

## 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 Sandro Leyton, Parochial Vicar

Rev George Lodi, Parochial Vicar

Rev. Msgr. Dermot Brennan, Weekend Associate

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](http://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.saintgabrielschoolbronx.org](http://www.saintgabrielschoolbronx.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](mailto:stgabrielsreled@gmail.com) or **Mrs. Kerry Bader**, St. Margaret of Cortona: at [saintmargaretsccd@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

At a recent meeting of the Parish Council, I shared with them, and now with all of you, information with regard to a bill the parish receives each month from the Archdiocese of New York. It is called the consolidated invoice and it is \$32,948.61 per month. This bill includes the amount we must pay each month for property insurance, priests' pensions, lay pensions and medical insurance. These expenses cost us \$17,946.03. The remaining \$15,002.58 pays for the Regional School support for our two schools (\$5,397.28) and the Cathedraticum which costs \$9,605.30.

The Cathedraticum is an assessment that every parish is required to pay to the Archdiocese. It helps pay for the many services the Archdiocese provides for the parishes e.g. the Liturgical Office, the Chancery Office, the Marriage Tribunal, etc..

Cardinal want to remind everyone once again that none of the money for the Cathedraticum or the Cardinal's Appeal, or Renew & Rebuild goes to pay for any compensation or lawyers' fees with regard to the clergy scandals. As you can see, if we average \$15,000 per weekend collection, that means that two weekends go to pay our consolidated bill. In light of this, if you could consider increasing your weekly contribution, it would be greatly appreciated.

God bless you,  
Father Brian McCarthy



### Merry Christmas!

On behalf of **Father McCarthy**, the **Priests, Deacons** and **Staff of St. Margaret of Cortona and St. Gabriel Parish**, we wish all our parishioners, their families and friends a very blessed and happy Christmas. At Mass we will remember all of you, and all who are dear to you, the living and the dead. **May the Infant Jesus bring you His peace, love and joy in the New Year...**

## CHRISTMAS MASSES

### St. Margaret of Cortona:

Christmas Eve:

4:00 PM Family Mass

7:30 PM Vigil Mass

Midnight (Music will begin at 11:30)

Christmas Day:

8:00 and 10:00 AM & 12 Noon

There will NOT be a 5:15 Mass on Christmas Day

### St. Gabriel:

Christmas Eve:

5:00 PM Family Mass

10:30 PM Vigil Mass

(Music will begin at 10:00 PM)

Christmas Day:

9:30 and 11:30 AM.

## FEAST OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

January 1st is the Feast of the Mother of God. It is a Holy Day of Obligation which requires our attendance at Mass. The Mass schedule is:

### St. Margaret of Cortona:

Tuesday, Dec. 31st:

5:15PM (Vigil Mass)

Wednesday, Jan. 1st:

8:30 AM and 12 Noon

### St. Gabriel:

Tuesday, Dec. 31st:

5:00PM (Vigil Mass)

Wednesday, Jan. 1st:

9:00 AM

**THE RECTORY OFFICE at St. Margaret's** will close for Christmas on Tuesday, December 24th at 12:00 PM and reopen on Thursday, December 26th at 9:00 AM.. The Office will again close for New Years on Tuesday, December 31st at 12:00 PM and reopen on Thursday, January 2nd at 9:00 AM.

**THE RECTORY OFFICE at St. Gabriel's** will close for Christmas on Tuesday, December 24th at 1:00 PM and reopen on Friday, December 27th at 9:00 AM.. The Office will again close for New Years on Tuesday, December 31st at 12:00 PM and reopen on Thursday, January 2nd at 9:00 AM.

## Fourth Sunday of Advent

### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK:

|                                 |                                    |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <i>Courtney Amsinger</i>        | <i>Dimitrios Anastasiou</i>        |
| <i>Georgina Ayra</i>            | <i>Irene Anzalone</i>              |
| <i>Timothy Breen</i>            | <i>John Beckley</i>                |
| <i>Joshua Brennan</i>           | <i>Iva Boatin</i>                  |
| <i>Ellen Brown</i>              | <i>Betsy Boruchoff</i>             |
| <i>Brian Crawford</i>           | <i>Tom Brody</i>                   |
| <i>Mary L. Cronin</i>           | <i>Frank Caliendo</i>              |
| <i>Thomas &amp; Mary Cronin</i> | <i>Michele Cipriano</i>            |
| <i>Margaret Commins</i>         | <i>Sr. Margaret Coomey</i>         |
| <i>Steven DeRavaneusich</i>     | <i>Karen Cunniffe</i>              |
| <i>Michael DiRusso</i>          | <i>Michael Dannucci</i>            |
| <i>Michael Dunne</i>            | <i>Patricia &amp; John Doran</i>   |
| <i>Jane Elliott</i>             | <i>Robby Ernau</i>                 |
| <i>Martin Fray</i>              | <i>Camille Ferrara</i>             |
| <i>Lydia Gonzalez</i>           | <i>Aurelia Rodriguez-</i>          |
| <i>Bridie A. Gaffney</i>        | <i>Flores</i>                      |
| <i>Donna Gray</i>               | <i>Mary Ellen Gibbs</i>            |
| <i>Frances Hage</i>             | <i>Michael Griffin</i>             |
| <i>Michele Sanchez Henley</i>   | <i>Michael J. Healy</i>            |
| <i>Donald Karpinsky</i>         | <i>Donna Hearla</i>                |
| <i>Mary Kelleher</i>            | <i>Alina Hernandez</i>             |
| <i>Elizabeth Landau</i>         | <i>Maura Hurless</i>               |
| <i>Olivia Leroy</i>             | <i>Nora Keegan</i>                 |
| <i>Frances Loughlin</i>         | <i>Brian Kolterman</i>             |
| <i>Ray Madden</i>               | <i>Jack Marchindo</i>              |
| <i>Louis Marino</i>             | <i>Mrs. Marciliano</i>             |
| <i>Thomas McGrath</i>           | <i>John McGuinness</i>             |
| <i>Mary McGuire</i>             | <i>Bridie Monaghan</i>             |
| <i>Darlene McMeekin</i>         | <i>Irene Morgan</i>                |
| <i>Jeanne Myers</i>             | <i>Lorraine Moriarty</i>           |
| <i>Arlene O'Callahan</i>        | <i>Diane Morvillo</i>              |
| <i>Jean O'Malley</i>            | <i>Bozema Mul</i>                  |
| <i>Sr. Eileen O'Sullivan</i>    | <i>Caitlin O'Callahan</i>          |
| <i>Frank Paccione</i>           | <i>Bridie O'Sullivan</i>           |
| <i>Brian Phillips</i>           | <i>Margaret</i>                    |
| <i>Grace &amp; John Rose</i>    | <i>O'Shaughnessy</i>               |
| <i>Katie Searson</i>            | <i>Carmen Perez</i>                |
| <i>Henry Snyder</i>             | <i>Rodolfo Pinzon</i>              |
| <i>Onelia Soto</i>              | <i>Angie &amp; Estrella Rivera</i> |
| <i>Marilyn Spawn</i>            | <i>Michael Savcaneso</i>           |
| <i>Mary Sullivan</i>            | <i>Ellen Sherwood</i>              |
| <i>Elido Vega</i>               | <i>Adelynn Smith</i>               |
| <i>Marie Zangaglai</i>          | <i>Harlie Smith</i>                |
|                                 | <i>Catherine Tobin</i>             |
|                                 | <i>Arlene Viola</i>                |

### AND FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

## THE COLLECTION REPORTS

for December 15th, December 22nd, Christmas Day, December 29th, and January 5th, will be reported in a future bulletin. We are sending this bulletin to press early. Thank you for your understanding (and your tremendous generosity!).

St. Margaret's School Secretary, Mary Ellen Callahan, has been diagnosed with cancer and is currently receiving treatments that have kept her quite weak. St. Margaret's School has set up a **GoFundMe** page to assist her with her medical costs and personal needs. We ask that you be as generous as your means allow. Thank you very much

### *Thank You Anne & Jeffrey!*

**Anne and Jeffrey Wiecek** of the **Riverdale on Hudson Funeral Home** will again gift us with religious calendars for 2020. They will distribute them at all Masses **next weekend**. We thank them for their most generous gift to our parish

**Parishioner in Need**-Mario Soley, a member of our parish, is in desperate need of a kidney donor, blood type O. If you know of anyone who can help, please email [R24004@renewal.org](mailto:R24004@renewal.org) or call St. Margaret's rectory and speak to Fr. McCarthy

## CHILDREN'S CORNER:

### Color the Angel

**Peace on Earth  
Good Will Towards Men**



December 22, 2019

**MASS INTENTIONS 12/23—12/29**

**St. Margaret of Cortona**

**MONDAY:**

8:30 Mary G. Kavanagh  
12:00 Mary & Joseph Haggerty

**TUESDAY:** *Christmas Eve*

8:30 Souls in Purgatory who have no one to  
pray for them  
12:00 Patrick & Alice Hennessy  
4:00 Mary E. Sullivan  
7:30 James Wilson  
Midnight Parishioners of St. Margaret of Cortona  
& St. Gabriel

**WEDNESDAY:** *Christmas Day*

8:00 Ignatius Seo & Family (living)  
10:00 Whalen & Smith Families  
12:00 Hortensia Morales

**THURSDAY** *St. Stephen, the First Martyr*

8:30 Joseph Choi  
12:00 Rosemary & Tom Ray

**FRIDAY** *St. John, Apostle & Evangelist*

8:30 Mary Ann & Patrick J. Green  
12:00 Kelly, McTague & Angelini Families

**SATURDAY** *The Holy Innocents*

8:30 Alice & Patrick Hennessy

**SUNDAY:** *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

5:15 (Vigil) Kiernan, Erhardt & Hartrick Families  
8:00 Connolly & Barrett Families  
10:00 Mazzuca & Gerbasi Families  
12:00 Patrick, Thomas & Margaret Morris  
5:15 Jeanne Dillon

**St. Gabriel**

**MONDAY:**

9:00 Gabrielle A. Valetutti

**TUESDAY:** *Christmas Eve*

9:00 Kevin Smith  
5:00 Kuria Tharakan  
10:30 No Announced Intention

**WEDNESDAY:** *Christmas Day*

9:30 No Announced Intention  
11:30 No Announced Intention

**THURSDAY** *St. Stephen, the First Martyr*

9:00 Ken & Liz Regan

**FRIDAY** *St. John, Apostle & Evangelist*

9:00 Deceased members of the Conlan Family

**SUNDAY:** *The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

5:00 (Vigil) Andrew McEvoy  
9:30 Theresa Huvane  
11:30 Parishioners of St. Margaret of Cortona  
& St. Gabriel

**MASS INTENTIONS 12/30/2019—1/05/2020**

**St. Margaret of Cortona**

**MONDAY:**

8:30 Charles, Sarah & Julia Vail  
12:00 Jerome Collins

**TUESDAY**

8:30 Charles, Jay & Joan O'Reilly  
12:00 John & Rose Romani  
5:15 (Vigil) George T. Mathury

**WEDNESDAY:** *Mary the Mother of God*

8:30 Parishioners of St. Margaret of Cortona &  
St. Gabriel Parish

12:00 Gareth Martinis

**THURSDAY** *St. Basil the Great, Bishop*

8:30 Maureen Bryden  
12:00 Gloria Nicosia

**FRIDAY:** *The Holy Name of Jesus*

8:30 Michael & Mary Morrissey  
12:00 Doris Franco

**SATURDAY:** *St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious*

8:30 Theresa Cremin & Kevin Michael Smith

**SUNDAY:** *The Epiphany of the Lord*

5:15 PM (Vigil) Parishioners of St. Margaret of  
Cortona & St. Gabriel Parish  
8:00 Dolan, McSharry & O'Connor Families  
10:00 Aidan Hernandez  
12:00 Brian H. Clare, Bobby Williams & Willie Huban  
5:15 Joseph Michael Heavey

**St. Gabriel**

**MONDAY:**

9:00 Olga Fotos

**TUESDAY**

9:00 Shannon & Mooney Families

**WEDNESDAY** *Mary the Mother of God*

9:00 No Intention

**THURSDAY** *St. Basil the Great, Bishop*

9:00 Andrea Guarascio

**FRIDAY:** *The Holy Name of Jesus*

9:00 Barbara Butler & Deceased Butler Family

**SUNDAY:** *The Epiphany of the Lord*

5:00 PM (Vigil) Nora Donahue  
9:30 Grace Mary Maher  
11:30 Nora Donahue