



ST. MARGARET SHRINE

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Mass  for the
Intentions  Week

January 18, 2026

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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 1/17

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. St. Sebastian Members (Living & Deceased) by
Katina Ventresca

+Daniel Coelho by Maria Coelho & Family

Monday 1/19

8:15 a.m. +Kevin Martin by Mark Baldyga

Tuesday 1/20

8:15 a.m. St. Anthony Feast Memorial Intentions

Wednesday 1/21

8:15 a.m. +Paula Wagner by Dennis & Dee Cuccaro

Thursday 1/22

8:15 a.m. Bridgeport Police Dept.

Friday 1/23

8:15 a.m. Christine O'Neill (Living /Birthday)

Saturday 1/24

8:15 a.m. St. Anthony Feast Memorial Intentions

4:00 p.m. +Tony, Julia & Mary Jane Carrano by Tom &
Lorraine Carrano

Sunday 1/25

8:00 a.m. Priest Intentions

9:30 a.m. +Frances & Jack Zeppieri by Christina & Family

11:00 a.m. Carroll Faust by Deacon Don

Christian & Isabella Casinelli & Family by Millie C.

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

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 18, 2026

We have chosen hymns that beautifully reflect the themes of service, unity, and guidance. Here's why they fit perfectly: - **"Here I Am Lord"** (390): This hymn echoes Isaiah's call to service, "Here am I, send me" (Isaiah 6:8). It reminds us of our baptismal call to serve God and others, just like Jesus, the Servant of the Lord. - **"Christ Be Our Light"** (64): Jesus declares, "I am the light of the world" (John 8:12). This hymn invites us to let Christ's light shine through us, guiding others and fostering unity. - **"We Are Many Parts"** (457): This hymn reflects Paul's teaching on unity in diversity, "There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them" (1 Corinthians 12:4). It reminds us that we're all part of one body, united in Christ. - **"The Servant Song"** (383): Inspired by Philippians 2:5-11, this hymn calls us to imitate Christ's humility and service, "Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus". - **"Precious Lord, Take My Hand"** (670): This hymn echoes Psalm 139:10, "Your right hand will hold me fast". It's a prayer for guidance and comfort, fitting for a Sunday that emphasizes God's call to serve. These hymns will beautifully complement the readings for the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, inviting your community to reflect on service, unity, and God's guidance

Our Bonus Contemporary selection is "Lord I Need You" Here is the refrain in case you want to sing along:
Lord, I need You, oh, I need You
Every hour, I need You
My one defense, my righteousness
Oh God, how I need You

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

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

Saint Margaret Shrine

2025 Bishop's Appeal as of 1/9/26

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, call (203) 416-1470 or scan with your phone.

Men's Retreat

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

March for Life 2026:

Join St. Theresa Church, Trumbull, for a day trip to Washington, D.C., on Friday, Jan. 23. For more information or to reserve your spot, please contact Karyn Barton 203-261-3676.

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

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