! So how did that widow get this singular honor? The first thing to notice about her is that she wasn't striving for honor, as the scribes were. Although Jesus noticed her, she wasn't trying to get noticed. And the second thing to notice about her is that she wasn't trying to disdain honor either. The only thing she was trying to do is to help those in need. And so her behavior shows the solution to the puzzle about honor. The only true road to honor is to love the good and pay no attention at all to honor one way or another. —*Eleonore Stump*



Events Around the Parish



NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK

Sunday, 07 November 2021 begins Vocation Awareness Week. As Catholics, we firmly believe that God has a plan for our lives! He calls some to marriage, some to the priesthood, and others to religious life or to live as generous single people. Fully living our own vocations—and teaching young people how to discern God’s call—is a serious duty, but also a joyful one. During this week, please encourage the young people in your life—children, grandchildren, students, and friends—to be open if God calls them to priesthood or religious life. We thank God for those who have been called to follow their vocation to the diaconate at St. Margaret especially parishioners Randall Waguespack and John Ryals!

CELEBRATE THE SEASON OF ST. MARGARET

Our Fall Festival in celebration of the Feast Day of our Patroness, St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland, is on **Sunday, 14 November 2021** beginning at **12:30PM** and lasting through **4:00PM**. There will be live music, a silent auction, bounce houses for the kids, food trucks and more!



FAMILY FAITH FORMATION



The next session of Family Faith Formation is scheduled for **Sunday, 07 November 2021**. Fr. Paul Gros will give a presentation entitled “A Walk Through the Mass: Why We Celebrate the Greatest Miracle.” This session will be in the St. Margaret Room in the Hall of Saints from **11:30AM until 12:30PM**. All are welcome to join us in enriching your Catholic faith!

LECTOR WORKBOOKS

Our lector workbooks that aid our lectors in proclaiming God’s word at our Eucharistic celebrations are available now in the sacristy of both St. Margaret and St. Thomas. All currently scheduled lectors are welcome to pick up their copy of the workbook today. If you are interested in becoming a lector at our churches, contact Heidi Comish - the ministry chairperson - for more details! We can always use more ministers willing to boldly proclaim God’s Word in our assembly and we are grateful to all our current ministers for their diligence and service!



RETIREMENT AND SEND-OFF FOR SR. JUNE

Sr. June Engelbrecht has long served the Parishes and Apostolates of the Northeast Deanery for years, and she will soon be moving to the Dominican Sisters’ Motherhouse in Columbus, Ohio. You’ve probably seen her at either 8:00AM Mass at St. Thomas or 10:00AM Mass at St. Margaret. Come celebrate with her and thank her for her ministry to St. Margaret on **Sunday, 21 November** at 11:00AM in the Parish Hall. No gifts please!

PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

Peggy Barringer, George Bates, Batty Family, Cindy Brasington, Nancy Campeaux, Vincent Catalanatto, Amber Stilley Cocchiola, Alan Cutrer, Hattie Davis, Amanda Degenhardt, Irene DeMars, Shelli Domiano, Sr. June Engelbrecht, Sal Faldetta, Wade Gill, Wendy Gill, Frank Goelz, Tommy Hebert, Mary E. Herbert, Tom Hess, Kansas Johnson, Stephanie Kippers, Lebowitz Family, Christopher Letendre, Stephanie Livingston, Joe Lobue, Gregg Mader, Payton Mangipano, Fr. Jerry Martin, Cynthia Martinez, Jessica Miller, Lucy Mirando, Joe Mirando, Rosemary Novak, Lydia Palisi, Frank Parrino, Terry Parrino, Wayne & Polly Pepitone, Pete Pfiffner, Robin Poirier, Ronnie Randazzo, Courtney Ridgedell, Adam Robert, Sr., Dutch Schilling, Kayla Sharp, Alexis Sterling, Brittany Stilley, Joe Stolf, Jason Summers, Annie Tallia, Joe Vilardo, Brent J. Waguespack, Sr. and Family, Gabby Young, 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

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time — 06/07 November 2021

4:00PM Vigil
 Sat., 06 Nov.
 St. Margaret

Andy & Olga Bartosh (By Chuck & Sandy Raborn)
Philip Brabham (By Lydia Brabham & Family)
Karen Chemay (By Mark Chemay)
Evelyn Demoulin (By William & Susan Gros)
Pauline Frisbie (By Rosemary Brown & Daughters)
Homer Gaspard (By Wife & Family)
Fred Gauthier (By Rose Gauthier & Family)
Mary, William & Joe L. Juhasz (By the Family)
Vernon & Dorothy Landry (By Pete Pfiffner & Family)
Ray J. Louviere (By Kenny & Barbara Sherman)
Mike Michon (By Mary Ann Michon)
Sue Novak (By Rose Mary Novak & Family))
Dr. William T. O'Brien, III (By Kenny & Barbara Sherman)

June Koles Olah (By Chuck & Sandy Raborn)
Lynette Pfiffner (By Pete Pfiffner & Family)
Peter J. & Elizabeth Pfiffner (By Pete Pfiffner & Family)
Anne Sherman (By Kenny & Barbara Sherman)
Lori Landry Smith (By Pete Pfiffner & Family)
Charles & Marie Stumpf (By Kerry & Robyn Landeche)
Andrew & Irene Sziszak (By Chuck & Sandy Raborn)
Paul Sziszak (By Chuck & Sandy Raborn)
Mildred Magyar Tavaszi (By Chuck & Sandy Raborn)
Yancy Watkins (By Tommy & Mona Watkins)
Harry Wilder (By Cher Arceneaux)
Henry & Nora Williams (By Chuck & Sandy Raborn)

8:00AM
 Sun., 07 Nov.
 St. Thomas

Jerry Adamcewicz (By the Family)
Pauline Frisbie (By Pete Pfiffner & Family)
Doris Haydel (By Cindy Martinez)
Melissa Labranche (By the Family)
John LaGrange (By Edie & Family)
Charlie Martin (By Bella & Raymond Holden)

Bob McKinney (By Mary Mocsary)
Joan McKinney (By Brenda Bailey)
George & Josephine Mocsary (By Mary Mocsary & Sisters)
Mary & Joe Pauli (By Mary Mocsary)
Patrick Tobin (By the Family)
Frances & Roy Winslow (By Mary Mocsary)

10:00AM
 St. Margaret

Missa Pro Populo
(The Mass for All Parishioners)

5:30PM
 St. Margaret

Eric Navarre
 (By George & Kim Navarre)

Mon., 08 Nov. (7:00AM)
 Weekday in Ordinary Time
Paula & Anna Distefano
 (By Joe Distefano)

Tues., 09 Nov. (7:00AM)
 Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (M)
Eric Navarre
 (By George & Kim Navarre)

Wed., 10 Nov. (7:00AM)
 St. Leo the Great (M)
Valentine Langlois
 (By the Family)

Thurs., 11 Nov. (7:00AM)
 St. Martin of Tours (M)
Joseph Reine
 (By the Family)

Fri., 12 Nov. (7:00AM)
 St. Josaphat (M)
Frances Reine
 (By the Family)

The Sanctuary Lamp at St. Margaret this week is given in memory of **Raymond & Irene Horrell** by **Joe & Lucie Hanewinkel**.



SPONSOR A FAMILY THIS CHRISTMAS

It's that time of year to make someone's Christmas merry and bright! Sign up to sponsor a family this holiday season through Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Baton Rouge's Community Comes Together for Christmas program. We have more families than ever before this year. Learn more about who YOU can help at christmas.ccdiobr.org and let us show others just how generous St. Margaret can be!



THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Gather Hymnal Number 1186



1 Kings 17:10-16

The jar of flour shall not go empty.

Hebrews 9:24-28

Now once, for all, he has appeared for the ages.

Mark 12:38-44

She contributed from her poverty.

ANTICIPATING NEXT WEEK

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time — 13/14 November 2021

Daniel 12:1-3; Hebrew 10:11-14, 18; Mark 13:24-32

FALL TIME CHANGE

A friendly reminder that Daylight Savings Time ends the early morning of **Sunday, 07 November 2021**. Don't forget to turn your clocks back one hour before going to bed on **Saturday, 06 November 2021!**



CONGRATS NEWLYWEDS

Congratulations all new couples married at St. Margaret during the month of October including **Justin Clifton & Bailey Palmer** and **Matthew Tregle & Abby Allbritton**. We wish them many blessings in the future together! Contact one of the clergy to schedule your wedding or to learn more about marriage at St. Margaret!

STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY

Weekend of 30/31 October 2021

Weekly Church Support Collection	\$9,576.00
All Saints & All Souls Day Collection	\$3,491.00



Thank you for your continued and generous support!

THE CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Sunday, 07 November 2021

Daylight Savings Time Ends Today!

Building & Maintenance Fund Second Collection!

National Vocations Awareness Week Begins

9:00AM—Coffee & Donuts, St. Thomas

11:00AM—Coffee & Donuts, St. Margaret

11:15AM—PSR (Grades K-6), Hall of Saints

11:15AM—Circle of Grace (Grade 4), Hall of Saints

11:30AM—Family Faith Formation, St. Margaret Room

12:30PM—Junior Youth Group, Hall of Saints

6:45PM—PSR (Grades 7-11), Hall of Saints

Monday, 08 November 2021

9:00AM—One Book, One Church, Seton Room

Tuesday, 09 November 2021

9:00AM—St. Matthew's Guild, Cecilia Room

6:00PM—Consecration to St. Joseph, Seton Room

6:30PM—The Chosen Bible Study, JP II Room

Wednesday, 10 November 2021

7:30AM—Eucharistic Adoration, St. Margaret Church

6:00PM—GriefShare, Ignatius Room

6:30PM—Open Doors (RCIA), Seton Room

6:30PM—Youth Night, JP II Room

7:00PM—KC Fourth Degree, Goretti Room

Thursday, 11 November 2021

Veterans Day!

4:00PM—Confessions, St. Margaret Church

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



Friday, 12 November 2021

No Extraordinary Events Scheduled!

Saturday, 13 November 2021

3:00PM—Confessions, St. Margaret Church

AT OUR NEXT YOUTH NIGHT. . .

Our youth are invited to join us in making Prayer Journals for our Homebound Parishioners on Wednesday, 10 November 2021 at 6:30PM in the St. John Paul II Room in the Hall of Saints. Dinner will be served.



Sundry Ruminations

A Weekly Column from Your Pastor

How do we give? How do we show generosity? Those who have been blessed generously by God often give back more than is required. Spiritually, do we truly give fully of everything we have to God?

In the Gospel, Jesus and his followers are sitting in the courtyard of the temple, watching the line of people make their way to the Temple treasury. I'm sure some people were making a big scene as they threw in a sack of gold coins. But nobody seems to notice the little widow who approaches, throws in two coins, and walks away. Yet, Jesus draws attention to this display. Being a widow in ancient Israel would have been tough in a male dominated society. She was void of a husband; if her oldest son was not yet married, she was in more trouble; and if she has no son, she ought to just return home. To someone not knowing her situation, throwing two small coins in a basket would have seemed negligible. But because of her situation, her donation of everything was immense. She places no value in being recognized. She simply gives fully of everything she has even though this might worsen her status.

There's a lot of things going on in the Scripture readings, but perhaps we should focus on a single point. Like the widow in the Scripture today, do we truly believe that if we give everything to God, it'll come back in the measure we need? Do we give fully of our time? Do we give fully of our talent? Do we give God over our sinfulness fully?

Today, God asks us to give Him **everything** that we have, as much or as little as that might be, with joy, and he'll take care of the rest. And yes, this even includes those parts ourselves that we wish we could forget! Maybe this is a good practice for you. We all walk in the doors of the church and dunk our fingers in the holy water font. Next time you come in, consider it to be a symbolic reminder of today's Gospel challenge. Drop everything that you have for the Lord in the font, and rise again with him in freedom and the certainty that he'll take care of the rest!

Since we celebrated All Saints Day last weekend, we really didn't talk much about another celebration in our Church — National Vocations Awareness Week. Of course, God has blessed our community with many vocations — **Nick Courtney, Randall Waguespack, and John Ryals**. Aside from praying as a community for more vocations this weekend, Randall Waguespack, who will be ordained the deaconate this coming summer will tell us the story of how he listened and responded to the call of God. Pray for more vocations!

Father Jim