

**ST. MARGARET OF ANTIOCH**

**3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL**

# **Family Picnic**

**Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup>**

**1 PM to 6 PM**

***All Welcome***

**Naurashaun Swim Club  
(no swimming)**

**Food, Games, DJ, 50/50 raffle - (BYOB)**

**\$ 25 - ADULT    \$ 65 - FAMILY**

Picnic Tickets & 50/50's (\$ 5.00 each - 6 for \$ 25.00) available  
at St. Margaret's Parish Center & after weekend Masses



For more info or to purchase a ticket go to [smparish.com](http://smparish.com)

## *From the Desk of Father Raaser*

What happened to summer? Labor Day weekend already. Labor Day, the first Monday in September, is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country. The first Labor Day holiday was celebrated on Tuesday, September 5, 1882 in New York City; then in 1884 the first Monday in September was selected as the holiday.

Work gives a person a sense of dignity and self-respect. In the Christian worldview, work is not a burden or punishment, but an expression of our dignity and creativity. Work helps to build character and it is so very necessary for our young people to be given a correct 'work ethic.' It starts out with chores around the house, schoolwork and then those little jobs during the summer, eventually leading to one's livelihood.

Even the Church has work to do. The "work" of the Church is her liturgy. The word liturgy has grown familiar to us since Vatican II and usually refers to the Mass. But to the ancient Greeks who coined the term, liturgy meant "public work," that is, any work undertaken in service of the people. The word referred, for instance, to the efforts of the shipbuilder who equipped a warship to defend their shores, to the service given by civic leaders, to the work of those who organized the Olympic Games.

The early Church, still in its infancy, applied the same word to Christian worship. Liturgy or worship is the Church's "public work." Liturgy isn't the only work the Church does, of course, but worship is the Church's central and most important activity, the work, which serves the people by affirming who they are.

Liturgy is all those words and actions through which the Church publicly praises God in and through Jesus' name, by the power of the Holy Spirit. It includes the Mass, of course, but baptisms, weddings and all the other sacraments. It also includes the Liturgy of the Hours and many other rites, such as Christian burial, the consecration of churches, vow ceremonies for religious, the blessing of water, palms, ashes and the like. All of these sacred actions are liturgy.

We know full well that what we do is an essential part of who we are. The sacred liturgy is our self-expression of who we really are: a people who take time out from all the pressures of earthly life to thank God and to rejoice in God's presence. The "work" of liturgy is a celebration of who we are because of all that God has done for us. We are always to be a grateful people.

In all our work we should strive to do and be our best, and when it comes to the work of the Church, we should hold nothing back. It must be the best, the best liturgy we can do. It must start with the prayerfulness of the priests the choir, the servers, lectors, ministers of Communion, ushers, the people praying in the pews, and the beauty of the church buildings, the vestments. What sort of work ethic do we have when it comes "to work" at Mass; do we give God our best? After Mass this weekend, have a restful Labor Day.

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**MASSES FOR THE WEEK**

**Sun., Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup> – Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM – Nicholas Paciello  
 7:30 AM – Christine Solanto  
 9:00 AM – Thomas Kissane  
 10:30 AM – Holy Souls  
 12 Noon – For the Parish  
 5:30 PM – Joan Aiello

**Monday, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> - Weekday**

7 AM – Nancy Lovett  
 9 AM – Dan Anselmi

**Tuesday, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> - Weekday**

7 AM – Peggy Kennelly  
 9 AM – Theresa Hopkins

**Wed., Sept. 6<sup>th</sup> - Weekday**

7 AM – Nancy Lovett  
 9 AM – Connie & Breda O’Sullivan

**Thurs., Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> - Weekday**

7 AM – Gabriel R. Di Stefano  
 9 AM – Theresa Buonomo

**Friday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> - The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

7 AM – John Keenan  
 9 AM – George McCarthy Jr.

**Saturday, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> – Saint Peter Claver, Priest**

9 AM – Colin Crowley  
 12 Noon–Deceased Members of Rosary Altar Society

**Sun., Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> – Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

4:30 PM – John, Evelyn & Robert Casey  
 5:45 PM –Mario Kraus  
 7:30 AM – James & Faith McKenna  
 9:00 AM – Martin Dolphin  
 10:30 AM – Fr. Mychael Judge  
 12 Noon – For the Parish  
 5:30 PM – George McCarthy



**The 5:45 PM Saturday evening Mass  
 will resume next Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**Weekly Collection** for August 20<sup>th</sup> - \$ 8,461.95  
 August 27<sup>th</sup> - \$ 10,333.00  
 Feast of the Assumption - \$ 3,623.50  
 Thank you for all who have contributed to the collection.

**There will be no Holy Hour on Monday, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> –  
 due to the Labor Day Holiday.**

**Parish Center Office will be closed on  
 Monday, September 4<sup>th</sup> for the Labor Day Holiday**



**Daily Readings of the Week**

**Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday** Jer 20:7-9; Rom 12:1-2; Mt 16:21-27  
**Monday** 1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30  
**Tuesday** 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37  
**Wednesday** Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44  
**Thursday** Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11  
**Friday** Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23  
 or 1:18-23  
**Saturday** Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5

**Readings for Next Sunday**

**TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**First Reading: Ezekiel 33:7-9**

God has appointed the prophet as a watchman over his people. If he fails to give them warning against sin, he will be held responsible.

**Second Reading: Romans 13:8-10**

In this beautiful letter, Paul says that all commandments are contained in this: “You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”

**Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20**

Jesus explains to his disciples how to respond to those who wrong them – with gentleness and practical wisdom. He promises that whenever “two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in their midst.”

We welcome the following infants into our Family of God,  
 who were baptized in August



*Desmond Patrick Hughes*  
*Maeve Elizabeth Hughes*  
*Jameson Michael Presti*  
*Conor Wutz*

**WEDDING BANNES**

**III** *Kristopher Siriban & Kristina Verwoert*  
**II** *Steven Landis & Christine Gertsch*  
**I** *Shane Moncrief & Christina Cioppa*

**CHURCH MEMORIALS:** Flowers are placed at the altar  
 this week in loving memory of:

**GERARD NEVINS**

*If you wish to send a note/card to Father Joseph, he will  
 be temporarily located at: Our Lady of Fatima Church  
 3205 Concordia Street - Monroe, LA 71211*



**Registration for CYO Basketball  
(Boys/Girls Competitive Grades 3-8)  
will end September 13th.**

Tryout schedule is as follows  
(all candidates must attend at least one  
of their scheduled tryout sessions):

Mon, 9/18: 3rdGirls - 6pm, 3rdBoys - 7:30pm

Wed, 9/20: 4thBoys - 6pm, 4thGirls - 7:30pm

Sat, 9/23: 6thGirls - 9am, 6thBoys - 10:30am,  
7thGirls - 12pm

Sat, 9/23: 7thBoys - 1:30pm, 8thGirls - 3pm,  
8thBoys - 4:30pm

Mon, 9/25: 6thGirls - 6pm, 6thBoys - 7:30pm

Tues 9/26: 5thBoys - 6pm, 5thGirls - 7:30pm

Wed 9/27: 7thGirls - 6pm, 7thBoys - 7:30pm

Fri, 9/29: 8thGirls - 6pm, 8thBoys - 7:30pm

Sat, 9/30: 3rdGirls - 9am, 3rdBoys - 10:30am,  
4thGirls - 12pm

Sat, 9/30: 4thBoys - 1:30pm, 5thGirls - 3pm,  
5thBoys - 4:30pm

Registration for Boys/Girls Clinic Grades K-2  
will remain open until November 8<sup>th</sup>.  
(Clinic schedule will also be posted soon).

**Join us for St. Margaret's School**

**FIRST COLOR RUN!**

Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>

at Albertus Magnus High School

Registration begins at 8:15am

Race begins at 9:15am

Parishoners and Families Welcome!

Sign up early! - Tickets \$25

Available at [www.stmargaretschool.com](http://www.stmargaretschool.com)



Attention All 7th,8th, and 9th Grade Students

St. Margaret's Youth Group is  
ready to begin its Second Year

Please join us for our first meeting:

Sunday Sept. 10, 2017 - Following the 5:30 PM Mass

Pizza and Ice cream Social to follow meeting

Come hear about all the exciting activities planned  
for 2017-2018 school year.

New members welcome!

Older teens and adult volunteers welcome!

For more information contact:

Maria Dowling [845-596-7243](tel:845-596-7243)

**THE GOOD NEWS FROM YOUR PREP**

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**Words of Wisdom from the Saints:**

"Understanding is the reward of faith. Therefore  
seek not to understand that you may believe, but  
believe that you may understand.

-Saint Augustine

"We must fear God out of love,  
not love Him out of fear."

-Saint Francis de Sales

"Joy is a net of love by which we catch souls."

-Saint Teresa of Calcutta

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**Registration**

-PREP Registration will re-open on  
Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup>.

-Catechist gathering & blessing will be next  
Saturday September 9<sup>th</sup> at the 9:00 am Mass and a  
meeting will follow in Toner Hall.

-Fall classes will begin the week of  
Monday, September 11, 2017.

**R.C.I.A. – Sessions will be starting in  
October for any adult or teenager who is  
interested in learning about or joining the  
Catholic Church.**

Also, we welcome are Baptized Catholics who  
did not complete reception of the sacraments.

Call Mrs. Terry Anselmi at 845-735-5238  
or Saint Margarets at 735-4746.



**"Share What You Can"**



Our next collection takes place

**THIS WEEKEND**

**Saturday/Sunday, September 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup>**

We invite you to **"SHARE WHAT YOU CAN"** by donating  
*non-perishable foods*  
at Saint Margaret's Church.

**Suggested Items:**

*boxed cereal, juice boxes, canned vegetables, soup,  
beans, tuna fish, peanut butter/jelly, instant potatoes.  
(no glass containers - please)*



**Afternoon With "Sinatra"** Sponsored by St. Margaret's  
**Triune Council Knights of Columbus**  
**Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 2 PM in Toner Hall**  
 Light refreshments served before the show.  
 Help support K of C Charities.  
 Tickets may be purchased for only  
 \$ 12 at the Parish Office or by contacting:  
 Frank Traina (201) 248-0053  
 or Kevin McGovern (845) 548-5323

**ST. MARGARET PARENTING CENTER**  
 will reopen on  
**September 6<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 - 11:00 AM**  
**Every Wednesday in Toner Hall**  
**(lower Church).**  
 For more information please call:  
**Erika Fitzpatrick @ 845-826-3843**



**Saint Margaret Rosary Altar Society**  
**Next Rosary Altar Meeting** will take place on **Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** after the 10:30 AM Mass in Toner Hall.  
**Rosary Makers** will take place on  
**Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>** in The Doyle Center.  
 9/04 – 9/10 – Team #1 – G. Possavino  
 9/11 – 9/17 – Team #2 – M. Young  
 9/18 – 9/24 – Team #3 – M. Clark  
 9/25 – 10/01 – Team #4 – T. Anselmi

**The Dominican Sisters of Sparkill** are looking for volunteers. (Dominican Convent, 175 Route 340, Sparkill, NY) Ages 13 – Adult; Share your talents...  
 Play an instrument, sing, dance, visit, read with Sisters, transport to activities, play games, organize a party, run an activity. Sign up to volunteer now!  
 Contact Life Enrichment & Volunteer Coordinator  
 Denise Rieser, ADC (845) 359-2112



**Chase the Cure 4 Kids**  
**5k Run for St. Jude's Pediatric Cancer Research**  
 on **Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>**  
 at Darlington County Park in Mahwah, NJ.  
 Registration is \$20 which includes:  
**T-shirt, refreshments, raffles, music, and more!**  
 To register and for more information, the website is:  
<https://chasethecure4kids.wordpress.com/>  
 If there are any questions, contact:  
**Olivia Mandella** at (201) 787-5313.

**Career Opportunity:** The Knights of Columbus is seeking a candidate for a career opportunity representing their insurance program. A complete benefits package with this full-time position. To qualify, one must be eligible for membership in the Knights of Columbus. For more info, please contact: Bill Schneider, General Agent, at 914-420-6836 or [william.schneider@kofc.org](mailto:william.schneider@kofc.org)

**BECOME A KNIGHT – Triune Council- K of C 2052** Invitation to practicing Catholic Men who want to join with others that support the practices of the Church, & The Charity, Fraternity, Unity & Patriotism within the Order of Knights.  
 For more information: K. McGovern at 845-735-2444 or C. Nawoichyk – 845-735-3969

**Dominican Convent, Sparkill – Speaker Series – Thurs., Sept. 28<sup>th</sup> – 7 PM.** Dr. Elizabeth A. Dreyer – *"A Deeper Look at Incarnation: A Foundation of the Christian Story."* **FREE.**  
**Register required:** [online sparkill.org/events](http://online.sparkill.org/events). 845-359-4136.

Altar Rosary Society **Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Tappan, Parish Hall - Bingo Night** – Thurs., Sept. 7th at 7pm. Doors will open at 6:30pm. 14 games 4 chances per game \$25 - 6 chances per game \$35 Questions, please call the rectory 845-359-1230

**St. Zita's Villa Adult Home for Women - Open House & Family Fun Day** Sat. Sept.16. A Rockland County, Catholic owned/operated adult home for mature women, invites all to its annual Open House/Gala Family Fun Day – Sat., Sept. 16, 11am - 4pm. Co-sponsored by Catholic Daughters Court John Paul II. Include a Fall Bazaar, Chinese Auction, Bake Sale, Games/fun-filled activities for the entire family. Barbeque hosted by K of C Joyce Kilmer Council 1177. *Prospective residents & families encouraged to visit & experience the spirit of St. Zita's.* Rain date: Sun., Sept. 17 (same times).  
 Located: 50 Saddle River Rd, Monsey, NY.  
 For info, contact Sr. Maureen (845) 356-2011.



**PADRE PIO CHILDREN'S ROSARY GROUP**

All Children (& parents) are Welcome! We will explain briefly & recite the rosary prior to the 9 AM Mass. We will attend Mass together following recitation of the rosary – the **1<sup>st</sup> Saturday each month 8:30 AM** at Saint Margaret. Light refreshments will follow in Toner Hall. For more info call: Maura, Grace or Kathryn McGraw (SMS students)–  
845-359-0529 –Coordinator: Mr. McGraw



**One to One Learning** will present **STAR-FEST VIII** on the Marydell property, 640 N. Midland Ave, Upper Nyack on Sun., Sept. 17 at 3:30 PM. It is an evening of musical entertainment with beautiful Hook Mountain

as a background. Local professional performers: John Patrick Schutz, Tommy Dunn, Jan Lynch, Robert Mattern, Sue Matsuki, Carolyn Montgomery, Richard Skipper & others. Complimentary food will be provided by many local restaurants for **A Taste of Rockland**. Tickets are \$30.00 in advance and \$35.00 at entrance.

Call Sr. Cecilia LaPietra - (845) 512-8176 for tickets/info.

**American Heritage Girls is in Rockland County!**

St. Francis Parish has chartered American Heritage Girls Troop NY1315, and is now accepting registrations for all interested girls in K-12, as well as adult volunteers. Girls have already joined from St. Francis, St. Paul's and St. Margaret's. Want to learn more about this Christ-centered program for girls? Visit [www.ahgonline.org](http://www.ahgonline.org) and enter 10994 in the Locate a Troop box, or e-mail [kerribennett@optonline.net](mailto:kerribennett@optonline.net)

**TRIP TO WEST POINT - Michie Stadium ARMY vs. UNIVERSITY OF EL PASO**

On Sat., Sept. 30<sup>th</sup> sponsored by St. Catharine's Church. Time of departure TBD. Cost: \$74 includes ticket, coach bus, beverages, tailgating(food included). Please call Joe, 646-648-0823 or [JOGGER3@OPTONLINE.NET](mailto:JOGGER3@OPTONLINE.NET)

**Elizabeth Seton Women's Center**, a ministry sponsored by the Sisters of Charity of N Y is always looking for new members to join our group of women dedicated to fostering friendships & sense of community with each other by participating in charitable endeavors through the area. Our next meeting is Wed., Sept. 20th at 7pm at the Nanuet Library. For more information please call the director as 845-598-4189 or email us at [director@elizabethsetonwomenscenter.org](mailto:director@elizabethsetonwomenscenter.org).

*Saint Margaret's wishes to thank*

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**Remember your deceased loved ones at Saint Margaret's by:**

- Having flowers placed at the altar in their loving memory;
- Having the Sanctuary Lamp burn in a deceased loved-one's memory;
- Enroll your deceased loved-one in the Parish Holy Souls Society;
- Have an announced or unannounced Mass celebrated in your loved-one's memory.

**Bereavement Sessions (Ministry of Consolation):**

St Francis of Assisi, W. Nyack, **Tuesdays, Sept. 19 - Oct. 31, 7 PM-8:30 PM**. Please call the rectory 634-4957 to register. If you have lost a loved one, come for discussion, understanding & faith in healing.

**BEREAVEMENT H.A.N.D.S.** Support group for parents who have lost a child. Founder, Ann Carucci. Meeting: 6:30-8 PM at H.A.N.D.S. head-quarters, 9 Scott Drive, New City, free of charge. Also, one-on-one counseling sessions. Widows & widowers group meet Monday evening at same address as above. Phone: 634-6706, Fax: 634-9199; Email: [Hands423@aol.com](mailto:Hands423@aol.com)

**CENACLE OF LIFE Wednesdays: 6 – 6:45 PM**

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Call: Terry at 735-5238 or Margaret at 735-7398  
[www.CenaclesofLife.org](http://www.CenaclesofLife.org)

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**Phone:** 845-735-4746; **Fax:** 845-735-4744;

**Web:** [www.saintmargaretparish.com](http://www.saintmargaretparish.com)

**Parish Office Hours:** Mon. – Fri., 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM

**PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM – PREP**

(Parish Center) – **Phone:** 845-735-5489

**SAINT MARGARET SCHOOL** **Phone:** 845-735-2855

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Saturday:** 4:30 PM & 5:45 PM

**Sunday:** 7:30AM, 9:00AM, 10:30AM, 12 Noon, 5:30PM

**Weekdays:** Monday – Friday – 7:00 AM & 9:00 AM  
Saturday – 9:00 AM & 12 Noon

**Reconciliation:** Saturdays 9:30 AM – 10:00 AM  
& 11:00 AM – 11:45 AM

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