

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.”**

Christmas “thank you”s

Our Christmas celebrations this past week were wonderful. All of the Masses were well attended with visitors and others made to feel welcome. There are many people that need to be thanked for all of the work that they did. First, a big ‘shout out’ of thanks to the parish staff who worked extra hard to get things ready: Scott Cole, our custodian, Deacon Joe Holderried, and parish office manager, Mary McSoley; thanks, too, to Karlene Duffy and Dorothy Ruggiero who put in the extra time at the Xmas eve Masses to help with crowd control; thank you to our volunteer parking lot attendants at the 4:00 PM: Gerard King, Fred Steeves, Colin Kiley and Andrew Kouri; thank you to the Westwood Police force for providing the traffic detail; thank you to the ushers and greeters at all the Masses; thank you to the lectors, Eucharistic ministers and altar servers present at all the Masses; thank you to the art and environment people under the direction of Lois Foscaldo, John Barrett, and Mary Jo Hood for setting up all the plants and decorations that brighten our church so much, and a big, huge thank you to Patrick Valentino, Betty Holderried, the cantors, the 6:00 PM music ensemble, the children’s choir, and the adult choir for all of the extra practice time, work, and effort that went into your gracing our liturgies with such beautiful music. May God bless us all in the coming year.

Fr. Jack Rathschmidt, OFM Cap.

Many of you may remember Fr. Jack from the great job that he did within the Westwood-Norwood cluster at last year’s Lenten retreat. I have been in contact with him and he has graciously agreed, as his schedule allows, to celebrate one Mass per weekend for us. While I don’t mind saying the four weekend Masses I think it is a good idea that we as a community hear a different voice once in a while coming from the pulpit. Fr. Jack showed us last year in his celebration and preaching at the retreat that he is clearly a man of faith, prayer, and the spoken Word. I am sure as time goes on that we will all look forward to hearing this man preach the Word for us at our Sunday Masses. There will be times during Lent that he will be

away giving retreats but other than that I hope to see him regularly.

The Angels

I’m sure that you have noticed the angels that hang on the back wall on either side of the sanctuary. They are graphic enlargements of a painting by Blessed Fra Angelico (c.1395-1455). The one on the left is a copy of the original, the one on the right is a reverse image. The painting is part of the *Perugia Triptych: Angel of the Annunciation*, painted in 1437 which hangs in the Galleria Nazionale dell’Umbria in Perugia, Italy. A triptych is a three panel work that normally graced the back of altars and often featured a central panel of an event from the life of Jesus or Mary and side panels depicting the angels and saints.

The life of Fra Angelico is the stuff of legend. “Angelic” was how he came to be known soon after his death; the name “Beato” was a comment on his painting and not a reference to his beatification, which happened only recently, in 1984. Fra Angelico was a Dominican, and a mendicant, so, not being part of a closed order, he was free to meet and talk to others in the city. In 1420-1422, he entered the convent of San Domenico in Fiesole and it was here that he produced his first works as well as the frescoes for his monastery. As his life went on Fra Angelico painted numerous churches and chapels all over Tuscany especially in the city of Florence. In July 1445 he was summoned by Pope Eugenius IV to Rome, where he painted frescoes in the chapel of Santissimo Sacramento, which was later destroyed under Pope Paul III. For Eugenius’ successor, Nicholas V, he painted the frescoes of St. Stephen and St. Lawrence between 1447 and 1449 with the assistance of Benozzo Gazzoli (1420-1497), in the Capella Niccolina in the Vatican, named after the Pope who commissioned the frescoes. From 1450-1452, he returned to his old convent in Fiesole as Prior, before going for one last time to Rome, where he died on 18 February 1455. He is buried in Santa Maria sopra Minerva in Rome, where his grave has always drawn worshippers. His feast day is 18 February, the day of his death.

God Bless, Fr. Chris.

St. Margaret Mary Church

Masses for the Week

Saturday	12/26	4:30 PM	Irene LeBert Baker
Sunday	12/27	8:45 AM	For the Parish
Sunday	12/27	11:00 AM	Marie Power
Sunday	12/27	6:00 PM	Dora and Augustino Ferretti
Monday	12/28	9:00 AM	Louise and Edwin Trask
Tuesday	12/29	9:00 AM	Mass
Thursday	12/31	9:00 AM	Mass
Thursday	12/31	4:30 PM	Vigil Mass
Friday	01/01	9:00 AM	Mass
Saturday	01/02	9:00 AM	Mass
Saturday	01/02	4:30 PM	Antoinette and Charles Santilli
Sunday	01/03	8:45 AM	For the Parish
Sunday	01/03	11:00 AM	Robert W. Howe
Sunday	01/03	6:00 PM	Nicholas Kelly

Hymns for the Weekend of December 26/27 For All the Masses

Gathering: #64 Angels We Have Heard on High
Preparation: #84 Once in Royal David's City
Communion: #79 The Snow Lay on the Ground
Meditation: #O Holy Night #73 It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
Closing: #562 Praise the Lord Ye Heavens

Hymns for the Solemnity of Mary December 31/January 1

Gathering: #715 Sing of Mary
Responsorial Psalm: Ps 33 Lord Let Your Mercy
Preparation: #56 The Angel Gabriel From Heaven Came
Communion #64 Angels We Have Heard on High
Meditation: In the Bleak Midwinter
Closing: #80 God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen

How lovely is your
dwelling place,
O Lord of
Hosts



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Westwood, MA

Offertory Collection for the week of December 19/20, \$5870.

Grand Annual—received to date \$74,272.49. If you have not received the mailing, envelopes are available at the doors of the Church. Thank you for your generosity.

Christmas Collection—We hope that each of you had a wonderful Christmas Day in celebration of the birth of our savior. As a reminder, the Christmas Collection supports the retirement, healthcare and financial needs of the priests of the Archdiocese of Boston. If you have not done so already and you wish to do so, you may include your completed Christmas Collection envelope in today's collection basket. Thank you for your continued generosity to the Church.

Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary—A Holy Day of Obligation, Vigil Mass will be on Thursday, December 31st at 4:30 p.m. and on Friday, January 1st at 9:00 a.m.

First Friday Devotion—Friday, January 1st. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Baptism—Please welcome to our Christian Community, Shay Anjali Modi, daughter of Biren and Ellen.

Calendars for 2010 are available at the doors of the church. A sincere thank you to Holden, Dunn and Lawler Funeral Home for their generous gift.

Beloved, we are God's children now; what we shall be has not yet been revealed.

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 _____

The Feast of the Holy Family

Wedding Banns

II- Patrick Hurley-Jennifer Harrington



Christmas Flowers in Memory Of:

V. Lillian Assetta
 William and Sophia Balicki
 Elizabeth and Oscar Berkland
 Ken Berkland
 Carole E. Borgman
 George A. Borgman
 Callahan Family
 Anna and Frank Coughlin
 Mary Jane Dello Russo
 Dennis and Jennie Dempsey
 DiGregorio Family
 Nana Frangieh
 Nora and Edward Galvin
 David and Mildred Gleason
 James Hogan
 Ramonde Jabbour
 Kraus Family
 MacDonald Family
 Neil MacLellan
 William Murphy
 Frank Rizzo
 Lamia and Khalil Saade
 Donald Santo
 Sawa Family

Minister's Schedule for Feast of the Blessed Mother

December 29 **4:30 PM**
Celebrant Father Coyne
Lector Richard Toland
Eucharistic Ministers Joe Clancy
Principals Mildred Reissfelder, Rory Laughna
Handicap Louise Toland
Altar Server Unfilled, Unfilled

January 1 **9:00 AM**
Celebrant Father Coyne
Lector UNFILLED
Eucharistic Ministers Joseph Holderried
Principals Nancy and Fred Meagher
Altar Servers UNFILLED

University of Notre Dame Chorale—Thursday, January 7th at 7:30 p.m. the University of Notre Dame Chorale will offer a spectacular program of choral music at St. Bridget's Parish in Framingham. This is a free concert and Notre Dame Alumni are urged to help and promote this special event. For more information, contact St. Bridget Church 508-875-5959.

December 26/27, 2009

Ministers Schedule

January 2 **4:30 PM**
Celebrant Father Coyne
Lector Jan Lent
Eucharistic Ministers Meghan Harrington
Principals Ann Joyce, Patricia MacDonald
Handicap William Reissfelder
Altar Server Joseph and John Reissfelder

January 3 **8:45 AM**
Celebrant Father Jack Rathschmidt
Lector Robert Reissfelder
Eucharistic Ministers JT Kelly
Principals Chris and Jeannine Kremer
Altar Server Lauren and Brian Reissfelder
 Caroline Kremer

January 3 **11:00 AM**
Celebrant Father Coyne
Lector Terry Earls
Eucharistic Ministers Erica Nangeroni
Principals Reginald Sethna, Mary Sethna
Handicap Chris Robertson
Altar Server Cyrus Sethna, Olivia Powers,
 Kaitlin

January 3 **6:00 PM**
Celebrant Father Coyne
Lector Maura Curran
Eucharistic Minister Joseph Holderried
Principal Lee Kouri, Karlene Duffy
Altar Server Jacqueline Kouri, UNFILLED

Statement for Income Tax Records—You will receive a statement from the Parish for income tax purposes. If you use our envelopes, the statement of contributions will be sent before the January 31st deadline. The Catholic Appeal does not go through the envelope system and the Archdiocese will mail you a statement.

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Help support our concert season by placing an ad in our programs in memory of a deceased loved one or to honor someone special.

Lines are \$10 each. Make checks payable to St. Margaret Mary Parish.

FOR: _____

FROM: _____

Religious Education & YOUth Ministry Depend on God

Thanks and blessings to the students and families who gave me such lovely CHRISTmas cards and gifts. Truly it is a gift to have the "job" I have. I could not do my job without your support. For your kindness and generosity I am grateful. May God continue to bless you and keep you safe and warm!

With prayers for peace and good health, Ms. Duffy.
P.S. Happy New Year!

In the New Year, Lord Jesus,
let us accept You in our lives,
in the way it pleases You,
as Truth, to be spoken,
as Life, to be lived,
as Light, to be lighted,
as Love, to be followed,
as Joy, to be given,
as Peace, to be spread about,
as Sacrifice, to be offered among our relatives,
friends, neighbors and all people.

Classes resume Sunday, Jan. 3.

Gr. 7 sessions 2009-2010 (6:30-8 p.m.): Jan. 11, Feb. 1 & 22, March 8 & 22, April 5

Gr. 8 sessions 2009-2010 (6:30-8 p.m.): Jan. 4 & 25, Feb. 8, March 1, 15 & 29, April 12

2nd Year Confirmation Prep. I'm still looking for baptism certificates, service logs and classes to be made up. The clock's ticking. Students attending Catholic high schools students begin Conf. Prep. in Feb. of Gr.10.

Year 1 (Gr. 9):

4-8 p.m. in the lower church (Mass & dinner included)
October 4 God the Father February 7 Scripture
November 1 God the Son March 7 The Church
December 6 God the Holy Spirit April 11 The Mass
January 3 Prayer & Spirituality 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

Important dates:

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.

*Students must attend and be accompanied by a parent/grandparent or godparent. The retreat lasts about an hour.

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

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

Our next Project Hope & Compassion 2010 meeting is Jan. 10 in the lower church after the 6 p.m. Mass. Interested participants are required to attend monthly meetings (2nd Sunday each month after the 6 p.m. Mass). A non refundable \$100 deposit for each participant is due Jan. 3. The approximate cost of this Catholic service mission is \$825. Total fees will be due by June 1. Airfare will be booked no later than this date and only for those whose payments have been received.

Did you know?

Across the world, starvation and malnutrition cause:

*More than 18 million people to die every year

*More than 50,000 people to die every day

*Over 2,000 people to die every hour

*More than 34 people to die every minute

*More than 8 people to die every 15 seconds

*One half of the children's deaths around the world are related to hunger.

*Chronic hunger is a daily reality for more than 35 million people in the USA.

*More than 700 million people living in impoverished countries suffer from chronic hunger.

*One billion people worldwide (1/6 of the world's population) are forced to live on less than \$1 a day and suffer starvation and malnutrition. **So let us ...**

Act F.A.S.T. (Fasting and Serving Together) F.A.S.T. is an "overnight" event including fasting, service, learning, playing and resting in the lower church Saturday, Jan. 23 (beginning with the 4:30 p.m. Mass) and ending Sunday morning, Jan. 24 with pancakes and sharing our experiences with the Sunday morning Rel. Ed. classes. F.A.S.T. is open to adults and all students Grades 7 and up. Interested in *understanding* better what it's like to be hungry, come F.A.S.T. with us. Adults are needed and welcome. Contact Ms. Duffy if interested. F.A.S.T. will be done in conjunction with the USCCB's designation of January as "**Poverty Awareness in America**" month.

All Night Ski Trip The Archdiocese of Boston's Office for the New Evangelization of YOUth will be holding it's 2nd annual All Night Ski Trip for Middle and High Schoolers Friday, Feb. 5, 11 p.m. - 6 a.m. at Wachusett Mountain. The cost of the trip (excluding transportation) is \$65 and includes skiing, games, breakfast, Mass and more! Rentals and lesson are available for \$10 each. And we will need one or two other adults. Let's hit the bunny trail together! Look for reg. forms in the lower church across from the kitchen.

Relay for Life of Greater Norwood is Friday, June 18 - Saturday, June 19 at Turco Field, Walpole High School; that's about 188 days from now. At the request of POWER, our middle school YOUth group, we've signed up a team. It'll be lots work and many hours but what a great gift to see our middle schoolers so enthused about helping others and so willing to give so much. Stay tuned to more info on how you can help in the fight against cancer.