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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](http://www.stmargaretcolumbus.org)

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**MASS SCHEDULE****MONDAY, AUGUST 4 – ST. JOHN VIANNEY, PRIEST**

9:00 a.m. John &amp; Marie Fink by Barbara Fink

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 5 – THE DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF ST. MARY MAJOR.**

9:00 a.m. Panfilo Contentina by Bill &amp; Mary Shaffer

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6 – THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD**

9:00 a.m. NO MASS

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 7 – ST. SIXTUS II, POPE, AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS**

9:00 a.m. Michael F. Barrett (Anniversary) by William Barrett

**FRIDAY, AUGUST 8 – ST. DOMINIC, PRIEST**

9:00 a.m. Nancy &amp; Bud Manes by Becky Saggio

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 9 – ST. TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS, VIRGIN/MARTYR**4:00 p.m. Special Intention for Jim & Sally Gildea  
by Jim & Sally Gildea**SUNDAY, AUGUST 10 – NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8:30 a.m. People of the Parish

10:30 a.m. Deceased Members of the  
St. Margaret Knights of Columbus  
by the St. Margaret Knights of Columbus**ST. ZITA August 4:** Laurie Davis, Leann Wing, Colleen Geondeff, Sarah Palka.**PARISH NEWS****FAREWELL FOR OUR SUMMER SEMINARIAN:** Our summer Seminarian Ben VanBuren will be leaving us to go back to the seminary on August 10. We will have a farewell celebration for him **after the 10:30 a.m. Mass on August 10th. All are invited.****CONGRATULATIONS to David Whitt, a member of our parish and, the winner of the \$10,000.00 Raffle Ticket.** The winning ticket was sold by David Whitt.**THANKS TO ALL THOSE WHO WORKED SO HARD TO MAKE OUR FESTIVAL A SUCCESS:** For all those who worked to put together our Parish Appreciation Dinner on Thursday, a good time was had by all. The weather was perfect for the entire weekend, including the procession. Thanks to **Doug Matheny, our Festival Chairman**, for his efforts in pulling it all together. Thanks to the chair-people for all their work in organizing the workers and to everyone who helped in any capacity setting up, cleaning up, fixing up, or cooking and baking, whether it was for just one hour or 30 hours. **MANY THANKS TO ALL WHO WORKED SO HARD TO MAKE IT ALL POSSIBLE.** ~Fr. Jeff**THANK YOU TO OUR FESTIVAL SPONSORS:** We extend our warmest gratitude to the generous sponsors who supported our Parish Festival. Leading Sponsor: **Mr. & Mrs. Bill Shaffer**; Sustaining Sponsors: **Dee Printing, Pish Photo, St. Margaret Knights of Columbus, Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Murray, Westway Paint & Body Shop, Mr. Mike D'Ippolito, Ms. Valerie Romer**; Additional Sponsors: **Schreiner Ace Hardware, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Hersha, Ms. Colleen Geondeff, Ms. Mary Ann Joseph, Mr. & Mrs. James Palumbo.****THE YOUNG AT HEART Lunch** will be **Monday, August 4, 12:00 Noon** at El Vacquero on Riverside Drive, just north of Trabue.**O.C.I.A. DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS INTERESTED IN THE CATHOLIC FAITH?** Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (O.C.I.A.) is a yearly catechesis program that prepares adults for full membership into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. We welcome any non-baptized adults and Christians baptized in other denominations who are interested in the Catholic faith. Adults and young adults, who were baptized Catholic and would like to continue their journey to full initiation into the Church through the Sacrament of Confirmation and the Eucharist, are also invited to join the sessions. **Please call the Parish Office at 614-279-1690 if you are interested in preregistering for O.C.I.A. Sessions will begin in September.****WITH FALL QUICKLY APPROACHING**, it is time for all Club Presidents/Secretaries, Committee Chairpersons, Men's Club, Knights of Columbus, or St. Vincent de Paul to **get your activity dates on the Calendar.** Now is the time to turn in your calendar dates to the Parish Office. Any events planned at St. Margaret, for the months of **September, 2025 to August 2026**, need to be included on the "Parish Office Calendar." The dates are scheduled on a first-come, first-served basis. The calendar lists all activities and meetings going on, in and around St. Margaret Church. There are many requests for use of the Parish Hall. It would be of great assistance if the organizations would submit a list of their event dates, cookie bakes, Christmas parties and parish breakfasts. **Please turn those dates into the Parish Office by August 18. They can be emailed to stmargaretcol@yahoo.com.****PRESCHOOL ENROLLMENT:** Our preschool has fully enrolled one classroom and has only a **few spaces remaining** in the full-day and 2-day classes this fall. If you'd still like to register your child (age 3-5 this fall), please visit [bit.ly/preschoolreg2025](https://bit.ly/preschoolreg2025).**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY:** The St. Margaret Prayer Shawl Ministry would like to thank everyone for the knitting/crocheting supplies and yarns that have been donated to our ministry. Our next meeting will be this **Wednesday, August 6th.****PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION AND CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD (PSR/CGS):** Registration for the **2025-2026** fall school classes is **OPEN.** PSR classes will begin on **September 7.** CSG will begin **September 14.** Go to the **webpage for the registration and payment links.** To register: <https://stmargaretpsr.wufoo.com/forms/psr-cgs-registration/>.**BIBLE STUDY ON THE FIRST LETTER OF ST. PAUL TO THE CORINTHIANS:** Fr. Jeff will offer a **4-Part Bible Study on St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians this October/November, on October 23 & 30, and November 6 & 13.** These will all be at **7:00 p.m. in Kulp Hall.** A Bible Study is a great way to delve a little deeper into the Bible. All are invited to attend these sessions. I invite you to put these dates on your calendars now and plan to attend. You don't have to be a Bible scholar to attend.**ST. BRENDAN PARISH FESTIVAL:** Our collaborative parish at St. Brendan invites us to visit their **Parish Festival Next weekend, August 8th-9th.** Their renowned Festival is known for massive rides, Cake Bingo, and eight live music acts! They also feature a kids area, cold beer, and games of chance. Invite some friends for an evening of fun just a short distance from St. Margaret! **Hours are 6:00-11:00 p.m. on both nights with bonus Family Hours from 3:00-6:00 p.m. on Saturday.**

August 9-10	Altar Servers	Extraordinary Minister	Greeter/Usher	Lectors
<b>Saturday, August 9</b> 4:00 p.m.	Lexi Tierney	Christine Dietsch James Duckro		Peg Kuhns
<b>Sunday, August 10</b> 8:30 a.m.		Louise Retzlaff Rose Tri	Mark Nolan	Joe Lombardi
<b>Sunday, August 10</b> 10:30 a.m.	Sara Banyots Siena Boyd	Theresa Bickerdt Andrea Boyd		Christine Santiago



**YOUR TITHE TO GOD: JULY 27, 2025**

E-Catholic (Additional)	\$ 1,263.00
Weekly Offertory Collection	\$ 6,319.21
Total for the Week	\$ 7,582.21
WEEKLY AMOUNT NEEDED	\$ 9,000.00
<b>DIFFERENCE FOR THIS WEEK</b>	<b>- \$ 1,417.79</b>

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY**

**PASTORAL PLANNING 2025-2026 SURVEY OPEN:** Every parishioner in our Diocese is asked to do this. The survey is widely shared across all of the diocesan digital and social media platforms. **Please take a moment to fill out the survey.** If you would like specific material beyond what was sent out to promote the survey, **please email @Andrew Zuk at azuk@columbuscatholic.org.**

**TRAVELING CRUCIFIX FOR VOCATIONS PROGRAMS:**

We still have a "Traveling Crucifix for Vocations" program at St. Margaret of Cortona. An individual, couple or family may receive the crucifix to take home with them for two weeks. With the constant visual reminder of a prominently placed crucifix that they have taken home from Church, they will pray every day for vocations while also writing down their experiences in prayer. Any heartfelt prayer for vocations will be heard by God and do much good in helping them or someone, somewhere, discern their call to a religious vocation. At the end of two weeks, you will return the crucifix, either to the Parish Office or to Father Jeff before Mass.

Our crucifix will travel in an attractive box. The crucifix is on a stand and is a nice size that can easily be placed in your home, even in a person's room if your son or daughter would like to pray alone with Jesus and the crucifix. While the crucifix must be returned at the end of two weeks, **your written reflections are yours to keep. Father Jeff welcomes discussing your experience with you if you would like.**

Interested parishioners should speak with **Father Jeff** or contact the Parish Office.

**IS YOUR MARRIAGE STRUGGLING?** Often times in the course of married life, difficulties and challenges do present themselves. Do you need help to get over these "bumps" in the road? There are many resources available to assist you as a couple. Here in the Diocese of Columbus, you can check these out online by going to: [www.columbuscatholic.org](http://www.columbuscatholic.org). Then go to "Ministries & Offices." Then scroll down to "Marriage & Family Life." Then to: Marriage & Family Enrichment." Then select "Hope & Healing." Then scroll down to "Struggling Marriages." There are four different options there to choose from: "Retrouvaille;" Breakthrough;" "Restore;" and a list of Catholic Therapists dealing with Marriage Counselling. Any of these are good ways to do something to address the "Bumps" in the road of married life. You might also go to "Marriage Resources" under "Marriage & Family Enrichment" and go to the third option which is a book couples can use in a 33-day self-retreat.

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**JOIN OUR FLOCKNOTE NEWSLETTER!** Stay in touch with activities and ministries at St. Margaret via our non-intrusive, weekly newsletter. Aside from the bulletin, this will be our best method of communication moving forward in the digital era. We're hoping for 100% participation! To register, visit [flocknote.com/stmargaretcolumbus](http://flocknote.com/stmargaretcolumbus) or scan the QR code.

**REFLECTING AHEAD****Next Weekend's Readings:****(1st) Wis 18:6-9; (2nd) Heb 11:1-2,8-19; (Gos) Lk 12:32-48**

**Q:** What do you think of St. Paul's definition of "faith" in the 2nd Reading?

**Q:** Are you a "faithful and prudent steward" worthy of receiving your master's joy should he return today?

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS: August 4-10**

<b>MONDAY</b>	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	12:00 Noon	Young at Heart Luncheon, El Vacquero
<b>TUESDAY</b>	9:00 a.m.	Mass
<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	9:00 a.m.	NO MASS
	12:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry, Kulp Hall
<b>THURSDAY</b>	9:00 a.m.	Mass
	9:30 a.m.	Confessions
	9:30 a.m.-12:00 Noon	Exposition of Eucharist
<b>FRIDAY</b>	9:00 a.m.	Mass
<b>SATURDAY</b>	3:00 p.m.	Confessions
	4:00 p.m.	Mass
<b>SUNDAY</b>	8:30 a.m.	Mass
	10:30 a.m.	Mass
	11:30 a.m.	Farewell Celebration for Seminarian Ben, Kulp Hall

**AROUND US**

**THE 7TH ANNUAL COLUMBUS CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULT CONFERENCE** is scheduled for **October 18, 2025, at Saint Paul the Apostle in Westerville, OH**, celebrating the 25th anniversary of St. Maria Faustina Kowalska's canonization. To register or for more information go to **CCYAC.ORG**.

**THE BRIAN MUHA FOUNDATION** memorializes **Brian Muha**, a graduate of St. Charles Preparatory School and student at Franciscan University, who was killed in a random act of violence at the age of 19, twenty-six years ago. The foundation honors his kind and charitable spirit by helping others who are in need. The **Run the Race Club (RTR)** was started by Brian's mother, Rachael Muha and the foundation. RTR offers a safe and loving atmosphere on Columbus' West Side (The Hilltop) where children can go to play, learn and study. RTR provides education, clothing, food, furniture, toys and more to families in our community, at no cost. The Muha Foundation is able to help others continue to "Run the Race" through its generous donors and fundraising events such as the annual "Night of Champions." To learn more visit, <https://brianmuhafoundation.org>.

**NOTRE DAME vs. NORTH CAROLINA:** St. Mary Magdalene Church Athletic Association in Columbus is sponsoring a one-day bus trip to **South Bend, Indiana** for the **Notre Dame vs North Carolina State football game on Saturday, October 11th at 3:30 p.m.** Cost is **\$275.00 per person** which includes: Bus ticket, sandwiches, snacks and soft drinks. Children accompanied by parent are welcome. Only 45 spots available. If you are interested in the Notre Dame trip, **contact Julius Palazzo, Jmpalazzo@juno.com or call 614-946-5729.**

**COME & SEE DISCERNMENT RETREAT: PILGRIMS OF HOPE,** Stepping Out in Faith, Calling all Catholic, single women ages 18-45! Come and explore what it means to be a Pilgrim of Hope, hearing God's call, stepping out in faith and exploring what it means to follow Jesus as a religious sister with the Dominican Sisters of Peace. At this free weekend retreat, you will also have the opportunity to speak with other discerning women and our Sisters, who will share their experiences of religious life, answer your questions, and provide helpful tools for discernment. **For more information, visit: [opeace.org/become-a-sister](http://opeace.org/become-a-sister) or contact Sr. June Fitzgerald, OP at [june.fitzgerald@opeace.org](mailto:june.fitzgerald@opeace.org) or call/text 570-336-3991.**

**ST. JOAN OF ARC PARISH FESTIVAL – August 21, 22, & 23: 50/50 raffle tickets, silent auction, bake sale. Come join the fun.**

**ST. MARGARET PRAYER CHAIN**

If you have a prayer request, email it to [cwelycz@breezelineohio.net](mailto:cwelycz@breezelineohio.net) or call 614-562-8570.

All prayer requests are confidential.

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