

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 - 4

How does one pray? I mentioned last week that the best place to start is with the Sign of the Cross, but then, where do you go from there? What is the next step? One place to turn for advice is the practice of prayer throughout the Church's history. Our history has a lot to offer.

At the risk of over generalization, in the first few centuries of the Church, two different ways of prayer came into practice, what are commonly referred to as cathedral prayer and monastic prayer. Both of these prayer forms differ in terms of place, content, and dynamics. Cathedral prayer was normally performed in the church or cathedral with the local bishop or at least the local priests and deacons present. It was carried out in common in the morning and the evening with the participation of many lay Christians. It was highly structured, often involving processions, different ministers, cantors, choirs, and the use of a large number of candles and incense. The prayer in terms of content consisted of the singing of psalms and biblical canticles with readings from scripture, a sermon, and intercessions. The psalms used were often ones that would be used over and over again on the same day and time. So for example, psalm 63 was often used at morning prayer as it reads, "On my bed I remember you. On you I muse through the night," while psalm 141 was often used at evening prayer as it speaks of "the raising of my hands like an evening oblation." This allowed for a great deal of participation by all as over time the psalms and canticles would be memorized, a particularly important point in a time in which most were illiterate and printed materials expensive and rare. Thus, the content of the prayer was the set texts that were used repeatedly. The whole motif of morning and evening prayer was the prayer. The words of the psalms, the canticles, the songs, all encompassed the prayer of the individual and the community.

The dynamic is completely different for monastic prayer. Monasticism arose out of a desire within the Christian to "pray without ceasing" (*1 Thessalonians 5:17*). Men and women would separate themselves from the normal patterns of life and commit themselves in as much as it was possible to ceaseless prayer. They would do so either individually as monks or hermits or gather in communities of like-minded Christians. They could be found not just in desert wastelands or deserted places, but in enclosed houses or isolated places right within towns and cities. Sometimes this lead to interesting choices.

There were monks, known as Stylites (from Greek *stylos*, "pillar") who spent their days on top of columns and pillars, praying and preaching, relying on the charity of others for their sustenance. But most monks, male or female, settled in more normal environs. In this monastic prayer, all externals and distractions were to be avoided. No candles and processions or rich vestments and choirs for them. Instead, the monk would pray the psalms alone or in common with no effort to connect the content of the psalms to the time of day but simply to pray them as the Word of God which would then lead them into deeper prayer. The psalms would be read not as the "true" prayer of the monk but as the catalyst that would then lead the monk into deeper, contemplative prayer. As the recitation of the psalm or psalms was completed, the monk would pause and begin a period of contemplative prayer, the true prayer when they would commune with God through his word. Unlike cathedral prayer where the psalms and canticles were the prayer itself, in monastic prayer the psalm is a prayer that leads to further deeper prayer.

It seems to me that there is much that you and I can take from both forms of prayer. We can pray simply by reading psalms and biblical canticles or praying the rosary or repeating the "Our Father" over and over again. We might pray the Offices of Morning and Evening Prayer. All of these are prayer in and of themselves and reflect the practice of cathedral prayer in the early church. Or we might use the psalms or the rosary or scripture as a catalyst to lead us into deeper, meditative prayer. We can choose a mystery of the rosary or a word or phrase from the psalms or sacred scripture and ponder the deeper meaning in our life that these mysteries carry. We might even choose a kind of "hybrid" between the two, choosing a little of each within our daily practice of prayer. Interestingly enough, as time goes on in the early church we find just such "hybrid" practices developing within the various communities of Christendom. Some monks (especially the literate or talented singers) would remain in chapel where they would engage in the singing of psalms and deeper meditation while the "worker monk" would toil in the field or shop, praying the "Our Father" over and over again, keeping track of how many they prayed by fingering a series of beads around their waist, the early precursor of our present day rosary beads. Each in his or her own way was certainly praying.

Peace, Fr. Chris

St. Margaret Mary Church

Masses for the Week

Saturday	10/24	4:30 PM	Margaret and Clement Buikus and Joseph Perrotto, Sr., For The Parish
Sunday	10/25	8:45 AM	Sean Fitzz
Sunday	10/25	11:00 AM	Mass
Sunday	10/25	6:00 PM	Mass
Monday	10/26	9:00 AM	Mass
Tuesday	10/27	9:00 AM	Bernard Dullea
Thursday	10/29	9:00 AM	Mass
Friday	10/30	9:00 AM	Mass
Saturday	10/31	9:00 AM	Mass
Saturday	10/31	4:30 PM	For the deceased
Sunday	11/01	8:45 AM	For deceased parishioners
Sunday	11/01	11:00 AM	For the deceased
Sunday	11/01	6:00 PM	For the deceased

Please remember in your prayers Margaret Howland and Stephen Planeta who were buried from St. Margaret Mary Parish this past week.

Hymns for the Weekend of October 24/25

Gathering: #306 Let us go to the altar
Resp. Psalm: Ps122 Let us go rejoicing
Preparation: #377 Servant Song
Communion: #686 The Lord is my light
Closing: #567 Sing of the Lord's goodness

During the 11:00 a.m. Mass we will be performing a setting of Psalm 23 by Australian Composer Colin Brumby.

The hymns for the 6:00 p.m. Mass:

Gathering #31 Let us go to the altar
Psalm: Ps128 O blessed are those
Preparation: #43 Lord you have come
Communion: #42 Like the bread
Meditation: #39 Led by the spirit
Closing #19 Glory in cross

Music Notes

Silent Movie Night—

The 2009-2010 Music from St. Margaret Mary concert series kicks off this Tuesday, October 27th with Silent Movie Night. A fun and free family event, come watch some classic comedic shorts from the Silent Movie Era with live musical accompaniment. The curtain opens at 8:00 p.m. in the lower church and popcorn will be provided.



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Offertory Collections for the week of

October 10/11th \$7293

**Second Collection for Catholic World Missions
\$1878**

Flowers on the Altar are a gift from Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Perrotto, Jr. in memory of their parents.

Mass of Remembrance will be celebrated on Sunday, November 1st at the 11:00 a.m. Mass. At this Mass we will remember all those whose funeral was celebrated this past year at St. Margaret Mary Church.

New Altar Servers Welcome!—Any young member of our parish who is at least in the third grade is welcome to become an altar boy or girl. Sign up will be at all the Masses this weekend or via e-mail to Father Coyne. The first training meeting will be next Saturday, October 31st at 8:00 a.m. in the upper church followed by Mass at 9:00 a.m.

St. Margaret Mary CYO Basketball Program—is organizing for the upcoming season. There is a need for a coach for the girls' 7th and 8th grade team. The CYO basketball season starts in November and ends in February with the Archdiocesan tournament in March. Games are played on weekends and practice twice each week. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Ken Foscaldo at kenfoss@aol.com.



**I will lead them
to brooks of water.**

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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 _____

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

SAVE THE DATE

Women Affirming Life cordially invites you to an Advent Mass and Breakfast Forum with Seán Cardinal O'Malley, OFM Cap. Celebrant and Homilist, Saturday, December 5th at the Four Points by Sheraton, Norwood, 1125 Boston-Providence Highway (Route 1), Norwood. Concluding Prayer Service will be conducted by our Pastor, Father Coyne. Cost before November 18th \$25/\$15 for students. After November 18th all tickets are \$30. No tickets will be sold at the door. For more information, call Mary Hood at 781-329-0943 or email ProLifeOffice@rcab.org.

Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation Pilot Program—For engaged couples to be held on Saturday, December 5th and Sunday, December 6th from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. at the Pastoral Center in Braintree. The fee is \$225 per couple, Registration by November 23rd \$195. To register download the registration form at www.bostoncatholic.org/MarriageMinistries.aspx or Kari_Colella@rcab.org

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group—at St. Timothy Church on Tuesday, October 27th from 7:00—8:00 p.m. The guest speaker, Michelle Wyman, an Alzheimer Coach will talk about "The Sandwich Generation" and the challenges of trying to care for an aging parent with dementia. To register, call St. Timothy Caregiver Support Group 781-769-2522, X34.

October 24/25, 2009

OPEN HOUSE

Xaverian Brothers High School, this Sunday, October 25th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The Catholic High School Entrance Exam for Eighth Grade Boys will be held at the school on Saturday, November 14th at 8:30 a.m. and Saturday, December 12th at 8:30 a.m. Registration forms and Admission Packets may be picked up at the Open House or by calling the Admissions Office at 781-326-6392.

Master of Arts In Ministry Program for Laity—St. John's Seminary, 149 Washington St., Brighton, Tuesday, October 27th at 7:00 p.m. Call 617-779-4104 or www.sjs.edu for more information.

Catholic.net and CatholicTV—The full rosary is available at Catholic.net every day with the corresponding mysteries of the day. The online Rosary, which is produced by CatholicTV can be seen at Catholic.net by clicking on "Rosary" on the right side of the home page in the blue menu.

Ministers Schedule

October 31	4:30 PM
Celebrant	Father Coyne
Lector	Jan Lent
Eucharistic Ministers	Denise Raftery, Robert Hanley Marylee Hanley
Principals	Polly Coleman, Patricia MacDonald
Handicap	Bill Reissfelder, Charles Spiegel
Altar Server	Joseph and John Reissfelder
November 1	8:45 AM
Celebrant	Father Coyne
Lector	Marney Barrett
Eucharistic Ministers	John Kiley, Lois Foscaldo, Ken Foscaldo
Principals	Craig Foscaldo, John Barrett
Altar Server	Matthew O'Connor, Brendon Kiley, Erica Wilson
CLOW	Catherine Marvel, Bill McDonough
November 1	11:00 AM
Celebrant	Father Coyne
Lector	Fred Meagher
Eucharistic Ministers	Jess Keating, Erica Nangeroni, Joseph Holderried
Principals	Nancy Meagher, Mark Donovan
Handicap	Michael Curtin, Dylan Walsh
Altar Server	Peter Nangeroni, Shawna Caldwell
November 1	6:00 PM
Celebrant	Father Coyne
Lector	Maura Curran
Eucharistic Minister	Silvana Castano, Karlene Duffy
Principal	Lee Kouri, Rory Laughna
Altar Server	Matthew McMahon, Jacqueline Kouri

Religious Education

Depend On God

Grades K - 7 and 2nd Year Conf. Prep.
meet this week.

Thanks to all those who came forward to teach Grade 8.

You are wonderful examples of faith for our youth.

Thanks, too, to the high schoolers who have stepped forward to teach. You are my inspiration! Bless you!

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

Memorial luminaries were sold for \$1 each with proceeds benefitting Project Hope & Compassion 2010.

They are in memory of our dearly departed loved ones,

are now in our lower church and will be through All

Souls Day. The 700 + students will pray for these souls.

You can still add your loved ones' name. Luminaries are

available in the lower church across from the kitchen. It

was an 8th grader who came up with the idea! Good job,

Sean!

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.

Special thanks to the Holyween Committee for all their

hard work: Jack, Jackie, Jenna, Leicia, Mary, Megan,

Noel, Rachel, Sean, and Steven. They are fine examples

of the greatness of Our God. Thanks also to their moms;

we can't accomplish much without their love and sup-

port.

What's coming up???

*A Project Hope & Compassion 2010 meeting in November. You've got to come to the meetings to participate. Also, the payments will more "spread out" and we will be doing fundraising events.

*A gathering of Confirmed High Schoolers. Food, faith and whatever YOU need/want.

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Any more ideas for YOUth events, fundraisers or