

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.”**

(This week's column is a continuation of a fictional email exchange that began in last week's bulletin.)

To: c.coyne@saintmmparish.org
From: gabriel-angel@heaven.org
Subject: r.e. Haiti

.... It is obviously the magnitude of the numbers in Haiti that draws your attention, but God sees all the numbers and God is not indifferent to this suffering.

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From: c.coyne@saintmmparish.org
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Well, that's a bit of problem for me there too. You say that God is not indifferent to our suffering yet because He has created a free world that allows for each of us to make choices in freedom to choose to believe in him or not, to follow him or not, to love him or not, He must keep his distance when it comes to human suffering. That's almost like someone saying, "I feel your pain," and then not doing anything to help. Where does that leave the one who is suffering? It makes God seem so distant and almost impotent

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Do you remember back at the beginning of our email exchange where I wrote that "God does not speak to his children directly but instead chooses to use normal natural means of communication: Scripture, the Church, other people, etc." The same is true for the manner in which God acts within creation. While He does not do so directly, He certainly does so through the actions of people who freely choose to act in that way. Look at what is going on in Haiti right now. People and governments from all over the world have chosen to help. Food and water and medicine and supplies are pouring into that country. Volunteers and workers are arriving every day to help rebuild what was destroyed. Why just in your parish a few weeks ago you raised over \$12,000 in a second collection for Haiti. Why are people doing this? They don't have to. Does what happens in Haiti really effect the day to day life of a man or woman in Westwood or anywhere else in the world? Not a lot. Yet, people have chosen to help. This is not simply a matter of faith either, something like

well, people who are religious, be they Christian or Jewish or other faiths are supposed to act this way. People see the destruction and misery in Haiti and they want to help, they want to do something. Could there be something more going on here than meets the eye? Could not God in creating man and woman in his own image have included as part of that image the same loving and compassionate nature that is the very core of his being? Could it not be this very innate nature that is now at work here in Haiti and any other time that people respond in this way?

And, of course, this is where the person of Jesus Christ brings the full answer to your question about God seeming to be so distant and apart from human suffering. God, in choosing to become man, "Emmanuel – God is with us," out of love for humanity, gave his Son so that the wound of sin caused by your disobedience may be healed. It was through that sin that suffering and death entered the world. It was through God's gift of his Son that salvation from this death came to mankind. Jesus, in becoming human like you became the means by which all of creation has been healed. And, Jesus suffered and died as a man like you. How can one say, then, that God is distant from human suffering? If He in his Son Jesus, the second person of the Trinity, knew suffering and death, God knew suffering and death. But God did not leave it there because God through his Son also restored life.

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Thank you, Gabriel, for the help. I guess all of this is a reminder to me of what God has given us in his Son Jesus Christ but also in the community of his Church. I think that the mystery of human suffering – a 'mystery' because at the end of it, no answer is complete as to the question of 'why?' – reminds me that our ultimate happiness rests not in this world but in the next. Each of us needs to live our lives in Christ so as to someday be found worthy of that salvation. So, while I may not be able to answer completely the 'why' question in response to suffering, I can certainly answer the 'how' question.

For these and other writings, visit Fr. Coyne's blog at blog.saintmmparish.org.

St. Margaret Mary Church

Masses for the Week

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| Saturday | 02/13 | 4:30 PM | Mass of Anointing |
| Sunday | 02/14 | 8:45 AM | For the Parish |
| Sunday | 02/14 | 11:00 AM | Robert W. Howe |
| Sunday | 02/14 | 6:00 PM | Mass |
| Monday | 02/15 | 9:00 AM | Mass |
| Tuesday | 02/16 | 9:00 AM | Mass |
| Wednesday | 02/17 | 9:00 AM | Mass |
| Wednesday | 02/17 | 9:00 AM | Mass |
| Thursday | 02/18 | 9:00 AM | Mass |
| Friday | 02/19 | 9:00 AM | Mass |
| Saturday | 02/20 | 9:00 AM | James Kelley |
| Saturday | 02/20 | 4:30 PM | Norman, Nancy and Robert Spiegel |
| Sunday | 02/21 | 8:45 AM | For the Parish |
| Sunday | 02/21 | 11:00 AM | Harry Lent |
| Sunday | 02/21 | 6:00 PM | Mass |

Hymns for the Weekend of February 13/14

Gathering: #565 From All That Dwell Below the Skies

Preparation: #549 Blest Are They

Communion: #340 I Am the Bread of Life

Meditation: #520 Now We Remain

Closing: #384 City of God

Music for the 6:00 p.m. Mass:

Gathering: #41 Let Us Go to the Altar

Preparation: #32 I Am the Vine

Communion: #37 Isaiah 61

Closing: #86 With One Voice

This Sunday, February 14th, the Music from St. Margaret Mary Concert Series (MMM) will be hosting a Valentine's Day/Mardi Gras Jazz Brunch in the Church Hall immediately following the 11:00 a.m. Mass. Live music will be provided by the Wolverine Jazz Band and food will be provided by local businesses and parishioners. Admission is FREE, donations accepted..

Arise Prayer Commitment

The ARISE Together in Christ team have organized the participants of the *Arise, Together in Christ* program in small faith-sharing groups. As of the week of February 14th, the groups will begin to meet once a week for a period of 6 weeks. For different reasons not all members of the parish are able to take part in the program, However, the ARISE PRAYER COMMITMENT is an opportunity for all parishioners to be part of this ongoing spiritual renewal of the parish by participating through prayer.

The Arise prayer card has been inserted in the front cover of the missalettes and will be recited after Mass for the 6 week period. You will also find it in the bulletin so that you can pray it daily at home.

Westwood, MA

**Offertory Collection for the week of
February 6/7, \$7859**

Peter Pence Collection for the Holy Father \$2653

Grand Annual—received to date \$131,637.49. If you have not received the mailing, envelopes are available at the doors of the Church. Thank you for your generosity.

Journey Together in Faith Our Collaborative Parish Mission

The parishes of St. Catherine and St. Timothy in Norwood, and St. Denis and St. Margaret Mary in Westwood, will once again sponsor a Collaborative Parish Mission. We are pleased to welcome our featured speaker, Rev. Thomas McElroy, SS.CC. a member of the Congregation of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary.

The four-day Lenten Mission will be held from Sunday, March 7th thru Wednesday, March 10th.

Sunday, March 7th, at St. Timothy Parish
Monday, March 8th, at St. Denis Parish
Tuesday, March 9th, at St. Margaret Mary Parish
Wednesday, March 10th, at St. Catherine Parish

Please join your fellow parishioners and members of our neighboring parishes as we Journey Together in Faith. Come for all four sessions or for any portion of the Mission you are able to attend. Mark your calendars and spread the word!



Prayer

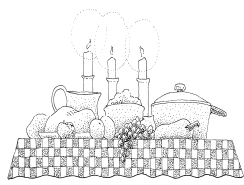
Gracious God and Father
we enter into your presence
realizing you know us
better than we know ourselves
You know the cares and sufferings
we carry in our hearts.
You call us to holiness
and we trust you to lead us together on our journey
to be a renewed Church, for with you all things are possible.
May your holy Spirit empower us
to live as a community of love,
freed to share in your work
of recreating our world
and restoring justice.
We believe you are doing something new,
calling is to arise together in Christ
to celebrate the fullness of life.
Amen.

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Ash Wednesday, February 17th, a day of Fast and Abstinence, Mass at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. Ashes will be distributed during the Mass.

Rosie's Place—We will be preparing and serving the February meal for Rosie's Place on Tuesday, February 16th and Wednesday, February 17th. As always, pasta, sauce and elbow macaroni are needed and can be dropped off in the basket labeled "Rosie's Place" outside the church kitchen at anytime. Desserts will be needed and can be dropped off on Tuesday, February 16th (anytime) or Wednesday, February 17th (by 3:00 p.m.). If you are able to contribute salad supplies or hamburger meat for this month's meal or would like to volunteer to cook or serve in a future month, please contact Lori Adjami at Adjami@comcast.net or 781-255-0337.



Lenten Suppers—will take place on the following Friday nights: February 26, March 5, 12 and 19. The evening consists of a prayer, a brief talk and a wonderful Lenten meal. Free-will offerings each week

will be made for Haiti relief, Fr. William Joy, Pastor of St. Angela Church in Mattapan will be the speaker on March 5th. For each meal, volunteers are needed to help with set up/clean up as well as to make the following: soup (several varieties needed) Macaroni and cheese, bread (homemade or purchased) and desserts. For February 26th please contact Joan and Terry Earls (781-461-0358) wolohan@hotmail.com. For March 5th. Please contact Mary Hood (781-329-0943)

Knights of Columbus—Retreat for all men 18 + members or not. To be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 252 Nichols Street, Norwood on Saturday, February 27th. It will be conducted by the Oblates of Virgin Mary, St. Clements. Come at 9:00 a.m., a light lunch will be served and it will be over at 2:00 p.m. Call Dave Standring (781-440-9891) or Jim D'Espinosa (781-769-5192) for more information.

Archdiocesan Marriage Preparation/Pre-Cana Pilot Program—to be held on Saturday, March 27th and Sunday, March 28th at the Pastoral Center in Braintree from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (both days, includes Sunday Mass).

For Registration and Cost Information contact Kari Colella at kcollella@rcab.org or 617-746-5801. Space is limited, early registration is recommended.

Blessed are they who hope in the Lord.
(psalm 1)

February 13/14, 2010

Ministers Schedule

February 20

4:30 PM

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| Celebrant | Father Coyne |
| Lector | Charles Spiegel |
| Eucharistic Minister | Joy Clancy |
| Principals | Chris Kremer, Jeannine Kremer |
| Handicap | Mary Hayes |
| Altar Server | Caroline Kremer, Erin Fitzgerald, Timothy Fitzgerald |

February 21

8:45 AM

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| Celebrant | Father Jack Rathschmidt, OFM |
| Lector | Christine Grudinskas |
| Eucharistic Minister | John Kiley |
| Principals | JT Kelly, |
| Altar Server | Ian Kelly, Brendan Kiley, Matthew O'Connor |

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February 21

11:00 AM

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| Celebrant | Father Coyne |
| Lector | Fred Meagher |
| Eucharistic Minister | Joseph Holderried |
| Principals | Nancy Meagher, Erica Nangeroni |
| Handicap | Mark Donovan |
| Altar Server | Peter Nangeroni, Joseph and John Reissfelder |

February 21

6:00 PM

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| Celebrant | Father Coyne |
| Lector | UNFILLED |
| Eucharistic Minister | UNFILLED |
| Principal | Karlene Duffy, David Zapcic |
| Altar Server | Matthew McMahon |

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 _____

Registration can also be done on line. Go to our website www.saintmmmparish.org.

Religious Education

Depend On God

Reminder: all K-5 students are to be walked into the lower church for class & from the lower church after class.

Parents of students attending Rel. Ed. classes are asked to remind their children that Rel. Ed. is school; it's "God school". The way our students behave in class, toward their catechists and toward the property should, if anything, be better than the way they act in "regular school". There should be no food in the lower church, no gum, no running and no disrespecting the catechists or other students in anyway.

I understand it is not easy to come to Religious Ed. after a long school day. (It's not easy for our volunteer catechists, either). But it is only once a week, for one hour and it is for the most important learning: to come to know God better so we may better know how to love and serve Him.

Children need to attend all classes and for the whole class. It is disruptive to come late and/or to leave early. We're mandated to have so many hours of class time per year and classes should be missed only when children are ill.

Question of the week: does your child know his/her catechist's name? I'm sure he/she knows his/her teacher's name at "regular" school.

Attention 5th Graders participating in school plays. If rehearsal conflicts with Religious Ed. class, you need to attend on Sunday mornings (9:40-10:40) or Monday afternoons (4-5) until the play is over. At that time you'll go back to your original class day. Thanks to the high schoolers who have come forward to teach this "extra class". Ms. Friel, Ms. Moylan and Ms. Priestley. By the way, Ms. Friel and Ms. Moylan are teaching 3 days a week!! Ms. Priestley, twice! Talk about loving God and living role models.

Gr. 7 sessions 2009-2010 (6:30-8 p.m.):

Feb. 22, March 8 & 22, April 5

Gr. 8 sessions 2009-2010 (6:30-8 p.m.):

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)

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| 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)

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| 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

2nd Year Confirmation Prep. students will be asked to sign up for their Confirmation Retreat at their next class. All Confirmation candidates intending to be confirmed this Spring must attend and participate in one *entire* Confirmation retreat (March 26 or April 9; 5-10 p.m.)

Parents are needed to help with these retreats and can sign up by emailing Ms. Duffy. Again, candidates must attend the **entire** retreat. Space in each retreat is limited. Sign ups done on a first come; first serve basis.

1st Year Confirmation Candidates and their parents are needed to "help and host" the 2010

Confirmation Candidate & Sponsor Dinner and Rehearsal on Sunday, April 25, 2010 after the 6 p.m. Mass. (Service hours are earned by doing so. Please email Ms. Duffy if you can help. This is a great tradition we want very much to continue and can do so only with your help.

Volunteers are needed to help prepare and serve dinner at the Confirmation retreats. If you can help, please contact Ms. Duffy; it doesn't take long and the Confirmation candidates are always very appreciative...as am I!

YOUth Ministry

The next **Project Hope & Compassion 2010 meeting** is Sunday, Feb. 14 in the lower church after the 6 p.m. Mass.

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.

Monkeys, frogs and toucans, oh my! Get ready for an exciting and fun filled Vacation Bible School. It will take place here the 3rd week of August and promises to be our best yet! All children PreK - Gr. 5 are invited to be participants and students Gr. 6 & up are invited to be counselors and junior counselors. Get ready to head to the amazing Amazon Rainforest! Stay tuned for more information. To set up our own rainforest, we're looking for carpet tubes and appliance or other LARGE boxes. Got some? They can be dropped off in the lower church.