



St. Margaret Mary

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May 2, 2021

Mass Schedule

Saturday — 4:30 PM

Sunday — 10 AM and 5 PM

Saturday 4:30 PM and Sunday 10 AM Masses will be livestreamed on the website at www.saintmmparish.org/live-streaming. The 5 PM will be livestreamed on our Facebook page.

Registration is required for all weekend Masses by going on the parish website or by calling the parish office at 781-326-1071.

Daily Mass (Mon-Fri) — 7:30 AM

Daily Masses will be livestreamed on the website.

Baptisms

Sundays at 11 AM. If you or someone you know wishes to have their child baptized, please call the office at 781-326-1071 to schedule.

Contact Information

Administrators:

Rev. Paul Soper and

Rev. Bob Blaney

Deacon and Parish Manager:

Rev. Mr. Stephen May – Ext. 107

Deacon Emeritus:

Rev. Mr. Joseph E. Holderried

Music Directors:

Bill Grzybowski and Matt Hussey

Director of Faith Formation:

Karlene Duffy – Ext. 101

Faith Formation Administrative

Assistant:

Denise Raftery – Ext. 102

Parish Administrative Assistant:

Cindy Carlo – EXT. 100

Office Hours

Monday – Friday 9 AM – 5 PM

From the Desk of Karlene Duffy

May is a month dedicated to Our Blessed Mother Mary, Ever Virgin, Queen of Heaven and Earth, Queen of Peace. Traditionally we have held a May Procession on Mother's Day, hosted by the First Communicants. Of course last year we could not. This year, however, we can! All parishioners are invited, especially our third graders who received the Sacrament of the Eucharist last September. Families need to register online or by calling our parish office to attend this mass. Flowers will be (safely) distributed and last years first communicants and the schola will lead us from church to the statues of Mary where she will be crowned with a wreath of flowers and adored with prayer and a song.

"Hear me and understand well, my son the least, that nothing should frighten or grieve you. Let not your heart be disturbed. Do not fear that sickness, nor any other sickness or anguish. Am I not here, who is your Mother? Are you not under my protection? Am I not your health? Are you not happily within my fold? What else do you wish? Do not grieve nor be disturbed by anything. Do not be afflicted by the illness of your uncle, who will not die now of it; be assured that he is now cured." - Our Lady of Guadalupe to St. Juan Diego.

Thank You, Thank You, Thank you...

...To the parishioners of St. Margaret Mary who helped with donations for the baby shower. We received diapers, gift cards and monetary donations of over \$2300!

Every donation saves lives — and after such a traumatic year that took so much from all of us — to be able to do the baby shower and remind all of us of such a wonderful life-affirming hope God gives with the birth of each new baby. Can there be any greater hope for the world?

Your sacrifices to help others — whether the donation was small or large — or just Prayers are such a blessing for mothers and their babies.

May God bless you always. Many thanks for our wonderful priests — Father Bob and Father Paul for allowing the baby shower to be held safely in the midst of the pandemic.

Thank you again — *The Social Justice Committee*

Adopt a Confirmation Candidate or High School Senior

If you are interested in "adopting" a parishioner who is preparing for his or her confirmation in May 2021 or a 2021 high school graduate, please let Karlene know.

Don't worry, you are not being asked to feed them, at least not corporally. Rather you are asked to pray daily an Our Father, Hail Mary and Glory Be on his/her behalf between now and the day of his/her confirmation or graduation. We will be putting wee flags in front of the church with the names of the confirmation candidates and members of the class of 2021. BTW Confirmation is on Pentecost, May 23 at 2 pm outside. Bishop Uglietto is our celebrant. Westwood High School graduation is June 6 and a baccalaureate Mass will be held that weekend. If your son/daughter attends a private school and you would like he/she to be "adopted" just let Karlene know.

"Deepen your knowledge of Jesus which ends loneliness, overcomes sadness and uncertainty, and gives real meaning to life, curbs passions, exalts ideals, expands energies in charity, brings light into decisive choices. Let Christ be for you the Way, the Truth, and the Life." ~ Pope John Paul II

Weekly Offertory

The weekly offertory for the weekend of April 24-25 was \$7,331. \$2,528 was collected through WeShare, our online giving portal and \$4,803 was sent in via the mail or given at Mass. Thank you for your generosity.

Grand Annual Update

To date, 228 parishioners have donated \$110,462 to the Grand Annual. Thank you for your support; your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5/1: Joseph Arpino (Month's Mind)

Sunday 5/2, 10 AM: Libia Rosa Alarcon (4 Yr Ann)

Sunday 5/2, 5 PM: Pro Populo

Monday 5/3: Terry McCoy

Tuesday 5/4: Dr. Stephen Healy

Wednesday 5/5: Leonard Pinaud

Thursday 5/6: Mildred O'Hare

Friday 5/7: Tina Savarese

Facebook Live Events

Daily Morning prayer at 8:30 AM

Daily Rosary/Chaplet at 3:00 PM

Parish Events

Wednesday — Adoration & Reconciliation from 3-8 PM. The Blessed Sacrament will be solemnly exposed on our altar. There will also be the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation from 7-8 PM.

Friday — Adoration from Noon — 3:00 PM. Rosary and Divine Mercy at 3 PM.

Saturday — Rosary, at 9 AM outside by the statue of Our Blessed Mother Mary. If weather does not permit, we will pray inside our church.

In Loving Memory

Please pray for all the deceased of our parish including James O'Shaughnessy whose funeral Mass we celebrated recently as well as all of our sick and those who have asked for our prayers.

Great Adventure Bible Study

The Great Bible Adventure study groups have completed Section One and will resume next week. We will continue to meet every other week for the next sessions beginning with Egypt and the Exodus. Thanks to Denise Raftery, Bill Grzybowski for their leadership, and witness and Fr. Paul and Cindy Carlo for participation and support. Our next "section" will also consist of seven sessions and study groups will gather biweekly via zoom on Thursdays from 7-8 pm, beginning on May 6th.

If you are interested in joining a group or exploring this bible study independently, let me know and I can provide the materials. According to St. Jerome: "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ." Not ready to commit to studying the Bible? Give the catechism a try!

Prayer Before Reading the Bible

When reading Sacred Scripture, it is important to remember that you are not just reading another book. Instead, you are listening to The Word of God. The authors were inspired by God before writing these words. Therefore it is He who is speaking to you. Of course these are the words of our ancestry, our heritage. Cumulatively, they are the story of our salvation, and every word directs us to Our Savior, Jesus Christ. Here's a prayer, attributed to St. John Chrysostom to offer to God before reading His Word:

O Lord Jesus Christ, open the eyes of my heart that I may hear your Word, and understand and do your will, for I am a sojourner upon the Earth. Hide not your commandments from me, but open my eyes, that I may perceive the wonders of your Law. Speak unto me the hidden and secret things of your wisdom. On you do I set my hope, O my God, that you shall enlighten my mind and understanding with the light of your knowledge; not only to cherish those things which are written, but to do them; For you are the enlightenment of those who lie in darkness, and from you comes every good deed and every gift. Amen.



Saturday Morning Rosary

Rosary will be at 9 AM on Saturday, outside by the statue of Our Blessed Mother Mary. If weather does not permit, we will pray inside our church.

CALLED TO BE CO-WORKERS

Reflections on Lay Leadership and the fruits of Lay Ministry



May 1 | 7:00PM

Featured speakers: Sr. Janet Eisner, Andreas Widmer, MAM '09, and Dr. Ansel Augustine

How are you called to serve the Church?

CALL TO BE CO-WORKERS

VIRTUAL EVENT
MAY 1 | 7:00PM
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To Register: <https://www.sjs.edu/celebrating20>