

JULY 27/28, 2024

THE PEW BUDDY

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

“Thus says the Lord, ‘They shall eat and there shall be some left over.’”

~2 Kings 4:43

St. Margaret Church & Parish Office

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St. Thomas the Apostle Chapel

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OFFICE HOURS

We are open Tuesday through Friday from 8:00AM until 3:00PM, but closed for lunch from 12:00PM until 1:00PM!
We are closed on Monday!



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WHAT'S THE BUZZ? WITH BALEIGH

By Baleigh Olah Henderson

Hello Parishioners!

We have been working on something very exciting for all of you. St. Margaret has purchased a subscription to FORMED for all families in our parish. If you don't know what this is, you are in for a real treat.

FORMED is essentially "Catholic Netflix" - it brings beautiful and faithful Catholic content right to your home. There is literally something for all ages: award-winning studies and parish programs, inspiring audio content, movies, e-books, and family-friendly kids' programming. This site is led by the Augustine Institute and Ignatius Press and collaborates with over 100 providers. It has titles created to enrich faith and build Catholic culture for adults and kids alike that are not available ANYWHERE else!

If you have a child or grandchild in our Parish School of Religion program, they will be utilizing this site in conjunction with the PSR curriculum. How amazing will it be for you to follow along with your student(s) to see what they are learning and to enhance catechesis and teaching the faith at home in such an exciting and fun new way. Through FORMED, you can host your own Bible studies, deepen your spiritual journey, and even take our faith on-the-go with you on your smart phone.

We also plan to utilize FORMED to enhance our Adult Faith Formation program in the future. I personally can't wait to watch everything it has to offer.

You might be wondering how you will you be able to access this content... It's easy! Follow the steps below. If you have any questions or have trouble accessing this content, please reach out to me and I will help in any way that I can! You can call our Parish Office at (225) 567-3573 or send me an email at bohenderson@stmargaretstthomas.com and I will be glad to assist you.

FORMED can be accessed through iPhone/iPad, Amazon Fire Tablet, Android phone & tablet, MacOS, Windows PC, Chrome OS, Amazon Fire TV, Roku, and Apple TV!

Signing in to FORMED is quick and easy:

1. Go to formed.org/signup.
2. Search "St. Margaret Queen of Scotland" or "70403" in the search bar (it should pop up with our physical address).
3. Register with your name and email address.
4. Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED.

You can easily access the website login by using this QR code!



I hope you and your family enjoy FORMED and I can't wait to see how St. Margaret benefits and grows in our faith as a community with this awesome program.

Hope you have a wonderful week!

EVENTS AROUND THE PARISH

LETTER FROM FR. STEVE

Dear Fr. Paul Gros & Parishioners,

I write these few lines with an attitude of gratitude. Thank you for the kind hospitality you extended to me when I came to make the Mission Appeal in your parish on July 20th and 21st. I loved your church; you were all awesome and my stay in the rectory was cozy. I truly appreciate the "love offering", the contribution, you made to our Franciscan Capuchin Mission with the poor, the orphans, the neglected, the forgotten in India. You will certainly benefit from their prayers. Those who have missed the opportunity to contribute, due to various reasons, could still willingly send in their donation (Checks) to the parish office or drop in the envelope in the Sunday collection box (Write to "St. Margaret Church" Memo: Mission in India). Thank you. "God loves a cheerful giver". God bless you abundantly. God loves you.

Fr. Steve Rodrigues, Capuchin.

YUMMY FOR YOUR TUMMY

In honor of the beginning of a new school year, our August Yummy for Your Tummy is titled "Bless the Backpack" and will take place on **Saturday, August 10, 2024**, after the 4:00PM Mass in the parish hall. Bring your favorite school lunch with you to share with our community. Ahh, remember those buttery, lunch lady yeast rolls?!

PSR REGISTRATION IS OPEN

PSR classes will begin on **Sunday, August 11, 2024**, with a similar schedule as last year: K-6 from 11:15AM until 12:30PM on Sunday morning after the 10:00AM Mass and grades 7-11 after the 5:30PM Mass from 6:45PM until 8:00PM. We are looking forward to another great year! Registration forms can be picked up in the front of the church or can be printed out on our website to be submitted. PSR policies are also available on the website!

OCIA TO BEGIN SOON!

Ever thought about becoming a Catholic? Know of someone in your family who is interested in learning more about the faith? Invite them to participate in the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA). There is also an equivalent ritual for children (OCIC). The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA) is a transformative process that invites non-baptized adults and baptized Christians seeking full communion with the Roman Catholic Church to explore, learn, and grow in their faith. The St. Margaret OCIA program will begin **Wednesday, August 14, 2024**, at **6:30PM** in the Hall of Saints. For more information, please contact Darlene at darlenemkg@icloud.com or Kristi at Salon51tan@gmail.com or call the parish office.

Darlene and Kristi will be available after all Masses the weekend of **August 3/4, 2024**, to answer any questions you may have about OCIA and becoming Catholic. Stop by and visit with them!

CALL ON THE LORD IN TRUTH

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER OF HOLY COMMUNION WORKSHOP

Ever considered being a Eucharistic Minister? A Eucharistic Minister serves, distributes, and administers the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ during the Holy Communion or Eucharist of the Mass. There will be a MANDATORY training session for all new and current Eucharist Ministers on **Tuesday, August 13, 2024**, at **6:00PM** in St. Margaret Church. Fr. Paul will share theology and practicality of administering the Blessed Sacrament. Please contact Tracy Andry at 225.485.5215 if you are interested in becoming a Eucharistic Minister.

LOCAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 10178 RECEIVES TOP AWARD

St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland Knights of Columbus Council 10178 has received the distinction of Star Council, the international organization's top award for local councils. The Star Council Award recognizes overall excellence in the areas of membership, promotion of fraternal insurance benefits, sponsorship of faith formation programs and service-oriented activities.

If you are interested in joining our award-winning council, use the QR code here to access the forms needed to apply for membership. Our Council number is **10178** and the Proposer's (Chuck Raborn) number is **2017388**. For additional information, contact Chuck Raborn at 225.413.1347.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for a volunteer who possesses carpentry skills to lead a project to construct a 5' x 5' deck and steps on the south side of the parish hall. We are also looking for a few volunteers to assist in this project. If you are available, please contact Deacon Tim at 419.957.9848. Thank you.

WELCOME NEW PARISIONERS

Please give a warm welcome to these newly registered St. Margaret parishioners and their families: **Keith, Marie, Juliet & Charlotte Houpy; Mallory, Jonathan & Ella Settoon; and Brian LeJeune**. Thank you for becoming members of the St. Margaret community. Remember to "officially" register if you have not done so; registration forms are available on our website. Family members are also asked to register when they turn 18 years of age. Come grow with us on our journey toward the truth which is God's love!

STEWARDSHIP THIS WEEK

Thanks to your generosity, the **Regular Collection** for the weekend of **July 20/21, 2024**, totaled:

\$12,518.00.

The **Annual Mission Appeal Second Collection** totaled:

\$5,981.00.

The **Second Collection** next weekend will be for the **Building & Maintenance Fund**.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity to our ministries!

THE LORD HEARS OUR PLEAS

The hand of the Lord feeds us; he answers all our needs.

CALL TO THE LORD IN PRAY FOR HEALING

Please join our Prayer Line Ministers as we pray for the following community members:

Molly Abele, Brenda Melancon Allen, Walter Barado, Sr., Clark Bergeron, Andy Berthelot, Cindy Brasington, Virginia Caffrey, Sarah Marie Caldorera, Linda Coats, Amber Stillely Cocchiola, Phil & Debbie Cortana, Addi Coxem, Remy Cramer, Bill Cummer, Irene Good DeMars, Hattie Davis, Rhonda Dedman, Shellie Domiano, Sr. June Engelbrecht, Larry Evans, Elise "Breezy" Fischer, Cora Fuller, Vickie Jones, Deanna Kennedy, Michelle Kling, Rachel Kling, Delta Kovach, Tammy Hamilton, Tommy Hebert, Barbie Martino Henegan, Mary E. Herbert, Bill Hoover, Vicky Jones, Donna Laciura, Gregg Mader, Earl Magner, Charmaine Mocsary, Joseph Mocsary, Lachelle Morgan, Becham Mosely, Chip Norman, Sidney Ourso, Larry Pearson, Lawrence Pelotto, Pete Pfiffner, Jolie Picou, Steve Plauche, Johnny Poumaroux, Mary Prokop, Albert Rayborn, Herman Rayborn, Patrick Riche, Coogan Ryan, C.W. Sandufer, William Schwartz, Gene Simoneaux, Mary Stabile, Brittany Stillely, Joseph Stolf, Diane Sudkamp, Jason Summers, Myra Timberlake, Carolyn Toole, Trysten Tucker, Bonnie Walker, Carolyn Reese Walch, Jackie Wedge, those in the Armed Services and law enforcement, and all who need 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 at 985.507.7487.

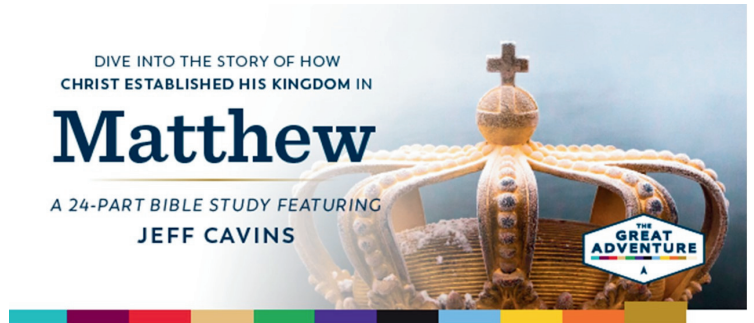


**WILL YOU BE
Jesus'
FLOWER GIRL?**

**FÊTE-DIEU DU
MISSISSIPPI**
AUGUST 14-15, 2024

Flower girls needed to welcome the Blessed Sacrament along the procession from Baton Rouge-New Orleans.

More Info/To Sign Up Contact:
Huy Tran
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DIVE INTO THE STORY OF HOW
CHRIST ESTABLISHED HIS KINGDOM IN

Matthew

A 24-PART BIBLE STUDY FEATURING
JEFF CAVINS

THE GREAT ADVENTURE

Dates - Times - Location
Thursday Evenings
August 22 - February 27, 2025
6:00 - 8:00 pm
St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland Hall of Saints

Cost - Registration
\$25/person - Includes Workbook and Online video access for 1 year

For More Information
Jennifer Batson
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Matthew: The King and His Kingdom shows how Jesus fulfills God's promises to Israel and establishes his kingdom on earth. Through references to the Old Testament promises of God to his people and the messages God sent them through the prophets, *Matthew* provides the key to understanding the rest of the New Testament and Christ as the fulfillment of God's plan.

Jeff Cavins explains how Jesus is challenging and empowering us to achieve a new level of holiness and how, to live it, we must be thoroughly immersed in the kingdom of heaven on earth, the Church.

"Once you start learning, he makes you hunger for more. Jeff pulls everything you need to know out of the Bible, and it all starts to make sense like it never did before."

—Margaret T.



Visit ascensionpress.com to learn more!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

The Sanctuary Lamp at St. Margaret is given in memory of
Rose & Fred Gauthier by Mark Chemay.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, July 27, 2024, 4:00PM Vigil Mass

Philip Brabham, Karen Chemay, Shelly Cyrus, Joseph Andrew Dick,
June Fos, Peter "Larry" Fos, Jr., Homer Gaspard, Rose Gauthier,
Ricky Genre, James Elliot Harrison, Jr., Mary, Joe L. & William Juhasz,
Vernon & Dorothy Landry, Leon Latino, Jr., Irene Mary Leon,
Connie Louviere, Ray J. Louviere, Brandon Mayeaux, George Navarre,
Sue Novak, Dr. William T. O'Brien, III, Lynette Pfiffner,
Peter J. & Elizabeth Pfiffner, Ted & Jan Resetar and Anne Sherman

Sunday, July 28, 2024, 8:00AM Mass

Jerry Adamcewicz, Myrtle T. Aucoin, Adrian, Bud & Joan Bailey,
Joy Bennett, Nancy Campeaux, Adam Cyrier, Melissa Degenhardt,
Lloyd Dominguez, John LaGrange and Charlie Martin

Sunday, July 28, 2024, 10:00AM Mass

The Missa Pro Populo (The Mass for all the Parishioners)

Sunday, July 28, 2024, 5:30PM Mass

George & Eric Navarre

Tuesday, July 30, 2024, 7:00AM Mass (Weekday in Ordinary Time)

Lynette Pfiffner

Wednesday, July 31, 2024, 7:00AM Mass (Memorial of St. Ignatius of Loyola)

Deacon Tim Messenger

Thursday, August 1, 2024, 7:00AM Mass (Memorial of St. Alphonsus Liguori)

Adam Cyrier

Friday, August 2, 2024, 7:00AM Mass (Weekday in Ordinary Time)

George & Eric Navarre

PAROCHIAL DASHBOARD

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

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 with a priest.

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 the office for a priest or deacon for home or hospital visits.

FUNERALS

Call the parish office during normal hours for scheduling. After hours, please leave a message on the emergency line at extension 106.

OUR LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil-4:00PM - St. Margaret Church
Sunday-8:00AM - St. Thomas Chapel
10:00AM & 5:30PM - St. Margaret Church

Daily Masses

No Monday Mass
Tuesday through Friday-7:00AM
St. Margaret Church

Eucharistic Adoration

Wednesday-7:30AM-8:00PM
Concluding with Benediction
St. Margaret Church

CLERGY & STAFF

PASTOR

Father Paul August Gros

DEACONS

Deacon William "Byrd" Corbett
Deacon Tim Messenger

ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF

Mary E. Herbert
(Pastor's Administrative Assistant)
Tammy Resetar (Receptionist)
Lucie Hanewinkel (Contributions Manager)

PASTORAL STAFF

Baleigh Olah Henderson
(Religious Education &
Communications Coordinator)
Melissa F. Berghausen (Youth Minister)

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gather Hymnal Number 1141

2 Kings 4:42-44

Trust that the Lord will provide.

Ephesians 4:1-6

We must live in a manner
worthy of our call.

John 6:1-15

We will be fed by the bread of life.

Anticipating Next Week's Scriptures

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 3/4, 2024

Exodus 16:2-4, 12-15

Ephesians 4:17, 20-24

John 6:24-35

OUR CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Sunday, July 28, 2024

Priest's Retirement Fund Special Collection!

Monday, July 29, 2024

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

Tuesday, July 30, 2024

8:30AM—**St. Matthew's Guild**, St. Cecilia Room

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

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

9:00AM—**Staff Faith Formation**, St. Elizabeth Seton Room

6:00PM—**Cemetery Committee Meeting**, St. Ignatius Room

6:30PM—**High School Youth Group**, St. John Paul II Room

6:30PM—**Homeschool Meeting**, St. Elizabeth Seton Room

Thursday, August 1, 2024

3:00PM—**Confessions**, St. Margaret Church

Friday, August 2, 2024

No Extraordinary Events Scheduled for Today!

Saturday, August 3, 2024

Building & Maintenance Fund Second Collection!

OCIA Inquiry Outside of Masses!

3:00PM—**Confessions**, St. Margaret Church



"I'll do anything to get my picture in the bulletin!"

A BEAUTIFUL SANCTUARY

The flowers in the Sanctuary this weekend at St. Margaret are in memory of **Nancy Campeaux** donated the Campeaux Family. If you would like to have flowers given in memory of a loved one or in honor of a special occasion, call the Parish Office to schedule in advance.