

Saint Margaret Mary Parish

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evenings: 4:30 P.M.
Sundays: 8:45 AM, 11:00 AM, 6:00 PM
Weekdays: Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri., Sat. 9:00 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 3:45 - 4:15 PM

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OFFICE HOURS - 9:30 AM - 4:30 PM
Monday—Friday

Website: www.saintmmparish.org

BAPTISMS: Second Sunday of the month at 1:00 P.M.
Baptism instruction required. Please contact the rectory for baptismal form.

PRAYER LINE: stmmprayers@yahoo.com

NEW PARISHIONERS: New Parishioners are cordially invited to register as members of our Parish Family.
Please contact the office.

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MARRIAGES: Please make arrangements at least six months
in advance to allow for adequate preparation.

**“We strive to be a faith filled community living the Gospel of Jesus Christ in the Roman Catholic tradition.
We are committed to loving God through participation in the sacramental life of the Church.
We pray and grow together supporting and caring for all.”**

Concerning Prayer - 3

In my last column on prayer, I spoke of the moment between which we intend to pray and then actually praying as similar to standing on the edge of a swimming pool and wanting to swim and the moment when we actually jump in and get wet. If I may quote a famous ad campaign, the most important advice that one can receive when it comes to prayer is “jut do it!”

The early Christians were certainly a people of relentless prayer. Hippolytus of Rome, writing in the 3rd c., in a text entitled the *Apostolic Tradition* speaks of the practice of prayer in the early church: *Let every faithful man and every faithful woman, when they rise from sleep at dawn,... before they undertake any work, wash their hands and pray to God. Then they may go to ... work. If there is a day when there is no instruction, let each one at home take a holy book and ...read enough of it to gain an advantage from it.... If you are at home, pray at the third hour and praise God. If you are elsewhere at that ... time, pray in your heart to God. For in this hour Christ was seen nailed to the wood... Pray also at the sixth hour. Because when Christ was attached to the wood of the cross,... the daylight ceased and became darkness. Thus you should pray a powerful prayer at this ...hour, imitating the cry of him who prayed and all creation was made dark for the ... unbelieving Jews.... Pray also at the ninth hour a great prayer with great praise, imitating the souls of the... righteous who do not lie, who glorify God who remembered his saints and sent his Word... to them to enlighten them. For in that hour Christ was pierced in his side, pouring out... water and blood, and the rest of the time of the day, he gave light until evening. This way... he made the dawn of another day at the beginning of his sleep, fulfilling the type of his resurrection.... Pray also before your body rests on your bed... [Toward the middle of the night], rise and pray. Because at this hour, with the ...cock-crow, the children of Israel refused Christ, who we know through faith, hoping daily... in the hope of eternal light in the resurrection of the dead. Wow! That certainly is a lot of prayer. Think about how our lives would change even more for the better if we just did half of the ‘hours’ of prayer!*

But Hippolytus does not leave his reader simply with encouragement to pray at these hours. He begins to

instruct them on how to pray. He writes that prayer should begin with the “sign,” what we call the Sign of the Cross. He further explains it to be the “sign of the passion” and speaks of it as useful to invoke throughout the day especially when tempted because *“the Adversary [the devil], when he sees the strength of the heart and when he sees the inner... man which is animated by the Word shown formed on the exterior, the interior image of the ...Word, he is made to flee by the Spirit which is in you.* But even beyond the use of the ‘sign’ as a small rite against the power of evil, when we begin our prayer with the Sign of the Cross, we recall the beginning of our life in faith when we were baptized in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. It is interesting to note that when we greet adults and children at the beginning of the rites of initiation, whether it’s the Rite of Becoming a Catechumen or the Rite of Infant Baptism, we sign them without words on their forehead with the sign of the Cross anticipating the fullness of the sign that they will receive in baptism, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

In making the Sign of the Cross, we are reminded, too, that we are conformed to Christ, that we are new creations by virtue of our baptism, having died with him and risen to new life. So, the outward sign of the Cross expresses the inner being of the Christian. If as we make the sign of the Cross to begin our prayer, we were to pause and make the Sign slowly, recalling the gracious love of God poured forth through each person of the Trinity and then take a moment to recall our own conformity to that Sign, it seems to me we have already begun our prayer well. We have collected our thoughts, begun to focus on God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and slowed ourselves down so that we may enter more fully into the prayer that lies ahead.

Update on the Pews

I have been forced to put any staining work on the pews on hold for the foreseeable future. The benches are all sealed with a polyurethane finish coat that will have to be removed in order for the stain to sink into the wood. That is a major job time wise. I will meet with the parish finance council and parish council in order to seek their guidance on where we go from here. In the meantime, while the benches stay as they are, I still plan on painting the side entrance stairwells to the church.

Fr. Chris

St. Margaret Mary Church

Masses for the Week

Saturday	10/17	4:30 PM	Mary Sexton
Sunday	10/18	8:45 AM	For The Parish
Sunday	10/18	11:00 AM	Marie Palermo
Sunday	10/18	6:00 PM	Charles Duffy
Monday	10/19	9:00 AM	Ruth M. Tucker
Tuesday	10/20	9:00 AM	Mass
Thursday	10/22	9:00 AM	Mass
Friday	10/23	9:00 AM	Mass
Saturday	10/24	9:00 AM	Mass
Saturday	10/24	4:30 PM	Margaret & Clement Buikus, Joseph Perrotto, Sr.
Sunday	10/25	8:45 AM	For the Parish
Sunday	10/25	11:00 AM	Sean Fitzz
Sunday	10/25	6:00 PM	Mass

Ministers Schedule

October 24		4:30 PM
Celebrant	Father Coyne	
Lector	Fred Meagher	
Eucharistic Ministers	Nancy Meagher, Jeannine Kremer, Chris Kremer	
Principals	Denise Raftery, Paula McCoy	
Handicap	Bill Brooks, Charles Spiegel	
Altar Server	Jonathan Dullea, Caroline Kremer, Paul Sinno	
October 25		8:45 AM
Celebrant	Father Coyne	
Lector	Christine Grudinkas	
Eucharistic Ministers	Joseph Holderried, Craig Foscaldo, Joseph Kremer	
Principals	Karen Mason, Robert Naughton	
Altar Server	Michael Moran, Kaitlin Plecinoga, Allison Beattie	
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October 25		11:00 AM
Celebrant	Father Coyne	
Lector	Terry Earls	
Eucharistic Ministers	Chris Robertson, Michael Curtin Ann Delaney Lendrum	
Principals	Lee Kouri, Mark Donovan	
Handicap	Pam Adams, Wes Adams	
Altar Server	Jacqueline Kouri, Kaitlin Murphy, Olivia Powers	
October 25		6:00 PM
Celebrant	Father Coyne	
Lector	Ashley Riordan	
Eucharistic Minister	Kathleen Elcock, Colleen Lentz	
Principal	Silvana Castano, Karlene Duffy	
Altar Server	Lucy Somers, Kieran Somers	

Westwood, MA

Offertory Collections for the week of October 10/11th \$6862

This week's second collection supports Catholic World Missions. By Baptism, all Catholics are called to participate in the mission of the Church and share their faith as missionaries. World Mission Sunday gathers support for the pastoral and evangelizing programs and needs of more than 1,150 mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands and remote regions of Latin America. The funds gathered on World Mission Sunday are distributed in the pope's name by the Society for the Propagation of the Faith—a Pontifical Mission Society. Please visit www.worldmissions-catholicchurch.org for more information.

Holy Hour—There will be a Holy Hour on Monday, October 19th from 7:00-8:00 p.m. The evening will consist of Benediction, Recitation of the Rosary, and prayer for respecting life of the unborn, the ill, the homeless and all who are in need. This service is sponsored by the St. Margaret Mary Social Justice Committee. All parishioners and friends are invited and encouraged to attend.

Baptism—Please welcome to our Christian Community, Mila Rose Mandeville, daughter of Paul and Stacey, McKenzie Rose McIntyre, daughter of Michael and Kelly, Nicole Marie Schuster and Elena Rose, daughters of Karl and Rosemary.

New Parishioners—Please welcome to the parish: Brian and Meaghan Arnold Dunn and their children, Thomas and Luke and James and Carlotta DePietro, and their children James and Jake.

New Parish Registration

If you are just beginning to worship with us in St. Margaret Mary Parish, WELCOME! We invite you to register as a member of our parish. Kindly complete this information form and drop it in the collection basket or return it to the parish office. Please introduce yourself when you have a chance.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____

EMAIL _____

Twenty–Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rosie's Place—We will be serving the October meal for Rosie's Place this Wednesday, October 21st. If you are able to prepare a dessert to be served with the meal, please drop it off in the church kitchen any time before 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday.

If you are interested in helping with supplies or can volunteer your time to assist in the preparation and/or serve the meal in future months, please contact Lori Adjami at Adjami@comcast.net or 781-255-0337.

New Day Bereavement Support Group—St. Margaret Mary Parish is offering a bereavement support group entitled the **New Day**. The group will meet for a series of Wednesday mornings beginning with a meeting on October 28th. It is hoped that the participants may experience a journey from grief to understanding, coping and growing through healing. New Day is based on the premise that sharing one's thoughts, feelings and experiences with others in a similar situation is one of the most helpful ways to move beyond the pain that is caused by the death of a loved one. The Westwood Council on Aging has generously agreed to give us space to meet at the Center. If you are recently, or not so recently, bereaved because of the loss of a loved one, you are very welcome to attend and to share your story in an atmosphere of confidentiality. If you are unable to attend the first meeting but you are interested to know more, please contact Dorothy Ruggiero, Pastoral Associate, at 781-326-1071, Ext. 110.

Date of First Meeting: Wednesday, October 28th, 2009

Time: 10:00 A.M.—11:30 A.M.

Location: Westwood Council on Aging
60 Nahatan St., Westwood

Facilitators: Dorothy Ruggiero and Mary Sethna

The St. Margaret Mary CYO Basketball Program is organizing for the upcoming season. Coaches should have prior experience as either a player or a coach. The CYO basketball season starts in November and ends in February with the Archdiocesan tournament in March. Games are played on weekends and teams practice 2 to 3 times each week. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Ken Foscaldo kenfoss@aol.com.

Recipes for the Lenten Cookbook—The Social Justice Committee is putting the final touches on the cookbook which will be available for Christmas giving. They are looking for meatless soup and dessert recipes. You can drop them off at the parish office or mail to Mary Jo Hood at 108 Sexton Ave., Westwood.

Lord let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.
(Psalm 33)

October 17/18, 2009

Hymns for the weekend of October 17th/18th

Gathering: #30 We gather together
Resp. Psalm:Ps33 #771 Lord let your mercy
Preparation: #514 Center of my life
Communion: #619 Blest are they
Meditation: #507 We have been told
Closing #417 For the fruits of His creation

Songs for the 6:00 P.M. Mass, October 18th

Gathering: #18 We are the light of the world
Psalm: Ps33 #771 Lord let your mercy
Preparation: #72 Eyes and hands of Christ
Communion #71 Breastplate of St. Patrick
Meditation: #66 Spirit Song
Closing #60 Shine Jesus Shine



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Concert Series News

Please take a moment to look at the new concert posters at the side entrances and in the main lobby of the church. We have three concerts upcoming this fall, including Silent Movie Night on Tuesday, October 27th. We host the Stratus Ensemble on Sunday, November 8th and Anne Marie David comes to visit with her ensemble in December. In the spring, we have planned a jazz brunch on Valentine's Day, the return of Sirene flute and harp duo, a brass concert and of course our end-of-year concert.

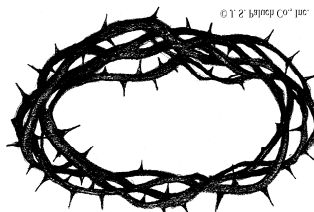
Please consider supporting our concert series by making a tax-deductible donation. Individuals can get line-ads in memory or honor of a loved one. Local businesses can get ads of various sizes, including full page in our programs. See Patrick or email him at Patrick.C.Valentino@gmail.com for further details and thanks.

OPEN HOUSE

Catholic Memorial School—Sunday, October 18th from 1:00-3:00 p.m. Grades 7-12. For further information contact John Mazza, Director of Admissions at www.CatholicMemorial.org.

Fontbonne Academy—Sunday, November 1st at 1:00 p.m. for 7th and 8th grade girls. For further information contact Nora Berard at 617-615-3009 or admissions@fontbonneacademy.org.

Jackson-Walnut Park School—Wednesday, November 18th from 9:00—11:00 a.m. for Grades K-6. An educational collaborative sponsored the Sisters of St. Joseph. For more information call 617-202-9772 or email admissions@jacksonwalnutparksschool.org.



*Through his suffering,
my servant shall justify
many.*

Isaiah 53:11b

Religious Education & Youth Ministry

Depend On God

Grades K - 6 & 8 meet this week.

Catechists co-catechists are still needed for the Tuesday & Thursday sessions as well as Grade 7. If you are interested in teaching, please contact Ms. Duffy. High school students are invited to help.

Grade 7 sessions 2009-2010 (6:30-8 p.m.): Oct. 26, Nov. 9, Dec. 7 & 21, Jan. 11, Feb. 1 & 22, March 8 & 22, April 5

Grade 8 sessions 2009-2010 (6:30-8 p.m.): Oct. 19, Nov. 2 & 16, Dec. 14, Jan. 4 & 25, Feb. 8, March 1, 15 & 29, April 12

Confirmation Preparation: A parent/ guardian of students in Year 1 & 2 Confirmation Preparation will be expected to be present at one entire class each year. Sign up for parents were done at the parent/candidate meeting last week. Attendance for every class is mandatory and attendance for the WHOLE class is required. Students entering Year 2 Confirmation Preparation must make up **all** missed sessions by joining the Year 1 session for the topic they missed. Candidates for Confirmation 2010 will not be confirmed without having made up missed sessions. Students attending Catholic high schools students begin their Confirmation Prep. in Grade 10. Catholic HS students hoping to be confirmed in Spring 2010 will begin classes in Feb. 2010.

Year 1 (Gr. 9):

4-8 p.m. in the lower church (Mass & dinner included)

October 4	God the Father
November 1	God the Son
December 6	God the Holy Spirit
January 3	Prayer and Spirituality
February 7	Scripture
March 7	The Church
April 11	The Mass
May 2	Reconciliation

Year 2 (Gr. 10):

4-8 p.m. in the lower church (Mass & dinner included)

Oct. 25	Catholic Church Teaching (Part 1)
Nov. 22	Catholic Church Teaching (Part 2)
Jan. 24	Catholic Morality & The Call to Holiness
Feb. 28	Initiation and The Rite of Confirmation
March 28	Bearing Witness to Christ: Mary & the Saints

Please note:

1. All 2008-09 service logs **were due** June 1. Completing service hours and handing in a service log are requirements of our Religious Ed. & Confirmation Prep. Programs.
2. Students entering our Religious Education program must provide a copy of his/her baptism certificate.
3. Students new to our Rel. Ed. Program and those not enrolled in our program last year (excluding Kindergarten and (first grade students) must provide a letter from the pastor and/or DRE at the parish where you attended Religious Education stating that you did attend Religious Education classes. If you "took a year off" you must make up/ complete the year missed.

4. Students wishing to enroll in our First Communion Program 2010 (Grade Two) must have completed at least one year of Religious Education.

5. Students in Gr. 7-10 have a "no absence" policy. Students must make up all missed sessions/classes.

Important dates:

1st Penance retreat: Dec. 6; 12 noon- 1p.m.

First Penance 2009: Friday, Dec. 11 @ 7 p.m.

Confirmation retreats: March 26 & April 9; 5-10 p.m.

Confirmation rehearsal: Sunday, April 25 @ 6 p.m.

****Confirmation 2010:** Saturday, May 1 at 6:00 p.m.

1st Communion retreat: Sunday, May 2; 12:30 p.m.

****First Communion 2010:** Saturday, May 8; 10 & 1

May Procession & reception for Confirmandi & First Communicants: May 9 after 11 a.m. Mass

Service Opportunities & Fundraisers!!!

The following events are service opportunities for both middle and high schoolers as well as fundraisers for Project Hope & Compassion 2010. We need high school and adult help for both events. Holyween and Parents' Night Out have been successful in the past (in terms of faith, fun and fundraising) so please help us. On behalf of all who participate in Project Hope & Compassion, those helped by Project Hope & Compassion, and POWER, thanks!

A Holyween Celebration hosted by POWER, our Middle School Youth Ministry group, will take place Saturday, October 24 in the lower church. There'll be games, scary tours through our "haunted hall", costume contests, (short) Halloween movies, crafts, trick or treating in the classrooms, a bake sale and memorial to the souls of the faithful departed. Suggested donation for admittance to our Holyween Celebration is \$3 to age 10; \$5 age 11 & up. Adults are free. Volunteers **must** sign up to help before October 20; middle schoolers cannot come to our Holyween Celebration expecting to earn service hours without having first signed up. Proceeds will go to Project Hope & Compassion 2010. Donations of time, decorations, candy, costumes & pumpkins are needed. Interested in helping? Contact Ms. Duffy.

Memorial luminaries will be offered for \$1 each. These luminaries can be brought in memory of our dearly departed loved ones. Luminaries will be lit at the side entrance to our church throughout our Holyween Celebration and in the lower church through All Souls' Day.

Our 3rd Annual Parents' Night Out will take place Saturday, Dec. 5, 5:30 -9:30 p.m. We'll provide dinner, games, movies, Christmas crafts, nail polishing and more. Donations will go toward Project Hope & Compassion 2010. Adults and high schoolers interested in helping should contact Ms. Duffy