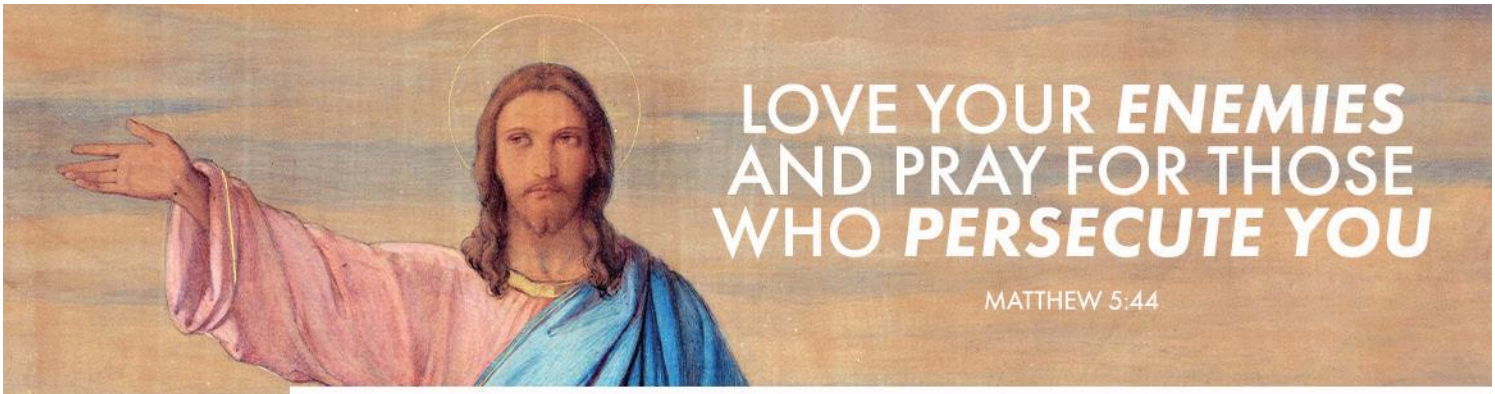

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BAPTISM Parents should contact the church office for preparations for baptism shortly after birth.

MARRIAGE Contact the church office a minimum of eight months prior to the wedding date to begin preparation meetings.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Call the church office for the anointing of elderly, when anticipating serious surgery, or serious and terminal illness.

NEW PARISHIONERS Welcome to St. Margaret Mary Church. Please fill out a pink registration form in the vestibule or you can register online at www.saintmmchurch.org

February 19, 2023

ASH WEDNESDAY (FEBRUARY 22) MASSES WITH DISTRIBUTION OF ASHES

8:30 AM
Noon
6:30 PM
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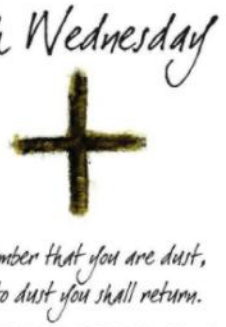

St. Margaret Mary Church Mission Statement

Embrace and share the Good News of the life, love, and ministry of Jesus.

MASS & CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Mass Times: Sat. 4 p.m., 6 p.m. (Sp), Sun. 8:30 a.m., 10:15 a.m., Noon, 5 p.m., M-S 8:30 a.m., M-F 6:30 p.m., Tues 7:30 p.m. (Sp)
Masses are live streamed daily on the St. Margaret Mary Church Facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/StMargaretMaryChurch and our YouTube page, https://www.youtube.com/stmargaretmarycatholicchurchslidell

CONFESSION TIMES: Wednesday 8-9 pm, Friday 5-6 pm, Saturday 2-3 pm or by appointment.

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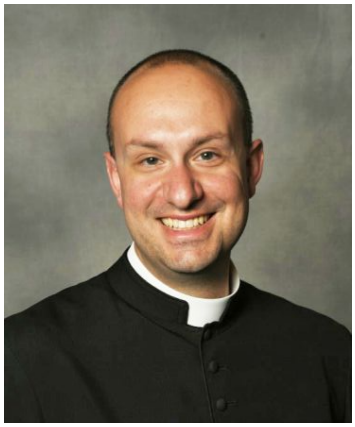

Dear Parishioners of St. Margaret Mary Parish,

I hope everyone has been enjoying the *carnival season* this year. I have certainly enjoyed walking out to Gause Boulevard, seeing many of you, and catching some beads. Don't forget that the very word "carnival" is derived from the Latin word *carnelevarium* which is literally translated as "goodbye to meat."

That happens this Wednesday as we begin the season of Lent. Festive and gluttonous celebrations quickly turn into calm and introspective moments. Such a sharp contrast. Ash Wednesday made all the more sense as I was consuming King Cake up to 11:59 p.m. on one Mardi Gras during my time at Notre Dame Seminary.

No matter how you have celebrated this season so far, take these next two days (Lundi Gras & Mardi Gras) to say ***goodbye to meat*** with a little self-indulgence knowing that, come Wednesday, we shall repent, fast, and pray.

Wishing you all God's blessings, I am,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Fr. Dan Darmanin
Pastor

Fasting & Abstinence

The guidelines for Catholics on fasting and abstinence are as follows: Fasting is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59. Those who are bound to fast may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted if necessary to maintain strength according to each one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

Abstinence from meat is to be observed by all Catholics 14 years or older on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and on all Fridays of Lent.

SMM Men's Club Lenten Fish Fry

Let the men do the cooking! Every Friday during Lent, except Good Friday, the Men's Club will have fried or grilled fish dinners available for purchase from 5:00-8:00 p.m. The cost is $12 each and each plate will consist of fried fish, macaroni and cheese, french fries, and a roll. The meals will be sold through drive-thru or dine-in. The entrance is through the gate by El Paso Restaurant on Robert Blvd. and pickup is by the gym. This year, the Men's Club will also be able to take credit cards as a form of payment.

Funds raised through the fish fries are used to support the ongoing projects of the St. Margaret Mary Men's Club for our parish and school.

Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed Monday, February 20 & 21 in observance of Mardi Gras. We will reopen on Wednesday, February 22..

In today's Gospel, Jesus challenges us by saying: "You must be perfected as your heavenly Father is perfect."

This month, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to assist 22 families, with utility and rent bills, etc.

Thank You!

Stations of the Cross

Fridays
7:00 p.m. in English
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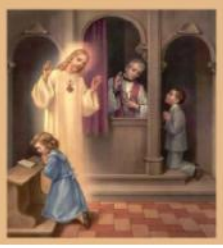

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Good Samaritans News

Many thanks to all who designated the Good Samaritan Ministry as their charity of choice in the Amazon Smiles program. The simple effort of signing up and signing on to Amazon Smiles has netted Good Sams $ 4,298.70 to date. Thank you! Unfortunately, we have received notification that Amazon is discontinuing this program Feb. 20th, 2023. While they will continue to aid local communities with other forms of donation, this program will end this month.

The Good Samaritan Ministry does have a charity list on Amazon, listing all the staple items we could use in our various programs if you wish to donate goods to us directly via Amazon in the future.

Thank you for your support of this community ministry. Together, we make our community a place of hope with a solid commitment to helping "the least of these".

Mass Intentions

Saturday, February 18, 2023
8:30 a.m. Birthday Intention for Laura Bridges
4:00 p.m. Makana Marie Gomez†, Linda Mae Cummins†, Lucy Schwartz†, Janie Lott†, Gene Horak†, Chanh T. Nguyen†, Sister Maria Phat Nguyen†, Mary Lewis†, Birthday Intention for Anne Gunter, Birthday Intention for Cinny Simpson
6:00 p.m. In thanksgiving from Damaris Rojas

Sunday, February 19, 2023
8:30 a.m. Wendi Kelly†
10:15 a.m. Joyce McCloskey†
Noon Elise Perrin Wheeler†
5:00 p.m. Parishioners

Monday, February 20, 2023
8:30 a.m. Phyllis O'Neill†
6:30 p.m. Edward Arceneaux†

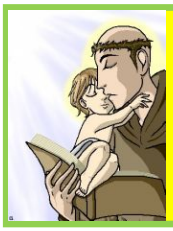
Tuesday, February 21, 2023
8:30 a.m. Sue Opiela†
6:30 p.m. **No Mass**
7:30 p.m. **No Mass**

Wednesday, February 22, 2023
8:30 a.m. First Birthday Intention for Brady Miller
Noon Janice Buccaran†, Gene Horak†, Ann Hern Bailey†, Emile E. Sander, III†, Deacon Ron LeBlanc†
6:30 p.m. First Birthday Intention for Sophia Rose Bennett
7:30 p.m. Bryant Rengifo†

Thursday, February 23, 2023
8:30 a.m. Birthday Intention for Shirley Lewis
6:30 p.m. Jean Jacque Lorin†

Friday, February 24, 2023
8:30 a.m. Michael Arnold, Jr.†
6:30 p.m. Mickie Cowan†

† =Deceased



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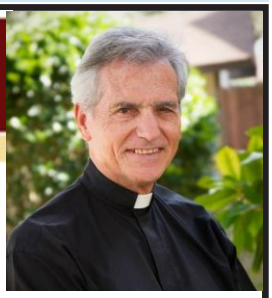

Father Frank Iacona of Cross Catholic Outreach will be visiting our parish this weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central and South America.

Fr. Frank Iacona was born in the hills of Montelepre, Sicily, near Palermo, but his family left for a better life; first to Canada then to the U.S. He grew up in Detroit where he began his professional career as a teacher, lawyer, and CPA. His career path led to the "good life" but he hungered for more, which led him to the inner city of Indianapolis working with the poor, seniors and widows.

Fr. Iacona was ordained on January 4, 2002 and is a priest in the Diocese of St. George's-in-Grenada. As an itinerant preacher, he strives to raise funds for the poor and to awaken the Christ in those in the pews. His guide and spiritual quest: Peace and joy, by affirming and giving thanks for the blessings in each of us. As it is said, "No God, no peace. Know God, know peace. To know God, look for the good in you and others."

We offer our heartfelt prayers to the families of

Donna Clade
Robert Stroud
Richard Griffin
Earl Johnson, Jr.

who entered into eternal life.

Eternal rest grant unto them, Oh Lord. Amen.

Baptism

We extend a warm welcome into the Church family to the following children who were recently baptized at St. Margaret Mary Church.

Lorenzo Hernandez
Alyvia Taylor
Ava Toro

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