



ST. MARGARET SHRINE

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Clergy & Staff

Fr. Giandomenico Flora, *Rector*
Deacon Don Foust, *Administrator*
Deacon Tom Masaryk
Lucia Palmieri, *Music Director*

Mass Schedule

Weekdays: 8:15 a.m., Rosary & Reconciliation after Mass

Saturday: 8:15 a.m.; St. Anthony Novena, 3:45 p.m.

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m. in Italian, 11:00 a.m.

Holy Days: 8:15 a.m., 12:15 p.m. & 7 p.m.

Holy Day Vigils: 7:00 p.m.

Reconciliation Schedule

Monday through Saturday: after the 8:15 a.m. Mass

Saturday: 3:00 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday of the Month: 7:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Pastoral Care

Contact the office to schedule a visit to the sick

Cursillo: Ultreyas

First Thursday of the Month:

7 p.m. in the Community Hall

St. Pio of Pietrelcina Mass

Last Friday of Month, April-November: 7:00 p.m.

Rosary before Mass at 6:30 p.m.

St. Anthony Chapel

Monday through Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

All Saints Chapel

Monday through Friday: 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Saturday, February 27, 2021

8:15 a.m. For All Shrine Members

4:00 p.m. Helen & Edward Komorofski Anniversary & John Tedesco Birthday by Marie Tedesco & Family

Sunday, February 28, 2021

8:00 a.m. Laura Mastroianni by husband, Nick & Family

9:30 a.m. Angelo DiGruttola & Antonia Formato by Lorenzo Cuoco & Family

11:00 a.m. Maria & Gregorio Corsale by Vincenzo Corsale

Monday, March 1, 2021

8:15 a.m. Jean Kabusk by husband, Tom & Family

Tuesday, March 2, 2021

8:15 a.m. Giuseppe & Giuseppina Valenti by Valenti Family

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

8:15 a.m. Francesk Zefi & Sal Semmonella by Gent

Thursday, March 4, 2021

8:15 a.m. Vincenzina & Pasquale Cusello by Giuseppe

Friday, March 5, 2021

8:15 a.m. Franco Cortese by Maria Sanzo

6:30 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS - ITALIAN

7:00 p.m. STATIONS OF THE CROSS - ENGLISH

Saturday, March 6, 2021

8:15 a.m. For All Shrine Members

4:00 p.m. Robert & Julia Plude by their Son

Sunday, March 7, 2021

8:00 a.m. Gloria Rodrigues by husband, Jack

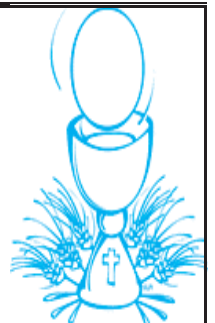
9:30 a.m. Silvestri & Bauco Families by Liana Cerro

11:00 a.m. Vincenzo Cortese by Maria



Sanctuary Candle

In Loving Memory of
Ray and Marge Varrone and
Miles Henry Rodgerson by
Daughter and Grama, Sherry



Offertory Collections-GOAL \$5,500

Please make all checks payable to St Margaret Shrine.



Please keep in your prayers the following members of our Shrine Community

Deceased: Enrica Cerequozzi

Sick: Jeff C., Rick C., Carmen, John Carroll, Christian Ciarapica, Phyllis Cascella, Pat Copetta, Carmela Cueto, Daisy, Jerry and Betty DeBiaggio, Dorothea Cueto, Lorenzo Cuoco, Lucy Dee, Marlene Dervil, Gasner Dervil, Jean Dervil, Roc Desances, Lyndsey Ellis, Gina Freddino, Umberto Fronterotta, Janet G., Stan Garlo, Beth Herbert, Jonathan, Kaylee, Danni Kemp, Linda, Kathy Liello, Kathy Masserano, Diane Martinsky, Carlos Minopoli, Ruby Noel, Lucille P., Lynda Palmieri, David Palumbo, Michael Plucker, Irene Perretta, Tony R., Jaqueline Raposo, Bob Reed, Alicia Reilly, Dave Reynolds, Maryann Robles, Paul Rigoli, Matteo S., Alessandra Marie Simon, Sister Mary-Jane, Rachel Thau, Anthony Tucci, Anthony Urciuoli, Alonso Villegas, David Volderauer, Joseph Zeppieri.

Call the office to request names be added to the List

INDOOR MASS - SATURDAY AT 4 pm and SUNDAY AT 8 am & 9:30 am & 11:00 **YOU MUST MAKE A RESERVATION**

4:00 pm Mass - Call Mary Lou Cuccaro at 203-335-6283

8 am Mass - Call Nancy Teixeira at 203-374-4400

9:30 am Mass - Call Marissa & Egidio Ferrante at 203-261-5769

11am Mass -Call Joe Aurilio at 203-335-1294

If there is no answer please leave a message with your name, number of people attending, and your phone number. **PLEASE NOTE: You must wear a mask.** Do not come if you are sick or have been with someone who is sick or has tested positive

The men's prayer group will be meeting Saturday March 6th at 7 AM in the community room.

COVID-19 VACCINE

If you are 55 or older Call 203-576-7993 to schedule your vaccine

If you are 55 or older and homebound and need transportation Call 203-579-3829 to schedule your vaccine

Prayer Line

If you know someone in need of prayer, please contact: **Rose Gresh (203-371-0098)**. We will pray for them and pass their name on to others for additional prayers. In a short period of time, they will have many prayers said for them.

Prayer To St. Rocco

PATRON SAINT OF CONTAGION, EPIDEMICS, ILLNESS
O great St. Rocco, deliver us, we beseech you from contagious diseases, and the contagion of sin. Obtain for us, a purity of heart which will assist us to make good use of our health and to bear sufferings with patience. Teach us to follow your example in the practice of penance and charity, so that we may, one day enjoy the happiness of being with Christ our Savior, in Heaven. Amen

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Altar Guild

Interested in the Altar Guild? Please call Lorraine Carrano at 203-445-9954 for information on joining or renewing your membership.

PRESEPIO

The Presepio will be open **Wednesdays 10 am to Noon** or by appointment call the office at **203-333-9627**. Also feel free to ask any clergy member to open the presepio after any weekend mass.

Confession In the Community Hall

Before and after all masses.

PRAYER AFTER MASS

We will pray the Hail Mary after each mass for the intercession of our Blessed Mother for **1. Peace** in our country **2. An end to the Pandemic** and **3. An end to Abortion.**



Pray the Rosary

Then add a stone to our stone basket so that we can count how many rosaries we have prayed to our Blessed Mother as a community.

This week we have 34 stones in our rosary basket.

Because of the Pandemic there are many people who are out of work and on the verge of eviction or hunger. Please consider making a donation to help them pay the rent or donate a gift card from Stop n Shop or Shop Rite for groceries. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

COVID-19 VACCINE

It is recommended that all USA citizens get vaccinated. If you are concerned about getting the vaccine, **call your doctor** to discuss your concern. Vaccines are being given out in phases. Right now if you are a healthcare or front line worker or 55 and over you are eligible. To register on-line go to: <https://VAMS.CDC.gov> or call **1-877-918-2224** Monday through Friday from 8AM to 4:30PM



While you wait for your vaccine remember to:

1. Wear your mask
2. Keep your hands away from your face
3. Wash your hands with soap and water often / use hand sanitizer
4. Practice self-distancing
5. Minimize your exposure by staying home more and limiting the number of people into your home who do not live with you.
6. Pray for an end to the pandemic, for the people suffering with it and for the families who have lost family members to the virus.

Upcoming News and Events

Any request for use of the Community Hall must be made to the Office.

Second Sunday of Lent

Reading I Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 God put Abraham to the test. He called to him, "Abraham!" "Here I am!" he replied. Then God said: "Take your son Isaac, your only one, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah. There you shall offer him up as a holocaust on a height that I will point out to you." When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there and arranged the wood on it. Then he reached out and took the knife to slaughter his son. But the LORD's messenger called to him from heaven, "Abraham, Abraham! "Here I am!" he answered. "Do not lay your hand on the boy," said the messenger. "Do not do the least thing to him. I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son." As Abraham looked about, he spied a ram caught by its horns in the thicket. So he went and took the ram and offered it up as a holocaust in place of his son. Again the LORD's messenger called to Abraham from heaven and said: "I swear by myself, declares the LORD, that because you acted as you did in not withholding from me your beloved son, I will bless you abundantly and make your descendants as countless as the stars of the sky and the sands of the seashore; your descendants shall take possession of the gates of their enemies, and in your descendants all the nations of the earth shall find blessing all this because you obeyed my command."

Responsorial Psalm 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. I believed, even when I said, I am greatly afflicted." Precious in the eyes of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. O LORD, I am your servant; I am your servant, the son of your handmaid; you have loosed my bonds. To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving, and I will call upon the name of the LORD.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. My vows to the LORD I will pay in the presence of all his people, In the courts of the house of the LORD, in your midst, O Jerusalem.

R. I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living.

Reading 2 Rom 8:31b-34 Brothers and sisters: If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him? Who will bring a charge against God's chosen ones? It is God who acquits us, who will condemn? Christ Jesus it is who died—or, rather, was raised who also is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us.

Gospel Mk 9:2-10 Jesus took Peter, James, and John and led them up a high mountain apart by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white, such as no fuller on earth could bleach them. Then Elijah appeared to them along with Moses, and they were conversing with Jesus. Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified. Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone but Jesus alone with them. As they were coming down from the mountain, he charged them not to relate what they had seen to anyone, except when the Son of Man had risen from the dead. So they kept the matter to themselves, questioning what rising from the dead meant.



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2ND SUNDAY OF LENT

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- Mk 9:7-8

Fasting and Feasting by William Ward

Lent should be more than a time of fasting. Lent should also be a joyous season of feasting. Lent is a time to fast from certain things and to feast on others. It is a season in which we should:

FAST from judging others; FEAST on the Christ dwelling in them.

FAST from emphasis on differences; FEAST on the unity of all life.

FAST from self-concern; FEAST on compassion for others.

FAST from apparent darkness; FEAST on the reality of light.

FAST from discontent; FEAST on gratitude.

FAST from anger; FEAST on patience.

FAST from words that pollute; FEAST on phrases that purify.

FAST from thoughts of illness; FEAST on the healing power of God.

FAST from complaining; FEAST on appreciation.

FAST from negatives; FEAST on affirmatives.

FAST from unrelenting pressures; FEAST on unceasing prayer.

FAST from bitterness; FEAST on forgiveness.

FAST from personal anxiety; FEAST on eternal truth.

LENTEN SCHEDULE FOR 2021

DAILY MASS - 8:15 am

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – Every Friday at 7 pm in English and 6:30 pm in Italian

CONFESSION – Saturday at 3:30 pm in the Community Hall

DAYS OF FAST – Ash Wednesday and Good Friday: Limit one full meal on these days for all who are 18 years old, but not yet 60 years old. Two other meatless meals may be taken, but together should not equal a full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted.

DAYS OF ABSTINENCE FROM MEAT – ALL Fridays of Lent: An obligation for those who are 14 years old and up.

WEEKDAYS OF LENT – There is no longer an obligation to fast, however, voluntary acts of self-denial and charity are recommended.

EASTER DUTY – The obligation to receive Communion at least once a year, during the Easter Season. This obligation may be fulfilled between the first Sunday of Lent and Trinity Sunday, May 30th.