

OCTOBER 26/27, 2024

THE PEW BUDDY

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

*"Take courage; get up,
Jesus is calling you."*

~Mark 10:49b

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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PONDERINGS OF THE PEDAL-N-PADRE

By Father Paul Gros

Dear Parish Family,

Peace in the Lord Jesus Christ! This weekend we proudly welcome Fr. Lazaru Panthagani (who goes by “Fr. Laz”) from the Diocese of Vijayawada. As I mentioned after the Masses last weekend, Fr. Jamin had spoken to me this past summer about the possibility of hosting a parochial vicar (an associate pastor) here at St. Margaret with the understanding that he would also serve as supply help to our neighboring parishes in the Northeast deanery and assist with the many hospital calls from North Oaks. Of course, I was open to the idea and knew that you all would be welcoming to whoever the Lord sent our way!

Below is a little timeline of his life. Fr. Laz will be great assistance with day-to-day ministry, which will free up some of my time to be more present to the students at St. Thomas Aquinas high school. He will also be living in the rectory and will have an office at the Hall of Saints.

Please welcome Fr. Laz this weekend!

God Bless,

Rev. Father Lazaru Panthagani

Personal Information:

Date of Birth: March 02, 1983

Minor Seminary: Angel Minor Seminary, Nuzivid

Major Seminary: St. John’s Reginal seminary

Diocese: Vijayawada, Andhra Pradesh, S. India

Date of Ordination: April 28, 2009

Place of Ordination: Diocese of Vijayawada



Priestly Ministry:

2009-2010: Associate Pastor at St. Paul’s cathedral, Diocese of Vijayawada

2010-2011: Associate Pastor at Mary Matha Church, Nuzvid, Diocese of Vijayawada

2011-2012: Associate Pastor at Mount Carmel Catholic Church, Guduwada, Diocese of Vijayawada

2012-2013: Associate Manager at St. Joseph’s Boarding, Vijayawada

2013-2017: Pastor at Mary Matha Church at Nehrupeeta

2017-2019: Pastor at Church of Lourdh Matha, Bodawada-Jammavaram

2019-Until now: Working in the Diocese of Charlottetown, PEI, Canada

EVENTS AROUND THE PARISH

ALL SAINTS' DAY EVENTS

Mass for All Saints' Day will be on **Thursday, October 31, 2024**, at **6:00PM** (All Saints' Day Candlelight Vigil Mass) and **Friday, November 1, 2024**, at **6:00PM** at St. Margaret Church. At the Candlelight Vigil Mass, we will honor our beloved dead who have died since last All Saints' Day.

The Blessing of the Graves will immediately follow the **10:00AM Mass** on **Sunday, November 3, 2024**, which will be held at the cemetery (weather permitting, *bring your chairs*). Please make plans to join us to honor our beloved dead!

We will also pray for all of our beloved deceased inscribed in our Books of Remembrance through the month of November. *These Books of Remembrance are in the back of St. Margaret and St. Thomas. Remember to inscribe the names of those who have died.*

KC SILVER ROSE PRAYER SERVICE

Please join the Knights of Columbus and Mondays with Mary ministry on **Monday, November 11, 2024**, at **5:30PM** in St. Margaret Church for a special rosary and prayer service to honor the patroness of the Americas, Our Lady of Guadalupe. All are welcome to come hear the telling of the miracle that occurred in 1531 in Mexico with the appearance of Our Lady. More than 30 million indigenous people converted to Catholicism during the next decade. We will affirm our devotion to Our Lady and to protect life, especially the blessed and innocent unborn, those in most need of protection. Please call Glenn Young at 225.964.0947 for more information.

FALL FESTIVAL AUCTION ITEM DROP OFF

St. Margaret Festival Day is **Sunday, November 17, 2024**. We will be accepting auction donations (new and handcrafted items) in the parish hall before and after Masses **November 2, 3, 9 and 10**. Remember, shirt orders are due **Tuesday, November 5, 2024**. We are also seeking volunteers to help at the festival. Use the QR code here or contact Gina Little at 504.237.7105 or glittle1985@gmail.com. Our next planning meeting is on **Thursday, November 7, 2024**, at **5:45PM** in the Hall Of Saints. All are welcome!



TRUNK OR TREAT!

The Catholic Daughters and the Yummy for Your Tummy Team will host the Fourth Annual St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland Trunk or Treat on **Saturday, October 26, 2024**. The fun will begin at **6:00PM**. Decorate your trunk and bring treats to share. Be sure to wear your favorite costume! Come join us for trick or treating, pizza, chips, and drinks. Please contact Tracy Andry at 225.485.5215 or tkandry@charter.net for more information or to sign up for a trunk. *This year the Respect Life Committee will also be collecting diapers and baby wipes at the Trunk or Treat for local pregnancy crisis centers. Please contribute if you can!* Hope to see you there!

HURRICANE HELENE RELIEF FUND SECOND COLLECTION

We will have a Second Collection this weekend, **October 26/27, 2024**, to benefit the relief efforts for those affected by Hurricane Helene. As residents of south Louisiana, we all know how life-changing these devastating storms can be. Thank you for your generosity!

JESUS HAVE PITY ON ME



SENSORY FRIENDLY MASS

Sunday, November 3, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland Church

30300 Catholic Hall Rd, Hammond, LA 70403

Celebrated by Fr. Paul Gros

You were never meant
to walk life's journey alone.

Deacon Randall
Waguespack
225-446-8515
rwaguespack@diobr.org

In an effort to embrace and welcome the members of our Church with special needs and their families, the Diocese of Baton Rouge has begun hosting Sensory-Friendly Masses.

These Masses include lower lighting, softer music, and shorter, more literal homilies; most importantly, they provide fellowship with other parishioners on a similar journey. We encourage families and individuals to get up and move if needed, to bring alternative seating, fidgets or noise cancelling headphones, and to participate in the liturgy just as they are.



The Roman Catholic Diocese of
BATON ROUGE
OFFICE OF LIFE, PEACE & JUSTICE

REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS

Join our Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus on **Saturday, November 9, 2024**, to help place American flags on the 137+ graves of those buried in our cemetery who have served our country in the military. These flags will be displayed for the week following **Veteran's Day, Monday, November 11, 2024**. We will meet again the following **Saturday, November 16, 2024**, to pick up the flags. Please pray for the souls of our departed veterans and their families!

CONGRATS NEWLYWEDS

Congratulations to our newest couple married at St. Margaret during the month of October, **Ezra Vall & Lauren Friebel**. We wish them many blessings in the future together! Contact Baleigh Henderson to learn more about marriage at St. Margaret!

THEOLOGY IN A BOTTLE

Our next "Theology in a Bottle," our adult education ministry, will be this **Sunday, November 10, 2024**, at **6:45PM**. Nicole Jones, Digital Media Manager for the Diocese of Baton Rouge, will present "Sipping Slowly & Savoring Fully: The Eucharist & Renewal." Join us and Nicole for more information on our beautiful sacrament and learn more about your faith!

NEWLY BAPTIZED MEMBERS

Congratulations to the families and friends of the newest Catholics welcomed into the faith at St. Margaret during the month of October including **Ada Schneider and Silas Vall**. May these children grow in the grace and love of Our Lord forever! Contact Baleigh Henderson in the parish office if you are interested in having your child baptized!

YOUR FAITH HAS SAVED YOU

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

PRAYER WARRIORS: PRAY WITHOUT CEASING

Please join our Prayer Line Ministers as we pray for the these community and family members and friends:

Molly Abele, Cynthia Amato, Gwen Barado, Walter Barado, Sr., Susan Basso, Clark Bergeron, Andy Berthelot, Cindy Brasington, Francie Bruhl, Virginia Caffrey, Julie Callihan, Linda Coats, Amber Stillely Cocchiola, Phil & Debbie Cortana, Addi Coxem, Bill & Cynthia Cummer, Irene Good DeMars, Hattie Davis, Rhonda Dedman, Sr. June Engelbrecht, Elise “Breezy” Fischer, Dan Flaherty, Vickie Jones, Delta Kovach, Tommy Hebert, Barbie Martino Henegan, Mary E. Herbert, Bill Hoover, Vicky Jones, Donna Laciura, Stephen Ledet, Jayden Louque, Karen Macaluso, Lillie Millet, Victor Napoli, Chip Norman, Sidney Ourso, Pete Pffner, Steve Plauche, Mary Prokop, Albert Rayborn, Patrick Riche, Coogan Ryan, Gill Scioneaux, Jules Simoneaux, Christine & Joseph Stolf, Vito Tallia, Myra Timberlake, Trysten Tucker, Bonnie Walker, Lydia Watts, Jackie Wedge, Delores & Keith Wheat, Judy Wolfe, 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.

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

PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed on **Friday, November 1, 2024**, for our staff to observe All Saints’ Day. Please take care of any business you may have before or after this time. Thank you for your consideration!

GROWING BIT BY BIT

Please give a warm welcome to these newly registered St. Margaret parishioners and their families: **Carl & Sandy Flores, Brennan Flores & Angela Chaisson, Brandi, Paxton, Rorie & Jace Calais, Gayle Vicknair, and Lisa McBunch**. 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 or in the parish office. 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 **October 19/20, 2024**, totaled:

\$15,406.00.

The **Special Collection** for the **Propagation of the Faith** totaled:

\$1,109.00

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

Thank you for your kindness and generosity to our ministries!

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

The Sanctuary Lamp at St. Margaret is given in memory of
Lawrence "Larry" Evans by his family.

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday, October 26, 2024, 4:00PM Vigil Mass

Bergeron-Plauche' Families, Brett Thomas Bonin, Philip Brabham, Karen Chemay, Merrill Cooper, Myrtle Costanza, Joseph Andrew Dick, Larry Evans, June Fos, Peter "Larry" Fos, Jr., Michelle Duhon Fruchtnicht, Homer Gaspard, Rose Gauthier, Ricky Genre, Jeanne Dakin Guillot, Mary, Joe L. & William Juhasz, Frank & Margaret Koles, Vernon & Dorothy Landry, Leon Latino, Jr., Connie Louviere, Ray J. Louviere, Adam Mocsary, Sue Novak, Dr. William T. O'Brien, III, June Koles Olah, Victor & Mary Peptone, Andy Pfiffner, Lynette Pfiffner, Pete Pfiffner, Peter J. & Elizabeth Pfiffner, Chuck Raborn, Sr. and Anne Sherman

Sunday, October 27, 2024, 8:00AM Mass

Jerry Adamcewicz, Adrian, Bud & Joan Bailey, Lloyd Dominguez, John LaGrange, Clarence & Faye Landeche, Charlie Martin, Charles & Marie Stumpf and Chuck Stumpf

Sunday, October 27, 2024, 10:00AM Mass

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

Sunday, October 27, 2024, 5:30PM Mass

Donald Deshotels

Tuesday, October 29, 2024, 7:00AM Mass (Weekday in Ordinary Time)

Chuck Raborn, Sr.

Wednesday, October 30, 2024, 7:00AM Mass (Weekday in Ordinary Time)

Mike Michon

Thursday, October 31, 2024, 6:00PM Mass (All Saints' Day Vigil)

Lynette Pfiffner

Friday, November 1, 2024, 6:00PM Mass (All Saints' Day)

Mitchell & Virginia Miletello

ARE YOU TOO BUSY FOR JESUS?

Jesus is never too busy for you. Come spend an hour with Him in Eucharistic Adoration every Wednesday from **7:30AM** until **8:00PM**. Committed adorers are always needed. Contact Gretchen Johnson for more information at 225.921.4071 or gretjohnson5@yahoo.com.

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)
Peggy Desselle (Contributions Manager)

PASTORAL STAFF

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

THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Gather Hymnal Number 1180

Jeremiah 31:7-9

The Lord will bring us back
from the exile.

Hebrews 5:1-6

The high priest human mediator
and called by God.

Mark 10:46-52

Faith cannot be silenced.

Anticipating Next Week's Scriptures

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 2/3, 2024

Deuteronomy 6:2-6

Hebrews 7:23-28

Mark 12:28b-34

OUR CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

Sunday, October 27, 2024

Hurricane Helene Relief Fund Second Collection!

KC Seminarian Ticket Sales & Membership Drive!

11:15AM—Parish School of Religion (Grades K-6), Hall of Saints

6:45PM—Parish School of Religion (Grades 7-11), Hall of Saints



Monday, October 28, 2024

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

6:00PM—Ministry Chair Meeting, St. Margaret Room

Tuesday, October 29, 2024

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

9:30AM—Bible Study, Holy Spirit, St. Ignatius Room

6:30PM—Adult Confirmation Class, St. Ignatius Room

Wednesday, October 30, 2024

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

9:00AM—One Book, One Church, St. Elizabeth Seton Room

1:30PM—Staff Meeting, St. Elizabeth Seton Room

5:00PM—Junior Youth Group, St. John Paul II Room

6:30PM—OCIA, Parish Hall

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



Thursday, October 31, 2024

4:00PM—Confessions, St. Margaret Church

6:00PM—All Saints Candlelight Vigil Mass, St. Margaret Church

Friday, November 1, 2024

All Saints' Day!

Parish Office Closed Today!

6:00PM—All Saints Day Mass, St. Margaret Church

Saturday, November 2, 2024

All Souls' Day!

Building & Maintenance Fund Second Collection!

Visit the Cemetery Committee After Mass!

3:00PM—Confessions, St. Margaret Church

2024
ST. MARGARET
FALL FESTIVAL
T-SHIRTS!

\$15.00 PER
SHIRT

T-SHIRT ORDER
FORMS MAY BE
FOUND ON THE
WEBSITE OR BY
SCANNING THIS
CODE!

ORDERS ARE
DUE TO THE
OFFICE BY
NOVEMBER 5!

CONTACT BAILEIGH HENDERSON WITH ANY
QUESTIONS!



KC SEMINARIAN TICKET SALES & MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

The Knights of Columbus will be outside of all Masses the weekend of **October 26/27, 2024**, selling raffle tickets to benefit our seminarians' mission trip. Please buy one or a few tickets! If you are interested in joining the Knights of Columbus, please speak to one of these members and they will be glad to help you with membership.

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK - NOVEMBER 3-9, 2024