

St. Margaret Church

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Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

Mon / Tue / Thurs / Fri: 8:00 a.m. (preceded by
praying of the Rosary at 7:30 a.m.)

Baptism: Call the parish office to register for
sacramental preparation and monthly baptism.

Reconciliation: Saturday, 4:15-4:45 or by
appointment.

Marriage: See a parish priest at least 8-12 months
prior to the date of marriage.

Anointing the Sick: Please notify the parish office.

Holy Orders: Please see a parish priest or go to
www.catholicpriest.com

Parish Registration: Every family in the parish
should be registered. New families (including newly
married) should register by completing a parish
registration form available at church or online.

**Our parish vitality depends on all Catholics
registering as parish members.**



32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Lord, Lord, open the door for us! But he said in reply, ‘Amen,
I say to you, I do not know you.’” - Mt 25:11-12

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November 7-8

SATURDAY 5:00 P.M. 43rd Anniversary Mass for Tammy Russell, by family
 SUNDAY 8:00 A.M. Memorial Mass for Rose & Albert Ferri, Sr., by family
 10:30 A.M. Memorial Mass for Elias & Lillian Jardin, by Robert & Mary Paquin
 MONDAY 8:00 A.M. Mass for all parishioners of St. Margaret's
 TUESDAY 8:00 A.M. Months Mind Mass for Mary Paquin, by Bob
 THURSDAY 8:00 A.M. Mass for the souls in purgatory
 FRIDAY 8:00 A.M. Mass for an increase in vocations

November 14-15

SATURDAY 5:00 P.M. Memorial Mass for the deceased members of the Walinski Family, by family
 SUNDAY 8:00 A.M. 16th Anniversary Mass for Joseph Sprague Sr., by family
 10:30 A.M. 30th Anniversary Mass for St. Margaret Parish



 **Lectors**  **Eucharistic Ministers**

November 7-8

5:00 PM **Peggy DeAngelis, Patrick Leonard**
 8:00 AM **Joan Irons Cronin, Joe DiMuccio**
 10:30 AM **Kathy McKnight, Eileen Kelly**

November 14-15

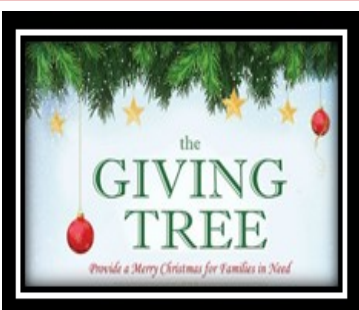
5:00 PM **Alex Pease, Karen Klucznik**
 8:00 AM **Bill Waters, Frank Hughes**
 10:30 AM **Paul Musarra, Susan Stolte**

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You.



Looking ahead: Daily Mass : Masses are celebrated on Monday & Tuesday, Thursday & Friday at 8:00 AM
 Tuesday, October 27, Confirmation rehearsal 6:00 & 7:00 PM (See Faith Formation notice in bulletin for details)
 Monday, November 9 & Thursday, November 12, Confirmation will be held at 6:30 PM in the church
 Saturday & Sunday, November 21 -22, the second collection will be the Human Development collection
 Thursday, November 26, Thanksgiving Day Mass will be at 8:00 AM

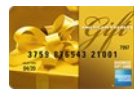
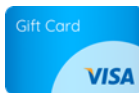
**November 1 - thru - November 29 We will be having a GIFT CARD DRIVE!!**

This year our method of giving will look a little different. We are asking, if in the past you have taken a tag off our tree, you consider still participating in this new approach. We suggest that you purchase gift cards that total the amount that you would normally spend. **Example:** Last year you spent \$40.00 on the Giving Tree gifts, this year we would appreciate 4 - \$10.00 gift cards or 2- \$20.00 gift cards. We are asking that you purchase **Walmart, Target, Visa or American Express Gift Cards** in \$10 or \$20 denominations. Please return them to church or mail to the rectory. **Please label the envelope Attn: Christmas.**

These cards can be used for a wide variety of items for families. The cards will be distributed to families that are in need of help at this time. We are doing this earlier than usual so the cards can be given to the families at the beginning of December. This will allow time for families to shop.

THANK YOU for embracing this new way of giving at Christmas.

May God Bless you and your families for your generosity.





St. Margaret Parish Ministries



FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

An update regarding Saint Margaret Church

Faith Formation Program for the 2020-2021 school year.

First Communion Information

- First Penance Retreat: Saturday, March 6th (3-5pm)
*Students will attend 5pm Mass
- First Penance Monday, March 8th (6:00pm)
- First Communion Retreat: Saturday, May 1st (3-5pm)
*Students will attend 5pm Mass
- First Communion: Saturday, May 8th
10:30 AM SMS Children
1:00 PM Faith Formation

We have decided to postpone in-person Faith Formation until January. There will be an option to participate virtually for grades 1-6 and with take home assignments for grades 7-8. (Grades 7-8 see more information below.)

Grades 1-6 please use the following codes to join our **Google Classroom**. You need to have a google account in order to sign up to have your child participate in virtual Faith Formation.

Grades 1-2: lu5stkq

Grades 3-4: l3y2tgu

Grades 5-6: g2hiqsb

Grades 7 & 8

Students are beginning with an at-home program at this time until in-person classes begin (hopefully) on Sunday, January 10, 2021. E-mail Mr. Moreira with any questions.

Confirmation I (9TH Graders)

The Advent Session for the Confirmation I candidates will be held on **Tuesday, December 1st at 6:30 pm** or on **Sunday, December 6th at 9:15 am** in the Lower School. Candidates only need to attend one of the sessions. A parent or sponsor is welcome to attend the session with their candidate.

Faith Formation Registration Forms are available on-line. Forms can be completed and dropped in the collection basket or mailed to the Parish Office.



ST. MARGARET SCHOOL NEWS



If you are interested, we are accepting registrations for the 2020/2021 school year.

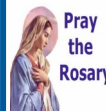
Call for a visit at 434-2338.

The School Office hours: Monday thru Friday
7:30 AM to 3:00 PM

East Providence #1528 Knights of Columbus, are sponsoring



a monthly **Eucharistic Adoration** at St. Martha's church starting Monday 11/16 from 6:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Everyone is invited to pray with us.



We also invite our parish community to a Family Rosary on the **first Saturday every month at 10:am** at 3200 Pawtucket Ave, Riverside, RI. Families with children of all ages are invited.

Social distancing and face coverings /masks are being used. We follow the state recommended requirements for gatherings during this pandemic.



Our Lady of Fatima Visitation

Beginning in October the Parish Visitation Statue of Our Lady will commence. Families and individuals are asked to consider inviting Mary "into their home" and spending some daily prayer time with her. **The statue and laminated prayer cards with devotional prayers will be properly sanitized after each visitation.** The suitcase containing the statue can be received on Saturday or Sunday after Mass. Please return the suitcase to the parish office by 1 PM on Friday. Please contact the parish office (438-3232)

November 7 to 13 Virginia Sweetland

November 14 to 20 Charlie Moreira

November 21 to 27 **Available**

Weekend and Daily Mass Intentions for 2020-2021



Please consider remembering your loved ones with the beautiful gift of having a **Memorial Mass** celebrated for them. Please feel free to call the parish office to reserve a Mass date.



If schools in East Providence are **DELAYED** or **CLOSED** due to inclement weather, **weekday Mass that day is cancelled for public safety.**

November 8, 2020

Parish Giving

<u>Wknd of Oct. 31-Nov. 1</u>	<u>2019</u>	<u>2020</u>
Checks, envelopes	\$6,143.00	\$4,647.00
Loose	\$409.00	\$806.00
# EFT participants	135	146
Faith Direct—EFT	\$2,453.78	\$3,484.00
TOTAL OFFERTORY	\$9,005.78	\$8,937.00

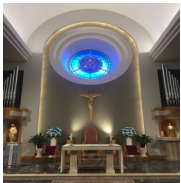
Sincere thanks to all who continue regular financial support for St. Margaret Parish.

Automate your Giving!



St. Margaret Church needs your support now more than ever! Join the parishioners who are using Faith Direct for automated giving to St. Margaret Church. Faith Direct offers a safe and secure way to donate to our parish in this time of uncertainty. There is no cost to you, and the program provides a great benefit to our parish. Visit www.FaithDirect.com At the prompt, enter our parish code **ri118** Thank you for your continued support of our parish family.

2020 St. Margaret Annual Collection



We are very grateful for the generosity shown by so many to our **Annual Collection**. If you have not yet had an opportunity to return your gift card, please do so as soon as possible. Every gift is welcomed and sincerely appreciated.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Msgr. John J. Darcy

***2020 Annual Collection
For Unfunded Projects
In Our Beautiful Parish
GOAL \$65,000
To Date \$42,510***



Outreach Ministry

- If you have a homebound family member or parishioner friend who cannot make it to church, please call the parish office; we can arrange to have cards sent to our homebound parishioners to let them know we are thinking and praying for them, **and we can arrange for Mr. Moreira, our Pastoral Minister, a priest or deacon to visit and bring communion.**
- If you have a friend or family member who can not make it to church and would like to receive a Parish Bulletin, please call the office.



THE PASTOR'S CORNER

After the *early and unwelcomed snowfall*, (even sooner than for my friends in Switzerland), we have only a few more weeks in this liturgical year. Today's parable of the oil lamp has visited some parishioners this year. No one knows the day nor the hour...each day, each moment **is** a gift. Cherish life, live life, protect life, and give thanks for life. Unfortunately, too many folks have deep regrets... not appreciating their parents or children, ignoring their friends in need, taking our health for granted until it's compromised, etc., etc. Celebrate and give thanks for the gift of life...in the body and in the Spirit.

I write this the morning of the election. We can only pray that our entire nation will accept the results, work for justice, and always pray for peace. We plead for wisdom, courage, and unity. Our first reading describes Lady Wisdom waiting at the city gates to instruct all those humble enough to seek her. Wisdom was present at creation when she danced across the newly created earth (Proverbs 8:29-31).

Wisdom is one of the seven-fold gifts of the Spirit. Bishop Tobin has given pastors the canonical authority to celebrate the sacrament this year. With permission, I will celebrate Confirmation on Monday and Thursday evenings. As the late Bishop Mulvey always said at Confirmation ceremonies, *"I can only offer you the seven gifts of the Spirit. Will you use them? Only God and you will know."* Our thanks to Mr. Moreira who taught our students for the past two years. The parish wishes our newly confirmed the blessings of the Spirit as they continue their high school years and plan for their exciting future.

Deacon Needham is resting well after a medical procedure. He will be preaching for us very soon. Deacon David Gillis, introduced at the 10:30 Mass last Sunday, is resting after shoulder surgery. He has an impressive *curriculum vitae* that he will share with you in the weeks ahead. Our prayers to both our parish deacons and their ministry at St. Margaret's.

Thank you for being so co-operative with parish protocols for combating the COVID virus! I know that we are all fatigued with the election, with COVID, and with the intrusion into our personal, family, and parish lives. You encourage and strengthen me, Deacons Needham and Gillis, our parish and school staffs in pursuing the safest way to serve you at St. Margaret's. Be faithful, be strong, be considerate of others, and as the great St. Paul encouraged those to whom he wrote; *"Be holy!"*

Grace and peace to you!
Monsignor Darcy

