



# ST. MARGARET SHRINE

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Mass  for the  
Intentions  Week

February 8, 2026

## Clergy & Office Staff

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## 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 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.

## **Monday 2/9**

8:15 a.m. +Tomas Vazquez by The Henry Family

## **Tuesday 2/10**

8:15 a.m. +Vincenzina & Pasquale Cusello by Giuseppe Pontoriero

## **Wednesday 2/11**

8:15 a.m. Joe Gerardi 87th Birthday by Family

## **Thursday 2/12**

8:15 a.m. +Letizia Colandrea by The Tartaglia Family

## **Friday 2/13**

8:15 a.m. +Antonio & Virginia Pontoriero by Giuseppe Pontoriero

## **Saturday 2/14**

8:15 a.m. +Letizia Colandrea by The Tartaglia Family

4:00 p.m. +Agustin Gavoci by Klevis & Alma Kimca

## **Sunday 2/15**

8:00 a.m. Christian & Isabella Casinelli & Family by Millie C.

9:30 a.m. +Emilio & Vanna DeAngelis & Grandparents by The Family

11:00 a.m. +Daniel Coelho by Maria Coelho & Family

+Letizia Colandrea by The Tartaglia Family

+Lorenzo Marini by Carmen & Marcello Urisini

Sanctuary Candle

In Loving Memory of +Pasqualina Marini

## Offertory Collections-GOAL \$5,500

February 1, 2026  
First Collection \$2,305  
Second Collection \$829

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

### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 8, 2026

*Today's music selection reflects the themes of God's presence, abundance, and call to service. Please take some time after Mass to reflect on their lyrics.*

*"Holy, Holy, Holy" (216) - A classic hymn of praise, fitting for a Sunday that invites us to reflect on God's holiness.*

*"Table of Plenty" (312) - A reminder of God's abundant blessings and the call to share with others.*

*"Taste and See" (754) - An invitation to experience God's goodness and kindness.*

*"Here I Am, Lord" (390) - A response to God's call, echoing Isaiah's "Here I am, send me."*

*"Lead Me, Lord" (640) - A prayer for guidance and trust in God's path.*

*These songs guide us to deepen our faith and respond to God's love.*

*Extra Credit: LIFT YOU HIGH is a contemporary Christian song that also fits with Today's readings. Please take a moment to look it up and take a listen.*

### **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

### 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*

**STARTING FEBRUARY 20TH  
DURING LENT:**

Our **Holy Hour of Exposition** of the Most Blessed Sacrament will extend two additional hours. 3:00pm to 6:00pm

We will have **Bilingual Stations of the Cross** will be every Friday during lent at 6:30pm.

During this Lenten season, we invite you to participate in the Extraordinary Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and Bilingual Stations of the Cross, held every Friday. Join us for two hours of peaceful contemplation and meditation on the Sacred Passion of our Lord, as we reflect on the profound sacrifices He made for our salvation. Through His Real Presence in the Blessed Sacrament, let us draw closer to the Heart of Jesus and deepen our love for Him. May this sacred time with our Eucharistic Lord inspire us to greater devotion, repentance, and spiritual renewal. We encourage you to take advantage of this special opportunity for spiritual growth and prayer

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**

### 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. Please note that all sacraments are currently being held at the Cathedral Parish.