



# ST. MARGARET SHRINE

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Mass  for the  
Intentions  for the  
Week

January 11, 2026

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## Safe Environments Coordinator

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## Mass Schedule

*Monday—Saturday:* 8:15 a.m., Rosary after Mass

### Sunday Mass Schedule

St Anthony Novina (When possible)

Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.

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

### Holy Days of Obligation

8:15 a.m., 12:15 p.m. & 7:00 p.m.

## Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation

*Monday through Saturday* 7:45-8:15 a.m.

*Saturday:* 3:00-3:45 p.m.

Confession also available by appointment

## St. Pio of Pietrelcina Mass

*Last Friday of Month, April-October:* 6:00 p.m.

*Rosary before Mass* at 5:30 p.m.

## Pastoral Care

Contact the office to schedule a visit to the sick

## Saturday 1/10

8:15 a.m. Priest Intentions

4:00 p.m. +Deceased members of Sedita & McGill Families by The Family

## Sunday 1/11

8:00 a.m. Bernard McHugh (Birthday) by Family

9:30 a.m. +Domenico Lipari by Mirella

11:00 a.m. Christian & Isabella Casinelli & Family (living) by Millie C.

## Monday 1/12

8:15 a.m. +Kevin Beardsworth by The Beardsworth Girls (Erica Riley)

## Tuesday 1/13

8:15 a.m. +Laura Mastroianni by Nick & Family

## Wednesday 1/14

8:15 a.m. +Souls In Purgatory

## Thursday 1/15

8:15 a.m. +Geraldine Coughlin by Family

## Friday 1/16

8:15 a.m. +Shirley Petrino by Family

## Saturday 1/17

8:15 a.m. Saint Margaret Shrine Parishioners

4:00 p.m. +Vincent T. Duva by Judy Duva

## Sunday 1/18

8:00 a.m. Priest Intentions

9:30 a.m. +Carmelo Gasparro by Mirella

11:00 a.m. In Honor of St. Sebastian Members (Living & Deceased) by Katina Ventresca

### Offertory Collections-**GOAL \$5,500**

12/25: 1st Collection \$3,068  
2nd Collection \$2,275  
12/28: 1st Collection \$1,1611  
2nd Collection \$1,003  
1/1: 1st Collection \$3,189  
2nd Collection \$27  
1/4: 1st Collection \$2,529.25  
2nd Collection \$1,260

### **Important Contact Information**

For assistance with planning a  
**Funeral, Wedding, Baptism**

Contact Lucia Palmieri at (917) 578-8443

### **Prayer Line**

If you know someone in need of prayer, please contact:

**Judy Duva**  
(203) 372-5114.

We will pray for them and pass their name to others for additional prayers. In short time, they will have many prayers said for them.



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

**Sick:** Gaetano Camagna, Francisca Campos Carmen, John Carroll, Ann Marie Casey, Richard Colucci, Maryann Colucci, Anthony Colucci, M. Celfo, Dennis Conlan, Pat Copetta, Carmela Cuto, Maria D., Judith Day, Marlene Dervil, Gasner Dervil, Jean Dervil, Rosa Donofrio, Antonette Drew, Judy Duva, Lyndsey Ellis, Ruth Fririhio, Molly J. Francois, Rachele Francois, Gina Freddino, Jacqueline Petit Frere, Umberto Fronterotta, Bria Guilford, Beth Herbert, Jean Joseph, Vlad Joseph, Addiany Joseph, Kaylee, Danni Kemp, Tom Kerr, Debra Klein, Lazarre Neptune Lamy, Hadjry Lauture, Kathy Liello, Mariette Makhras, Anna Mastrone, John Maserano, Art Meyer Jr, Artie Meyer III, Diane Martinsky, Colleen Mitchell, Ruby Noel, Eileen O'Sullivan, Len Paoletta, Irene Perretta, Nia Philippe, Terri Phillip, Eric Pidluski, Joseph Pierre, Jaiden Andreiz Ragsdale, Jaqueline Raposo, Bob Reed, Alicia Reilly, Maryann Robles, Paul Rigoli, Luis Rosario, Matteo S., Patricia Sci, George Sherwood, Alessandra Marie Simon, Sister MaryJane, George Strauch, Marie, Tedesco, Rachel Thau, Anthony Urciuoli, Philippe Valentin, Ada & Bernardo Vittori, George Wilson, Bill Woods, Joseph Zeppieri

*Call the office to request names be added to the List*

### **The Baptism of the Lord | January 11, 2026**

Today, we celebrate the Baptism of the Lord, a pivotal moment in Jesus' life that marks the beginning of his public ministry. The music we sing today reflects the themes of baptism, love, and the call to follow Jesus.

**"Shall We Gather at the River"** (602): This classic hymn invites us to gather at the river of life, symbolizing the waters of baptism that cleanse and renew us.

**"When Jesus Comes to Jordan's Stream"** (119): This hymn recounts the story of Jesus' baptism, where the heavens open and God's voice declares Jesus as the beloved Son.

**"Spirit and Grace"** (350): This hymn invokes the Holy Spirit, who descended upon Jesus at his baptism, empowering him for ministry and guiding us on our own journey.

**"I Have Loved You"** (595): These words, spoken by God, remind us of the depth of God's love for us, a love that calls us to follow Jesus and be baptized into his death and resurrection.

**"Baptized in Water"** (643): This hymn celebrates the gift of baptism, where we are united with Christ and become part of his body, the Church.

May these songs guide us in our celebration of Jesus' baptism and inspire us to live out our own baptismal promises.

### **For those unable to receive Communion or are homebound:**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. **Amen.**

## Upcoming News and Events



### Altar Guild Annual Membership Drive

The Altar Guild of Christ the King membership drive begins in January. Dues are \$10. The Altar Guild is a women's prayer and service group that meets March thru May and resumes September thru December. We meet on the first Saturday of the month from 10am till 11am in the community room. Throughout the year the Guild hosts special fundraisers that benefit the Shrine, in particular the needs of the altar, sacristy, and priests/deacons as well as the local Bridgeport community.

For more information contact Lorraine Carrano at 203-615-4598 or by email [lfc.carrano@gmail.com](mailto:lfc.carrano@gmail.com)

A Guild member will be standing next to Our Lady of Fatima statue after each mass for you to sign up or renew your membership.

### Holy Hour of Exposition

Join us every Friday from 3:00 to 4:00pm for a Holy Hour of Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament. The Divine Mercy chaplet will be prayed within the hour.

*Patience, prayer and silence...these are what give strength to the soul." -St. Faustina Kowalska*

### Men's Retreat

Our Men's Retreat for 2026 will be held on  
May 1, 2, 3, 2026.  
Please follow the bulletin for future

### Shrine Men's Group

All men of the parish are invited to join the Shrine Men's Group, which meets on the first Saturday of every month at 7:00 AM in the Community Hall. Our meetings begin with a prayer, followed by a reading and discussion of the upcoming Sunday's Gospel. This is a wonderful opportunity to deepen your understanding of Scripture, grow in your faith, and connect with other men of the parish. Join us for fellowship, and prayer. Coffee and cake are available before the meeting, so come early!

Join us after daily Mass for the Rosary! This beautiful devotion brings us closer to God, calms our hearts, and unites us as a community. All are welcome!



When the rosary is said well, it gives Jesus to mothers, fathers, and children, and it makes the family unbreakable. Saint Pio of Pietrelcina

### Saint Margaret Shrine

#### 2025 Bishop's Appeal as of 12/19/25

Bishop's Appeal Goal:	\$25,500
Total Pledged:	\$27,210 (107%)
Donors to Date:	80 Donors



To make a gift, or for more information, please visit us at [2025BishopsAppeal.org](http://2025BishopsAppeal.org), call (203) 416-1470 or scan with your phone.

For those seeking sponsorship forms who received their sacraments here or at St. Raphael's Parish, please email [Pastor@CParish.org](mailto:Pastor@CParish.org). Please note that all sacraments are currently being held at the Cathedral Parish.