

ST. MARGARET OF CORTONA AND ST. GABRIEL PARISH



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LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

St. Margaret of Cortona

SUNDAY MASSES: (Vigil) 5:15 PM Saturday
Sunday: 8:00 & 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon and 5:15 PM
LATIN RITE MASS: 1st Sunday of the month at 3:00PM
WEEKDAY MASSES: 8:30 AM and 12 Noon
SATURDAYS: 8:30 AM
LEGAL HOLIDAYS: 12:00 PM
1st SATURDAY: Rosary in Honor of Our Lady 9:00 AM
MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:
Monday preceding 8:30 AM Mass
CONFESSIONS: are available on Saturdays at 4:00 PM
until 5:00 PM and upon request.
HOLY HOUR/ADORATION:
Thursday 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM— (suspended for summer)
**EXPOSITION AND ADORATION OF
THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Friday after Noon
Mass. Concludes with Chaplet of Divine Mercy and Ben-
ediction at 3:00 PM

St. Gabriel

SUNDAY MASSES: (Vigil) 5:00 PM Saturday
Sunday: 9:30 & 11:30 AM
WEEKDAY MASS: Monday – Friday 9:00 AM
MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:
Monday following the 9:00 AM Mass
CONFESSIONS: are available on Saturdays at 4:15 PM
until 4:45 PM and upon request.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM: Arrangements may be made by speaking with one of the priests.

MARRIAGE: Before the date is confirmed, couples should meet with one of the priests. This should be done at least one year ahead. Pre-Cana is required.

SICK CALLS: For the ill, the Sacrament of the Sick is available. Please call the Rectory at any time.

PASTORAL STAFF:

Rev. Brian P. McCarthy, Pastor

Rev. Julius M. Eyyazo, Parochial Vicar

Rev. George Lodi, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Msgr. Dermot Brennan, Weekend Associate

Deacon Joaquim Pereira

Deacon George Pitula

Deacon Donald M. Quigley

Sr. Mary Amadeus McKenna, O.P., Pastoral Associate

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: To be considered active members of St. Margaret of Cortona and St. Gabriel Parish, each family and single adult must be properly registered and regularly use the weekly donation envelopes for our parish. This is the only way the parish can issue documents attesting to parish membership and *Catholic practice* (e.g. A LETTER TO BE A GODPARENT OR SPONSOR. *Newly registered parishioners must be registered & use envelopes for at least 6 months before a Sponsor Letter can be issued.*). New parishioners are requested to visit the parish office.

ENVELOPE SYSTEM: To assist us in keeping accurate records of your contributions, we request that you use the weekly envelope system. This enables us to verify your donations should it be necessary for tax purposes. Please notify the Rectory if you change your address.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

ST. MARGARET OF CORTONA SCHOOL:

Grade Pre-K through Grade 8. For information, call the principal, **Mr. Hugh Keenan**, at 718-549-8580 or visit the school website at: www.smcsriverdale.org.

ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL:

Grade Pre-K through Grade 8. For information, call the principal, **Mr. Anthony Naccari**, at 718-548-0444 or visit the school website at: www.stgabrielsinthebronx.org.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:

For children in public and private schools, Grade 1 through Grade 8. For information, email the School of Religion:

Mrs. Georgina Nieves, St. Gabriel at stgabrielsreled@gmail.com or

Mrs. Kerry Bader, St. Margaret of Cortona: at saintmargaretsccd@gmail.com.

HOMEBOUND: For those confined at home, Extraordinary Ministers bring Holy Communion. If anyone is not on the regular list, please call the Rectory.

TEXT REFLECTION
17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Are you guilty of spiritual stockpiling? Spiritual stockpiling isn't an endless rotation of rosaries and novenas. It's accumulating emotional "goods" to meet your needs. Perhaps it's a collection of material objects you treasure. Maybe it's a preoccupation with money. It could also be relationships, making sure there's always enough friends and connections to never really feel alone. It's our tendency to let things add up so that we won't quite need God to fulfill our inner life. Yet in this Sunday's Gospel, we have that inescapable petition from the Our Father. "Give us each day our daily bread."

This life isn't an immediate arrival. And as much as we might try to shore up possessions and pleasures, we know the journey is unpredictable. Give us this day our daily bread implies enough for the next set of steps, but not enough to stockpile. So here's the big question: Do we trust God to give us what we need? After all, "What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish?... how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?" At the Last Supper, Jesus said He would never leave us orphaned. God will not abandon us. And surely He wouldn't ask us to pray for what He does not intend to give.

Of course, sometimes our prayers for daily help can seem to go unanswered. Today's Gospel has advice for that, too. "I tell you... He will give up to him whatever he needs because of his persistence." Our spiritual stockpiling increases our self-reliance and decreases our openness to God's possibilities. Be persistent in your pursuit of God! Trust that He will keep His promises to provide for us, today and always.

THE COLLECTION REPORTS

We are grateful to you for your generosity to our parish.

July 21

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God wants to be asked!

My father would always say to me when I was growing up, "Whatever is mine is yours." He was always very generous toward me and, if I am being truthful, probably spoiled me. We were not a rich family by any measure, but I never really wanted for anything. If I asked, I would receive.

In Luke 11, Jesus tells us our heavenly Father is similar to my father, but God is profoundly more generous. However, I am not sure many of us really believe that. When growing up we ask our earthly parents for all sorts of things, some requests being large but many being small. I know my own three children might ask me for anything at any time. If God is more generous with me than I am with my own three children? how come I find myself mostly asking God for things when all my other options have run out or my back is against the wall? We make deals with God in our moment of despair or fear, but when things were great we asked for little or sometimes nothing at all.

We need God and His generosity 365 days a year. Better than that, God wants us to ask for things and learn to rely on Him. There is no strength in walking in this world alone. God wants to be the source of all our strength. That is one reason why at every hour of the day, somewhere in the world, Mass is being celebrated and His children are receiving Him in the Holy Eucharist. If God can become man, die, and rise again, and then humble Himself in the elements of bread and wine to be close to you, do you not think He will respond to your everyday simple requests? May God's generosity flow to you in great abundance for His love knows no limits.

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Gratitude is a duty which ought to be paid. First of all, I acknowledge with immense joy and profound sense of gratitude to God giving me an opportunity to serve in St. Margaret of Cortona & St. Gabriel Church for the last three years during the summer months. My heartfelt thanks to Rev. Fr. Brian McCarthy, Pastor who invited me and gave this precious opportunity to be with you all. I am indebted to associate priests, collaborators and the parishioners for your encouragement, love, concern and care. Finally, I cannot adequately express or repay my debt of gratitude to all those who are not mentioned here, may God bless you all and repay you for your kindness and good will. 'Thank you' is the best prayer that anyone could say. Thank you!

Rev. Fr. Maxim Santosh DSA

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IRISH HERITAGE DAY sponsored by Westchester County Parks & American Irish Association will take place **this Sunday**, July 28th from 1:00—5:30 PM at Ridge Road Park in Hartsdale. **Mass is 1:00 PM.**

Entertainment: Irish vocalist Mary G with Frankie Lee, Susan & Gerard Irish Band, Brigid Flynn School of Irish Dance and Activities for children, and so much more. Food & beverages available for purchase.

Cost: \$5 per adult
Children under 14 are free

PLEASE bring your own blankets and chairs. **NO COOLERS!** For additional info visit www.aiawestchester.com or call 914-439-5773 or 914-969-7247.

ST. GABRIEL SENIOR GROUP is planning trips for later in the year. **Call Sr. Amy** for reservations and information.

WESTCHESTER DINNER THEATRE Wednesday, December 4th "**IT HAPPENED ONE CHRISTMAS EVE**" matinee performance. **COST:** \$75.

CAPE COD & BOSTON, Sept. 30th thru Oct. 4th
COST: \$630, includes 4 night accommodations on Cape Cod (Ambassador Inn in S. Yarmouth) 4 breakfasts & dinners, Martha's Vineyard, Provincetown, a day in Boston and more.
Deposit of \$330 is now due.



St. Joseph Medical Pastoral Care Department

(127 South Broadway, Yonkers) is looking for volunteers to bring

Communion to hospital patients and nursing home residents one or two days a week. If you are interested in this wonderful ministry and are not a Eucharistic Minister we will be happy to provide training and preparation. If you are already a Eucharistic Minister this is an opportunity to expand your ministry. To volunteer or to inquire about this please call **Sr. Ellen O'Connor**, ASCJ at 914-378-7648 or email her at pastoral.com@saintjosephs.org.

CAN YOU GIVE AN HOUR?

We need people to help for **1 – 1 1/2 hours** to help set up for the Prayer Service and/or interact with the residents in the area Nursing Facilities. (10 AM to 11:30 AM). The more volunteers we have the easier it is for all. **Call Sr. Amy at 718-548-4470 if you have questions or are able to volunteer.**

CHILDREN'S CORNER:

Read the Gospel and Color



July 28, 2019

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

Courtney Amsinger	Dimitrios Anastasiou
Georgina Ayra	Irene Anzalone
Louis Ballarin	John Beckley
Timothy Breen	Iva Boatin
Joshua Brennan	Betsy Boruchoff
Ellen Brown	Tom Brody
Edward Cleary	Ellen Butler
Brian Crawford	Frank Caliendo
Mary L. Cronin	Michele Cipriano
Thomas & Mary Cronin	Norma Connolly
Michael DiRusso	Sr. Margaret Coomey
Patrick Donaghy	Karen Cunniffe
Michael Dunne	Michael Dannucci
Jane Elliott	Patricia & John Doran
Barbara Fitzpatrick	Aurelia Rodriguez- Flores
Janet Fulcher	Frank Galbo
Lydia Gonzalez	Mary Ellen Gibbs
Bridie A. Gaffney	Michael Griffin
Donna Gray	Thomas Hanrahan
Frances Hage	Michael J. Healy
Michele Sanchez Henley	Donna Hearla
Mary Kelleher	Aidan Hernandez
Elizabeth Landau	Alina Hernandez
Olivia Leroy	Maura Hurless
Terry Loftus	Nora Keegan
Ray Madden	Brian Kolterman
Louis Marino	Jack Marchindo
Thomas McGrath	Mrs. Marciliano
Darlene McMeekin	Bridie Monaghan
Susan Mercurio	Irene Morgan
Kathryn Merton	Lorraine Moriarty
Bill Murphy	Diane Morvillo
Jeanne Myers	Bozena Mul
Arlene O'Callahan	Caitlin O'Callahan
Sr. Eileen O'Sullivan	Jean O'Malley
Frank Paccione	Bridie O'Sullivan
Brian Phillips	Margaret O'Shaughnessy
Grace & John Rose	Carmen Perez
Henry Snyder	Rodolfo Pinzon
Onelia Soto	Angie & Estrella Rivera
Marilyn Spawn	Katherine & Mary Searson
Mary Sullivan	Lorraine Shearn
Catherine Tobin	Ellen Sherwood
Elido Vega	Adelynn Smith
Marie Walsh	Harlie Smith
Marie Zangalai	Arlene Viola

AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

Sheila McCarthy Ann Marie Lafferty, SC

MASS INTENTIONS 7/29— 8/04

St. Margaret of Cortona

MONDAY: *St. Martha*
8:30 Marian & Frank Breen
12:00 Gregorio, Carmen & Empy Velasquez

TUESDAY *St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop*
8:30 Gail Brock
12:00 Ann-Marie Gery Friel

WEDNESDAY *St. Ignatius of Loyola*
8:30 Christopher Butler
12:00 Grace Mola

THURSDAY *St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop*
8:30 Thomas Martin & Family
12:00 Maria Esperanza Ortiz

FRIDAY:
8:30 Gabriel Gurango
12:00 Kenneth Croke

SATURDAY:
8:30 Mr. & Mrs. Richard McCarthy

SUNDAY: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:15 PM (Vigil) Pearl & Daniel Smith
8:00 Patrick & Veronica Gilheany
10:00 Mazzuca & Gerbasi Families
12:00 Michael & Jerome Collins
5:15 Parishioners of St. Margaret of Cortona & St. Gabriel

St. Gabriel

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9:00 Veronica Smyth
TUESDAY *St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop*
9:00 Gladys Agudelo

WEDNESDAY *St. Ignatius of Loyola* 9:00
Giuseppe Butera

THURSDAY *St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop*
9:00 Nathaniel (Nat) Bryant

FRIDAY:
9:00 John Moran

SUNDAY: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

5:00 PM (Vigil) John & Ellie Quinn
9:30 Elizabeth Conlan & deceased Conlan family
11:30 Phyliss Rodriguez & Catherine Altomare