



# 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.

PENTECOST SUNDAY

04/05 JUNE 2022

# COME TO US SPIRIT OF GOD!

In the Old Testament, God promised that in the last days, in the days of the Messiah, he would pour out his spirit on all of his people. In Acts, the apostle Peter quotes this promise to explain what is happening when the apostles speak in tongues at Pentecost. This outpouring of the Spirit on Pentecost marks the beginning of the period promised so long ago. But why would God want to mark this great new beginning, the fulfillment of the Messianic promise, the start of the Church, by having the apostles speak in all the myriad languages of the polyglot world of their time? There are so many other things the Spirit might have done! Later, filled with the Spirit, the apostles heal the lame, cure the sick, cast out demons. Why didn't God mark the beginning

of the outpouring of his Spirit by something more glorious than the ability to communicate with others without a translator? Here we should remember the story of the Tower of Babel, told early in Genesis, not so long after the Fall. The people building the Tower of Babel all spoke one language; but they used this power that the commonality of language gave them, for evil, building a tower that reached to heaven. God defeated them by the simple expedient of multiplying their languages and leaving them unable to understand each other. Now, in the new age, Christ offers all people salvation from their sin, through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. In this age of the Spirit-filled church, all human beings are invited into communion with the Lord and with each other. Human beings can be trusted with unity when they are incorporated into the one body of the Lord. And maybe that is why God marks the beginning of the reign of his Spirit in the Church by overturning the Babel of human language. Filled with the Holy Spirit, human beings can be given again what they lost at the Tower of Babel, not for storming heaven, but for proclaiming the kingdom of heaven on earth. -*Eleonore Stump*



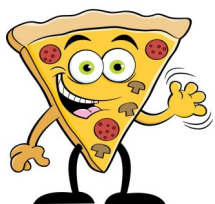
# Events Around the Parish

## ST. MARGARET WELCOMES DEACON JOSEPH BRESOWAR

We welcome Deacon Joseph to our parish from June through October 2022! Here's a little introduction from him so you might get to know him:

*Hello everyone! My name is Joseph Bresowar, and let me first say how excited I am to be with all of you for a few months, beginning this June. God has truly blessed me in many ways, particularly in my formation at the seminary as I prepare to be ordained into His Priesthood. I look forward to sharing my gifts and experiences with the people of St. Margaret and St. Thomas, and to learn from you how to be a better servant and one day shepherd of souls. A bit about me first. I grew up in Gonzales, not far down the road, and was raised in a Catholic family. I went to East Ascension High School and then to LSU to study Civil Engineering. I also come from a family of musicians, so while at LSU, I participated in many musical groups, including their Symphonic Winds classical ensemble and the Golden Band from Tigerland. It was also at LSU that I first began to seriously discern the call to the priesthood, and through the Lord putting certain people in my life at crucial times, He opened me to the real possibility that this was the plan He had in mind for me (see Jeremiah 29:11). I resisted a lot at first; I wanted to do things my way, or at least the easy way. But in time the Lord showed me His goodness and His care for every last bit of me, and I accepted His invitation to make the leap of faith into seminary, and I haven't looked back since. My biggest goal in life is to be a saint, which I truly believe is God's calling for every person, and to lead as many people as possible to believe in Jesus Christ as the one Savior of humanity, and to be active members of His Body, the Church. I enjoy good food (I hear there's a lot of that around here!), watching movies, exercising and playing sports (although I'm not very good at most of them), and the occasional good book. I look forward to getting to know as many of you as possible, although you'll have to be patient with me because I'm very bad with names! Thank you for welcoming me into your parish and allowing me to serve you for a few short months. Know that you are in my prayers, and God bless you.*

*Joseph Bresowar*



## YUMMY FOR YOUR TUMMY

Come and grow in community while getting to know your fellow parishioners! Mark your calendars for this month's "Yummy for Your Tummy." The theme will be "Pizza on the Padre" and will be held in the Parish Hall on **Saturday, 11 June 2022 at 5:00PM**. "The Padres" will provide the pizza if you can bring dessert! Join us for food, fun and fellowship.

## FREE ADOPTION SEMINAR

Interested in adopting, but don't know where to start? Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Baton Rouge is hosting a free virtual Adoption Matters Seminar on **Tuesday, 14 June 2022 at 6:00PM**. Led by adoption experts, learn how you can navigate your way through a successful adoption journey. Registration is required. Visit [adoptbatonrouge.com/events](http://adoptbatonrouge.com/events) to learn more and to show how much you respect the dignity of all human life!



## PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

Vincent Alfano, Maurice Armagnac, Peggy Barringer, George Bates, Batty Family, Cindy Brasington, Nancy Campeaux, Pauline Cannon, Vincent Catalanatto, Amber Stille Cocchiola, Alan Cutrer, Frances Dantin, Hattie Davis, Amanda Degenhardt, Irene DeMars, Shelli Domiano, Sr. June Engelbrecht, Sal Faldetta, Elise "Breezy" Fischer, Hayes Gauley, Wendy Gill, Frank Goelz, Tommy Hebert, Mary E. Herbert, Patty Hubert, Deanna Kennedy, Dee Keslick, Kansas Johnson, Stephanie Kippers, Lebowitz Family, Christopher Letendre, Stephanie Livingston, Pat Tucker Lobue, Gregg Mader, Payton Mangipano, Fr. Jerry Martin, Cynthia Martinez, Jessica Miller, Fay Murray, Rose Mary Novak, Vickie Ortego, Lydia Palisi, Frank Parrino, Terry Parrino, Wayne & Polly Pepitone, Pete Piffner, Carl & Jackie Rabalais, Ronnie Randazzo, Adam Robert, Sr., Jason Rochelle, Dutch Schilling, Kayla Sharp, Alexis Sterling, Brittany Stille, Joe Stolf, Jason Summers, Annie Tallia, Liz Varnado, Joe Vilardo, Brent J. Waguespack, Sr., Dolores Wheat, Robert Wheat and Family, Gabby Young, those in the Armed Services and law enforcement, and all who are in need of our prayers.

### Prayer Works



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

**Want our parishioners to pray for your intentions?** Contact Rose Mary Novak at 985.507.7487.

## MASS INTENTIONS

*Pentecost Sunday — 04/05 June 2022*

<u>4:00PM Vigil</u> Sat., 04 June St. Margaret	<b>Sarah Bankston</b> <i>(By the Class of 1954)</i> <b>Philip Brabham</b> <i>(By Lydia Brabham &amp; Family)</i> <b>Karen Chemay</b> <i>(By Mark Chemay)</i> <b>Joe Gaeta, Sr.</b> <i>(By Cathy Huckabee)</i> <b>Homer Gaspard</b> <i>(By the Family)</i> <b>Fred Gauthier</b> <i>(By Rose Gauthier)</i> <b>Ricky Genre</b> <i>(By Mary Ann &amp; Family)</i> <b>Kathleen Hubbard</b> <i>(By Cathy &amp; Joe Vilardo)</i> <b>Mary, William &amp; Joe L. Juhasz</b> <i>(By the Family)</i> <b>Francis Kronlage</b> <i>(By Alberta &amp; Family)</i> <b>Vernon &amp; Dorothy Landry</b> <i>(By Pete Pfiffner &amp; Family)</i> <b>Roy &amp; Ada LeBlanc</b> <i>(By Alex &amp; Royanne Kropog)</i> <b>Irene M. Leon</b> <i>(By Tommy &amp; Mona Watkins)</i> <b>Ray J. Louviere</b> <i>(By Kenny &amp; Barbara Sherman)</i> <b>Beverly Rose Cunningham Dominique</b> <i>(By Mr. &amp; Mrs. Donald Soignet)</i>	<b>Joe Lobue</b> <i>(By His Wife, Pat)</i> <b>Alfred Martin</b> <i>(By Cathy &amp; Joe Vilardo)</i> <b>Ricky Messer</b> <i>(By Barbara &amp; Kenny Sherman)</i> <b>Sue Novak</b> <i>(By Jim &amp; Family)</i> <b>Dr. William T. O'Brien, III</b> <i>(By Kenny &amp; Barbara Sherman)</i> <b>June Koles Olah</b> <i>(By JuJu's Bunch)</i> <b>Lynette Pfiffner</b> <i>(By Pete Pfiffner &amp; Family)</i> <b>Peter J. &amp; Elizabeth Pfiffner</b> <i>(By Pete Pfiffner &amp; Family)</i> <b>Adam Pritchard</b> <i>(By Cathy &amp; Joe Vilardo)</i> <b>Velma Scallan</b> <i>(By Rose Gauthier)</i> <b>Anne Sherman</b> <i>(By Kenny &amp; Barbara Sherman)</i> <b>Paul Szisak, Jr.</b> <i>(By Chuck &amp; Sandy Raborn)</i> <b>Helen Tallia</b> <i>(By Virginia LaMonica)</i>
<u>8:00AM</u> Sun., 05 June St. Thomas	<b>Jerry Adamcewicz</b> <i>(By the Family)</i> <b>Pauline Frisbie</b> <i>(By Marie &amp; Bill Prokop)</i> <b>Cynthia Kropog</b> <i>(By Julius Kropog)</i>	<b>John LaGrange</b> <i>(By Edie &amp; Family)</i> <b>Charlie Martin</b> <i>(By Susan &amp; Family)</i> <b>Joan McKinney</b> <i>(By Brenda Bailey)</i>
<u>10:00AM</u> St. Margaret	<b>Missa Pro Populo</b> <b>(The Mass for All Parishioners)</b>	<u>5:30PM</u> <b>Eric Navarre</b> St. Margaret <i>(By George &amp; Kim Navarre)</i>
<u>Mon., 06 June (7:00AM)</u> <i>Mary, Mother of the Church (M)</i> <b>Anna &amp; Paula Distefano</b> <i>(By Joe Distefano)</i>	<u>Tue., 07 June (7:00AM)</u> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i> <b>Kristen Miller</b> <i>(By George &amp; Kim Navarre)</i>	<u>Wed., 08 June (7:00AM)</u> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i> <b>Carlo LaPuma</b> <i>(By His Mom, Virginia LaMonica)</i>
<u>Thu., 09 June (7:00AM)</u> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i> <b>Eric Navarre</b> <i>(By George &amp; Kim Navarre)</i>	<u>Fri., 10 June (7:00AM)</u> <i>Weekday in Ordinary Time</i> <b>Adam Mocsary</b> <i>(By St. Margaret Parishioners)</i>	



The Sanctuary Lamp at St. Margaret this week is given in memory of **Pauline Frisbie** by the Family.



### WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED

Our Respect Life Ministry is soon to provide another opportunity to serve! A new initiative called "Walking with Moms in Need" will be introduced to our parish to accompany pregnant women in need. As Pope Francis reminds us, our parishes need to be "islands of mercy in the midst of the sea of indifference." This initiative is inspired by St. John Paul II's to assess our efforts in building a culture of life, and the Respect Life Ministry's intention is to increase our outreach to pregnant women and parenting women facing difficulties. All parishioners are invited to a meeting on **Saturday, 25 June**

**2022 at 5:00PM** (after the 4:00pm Mass) in the St. Margaret Room of the Hall of Saints. There will be refreshments and finger foods for your enjoyment as we discuss this new opportunity. Throughout the Easter season, Fr. Jamin and Fr. Paul have been telling us all that we are people of the Light. This could be the opportunity for you to shine your Light. Please come and join us for what could be a life changing experience!

### PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed on **Wednesday, 08 June 2022** from **9:00AM to 1:00PM** for our monthly Staff Meeting. Please take care of any business you may have before or after this time! Thanks for your consideration!

**Church  
office  
closed**

### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

*Gather Hymnal Number 1084*

**Acts 2:1-11**

*The Spirit's presence is among Jesus' disciples.*

**I Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13**

*All the Spirit's gifts are equal and necessary.*

**John 14:15-16, 23b-26**

*The Holy Spirit will teach you everything.*



### ANTICIPATING NEXT WEEK

*The Most Holy Trinity — 11/12 June 2022*

**Proverbs 8:22-31, 166; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15**

## STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY

Weekend of 28/29 May 2022

Weekly Church Support Collection	\$11,509.00
Mission Krewe Second Collection	\$2,517.00



*Thank you for your continued and generous support!*

*Next weekend's second collection is for our local chapter of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul!*

## THE CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, 05 June 2022

*Building & Maintenance Fund Second Collection!*

*Welcome Deacon Joseph Bresomar!*

*Coffee & Donut Ministry Sunday!*

5:30PM—Adult Confirmation Celebration, St. Margaret

### Monday, 06 June 2022

10:00AM—St. Thomas Altar Society, St. Thomas Chapel

### Tuesday, 07 June 2022

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

9:30AM—Bible Study, Acts Part I, Seton Room

6:00PM—Bible Study, Acts Part I, Seton Room

7:00PM—Knights of Columbus, Ignatius Room

7:00PM—Ladies Auxiliary, Goretti Room

### Wednesday, 08 June 2022

*Parish Office Closed from 9:00AM until 1:00PM!*

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

9:00AM—Staff Meeting, Seton Room

6:30PM—Youth Group, John Paul II Room

7:00PM—KC Fourth Degree Meeting, Goretti Room

### Thursday, 09 June 2022

4:00PM—Confessions, St. Margaret Church

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

### Friday, 10 June 2022

*No Extraordinary Events Scheduled!*

### Saturday, 11 June 2022

*St. Vincent de Paul Second Collection!*

10:00AM—High School Kickball Tournament, Off Campus

3:00PM—Confessions, St. Margaret Church

5:00PM—Yummy for Your Tummy, Parish Hall



## LOOKING FORWARD TO VBS



Vacation Bible School is just around the corner! Mark your calendars for **Monday, 18 July** through **Friday, 22 July 2022** for *Monumental: Celebrating God's Greatness*. Be on the lookout for the more information and the registration form in our bulletin and on our website!



## Sundry Ruminations

*A Weekly Column from Your Pastor*

Imagine a fledgling church at its worst, the most miserable little conglomeration ever to take upon itself the name “church.” It didn’t have an organ, a piano, a choir, or even a pastor. It was simply a gathering of ragamuffin men gathered after the death of their teacher. Why did they and why do we call ourselves “Church” in the first place?

For long, painstaking chapters in John’s gospel, Jesus had been preparing his disciples for his departure. He went over and over again his commandments to love one another, to be bold, to trust him, to be the branches to his vine, to feed on the Bread of Life, to be ready to follow him at all costs. Now look at them: traitors, doubters, cowards - too afraid to unlock the doors where they were gathered because they might be arrested, or even worse, beaten up. Somebody wasn’t paying attention to their Master! They were supposed to be the ones walking confidently out into the world, full of the Holy Spirit. Yet, here they are, scared, disheartened, and defensive. And yet, they’re still called “Church.” Today’s gospel presents a church with absolutely nothing going for it except for one thing: when it gathered, the Risen Christ pushed through the locked door, threw back the bolt, and stood there in their midst. Church wasn’t defined by the presence of “nice things.” Rather, it was defined by the presence of Christ and its members.

Maybe the question we should ask ourselves is what defines our Church today? What are those locked doors that we hide behind that keep us from truly understanding the mysteries that we celebrate? I suspect that there are churches who look successful, prosperous and thriving with their attractive, well-maintained buildings, their numerous programs and activities. Yet, at their heart, they are cold and dead. Keep everyone busy, going to meetings, yoga classes, twelve-step programs and maybe no one will ever notice that there’s no room left for God! We plan services, proof-read bulletins, make sure that everything is precise and planned, all in the name of predictability, control and image. We succeed at being uplifting moral improvements for society and provide a place for retirees to hang out during the week, but do we fail at being Church?

We are truly Church when we offer our gifts and talents, known or unknown, in service to the people of God. We are truly Church when we adversely participate in demonstrations of truth in counter-cultural contexts. We are truly Church when we witness the fruits of our hope - extraordinary conversion in the mundane aspects of life. Church isn’t my hard work or your earnest effort. It is a gift, a visitation, an intrusion of the Living Christ. Do you call yourself a Church?

*Father Sam*