



# 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*  
Rev. Paul Gros (Ext. 111) *Parochial Vicar*  
Deacon Byrd Corbett (Ext. 108) *Permanent Deacon*  
Deacon Tim Messenger (Ext. 149) *Permanent Deacon*  
Deacon Randall Waguespack *Permanent Deacon*  
Mary E. Herbert (Ext. 105) *Administrative Assistant*  
Tammy Resetar (Ext. 101) *Receptionist*  
Lucie Hanewinkel (Ext. 103) *Adult Formation*  
Shirley Darouse (Ext. 104) *Contributions Manager*  
Gill Scioneaux (Ext. 150) *Maintenance Supervisor*  
Ansleigh Munn (Ext. 113) *Youth Minister*  
Landon Goings (Ext. 112) *Sacraments & Catechesis*  
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*)

#### 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.

## LOSING EVERYTHING

Jesus recommends hatred—of your mother and father, of your wife (or husband), in fact, of your very life. What’s to hate about these people? How can Jesus say that unless you hate them, you can’t be his disciple? Didn’t Jesus command us to love our neighbors as ourselves? How can you hate your life if you love yourself? Well, think of St. Thomas More. Henry VIII of England wanted his own marriage to his wife annulled so that he could marry another woman, Anne. (Anglicans and Catholics both have troublesome characters in their history!) When the Pope wouldn’t agree to what Henry wanted, Henry declared himself supreme head of the Church in England. Thomas More was Chancellor of England then, and Henry wanted More to support him in all this. Henry wanted More to sign the Oath of Supremacy declaring Henry the Supreme Head of the Church in England. More saw that Henry’s passion for Anne was moving Henry to betray his wife and bring scandal on the Church. And More wouldn’t support him. He wouldn’t sign the Oath. So More resigned his chancellorship and went home. But Henry pursued him. First, he stripped More of his income and property, and then he imprisoned him. More’s wife was frantic. More’s children were heart-broken. They thought that More’s life hung in the balance, and they were right. Couldn’t More have just signed that Oath? His wife would have had him home. His children would have rejoiced at his return. He would have kept his property. He would have kept his life. But he would have lost his life in keeping it. He would have betrayed the Lord he loved if he had signed that Oath. So More lost all his possessions. He left his wife and children behind and went to prison. And finally he went to his death, for love of the Lord. This



is the kind of hatred of life and loved ones that the Lord is talking about. More loved his family and his life, but he let go of everything for love of Christ. Because he maintained his integrity and did not let Henry push him into evil, More was true to the Lord he loved and to himself. He could not have loved himself or his wife or his children or his neighbors better than he did. *-Eleonore Stump*

# Events Around the Parish

## YUMMY FOR YOUR TUMMY

Come join our "Tailgate Party" and grow in community while getting to know your fellow parishioners! Our next "Yummy for Your Tummy" will be held in the Parish Hall next **Saturday, 10 September 2022 at 5:00PM**. Bring your favorite tailgating fare: grilled foods, chips, dips, sandwiches, brownies and cookies. Join us for food, fun and fellowship!



*Have a safe Labor Day*

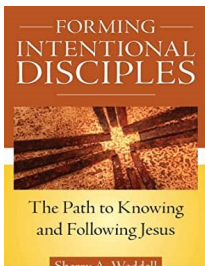
## NO PSR THIS WEEKEND!

There will be NO PSR this **Sunday, 04 September 2022** in observance of Labor Day! Classes will resume next **Sunday, 11 September 2022**.



## ONE BOOK, ONE CHURCH

All men and women in the parish are invited to participate in our upcoming book study! The group will meet in the Hall of Saints on the following Monday evenings: **12, 19 and 26 September and 03 October 2022 at 6:00PM**. The group will read collectively *Forming Intentional Disciples* by Sherry A. Weddell. Registration forms and additional information are available on the website and in the parish office. Joining One Book, One Church is a wonderful way that you can learn more about your faith with other members of our community!



## FLU CLINIC COMING SOON!

St. Margaret will host a Flu Clinic next **Sunday, 11 September 2022** from **9:00AM until 12:00PM** in the Parish Hall. Release forms will be available on site. Plan to get your flu shot, and remember to bring your insurance card!



## JOIN US AT THE TABLE!

South Louisiana is no stranger to natural disasters and the long recovery that takes place in their aftermath. Thomas' Table provides support to the parish and civic community so that we can be proactive rather than reactive before calamity strikes. Our first organizational meeting will be held next **Saturday, 10 September 2022 at 6:00PM** in the Hall of Saints. When disaster does hit locally or nearby, ministers mobilize to provide St. Margaret's Helping Hands! Not ironically, St. Thomas – our secondary patron – is the patron saint of chefs! Interested in cooking up a storm? Or are you willing to help us mobilize when we need to respond? This, indeed, is your ministry!



## THEOLOGY IN A BOTTLE

Our next session of "Theology in a Bottle," our adult education ministry, will be on **Sunday, 18 September 2022 at 6:45PM** in the St. Margaret Room. Deacon Joseph Bresowar will be presenting "Pervasively Potent: Sacraments—Outward Signs of Invisible Realities." Spread the word about learning more about your faith!

## ROOTED IN CHRIST

St. Margaret's Young Adult Ministry seeks to integrate faith with fun to provide spiritual enrichment for a much overlooked demographic in the Catholic Church. We will have a Young Adult Social Gathering on **Saturday, 17 September 2022 at 5:00PM** in the Parish Hall. Join us to connect with other young adults in our community! Contact the parish office to find out more information!



## PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

Peggy Barringer, George Bates, Cindy Brasington, Nancy Campeaux, Vincent Catalanatto, Kristie Cleveland, Amber Stilley Cocchiola, Frances Dantin, Hattie Davis, Irene DeMars, Sr. June Engelbrecht, Sal Faldetta, Wendy Gill, Frank Goelz, Kathleen Green, Mary E. Herbert, Tommy Hebert, Patty Hubert, Kansas Johnson, Flavia Langan, Noah Langan, Lebovitz Family, Fr. Jerry Martin, Butch Meche, Rose Mary Novak, Frank Parrino, Terry Parrino, Wayne & Polly Pepitone, Pete Pfiffner, Carl & Jackie Rabalais, Ronnie Randazzo, Brittany Stilley, Joe Stolf, Jason Summers, Annie Tallia, Trysten Tucker, Joe Vilardo, 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 Rose Mary Novak at 985.507.7487.



## SIGN UP TO HELP OUR CORE TEAM

Did you know that every youth group meeting we share a meal? This is made possible by our Core Team and generous parishioners! Sometimes it is a Cane's tailgate and others it is homemade spaghetti! This is one way to support our youth here at St. Margaret. We hope you consider bringing them a meal at one of their youth events! Check out our Sign Up Genius to see when we need help. If you would rather help donate items or set up/clean up, there are opportunities for that also! Sign up at [www.signupgenius.com/go/70a044caaf2da6f94-fall1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a044caaf2da6f94-fall1) or scan the QR code!



## CATHOLIC CHARITIES COUNSELING SERVICES AVAILABLE

Catholic Charities will be providing high-quality, professional counseling offered by a Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), at St. Albert the Great Catholic Student Center in Hammond. Services include individual, marriage and family counseling. Face to face and virtual appointments are available, a number of health insurances are accepted, there is a sliding fee scale for those without insurance, and services available to people of all faiths. For more information, visit <https://www.ccdiobr.org/what-we-do/mental-health-counseling/behavioral-health-services/>. Please call 225-336-8708 to make an appointment.

## CONSECRATION TO ST. JOSEPH

On 24 August 2022, another Consecration to St. Joseph at St. Joseph Church in Ponchatoula was completed. Pictured (from left to right) are: Debbie Shelton, Joseph Vilardo, Jr., Munyoung Guillot, Glenn Young, Rhonda Young, Joseph Stovall, Jeremy Barado, John Stovall, and April Stovall. It was an awesome group! For more information on any Consecration, please contact Ron Huguet at 504.232.2484 or [ronhuguet@outlook.com](mailto:ronhuguet@outlook.com)



## LORD, TEACH ME TO PRAY

To the Ladies of St. Margaret: St. Joseph's Catholic Church is offering the Ignatian Prayer Series, "Lord, Teach Me to Pray". What IS "Lord, Teach Me to Pray?" It is a program based on the teachings of St. Ignatius of Loyola. Participants pray, reflect, and journal on assigned Scriptures daily (for about 15 minutes). The group meets weekly to pray, share, and learn about Ignatian prayer. Lord, Teach Me to Pray is not a Bible study. The series helps participants to grow closer to our Lord by listening with our hearts to discover what He wants us to hear through His Word. Please join them for the next sessions, which start on **Tuesday, 13 September 2022 at 8:45AM** in the St. Joseph Church Conference Room. For more information or to sign up, please contact Terri Huguet at 504-450-5459 or email [terriplace@ymail.com](mailto:terriplace@ymail.com). To learn more about the series, please visit [lordteachmetoprayer.com](http://lordteachmetoprayer.com).



## STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE?

There is less than a week left to sign up for Retrouvaille. Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness and simply shut down. Others experience conflict and arguments in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped numerous couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels including disillusionment and deep misery. For confidential information about the program or to register for the September cohort beginning with a weekend on **16-18 September 2022**, call 225.271.4092, email [BatonRouge@helpourmarriage.org](mailto:BatonRouge@helpourmarriage.org), or visit the web site at [www.HelpOurMarriage.org](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.org).



## WOMAN'S NEW LIFE CLINIC

INTERESTED IN JOINING OUR TEAM? Woman's New Life Clinic invites applications for a full-time or part-time professional counseling position in our Baton Rouge clinic. Applicants must demonstrate proficiencies in providing crisis counseling; assessment; counseling and intervention services applicable to women and couples experiencing unplanned pregnancy, posttraumatic stress, grief and/or depression related to pregnancy loss; and other related behavioral and emotional issues. Applicants must be willing to work within a multi-disciplinary team environment. Minimum Qualifications: Master's degree in a mental health related field (psychology, social work, counseling, rehabilitation counseling) with at least one year experience. To learn more about the clinic or positions, email [ssaavedra@womansnewlife.com](mailto:ssaavedra@womansnewlife.com)

## MASS INTENTIONS

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time — 03/04 September 2022

**4:00PM Vigil**  
 Sat., 03 Sep.  
 St. Margaret

**William Arpan, II** (By the Family)  
**Sarah Bankston** (By Marie & Bill Prokop)  
**Philip Brabham** (By Lydia Brabham & Family)  
**Karen Chemay** (By Mark Chemay)  
**Phillip Clifton** (By Kevin & Louis Schilling)  
**Anna Distefano** (By Joe Distefano)  
**Peter "Larry" Fos, Jr.** (By Gayle & Paul Gremillion)  
**Homer Gaspard** (By His Grandchildren)  
**Fred Gauthier** (By Rose Gauthier)  
**Ricky Genre** (By Mary Ann & Family)  
**Mary, William & Joe L. Juhasz** (By the Family)  
**Francis Kronlage** (By Alberta & Family)  
**Vernon & Dorothy Landry** (By Pete Pfiffner & Family)  
**Leann Collet** (By Joe Ticheli, Marie Bordelon, Paula Monk & Family)

**8:00AM**  
 Sun., 04 Sep.  
 St. Thomas

**Jerry Adamcewicz** (By the Family)  
**Jason Degenhardt** (By the Degenhardt Family)  
**Pauline Frisbie** (By the Family)  
**Dorothy Seller Guillory** (By the Family)  
**Melissa Labranche** (By the Family)

**10:00AM**  
 St. Margaret

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

**Mon., 05 Sep. (7:00AM)**  
 Weekday in Ordinary Time  
**Jimmy & Michael Darouse**  
 (By the Family)

**Tue., 06 Sep. (7:00AM)**  
 Weekday in Ordinary Time  
**Eric Navarre**  
 (By George & Kim Navarre)

**Thu., 08 Sep. (7:00AM)**  
 The Nativity of the BVM (F)  
**Anna Distefano**  
 (By Joe Distefano)

**Fri., 09 Sep. (7:00AM)**  
 St. Peter Claver (M)  
**Anna & Paula Distefano**  
 (By Joe Distefano)

**Ray J. Louviere** (By Kenny & Barbara Sherman)  
**Adam Mocsary** (By the Family)  
**Sue Novak** (By Jim & Family)  
**Dr. William T. O'Brien, III** (By Kenny & Barbara Sherman)  
**June Koles Olah** (By JuJu's Bunch)  
**Lynette Pfiffner** (By Pete Pfiffner & Family)  
**Peter J. & Elizabeth Pfiffner** (By Pete Pfiffner & Family)  
**Emily Quintana** (By the Gaspard & Littlejohn Families)  
**Bill Rogers, Jr.** (By Mike & Betty Rogers & Sisters)  
**Anne Sherman** (By Kenny & Barbara Sherman)  
**David & Lori Landry Smith** (By Barbara & Rodley Henry)  
**Yancy Watkins** (By Tommy & Mona Watkins)

**John LaGrange** (By Edie & Family)  
**Charlie Martin** (By Susan & Family)  
**Joan McKinney** (By Brenda Bailey)  
**Charles & Marie Stumpf** (By Kerry & Robyn Landeche)  
**Patrick Tobin** (By the Family)

**5:30PM**  
 St. Margaret

**June Koles Olah**  
 (By Chuck & Sandy Raborn)

**Wed., 07 Sep. (7:00AM)**  
 Weekday in Ordinary Time  
**Carlo LaPuma**  
 (By His Mom, Virginia LaMonica)



The Sanctuary Lamp at St. Margaret this week is given in memory of **Yancy Watkins** by George & Kim Navarre.



**Thanks for Your Support!**

### THANKS FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

The St. Margaret Ladies Auxiliary wish to thank the parishioners of St. Margaret/St. Thomas for their generous donations to their recent "School Supplies for Seminarians" drive. Each of the Baton Rouge Diocese seminarians received an abundance of supplies and gift cards. Please continue to prayer for these men as they answer His call!

### MARRIED 25, 50, OR OVER 65 YEARS?

If you are celebrating 25, 50 or over 65 years of wedded marital bliss this year, "Happy Anniversary!" The Diocese of Baton Rouge would like to honor your loving commitment to each other! Please contact Tammy in the Parish Office to tell us more about your marriage!



*Happy Anniversary*

### PRAYERS OF LOVE AND SYMPATHY

Our faith community offers prayers of comfort and consolation to the family of Cheryl Brothers who recently passed away. Cheryl has been our Music Ministry Coordinator and Organist for years now, and we'll miss her melodious tunes and wonderful smile. Eternal rest grant onto her, O Lord!

### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

*Gather Hymnal Number 1160*

**Wisdom 9:13-18b**

*God is inscrutable.*

**Philemon 9-10, 12-17**

*Paul wishes to return the slave*

*Onesimus to Philemon.*

**Luke 14:25-33**

*Discipleship requires detachment.*



### ANTICIPATING NEXT WEEK

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 10/11 September 2022  
**Exodus 32:7-11, 13-14; 1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-32**

## STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY

*Weekend of 27/28 August 2022*

Weekly Church Support Collection	\$10,008.00
Prison Ministry Second Collection	\$2,696.00



*Thank you for your continued and generous support!*

*The special collection next weekend is for  
the Catholic University of America!*

## THE CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, 04 September 2022

*Building & Maintenance Fund Second Collection!*  
*No PSR Classes Today—Labor Day Holiday!*  
9:00AM & 11:00AM—Coffee & Donut Ministry

### Monday, 05 September 2022

*Happy Labor Day!*  
10:00AM—Altar Society, St. Thomas Chapel

### Tuesday, 06 September 2022

9:00AM—St. Matthew's Guild, Cecilia Room  
7:00PM—Knights of Columbus, St. Margaret Room  
7:00PM—Ladies Auxiliary, Goretti Room

### Wednesday, 07 September 2022

7:30AM—Eucharistic Adoration, St. Margaret Church  
6:00PM—GriefShare, Ignatius Room  
6:30PM—RCIA, Seton Room  
6:30PM—Youth Group, John Paul II Room

### Thursday, 08 September 2022

4:00PM—Confessions, St. Margaret Church  
6:00PM—The Bible Timeline Study, Hall of Saints

### Friday, 09 September 2022

*No Extraordinary Events Scheduled!*

### Saturday, 10 September 2022

*Catholic University of America Special Collection!*  
*KC Chicken Dinner Ticket Sales!*  
3:00PM—Confessions, St. Margaret Church  
5:00PM—Yummy for Your Tummy, Parish Hall  
6:00PM—Thomas' Table Organizational Meeting, Seton



## A VOCATION VIEW



Having a loose grasp on those things that rightly belong to God is required of every follower. The open hands you are left with will be filled to overflow-

ing by God. Can you let go? If God is calling you, call or email Father Joshua Johnson at 225.336.8778 or at [jjohnson@diobr.org](mailto:jjohnson@diobr.org), or visit [www.diobr.org/vocations](http://www.diobr.org/vocations).



## Sundry Ruminations

*A Weekly Column from Your Pastor*

We're all forced to make choices in our lives, and they always seem so black or white. In other words, we're always taking sides. We're either Republican or Democrat. It's either Coke or Pepsi; for Martini drinkers, it's either Gin or Vodka. I think that we try to do the same thing in our faith life too: there's God's sphere and the public sphere, and we ally with one or the other. But when it comes to our faith life, making right choices is the beginning of discipleship!

Jesus in the Gospel seems to be forcing the disciples to make a choice. He gives them two options. Either they can retain their family ties, or if they're willing to follow him, they can give up everything, even their family! Jesus seems to be telling his disciples, "Look, if you're going to follow me, you better know what you're getting in to and be willing to do it for the long haul." In other words, making choices is only the beginning of radical discipleship.

There's Good News in all of this for us. Yes, it seems like our faith life is made up of a bunch of different choices, and might sometimes be difficult to gauge which choices we're supposed to make. I think today's Gospel invitation to us, though, is to remember that making right choices is simply the beginnings of discipleship. Perhaps we should check to see if we're making the right choices in relationship to God's first two commandments before we even begin to question our fidelity to the rest of God's rules. Do we choose other things ahead of God? iPods, relationships with spouses or significant others, hobbies – all of these choices over God sometime detract us from being true disciples! And do we choose to love others as much as we love ourselves? How do we choose that love? Discipleship itself is a choice that we have to make. Yet, there are so many other choices out there! Things like money, power, and fame all might tempt us to choose them since they seem to be the easier, more popular choice that offer immediate benefits. Remember, though, that our choices affect our relationship with God and with one another. And if we choose God and his word, we might be surprised at the riches it contains!

I'm back this week after a much needed vacation. Since inquiring minds wanted to know, I spent the past nine or so days between Amsterdam in the Netherlands and Paris in France. It's interesting always checking out what a post-COVID world looks like, especially internationally. While there, I was able to visit many spiritual sites, especially one of my favorites—Notre Dame de Paris— which remains under construction after the fire that nearly consumed the entire edifice back in 2019. But it's always good to be home, for sure. Fr. Paul had a busy weekend last week; wonder if he's glad I'm back?

*Father Paul*