

NOVEMBER 9/10, 2024

# THE PEW BUDDY

## THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

*"Amen, I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all the others..."*

~ Mark 12:43

### St. Margaret Church & Parish Office

30300 Catholic Hall Road | Hammond | LA 70403  
P.O. Box 100 | Albany | LA 70711

### St. Thomas the Apostle Chapel

31718 Main Street | Springfield | LA 70462

#### 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! I want to give you all an update on the St. Thomas Chapel renovation project. As I mentioned last month, the bids came in far higher than we expected (about 60% higher). This was some difficult news to hear, but Josh Hoffpaur, our architect, unfortunately said that this was common with many of his other projects. Despite all this, I have much confidence about the project, and I know that the Holy Spirit has a plan for us moving forward. Our Master Planning Committee met with Josh on Friday, October 25th to discuss our options. The Committee decided that we would negotiate with the two lowest bidders and scale the project within our \$800,000 budget. I am at peace with this decision and look forward to what can be negotiated. Again, please keep this project in your prayers.

Finally, open giving for our iGiveCatholic campaign begins on Monday, November 18th with that actual iGiveCatholic Day on Tuesday, December 3rd. This year we will continue to use this national and diocesan wide campaign for our St. Thomas Renovation Savings. Be looking for a “Hollywood” quality promotion video featuring Deacon Tim and I (hint, hint)!!


Have a wonderful week!



## #iGIVECATHOLIC ON GIVING TUESDAY

*Save the Date!!!*

**Support St. Margaret &  
the St. Thomas Project!**



**12.03.24**  
Advanced Giving  
starts Nov 18

- 1 VISIT**  
[www.iGiveCatholic.org](http://www.iGiveCatholic.org)
- 2 SEARCH**  
St. Margaret,  
Queen of Scotland
- 3 DONATE**  
\$10 or More

# EVENTS AROUND THE PARISH

## ST. MARGARET FALL FESTIVAL

Join us to celebrate the Feast of our Patroness, St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland, on **Sunday, November 17, 2024**, from **12:30PM** until **4:00PM** here on our church grounds. There will be live music, a silent auction, bounce houses for the kids, food, face painting and more!

On the Feast Day of St. Margaret, **Saturday, November 16, 2024**, Fr. Paul will celebrate Mass at **8:00AM** at St. Margaret Church.

We will be accepting auction donations in the parish hall before and after Masses on **November 9/10**. 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.

**Follow along daily with the St. Margaret Novena on Facebook!**



## 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!

## YOU LOST IT, WE FOUND IT?

If you visited our church grounds or buildings and lost an item such as a rosary, sunglasses, reading glasses, children's book, umbrella, plush pillow, etc., please call or visit the parish office. By the help of St. Anthony, we may have found your lost item.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SILVER ROSE PRAYER SERVICE

Please join the Knights of Columbus and Mondays with Mary ministry on **Monday, November 11, 2024**, at **5:45PM** 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.

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NEEDS YOUR HELP THIS CHRISTMAS

Your St. Margaret/St. Thomas St. Vincent de Paul Conference is looking for individuals, families, or service-oriented groups interested in adopting a family for Christmas this year. We typically receive requests from our local schools to assist needy families as well as calls from people living in our immediate area pleading for help. Thanks to the generosity of many, last year 91 children experienced the blessing of gifts that included toys, clothing, and food at Christmas. We all recognize that higher living costs and utility expenses will create an even greater need this year for many families in our area. We suggest two gifts per child with each gift ranging from \$20 to \$40. If you or your organization feel called to adopt a family this year, please contact Tracy Andry at 225-485-5215 by **Friday, November 15, 2024**, and help make Christmas 2024 special for needy neighbors in our community!

# ALL SOUL'S DAY REMEMBRANCE

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.  
May the souls of all the faithful departed,  
through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

<b>Maurice &amp; Myrtle Aucoin</b>	<b>The Gaspard Family</b>	<b>Chucky Martin</b>
<b>Eleanor Bates</b>	<b>John Haluska, Jr.</b>	<b>Gloria Mascaro</b>
<b>John Bates</b>	<b>Dorothy Hanewinkel</b>	<b>Ralph Mascaro</b>
<b>Paula Bates</b>	<b>Joseph Hanewinkel, Sr.</b>	<b>Louis McKnight, Sr.</b>
<b>Frank Bates</b>	<b>Dan &amp; Rene Haro, Sr.</b>	<b>Eugene Miller</b>
<b>Joseph Bates, Sr.</b>	<b>Daniel Haro, Jr.</b>	<b>Pravate Miller</b>
<b>Father Mark Beard</b>	<b>Rene' Haro</b>	<b>June Koles Olah</b>
<b>Todd Bergeron</b>	<b>Ricky Harrion</b>	<b>Timothy Peacock</b>
<b>Henry Blalock</b>	<b>Dotty Jane Heck</b>	<b>Linda Perronne</b>
<b>Elizabeth Bordok</b>	<b>Josephine Hoover</b>	<b>Lynette Pfiffner</b>
<b>The Bordelon Family</b>	<b>Christine Horrell</b>	<b>Peter &amp; Elizabeth Pfiffner</b>
<b>Bonnie Boudreaux</b>	<b>Ireene Horrell</b>	<b>The Pfiffner Family</b>
<b>C.L. Boudreaux</b>	<b>Ray Horrell</b>	<b>Kathy Houmes Polinsky</b>
<b>Francis X. Broussard, II</b>	<b>Clementine &amp; Ervin</b>	<b>Mary &amp; Joe Prokop</b>
<b>Ruth B. Broussard</b>	<b>Hutchinson</b>	<b>The Quararo Family</b>
<b>The Bruskey Family</b>	<b>Viola &amp; Stanley Hutchinson</b>	<b>Peggy Richard</b>
<b>William Buras</b>	<b>Andy &amp; Eleanor Ivanyisky</b>	<b>Wendy Robinson</b>
<b>Clarence Burke</b>	<b>Corliss Ivanyisky</b>	<b>Charles W. Raborn</b>
<b>Patrick Burke</b>	<b>Paul Andrew Ivanyisky</b>	<b>Chuck Raborn, Sr.</b>
<b>Lourdes Burke</b>	<b>Lola Jones</b>	<b>Jake Ragusa</b>
<b>Doris Burney</b>	<b>Arnold Jones</b>	<b>Catie &amp; Janie Roberts</b>
<b>Robert Burney, Sr.</b>	<b>Audrey Jordan</b>	<b>Dale Earl Roberts</b>
<b>The Castjohn Family</b>	<b>Deanna Kennedy</b>	<b>Leola &amp; Frank Roberts</b>
<b>Vera Carbajal</b>	<b>8 Koles Children</b>	<b>Bill M. Rogers, Jr.</b>
<b>Harold Cavallero, Jr.</b>	<b>Frank &amp; Mary Koles</b>	<b>Bertha &amp; James Rousset</b>
<b>Harold Cavallero, Sr.</b>	<b>James &amp; Mary Koles</b>	<b>Janet &amp; Roy Rousset</b>
<b>Mary Lee Cavallero</b>	<b>The Koleszar Family</b>	<b>Maxine Spatafpra</b>
<b>Paul Cedotal</b>	<b>Shirley Lacour</b>	<b>The Sterling Family</b>
<b>Albert Chemay</b>	<b>The LaGrange Family</b>	<b>Dan Stuuder</b>
<b>Karen Chemay</b>	<b>Levi &amp; Iris Laiche</b>	<b>The Sziber Family</b>
<b>Louis J. &amp; Ruth Chemay</b>	<b>12 Lamonte Children</b>	<b>Andrew &amp; Irene Sziszak</b>
<b>Louis &amp; Jennie Chemay</b>	<b>Joe &amp; Frances Lamonte</b>	<b>Paul &amp; Julia Sziszak</b>
<b>Merrill Cooper</b>	<b>Lena Mae Landry</b>	<b>Sonny, Rosie &amp; Aaron Sziszak</b>
<b>Beverly Dautat</b>	<b>Mervin Landry</b>	<b>Frank Tarifa, Sr.</b>
<b>Ryan Dautat</b>	<b>Roswell &amp; Nyla Landry</b>	<b>The Tassin Family</b>
<b>The Deliberto Family</b>	<b>Robert &amp; Theresa Landry</b>	<b>Joe &amp; Mary Vassil</b>
<b>Davis Desselles</b>	<b>Mr. &amp; Mrs. Sherwin Landry</b>	<b>Bernadine Wagner</b>
<b>The Farrell Family</b>	<b>Vernon Landry, Jr.</b>	<b>Yancy Watkins</b>
<b>Elizabeth Foster</b>	<b>Anthony, Guy, Lawrence Leon</b>	<b>Henry &amp; Doris Yent</b>
<b>Anthony &amp; Anna Friedman</b>	<b>Philip &amp; Irene Leon</b>	<b>All Military Families</b>
<b>Ed Garro</b>	<b>Charles Martin</b>	

# LORD, OPEN OUR EYES

Praise the Lord, my soul! Praise the Lord!

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## THANK OUR SEMINARIANS

**November 3-9, 2024, is National Vocations Awareness Week!** Let us show our gratitude to the seminarians of our diocese by donating gift cards to help them with anything they may need. Our Vocations Committee will be accepting gift cards from Walmart, Amazon, and Target, or cash donations after the weekend Masses **November 9/10, 2024**. Please continue to pray for these men and pray for more men to answer the call to the priesthood! For more information, please contact Carrie Cutrer at 985.969.0517.

## ST. MARGARET MONTHLY FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Each month St. Margaret parishioners truly demonstrate what we hear in the gospel Love Thy Neighbor. In October we provided over 185 families with USDA food boxes and perishable food through our partnership with Catholic Charities and the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank. And there were over 50 volunteers who helped set up tents, put out tables/chairs, ice chests with water and signs, unload boxes of food, sort the perishable food, package it for distribution, do registration, have recipients sign for their food, direct traffic, clean up and more. The next Food Distribution is **Thursday, November 21, 2024**, from **9:30AM** until **11:30AM**. Volunteers are needed from **7:00AM** until **12:00PM**. If you already volunteer, let your team leader know that you will be able to help. If you want to get involved, please call 985.969.7477 so we can best utilize your time and talents.

## BISHOPS ANNUAL APPEAL

The upcoming year of 2025 Year of Jubilee, themed "Pilgrims of Hope," will be an exciting time for Catholics around the world, and particularly in the Diocese of Baton Rouge.

Through your financial support and intentional prayers to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, you are building the Kingdom of God here in our Diocese. Your contributions will be used to serve the most vulnerable and share the hope and joy of Christ in our families, parishes and communities.

If you did not receive a copy of this year's appeal by mail, please contact the Office of Stewardship at (225) 336-8790, email [stewardship@diob.org](mailto:stewardship@diob.org) or visit <https://diobr.org/baa>.

## STEWARDSHIP THIS WEEK

Weekend of November 2/3, 2024  
**Regular Collection**

**\$12,578.00**

The **Building & Maintenance Fund**  
**Second Collection** totaled:

**\$7,059.00**

The **All Saints Day Collection** totaled:

**\$2,848.00**

The **Special Collection** next weekend will be for the **Campaign for Human Development**.

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  
**Philip Brabham** by Lydia Brabham.

## THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### Saturday, November 9, 2024, 4:00PM Vigil Mass

Bergeron-Plauche' Families, Philip Brabham, Karen Chemay, Frances Dantin,  
Joseph Andrew Dick, Larry Evans, June Fos, Peter "Larry" Fos, Jr., Ellen Smith Fox,  
Anthony & Anna Friedman, Judy Friedman, 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, Lynette Pfiffner, Pete Pfiffner, Peter J. & Elizabeth Pfiffner,  
Chuck Raborn, Sr., Anne Sherman and Gloria Unterbrink

### Sunday, November 10, 2024, 8:00AM Mass

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

### Sunday, November 10, 2024, 10:00AM Mass

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

### Sunday, November 10, 2024, 5:30PM Mass

Leon Latino, Jr.

### Tuesday, November 12, 2024, 7:00AM Mass (Memorial of St. Josaphat)

Joseph Tantillo, Jr.

### Wednesday, November 13, 2024, 7:00AM Mass (Memorial of St. Frances Xavier)

Lynette Pfiffner

### Thursday, November 14, 2024, 7:00AM Mass (Weekday in Ordinary Time)

Chuck Raborn, Sr.

### Friday, November 15, 2024, 7:00AM Mass (Weekday in Ordinary Time)

Larry Evans

## 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

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## 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

### PRIESTS

Father Paul August Gros (Pastor)  
Father Lazaru Panthagani (Associate Pastor)

### 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

*Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
**Gather Hymnal Number 1186**

### 1 Kings 17:10-16

The jar of flour shall not go empty.

### Hebrews 9:24-28

Now once, for all, he has  
appeared for the ages.

### Mark 12:38-44

She contributed from her poverty.

### Anticipating Next Week's Scriptures

*Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time*  
*November 16/17, 2024*

### Daniel 12:1-3

**Hebrews 10:11-14, 18**

**Mark 13:24-32**

# OUR CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

**Sunday, November 10, 2024**

**St. Vincent de Paul Second Collection!**

**Coffee & Donut Ministry - 10:00AM Mass!**

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

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

6:45PM—Theology in a Bottle, St. Margaret Room

**Monday, November 11, 2024**

**Veterans Day!**

8:15AM—Catholic Schoolhouse, Hall of Saints

5:30PM—St. Vincent de Paul Meeting, St. Elizabeth Seton Room

5:45PM—Mondays with Mary/Silver Rose Ceremony, St. Margaret Church

**Tuesday, November 12, 2024**

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

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

**Wednesday, November 13, 2024**

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

6:30PM—OCIA, Parish Hall

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

7:00PM—Fourth Degree Knight of Columbus, St. Maria Goretti Room

**Thursday, November 14, 2024**

4:00PM—Confessions, St. Margaret Church

6:00PM—Book of Matthew Bible Study, Hall of Saints

**Friday, November 15, 2024**

**No Extraordinary Events Scheduled for Today!**

**Saturday, November 16, 2024**

**Campaign for Human Development Special Collection!**

**8:00AM-Mass for the Feast of St. Margaret!**

3:00PM—Confessions, St. Margaret Church

4:00PM—KC/Ladies Memorial Mass, St. Margaret Church

