



# 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

Very Rev. Jamin S. David, J.C.L. (Ext. 102) *Pastor*  
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Deacon Tim Messenger (Ext. 149) *Permanent Deacon*  
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Rachael Johnson (Ext. 113) *Youth Minister*  
Cindy Weber (Ext. 107) *Digital Media Coordinator*  
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.

# “The Pew Buddy”

*The Weekly Parish Bulletin*

**2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 14/15 JANUARY 2023**

## BEHOLD THE LAMB OF GOD

I was struck by what John the Baptist said as he saw Jesus, words that were not included in Matthew’s description: “Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world.” Behold the Lamb of God. We hear the phrase at every Mass, but most of us never really think about it very much. The Baptism story gives us a chance to do so. Lambs held a special place in the Jewish temple of those days. An offeror would bring one (or another animal) with them in order to sacrifice it. Sacrifice? Why sacrifice? One belief was that since the innocent creature would be released from this world by dying, and thus would go up to God’s pure heaven as a gift. But because its roots were thoroughly of the earth, it became a sign of the union between God in heaven and the people down below. Jesus, by being baptized, was offering himself like a lamb, surrendering himself at the table of sacrifice. And, like the lambs, his roots as a human being were of this earth, with death releasing him to be the complete union of God with the people that he was also. Symbolically, he was showing us that he belonged to both realities, heaven and earth. So, this Second Sunday of Ordinary Time, like a prayer repetition, yields deeper understanding of baptism, Jesus’ baptism, and his name, Lamb of God. He was already united with God, but he was also an innocent member of the people. He carried this people’s lives and even their sins right into God’s forgiving bosom. —*John Foley, SJ*



# Events Around the Parish

## WELCOME OUR NEW YOUTH MINISTER!

Rachael is currently a student at Divine Mercy University where she is pursuing her Masters degree in Clinical Mental Health Counseling. After graduation, Rachael hopes to help others find healing through a holistic approach in her practice. Rachael loves Jesus, living a sacramental life, coffee, ministering to the youth, and a good shenanigan. The first thing that Rachael noticed about St. Margaret was the warmth that radiates from the intentional community which is firmly founded in faith in Christ. Join in welcoming Rachael to her new position here at St. Margaret!



## THEOLOGY IN A BOTTLE—AN ELIXIR FOR EVERYONE

Our next session of "Theology in a Bottle," our adult education ministry, will be this **Sunday, 15 January 2023** at **6:45PM** in the St. Margaret Room. Deacon Ed Hanks and Julie Hanks will host a panel presenting "An Elixir for Everyone: Helping Those Encountering Unexpected Pregnancy". Everyone is welcome to attend! Spread the word about learning more about your faith!

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Join Bishop Michael Duca to celebrate couples married for 25, 50, or 65 years or more on **Sunday, 19 February 2023** at **2:00PM** at St. Aloysius Church in Baton Rouge. The families of the honored couples are also invited to attend the liturgy and the Reception afterward in the St. Aloysius Parish Hall. Would you like to register as a participant so that our local Church can celebrate your important anniversary? Contact Tammy in the Parish Office by **Wednesday, 01 February 2022** to register!

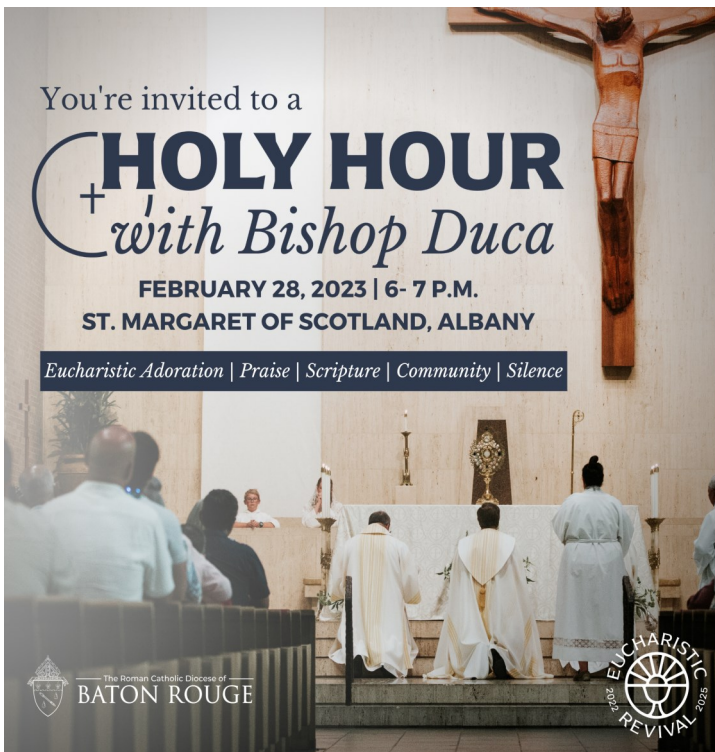


You're invited to a

## HOLY HOUR with Bishop Duca

**FEBRUARY 28, 2023 | 6- 7 P.M.**  
**ST. MARGARET OF SCOTLAND, ALBANY**

*Eucharistic Adoration | Praise | Scripture | Community | Silence*



## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Following the Holy Hour with Bishop Duca on **Tuesday, 28 February 2023**, we will have a reception in the Parish Hall. We are rounding up volunteers to help make our reception a successful event. If you would like to volunteer to help with preparation, serving, or cleanup, please contact Emily LeBlanc at 225.445.5416 or at [emmylebl@gmail.com](mailto:emmylebl@gmail.com).

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY

Peggy Barringer, George Bates, Cindy Brasington, Tommy Bush, Nancy Campeaux, Vincent Catalanatto, Amber Stilley Cocchiola, Hattie Davis, Irene DeMars, Shelli Domiano, Sr. June Engelbrecht, Sal Faldetta, Patty Friedman, Elise "Breezy" Fischer, Rose Gauthier, Wendy Gill, Frank Goelz, Tommy Hebert, Mary E. Herbert, Patty Hubert, Drew Hutchinson, Kansas Johnson, Donna Laciura, Flavia Langan, Noah Langan, Lebovitz Family, Gregg Mader, Fr. Jerry Martin, Penny McCallister, Butch Meche, Virginia Mocsary, Fay Murray, Rose Mary Novak, Terry Parrino, Wayne & Polly Pepitone, Pete Pfiffner, Carl & Jackie Rabalais, Ronnie Randazzo, Angi Scighicque, Brittany Stilley, Joe Stolf, Jason Summers, Annie Tallia, Carolyn Toole, Tonya Trammel, 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.



## MASS INTENTIONS

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time — 14/15 January 2023

**4:00PM Vigil**  
Sat., 14 Jan.  
St. Margaret

**John Aranyosi** (By Marie & Bill Prokop)  
**Sarah & Jacquelyn Bankston** (By the Family)  
**Rose Barras** (By the Family)  
**Kevin Calecas** (By Family & Friends)  
**Karen Chemay** (By Mark Chemay)  
**Frances Dantin** (By Barbara Stallcup)  
**Homer Gaspard** (By His Grandchildren)  
**Ricky Genre** (By Mary Ann & Family)  
**Steve & Beryl Ivanyisky** (By Raymond Bankston)  
**Helen Kropog** (By Frank Minardi)  
**Steve & Ann Kropog** (By Stephen & Linda Kropog)  
**Vernon & Dorothy Landry** (By Pete Pfiffner & Family)  
**Ray J. Louviere** (By Kenny & Barbara Sherman)

**8:00AM**  
Sun., 15 Jan.  
St. Thomas

**Jerry Adamcewicz** (By the Family)  
**Anthony & Anna Friedman** (By the Family)  
**Judy Friedman** (By the Family)  
**Pauline Frisbie** (By the Family)  
**Jamie Torres Hadley** (By Gill & Darlene Scioneaux)

**10:00AM**  
St. Margaret

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

Mon., 16 Jan. (7:00AM)  
Weekday in Ordinary Time  
**Valentine Langlois**  
(By the Family)

Thu., 19 Jan. (7:00AM)  
Weekday in Ordinary Time  
**Anna & Paula Distefano**  
(By Joe Distefano)

Tue., 17 Jan. (7:00AM)  
St. Anthony (M)  
**Lynette Pfiffner**  
(By Pete Pfiffner & Family)

Fri., 20 Jan. (7:00AM)  
Weekday in Ordinary Time  
**Eric Navarre**  
(By George & Kim Navarre)

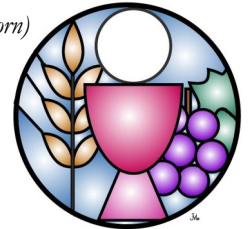
**John Tyler Lyles** (By Kenny & Barbara Sherman)  
**Adam Mocsary** (By the Family)  
**Andrew Morales** (By Sharon & Kent Miano)  
**Sue Novak** (By Jim & Family)  
**Dr. William T. O'Brien, III** (By Kenny & Barbara Sherman)  
**June Koles Olah** (By Rose Mary Novak)  
**Lynette Pfiffner** (By Pete Pfiffner & Family)  
**Peter J. & Elizabeth Pfiffner** (By Pete Pfiffner & Family)  
**Bill Rogers, Jr.** (By Donald & Roxanne Quinn)  
**Anne Sherman** (By Kenny & Barbara Sherman)  
**Delores Ann Plauche' Smith** (By the Plauche' Family)  
**Andrew & Irene Sziszak** (By Chuck & Sandy Raborn)  
**James Waguespack** (By Deacon Randall & Patricia Waguespack)

**Helen Kropog** (By Marie & Bill Prokop)  
**John LaGrange** (By Edie & Family)  
**Joan Bailey McKinney** (By Brenda Bailey)  
**Charlie Martin** (By Susan & Family)  
**Frank Parrino** (By Terry Parrino)

**5:30PM**  
St. Margaret

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

Wed., 18 Jan. (7:00AM)  
Weekday in Ordinary Time  
**Helen Kropog**  
(By Ernie & Sylvia Bush)



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



### REQUEST YOUR TAX STATEMENT!

Tax time is almost here! If you need a statement of your annual contributions to our Church community for 2022, please call Shirley Darouse at extension 104 and leave her a message with your name and specific request. Thank you for your generosity to our parish all throughout the year! Parishioners really make St. Margaret a dynamic parish!

### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Gather Hymnal Number 1095

**Isaiah 49:3, 5-6**

*The servant will bring salvation.*

**1 Corinthians 1:1-3**

*All who call upon the name of Jesus are called to be holy.*

**John 1:29-34**

*John proclaims Jesus as the Son of God and the Lamb of God.*



### ANTICIPATING NEXT WEEK

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time — 21/22 January 2023

**Isaiah 8:23-9:3; 1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17;**

**Matthew 4:12-23**

### PRAY WITH OUR LADY

“It is true that on our way we have hard battles to fight and serious obstacles to overcome, but Mary, our Mother and Queen, stays close to her faithful servants. She is always at hand to brighten their darkness, clear away their doubts, strengthen them in their fears, sustain them in their combats and trials.” *St. Louis de Montfort.*

Welcome Our Lady into your home for a weeklong visit. Consider taking this opportunity to invite friends and neighbors to participate in praying a special Rosary for peace and all your special intentions and needs with Our Lady. For more information or to sign up for this devotion, text or call and leave a message for Janeen Broussard at 504.628.5526. All of our community is invited to participate!



## STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY

*Weekend of 07/08 January 2023*

Weekly Church Support Collections	\$12,200.00
Building & Maintenance Fund Collection	\$4,891.00



*Thanks for your great and continued generosity to us!*

## THE CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

### Sunday, 15 January 2023

- 11:00AM—Thomas' Table Monthly Meal, Parish Hall
- 11:15AM—PSR (Grades K-6), Hall of Saints
- 11:15AM—PSR Reconciliation (Grades 3 & 4)
- 12:00PM—1st Eucharist Meeting, St. Margaret Room
- 12:30PM—Junior Youth Group, John Paul II Room
- 6:45PM—PSR (Grades 7-11), Hall of Saints
- 6:45PM—Theology in a Bottle, St. Margaret Room

### Monday, 16 January 2023

- 5:00PM—Mondays with Mary, St. Margaret Church

### Tuesday, 17 January 2023

- 9:00AM—St. Matthew's Guild, Cecilia Room
- 6:00PM—Hungarian Language Class, Seton Room
- 6:00PM—Adult Confirmation Class, Goretti Room
- 6:00PM—One Book, One Church, Vianney Room
- 6:00PM—Missions & Retreats, Ignatius Room

### Wednesday, 18 January 2023

- 7:30AM—Eucharistic Adoration, St. Margaret Church
- 6:00PM—Pastoral Council Meeting, Bosco Room
- 6:30PM—RCIA, Seton Room
- 6:30PM—Youth Group, John Paul II Room

### Thursday, 19 January 2023

- 4:00PM—Confessions, St. Margaret Church
- 5:30PM—Vocations Committee, Ignatius Room
- 5:30PM—CDA Rosary, Parish Hall
- 6:00PM—Catholic Daughters Meeting, Parish Hall
- 6:00PM—The Bible Timeline Study, Hall of Saints

### Friday, 20 January 2023

*No Extraordinary Events Scheduled Today!*

### Saturday, 21 January 2023

- KC Pulled Pork Dinner Ticket Sales!*
- 3:00PM—Confessions, St. Margaret Church



## MANDATORY YOUTH RETREAT



Our high school PSR students will participate in a mandatory retreat on **Saturday, 28 January 2023** at **9:00AM** here at St. Margaret. Please pray for these young people as they prepare for this next step in their faith formation!



## Sundry Ruminations

*A Weekly Column from Your Pastor*

I really don't know what to think about John the Baptist. On the one hand, he kind of scares me. He's like one of those hellfire and brimstone type preachers. But there's something about him that attracts me to him. He wouldn't shut his mouth! He says it straight to politicians, theologians, and ordinary folks like you and me. I like him because he helps me get my bearings in the world. There's something about having cold water thrown on you forcing you to take stock on the current state of affairs in your life.

There are still prophets all around us today even though we sometimes slight them. I think of people like Rosa Parks in Montgomery in the 1960s with her prophetic indictment of the state of cultural affairs or of John Paul II with his bold challenge that we move away from a culture of death into a culture of life.

The question for us is how to discern true prophecy. Let's face it, if John the Baptist were standing before us, we'd likely have him committed with haste to the local psychiatric clinic! Who is a prophet? How do you know the difference? Sometimes prophets are obvious; they point out a blatant reality. Other times, we wait patiently for verification of the message and the messenger.

In other words, true prophecy is hard to discern, but Jesus gives us a clue on how to do it. When asked about his own prophetic nature, he tells the disciples of John, "Tell him what you see and hear — the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are clean, the deaf hear, the dead are raised to life." Really, you don't have to look much further than the prophecy itself. Being prophetic can be dangerous but it can be comforting too all at the same time!

I ask your prayers for the members of our youth group who will be attending the **March for Life in Washington, DC** next week. I am especially grateful for all of your support of their cause whether in the form of spiritual or financial adoption. My prayer is that by joining with other young people and adults throughout the country, their example might be a prophetic one to preach the Good News of the Gospel of Life — that all human life is sacred from conception to natural death. We look forward to hearing about their trip when they return to us in the coming weeks. Pray for Fr. Paull too who will be joining them!

Don't forget about **Yummy for Your Tummy, Theology in a Bottle**, our monthly **Thomas' Table Meal, Junior Youth Group**, and all the other parish ministries going on this week. Did you do your homework and invite others to Mass with you?

*Father Jim*