

## ST. MARGARET OF CORTONA AND ST. GABRIEL PARISH

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## Sunday, February 20, 2022

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP:** To be considered active members of St. Margaret of Cortona and St. Gabriel Parish, each family and single adult must be properly registered and regularly use the weekly donation envelopes for our parish. This is the only way the parish can issue documents *attesting to parish membership and Catholic practice* (e.g. A **LETTER TO BE A GODPARENT OR SPONSOR.** *Newly registered parishioners must be registered & use envelopes for at least 6 months before a Sponsor Letter can be issued.*). New parishioners are requested to visit the parish office.

**ENVELOPE SYSTEM:** To assist us in keeping accurate records of your contributions, we request that you use the weekly envelope system. This enables us to verify your donations should it be necessary for tax purposes. Please notify the Rectory if you change your address.

## LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

### St. Margaret of Cortona

**SUNDAY MASSES:** (Vigil) 5:15 PM Saturday

**Sunday:** 8:00 & 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon and 5:15 PM

**LATIN RITE MASS:** 1st Sunday of the month at 3:00PM

**WEEKDAY MASSES:** 8:30 AM and 12 Noon

**SATURDAYS:** 8:30 AM

**LEGAL HOLIDAYS:** 12:00 PM

**1st SATURDAY:** Rosary in Honor of Our Lady 9:00 AM

**MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:**

**Monday preceding 8:30 AM Mass**

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM

and upon request.

**HOLY HOUR/ADORATION:**

**Thursday 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM**

**EXPOSITION AND ADORATION OF**

**THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:**

**Friday after Noon Mass. Concludes with Chaplet of**

**Divine Mercy and Benediction at 3:00 PM**

### St. Gabriel

**SUNDAY MASSES:** (Vigil) 5:00 PM Saturday

**Sunday:** 9:30 & 11:30 AM

**WEEKDAY MASS:** Monday – Friday 9:00 AM

**MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA:**

**Monday following the 9:00 AM Mass**

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturdays from 4:15 PM to 4:45 PM

and upon request.

### SACRAMENTS

**BAPTISM:** Arrangements may be made by speaking with one of the priests.

**MARRIAGE:** Before the date is confirmed, couples should meet with one of the priests. This should be done at least one year ahead. Pre-Cana is required.

**SICK CALLS:** For the ill, the Sacrament of the Sick is available. Please call the Rectory at any time.

## EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

### ST. MARGARET OF CORTONA SCHOOL:

Grade Pre-K through Grade 8. For information, call the principal, **Mr. Hugh Keenan** at 718-549-8580 or visit the school website at: [www.smcsriverdale.org](http://www.smcsriverdale.org).

**ST. GABRIEL SCHOOL:** Grade Pre-K through Grade 8. For information, call the principal,

**Mr. Anthony Naccari** at 718- 548-0444 or visit the school website at: [www.saintgabrielschoolbronx.org](http://www.saintgabrielschoolbronx.org).

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:** For children in public and private schools, Grade 1 through Grade 8. For information, email the School of Religion: **Mrs. Georgina Nieves**, St. Gabriel at [stgabrielsreled@gmail.com](mailto:stgabrielsreled@gmail.com) or **Mrs. Kerry Bader**, St. Margaret of Cortona: at [saintmargaretsccd@gmail.com](mailto:saintmargaretsccd@gmail.com).

**HOMEBOUND:** For those confined at home, Extraordinary Ministers bring Holy Communion. If anyone is not on the regular list, please call the Rectory.

St. Margaret of Cortona (1247-1297) Canonized 1728.

Poor Margaret! When she was merely 7 years old, her mother died. And, to make matters worse, her father remarried and her new stepmom didn't like, and wasn't nice to Margaret.

A few years later, Margaret met a man named Arsenio, and she ran off with him. (This man was no dream! Margaret led a sinful life with him and the two had a son together.)

One day, while Margaret waited for Arsenio to come home, only his dog showed up. He tugged Margaret's apron and began pulling on her. Sensing something might be wrong, she followed. Unfortunately, the dog led her to where her husband laid dead — murdered!

The tragic event led Margaret to mend her ways. So, she packed up her stuff and took her son and went back to her father. But, because of her sins, her father didn't welcome her.

Feeling discouraged, she went to another town where she had heard about some friars who often helped people willing to reform their lives. There, two Godly women let Margaret and her son live with them. Margaret reformed her life, and spent a good portion of her day praying and doing penance. Her son attended school and later became a Franciscan monk. Eventually, Margaret began to devote her life to helping the poor and sick. She eventually opened a hospital.

*40 Days for Life: Mar. 2 – Apr. 10, 2022*

**Want to be part of saving lives?** All it takes is your prayers and presence. **40 Days for Life** is a life-saving prayer campaign that will take place throughout our Archdiocese starting on **March 2nd** and concluding **April 10th**. 40 Days for Life is a peaceful initiative consisting of 40 days of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil at abortion facilities, and educational outreach with the goal of protecting mothers and their children from abortion. More than **20,000** unborn children have been saved from abortion during 40 Days for Life campaigns. The Bronx has two vigil sites- one in Eastchester and one in the South Bronx. To learn more about the 40 Days for Life campaign, visit: [www.40daysforlife.com](http://www.40daysforlife.com) or contact the Bronx campaigns leader **Cecile (347) 697-7589; [40Days.Bronx@gmail.com](mailto:40Days.Bronx@gmail.com)**

## *The Collection Report*

**Many blessings to your families as we are truly grateful for your continued support of our parish.**



**Our collections were as follows:**  
**February 13: \$10,926**  
**Peter's Pence: \$2,651**

**Thank you for your generosity.**

## Lenten Day of Prayer and Reflection for Liturgical Ministers

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Lectors, Ushers, and Parish Musicians are invited to come together and reflect on Christ's Passion, Death, and Resurrection and discover its meaning for their lives, their ministry, and their parish communities.

Presenter: Fr. Sebastian White, O.P., Editor-in-Chief,  
*Magnificat Magazine*

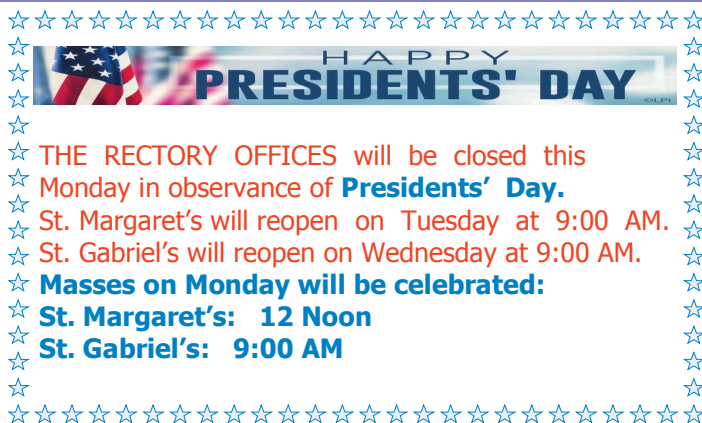
Date: Saturday, March 12, 10am-3pm

Place: St. Joseph's Seminary, Yonkers

Registration fee: \$30 (includes lunch)

More information and registration:  
[nyliturgy.org/dayofreflection](http://nyliturgy.org/dayofreflection)

Contact: [liturgy@archny.org](mailto:liturgy@archny.org) or  
914.968.6200, x8177



**Mass Intentions: Feb 21- Feb 27 2022**

**St. Margaret of Cortona**

**MONDAY 2/21** *Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

**8:30** No Mass

**12:00** Catherine V. Dunne

**TUESDAY 2/22** *The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle, St. Margaret of Cortona*

**8:30** No announced intention

**12:00** John Moore & Moore Family

**WEDNESDAY 2/23** *Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr*

**8:30** No announced intention

**12:00** No announced intention

**THURSDAY 2/24**

**8:30** Henry Gorayeb

**12:00** James and Helen Dunphy, Sr.

**FRIDAY: 2/25**

**8:30** Chris Huvane

**12:00** Michael J. Scarry

**SATURDAY 2/26**

**8:30** Pauline Rooplass (living) &  
Betty Schenk

**SUNDAY 2/27** *Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**5:15 PM (Vigil)** Parishioners of St. Margaret & St.  
Gabriel

**8:00** James & Mary B. Whalen

**10:00** Al & Alfred Galbo

**12:00** Elizabeth "Lily" O'Donnell

**5:15** Mildred & Michael Kenny

**St. Gabriel**

**MONDAY 2/21** *Saint Peter Damian, Bishop and Doctor of the Church*

**9:00** Rose Farno Tercio

**TUESDAY 2/22** *The Chair of St. Peter the Apostle, St. Margaret of Cortona*

**9:00** Mr. Glenn McCarthy (living)

**WEDNESDAY 2/23** *Saint Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr*

**9:00** Carlo Guarini

**THURSDAY 2/24**

**9:00** Henry Diaz

**FRIDAY: 2/18**

**9:00** Norma Pimentel

**SUNDAY 2/20** *Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

**5:00 PM (Vigil)** Celina Bailey

**9:30** Gabriel Colcol

**11:30** Pat O'Malley

*Please Pray For Our Sick*

**Courtney Amsinger**

**Irene Anzalone**

**Georgina Ayra**

**Rita Ballantine**

**John Beckley**

**Betty Betz**

**Iva Boatin**

**Betsy Boruchoff**

**Timothy Breen**

**Ellen Brown**

**Frank Caliando**

**Michele Cipriano**

**Cindy Casto**

**Joy Chambers**

**Theresa Colgan**

**Sr. Margaret Coomey**

**Thomas Cronin**

**Karen Cunniffe**

**Michael Dannucci**

**Steven DeRavaneusich**

**Kathleen Dipple**

**Michael DiRusso**

**Patricia Dooley**

**Daniel Doran**

**Pat & John Doran**

**Michael Dunne**

**Jane Elliott**

**Robby Ernau**

**Bridie A. Gaffney**

**Mary Ellen Gibbs**

**Lydia Gonzalez**

**Barbara Gray**

**Michael Griffin**

**Baby Fox Hackett**

**Michael J. Healy**

**Donna Hearla**

**Michele Sanchez Henley**

**Alina Hernandez**

**Henry Humphreys**

**Eleanor Hussey**

**Yvonne Jones**

**Mary Kelleher**

**Nora Keegan**

**Barbara Kiernan**

**Brian Kolterman**

**Olivia Leroy**

**Frances Loughlin**

**Rita McArdle**

**Sheila and Myles**

**McCabe**

**Thomas McGrath**

**Mary McGuire**

**Darlene McMeekin**

**Jack Marchindo**

**Louis Marino**

**Irene Morgan**

**Lorraine Moriarty**

**Diane Morvillo**

**Bozena Mull**

**Conrado Navarro**

**Arlene O'Callahan**

**Caitlin O'Callahan**

**Kathleen O'Grady**

**Joseph O'Para Jr.**

**Bridie O'Sullivan**

**Sr. Eileen O'Sullivan**

**Frank Paccione**

**Maria Pereira**

**Carmen Perez**

**Brian Phillips**

**Maryann Picco**

**Charlotte Pool**

**Angie & Estrella**

**Rivera**

**Vicente Romero**

**Grace Rose**

**Katie Searson**

**Adelynn Smith**

**Harlie Smith**

**Henry Snyder**

**Marilyn Spawn**

**Mary Sullivan**

**Jennifer Tagliaferro**

**Mary Rush Thomas**

**Catherine Tobin**

**Terri Treanor**

**Elido Vega**

**Aida Velez**

**Arlene Viola**

**Marie Zangaglai**



### Gospel Meditation

Sometimes, Jesus' teachings don't seem to make practical sense. When we hear things like love your enemies and do good to them, turn the other cheek when struck, give to anyone who asks, do to others as you would have them do to you, be merciful, stop judging, forgive, and give to others, we get a bit unsettled. After all, it's okay for God to do all of these things, but does He really want us to do them, too? Many good-hearted Christians really draw the line with some of these ideals and say, "No way!" They even remark that if someone did something hurtful to someone they loved, they would have no reservations seeking severe retribution. There is still this persistent thinking, even among those who consider themselves Christian, that a violent action deserves a violent response. Somehow, we continue to justify this.

Yet, it is most clearly against the very grain of the Gospel. Part of our difficulty has more to do with understanding God's love. We wrongly think that sinful or hurtful actions and evil people somehow are seen as lesser in God's eyes. They are not. God loves the sinner as much as He does the saint. And, both of these inclinations exist in every human being, even those who consider themselves holy. Both the capacity for good and the disposition toward evil exist in every one of us. Viktor Frankl has this to say when reflecting on the Holocaust: "Our generation is a realistic generation because we have learned what a human being really is. When all is said and done, man is that same creature who invented the gas-chambers of Auschwitz; but he is also that being who walked upright into those chambers with the prayer 'Shema Yisrael' on his lips."

If we believe in God, we have to act like God. Whether we like that idea is another issue. If we don't then perhaps, we need to reconsider our faith and whether we really believe in Jesus Christ. We are made in the image of God, not the image of ourselves. The Christian must, at all costs, leave resentment and the need for retaliation behind, lose defensiveness and bring into the mind and heart the realization of who we represent in this world.

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## Kid's Corner

### Joseph and His Brothers

Joseph was very emotional and sent away all his servants, then revealed himself to his brothers.

Find 12 differences between the two pictures of Joseph and his brothers.



**Our Church bulletins are available to take home as you leave the church. Please do not leave them in the pews.**

**The bulletin is also available on our website:**

**[www.stmargaretofcortona-stgabriel.com](http://www.stmargaretofcortona-stgabriel.com)**

Check out  
this week's  
bulletin

### Holy Hour/Adoration

**Our Holy Hour/Adoration is held every Thursday 7:00pm.**

**Come and spend quiet time from your busy day with the Lord.**

