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Parish Office: Phone: 614-279-1690; Fax: 614-279-2386
Monday-Thursday: 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; Friday-Sunday: Closed
Deadline for bulletin updates: Tuesdays at 12:00 p.m.

SUNDAY OBLIGATION MASSES:

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.; Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m.

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday at 9:00 a.m.

HOLY DAYS:

9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Thursdays, 9:30 a.m.-12:00 noon.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confessions): Thursday: 9:30 a.m.;
Saturday: 3:00-3:30 p.m.; or by appointment if you call the Parish Office.

BAPTISMS: Following the 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS: Third Monday of the month: January, March, May, July, September and November, 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Office.
If attending, you must call 614-279-1690 to register.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements must be made at least 6 months prior to the wedding.

New Parishioners and Parishioners Moving Out:

Please call the Parish Office to register or to change status.

Web Address: www.stmargaretcolumbus.org

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MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY, JANUARY 29 – WEEKDAY

9:00 a.m. Kerma Dallas by Richard & Connie Capuano

TUESDAY, JANUARY 30 – WEEKDAY

9:00 a.m. Sam Lancia (Birthday) by Bill & Mary Shaffer

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31 – ST. JOHN BOSCO, PRIEST

9:00 a.m. NO MASS

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1 – WEEKDAY

9:00 a.m. Donald Thomas (Anniversary) by the Family

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2 – THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

9:00 a.m. Rose Duer by the Rosary Group

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3 – ST. BLAISE, BISHOP/MARTYR

4:00 p.m. Nancy Buoni (Special Intention)
by Dan & Cindy Koch

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4 – FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 a.m. Yola Lancia by Bill & Mary Shaffer

10:30 a.m. People of the Parish

ST. ZITA MINISTRY: January 29, 2024: Sandy & Mike Wilcox

February 3-4	ALTAR SERVERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	LECTORS
Saturday, February 3 4:00 p.m.	Jean-Luc-Lapierre Lexi Tierney	Peg Kuhns Carrie Vamos	Barbara Fink
Sunday, February 4 8:30 a.m.	Siena Boyd Josie Forster	Donald Kelly Ermagene Kelly	Joe Lombardi
Sunday, February 4 10:30 a.m.	Walter Duckro Sylvia Michael	Volunteer	JoMarie Wilson

PARISH NEWS:

WELCOME: The parishioners of **St. Margaret** extend a **WARM WELCOME** to **Fr. Bob Penhallurick, Pastor of St. Brendan the Navigator Church**, as he visits with us today to celebrate Mass.

JESUS AND THE EUCHARIST this **Sunday, January 28, 7:00 p.m.**, in Kulp Hall. This week parishioner, **Barbara Fink**, will present **"Why a Church."** There are light snacks, a bilingual group, a young adult group, and the usual suspects. We don't take attendance and if you need to get your kids home early, you can leave early. Attend as many sessions as you can make it to. **You are truly welcome to attend.**

WALKING WITH PURPOSE: A Bible Study for Women, will resume on **Tuesday, January 30**, in Kulp Hall with two sessions: **Morning 10:00-11:45 a.m.** and **Evening 6:00-7:45 p.m.** Please join us and bring a friend! No previous Bible study experience necessary.

"SOUPER BOWL" COLLECTION – The St. Margaret Knights of Columbus will have their Annual **"Souper Bowl"** collection after each Mass the weekend of **February 10 and 11th**. So remember to bring your cash or checks and be an **"MVP" (Magnificent Valuable Parishioner)** by donating generously this year! **All of the money collected goes directly to those in need in our own parish.**

ASH WEDNESDAY IS FEBRUARY 14, 2024: The date of Ash Wednesday is determined by the date on which Easter Sunday falls each year. Easter falls on the first Sunday after the first Full Moon, after the Vernal Equinox (the first day of spring). This year, Easter falls on March 31. The earliest date on which Easter can fall is March 22. The latest date on which Easter can fall is April 25. It is a day of both Fast and Abstinence.

PRAY FOR THE ETERNAL REST of **Patricia (Pat) Peterson**, a member of our parish. **Patricia died on January 18**. Our prayers and sympathy are extended to her husband, **Robert**, at this time of Sorrow.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will **NOT** have the **K of C Exemption Ceremony** on **January 28th**, as previously noted.

ST. ZITA MINISTRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS: Volunteers are needed to help keep our Church clean and beautiful. The **St. Zita ministry volunteers** clean the church on a rotating basis, two or three people work together as a crew to sweep, dust, vacuum and tidy the church one day a week (approximately two hours), with each crew cleaning approximately once every six weeks. If you have a friend or spouse that would be willing to help, the cleaning goes very quickly. Please contact **Julie Bertolino** at **614-551-1555**.

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY CELEBRATION will be observed on **Sunday, February 11th**. All couples married in **1999, 1994, 1989, 1984, 1979, and 1974** and earlier will be honored. A reception for the entire parish will be held in Kulp Hall immediately following the **10:30 a.m. Mass**. If you are celebrating a milestone anniversary, please complete the form below and return it to the Parish Office by **Monday, February 5th**.

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

NAME _____

PHONE # _____

DATE OF MARRIAGE _____

NAME OF CHURCH _____

MEN'S CLUB FAMILY BREAKFAST: The Men's Club will host the **Parish Breakfast** on **Sunday, February 11th, 9:00-11:30 a.m.** after both morning Masses. Donations will be accepted, but are not required. **EVERYONE is invited** to come and enjoy a delicious breakfast.

IT'S FISH FRY TIME! The 26th Annual St. Margaret of Cortona Lenten Fish Fry will be held on the six Fridays of Lent **from February 16th-March 22nd, 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.** Bring your family to **"The Best Fish Fry in Town!"** This is a great opportunity to get to know your fellow parishioners and have fun serving your parish. All parishioners are encouraged to participate, especially the new members. Volunteers get a free dinner. Our Fish Fry is the largest and Best Fish Fry in Town! This would not be possible without the help of our dedicated volunteers. We need new volunteers! Helpers are **needed to assist with baking desserts and set up beginning at 8:00 a.m. on Fridays**. We also need volunteers to wash the pans and help clean up, and to help serve the dinners. Please help us make this year another success and volunteer now. Many people make volunteering at the Parish Fish Fry their Lenten sacrifice, although it is more fun than a sacrifice. This is a fun way to meet new people and get involved in parish life. To sign up, please send an e-mail to Larrypish@columbus.rr.com or text **Larry Pishitelli** at **614-214-8568**; or just show up when available. "The mission of the St. Margaret of Cortona Fish Fry is to promote fellowship among the parishioners and the community. Our goals are to encourage fellowship and friendship throughout the community and parish; to provide an opportunity for all parishioners and their children to become involved in Parish life; and lastly to raise additional income for the parish."

ST. MARGARET PRAYER CHAIN

If you have a prayer request, e-mail it to cwelycz@breezelineohio.net, or call **614-562-8570**.

All prayer requests are confidential.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:

THE REVEREND JEFFREY RIMELSPACH SCHOLARSHIP provides a one-time scholarship to two students who are **active members of St. Margaret of Cortona** and who are attending or will be attending a Catholic High School with special preference to **Bishop Ready and St. Charles**. Applicants are judged on active involvement in the parish life at St. Margaret of Cortona Parish and demonstration of leadership, community service, and Catholic values in their personal lives. **The link to apply for the Rimelspach Scholarship can be found at: <https://catholic-foundation.org/grants/scholarships/the-reverend-jeffrey-j-rimelspach-scholarship/>.**

BEN SMITH SCHOLARSHIP: The Ben Smith "You Can Make a Difference" Scholarship provides a one-time \$1,000 scholarship to a senior student graduating from a Hilliard high school or is an active member of St. Margaret or St. Brendan Parishes and will be pursuing a career path that will help positively impact the lives of those with special needs (this could be teaching, nursing, starting a non-profit, etc.). The link to apply for the Ben Smith Scholarship can be found at: <https://catholic-foundation.org/grants/scholarships/ben-smith-you-can-make-a-difference-scholarship/>.

THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION'S APPLICATIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS will open on **January 29th and close February 26th. Since 2007**, The Catholic Foundation has awarded over \$1.3 million in scholarships empowering over 200 young people to continue their academic and vocational studies. For more information and to apply, please visit <https://catholic-foundation.org/grants/scholarships/>. If you have any questions about our scholarship process, **please feel free to contact Dan Kurth, VP of Grants, 614-443-8893 or dkurth@catholic-foundation.org.**

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: January 29-February 4

MONDAY	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	9:30 a.m.	Rosary, Church
	7:00 p.m.	O.C.I.A. Rectory Lower Level
TUESDAY	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	10:00 a.m.	Walking with Purpose, Kulp Hall
	6:00 p.m.	Walking With Purpose, Kulp Hall
WEDNESDAY	9:00 a.m.	NO MASS
THURSDAY	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	9:30 a.m.	Confessions
	9:30 a.m.-12:00 Noon	Exposition of Eucharist
	12:00-8:00 p.m.	Adoration with the Eucharist in the Tabernacle
FRIDAY	9:00 a.m.	Mass
SATURDAY	3:00 p.m.	Confessions
	4:00 p.m.	Mass
	8:30 a.m.	Mass
SUNDAY	9:00 a.m.	PSR/CSG, Borrelli Center
	10:30 a.m.	Mass
	7:00 p.m.	Jesus and the Eucharist, Kulp Hall

SERRA, NOW MORE THAN EVER! Are you looking to get more involved in promoting, encouraging, and praying for vocations? **Serra Clubs, a lay apostolate, have been in our Columbus Diocese for 70 years.** We seek members to stand alongside our priests and seminarians to support vocations for the Diocese of Columbus. **GOD IS STILL CALLING – Serra Club of North Columbus meetings include the Rosary, lunch, and a speaker at 11:30 a.m. on the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Jessing Center at the Josephinum.** Downtown Serra Club meetings include lunch and a speaker at noon on the 2nd Friday of each month at the Cavello Center at St. Charles Preparatory School. Check out our website, SERRACOLUMBUS.ORG, for more information and scheduled events.

THE CATHOLIC TIMES: February is the month when annual subscription renewals traditionally begin for the print edition of *The Catholic Times*, the information source for the Diocese of Columbus. In the past, payment for new subscriptions and renewals were collected through the parish, **an online system is now in place to make the process easier. Simply visit *The Catholic Times* website, catholictimescolumbus.org, access the **subscribe** tab at the top of the home page to sign up for a new subscription, a renewal or a gift.** This year, there is an **increase in the subscription to \$26.00.** For many years the price of subscription has remained steady, but the cost of production has not. It is important to us to continue to be able to provide award-winning, authentically-Catholic content to parishioners, but obviously that costs money. Current subscribers will receive a paper statement in the mail that can be returned to ***The Catholic Times*, Diocese of Columbus, 197 E. Gay Street with a check for \$26.00 or paid online at the website.** Or, if necessary, drop an envelope marked Catholic Times in the regular collection at Sunday Mass with name, address and payment. Please consider supporting Catholic journalism and keeping up on the events in the diocese, especially during these changing times.

YOUR TITHE TO GOD: January 21, 2024

Direct Deposit January	\$ 8,698.00
Weekly Offertory Collection	\$ 3,906.00
Total Weekly	\$ 12,604.00
WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED	\$ 9,000.00
DIFFERENCE FOR THIS WEEK	+ \$ 3,604.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

VOCATION AWARENESS: The loving environment of a family draws forth an individual's greatest talents and gifts. We've come to realize that creating an atmosphere in which children can hear the Lord's call is one of the most significant responsibilities resting on our shoulders as parents. Our own lives must reflect the presence of God, His Word, and the love He offers His People. Parents, do you encourage your children to develop their talents and gifts? Do you encourage your children to think of Church ministry as a possible life choice? ***Serra for priestly and religious vocations.***

AROUND US

CATHOLIC MEN'S LUNCHEON – FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2024 – CATHOLIC MAN OF THE YEAR LUNCHEON. Join us **Friday, February 2**, at St. Patrick Church in downtown Columbus for a luncheon to award the 2024 Catholic Man of the Year. The award will be presented by **Bishop Earl Fernandes**. The luncheon is sponsored by The Order of Foresters, a Catholic Fraternal Benefit Life Insurance Society since 1883. More information is available at <https://www.catholicforester.org/> or contacting **Mike Dippold at (614) 847-0649**. If you are interested in sponsoring a luncheon, contact Pat Foley at foley513@gmail.com. Holy Mass (optional) begins at 11:45 a.m. followed by lunch at 12:10 p.m. and Bishop Fernandes' presentation of the award. No reservations are necessary. \$12.00 covers the lunch and meeting. Bring a friend! **Our next luncheon is Friday, March 1, 2024, and will feature a presentation by Michael Fry about Archbishop Fulton Sheen.**

THE STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE offers a fabulous opportunity to evangelize our youth! Sign up for a one of our four Steubenville Youth Conferences on Franciscan University of Steubenville's beautiful campus this summer! Your teens will have an incredibly powerful encounter with Jesus and be able to hear inspiring talks from our nationally-renowned ministry team alongside hundreds of other Catholic youth. *We don't want you to miss it!* Registration opens January 29th! We are also offering two free, online information sessions for first-timers or people who just want to learn more about it. **The total cost for the weekend is \$260.00 per person.** See our website for more information at www.steubenvilleconferences.com/youth/.



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