



# ST. MARGARET SHRINE

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Mass  for the  
Intentions  for the  
Week

February 1, 2026

## Clergy & Office Staff

Fr. Jose Ignacio Ortigas, *Rector*  
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## Assisting Retired Clergy

Father Jeffery Couture

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Father Eugene Szantyr

Deacon Donald Foust

## Safe Environments Coordinator

Nancy Teixeira

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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 1/31**

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

4:00 p.m. +Joseph Sanzo by Natalina Sanzo & Family

## **Sunday 2/1**

8:00 a.m. Fulgenzio & Mildred Casinelli & Family by Millie C.

9:30 a.m. +Tilotta Family by Mirella Pontoriero

11:00 a.m. Happy 1st Anniversary Fr. Ignacio

Fr. Ignacio Special Intentions

+Daniel Coelho by Maria Coelho & Family

+Elda Iuliano by Diana, Ida & Frank

+Vincent Tedesco by Margaret Judge & Stephen

Tedesco

## **Monday 2/2**

8:15 a.m. Souls in Purgatory

## **Tuesday 2/3**

8:15 a.m. +Mary Valiante by Lucia Palmieri

## **Wednesday 2/4**

8:15 a.m. Bridgeport First Responders

## **Thursday 2/5**

8:15 a.m. Living & Deceased Parishioners of St. Margaret Shrine

## **Friday 2/6**

8:15 a.m. +Evelyn Alba Ortiz & Family by Millie C.

## **Saturday 2/7**

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

4:00 p.m. +Joseph Palmieri by Lucia Palmieri

## **Sunday 2/8**

8:00 a.m. +William Klein by Nancy Teixeira

9:30 a.m. +Lipari Family by Mirella Pontoriero

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

## Offertory Collections—GOAL \$5,500

January 25, 2026  
First Collection \$1,233  
Second Collection \$287

Reminder that online donations are available for those snowed in during these winter months.

### 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

## MUSIC SELECTIONS

### Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Dear Parish Family,*

*Today's music selection reflects the themes of service, humility, and Eucharistic devotion that resonate with this Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time.*

*"The Summons" (388) invites us to answer God's call to serve, echoing the Gospel's call to be light and salt.*

*"Prayers of Saint Francis" (473) echoes Francis' prayer for love, peace, and understanding, aligning with the readings' call to live out our faith.*

*"Panis Angelicus" beautifully expresses our Eucharistic devotion, fitting perfectly with the day's focus on Jesus' teaching and presence.*

*"Servant Song" (385) reminds us of Jesus' call to serve one another in love.*

*"Glory and Praise to Our God" (576) concludes our celebration, giving thanks for God's goodness.*

*These songs help us reflect on living out our faith in service and love. —Lucia Palmieri*

### **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*

The Bishop's Appeal invites us to live out "The One," our diocesan vision of spiritual and pastoral renewal. United as One in Christ, we support ministries that accompany others in faith, reflect truth, beauty and goodness and serve those in need throughout Fairfield County.

Your generosity helps the Diocese to:

- **Form priests, deacons, and laity** to preach, lead, and evangelize more effectively
- **Provide tuition assistance** in partnership with Foundations in Education for families seeking a Catholic education
- **Provide faith formation** for all our diocesan communities
- **Offer pastoral care** to the isolated, grieving, and ill
- **Assist individuals and families** in crisis through Catholic Charities and other outreach programs
- **Provide tuition assistance** in partnership with Foundations in Education for families seeking a Catholic education.

Your contribution is a living sign of our unity and strengthens the mission of the Church. Gifts may be made using your parish's pledge materials or online.

As we continue our journey in life, may we walk One in Christ, accompanying one another and those most in need. Be assured of our prayers for you and your loved ones.

**MAKE A GIFT TODAY: [2026BISHOPSAPPEAL.ORG](http://2026BISHOPSAPPEAL.ORG)**

### Men's Retreat

Our Men's Retreat for 2026 will be held  
May 1, 2, 3, 2026.

Please follow the bulletin for  
more information

**Honor a Veteran** by donating a brick, in his or her name, to our Veterans Memorial. You can donate a brick honoring Veterans from the U.S. and our Allies, wartime, peacetime, regular, reserve, and currently serving. Bricks are installed year-round. The names of the Veterans, on newly installed bricks are read at Mass on every Veterans Day Nov 11th. Brick forms in the Chapel entrance or if you would like one sent to you;

### 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.

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.