

Saint Margaret of Antioch Church

115 West Central Avenue ❖ Pearl River, New York 10965



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 11, 2020

Rev. Eric P. Raaser
Pastor

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Rev. Ransford S. Clarke
Parochial Vicar

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Mrs. Brenda Lattuca
Director of Religious Education

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Mrs. Patricia Maldonado
School Principal

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:30 PM,
5:45 PM (*September – June*)
Sunday: 7:30 AM, 9:00 AM,
10:30 AM, 12 Noon & 5:30 PM

Weekdays:

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

Baptism: Every Sunday 1:30 PM in
Church. Contact Parish Center Office to
make arrangements.

Marriage: Engaged couples should contact
Parish Center Office at least six months in
advance.

Reconciliation: Saturdays in Church
9:30AM-10AM & 11:00AM-11:45AM

Sick Calls: Call Parish Center Office for
visits and/or Communion Calls to sick and
homebound. In danger of death, day or
night, call Parish Center Office for a Priest.

Parish Registration:

We welcome all new members to our parish
family. Please call the Parish Center Office
to register.

Devotions +

Rosary Recitation & Divine Mercy Chaplet:
Daily following 9:00 AM Mass

Holy Hour with Exposition:
Mondays 9:30 AM – 10:30 AM & 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Cenacle for Life:
Every Tuesday at 1:00 PM

Nocturnal Adoration:
1st Friday 8:00 PM -11:00 PM

St. Aedan's Church from January to March & July to September
St. Margaret's Church from April to June &
October to December

Miraculous Medal Novena:
Mondays at 7:30 PM & after 9:00 AM Mass on Saturday

Parish Center Office 33 N. Magnolia Street, Pearl River, NY
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Parish Office Hours are Monday - Friday 9:00 AM – 4:30 PM
*The deadline for bulletin items is Monday 12 Noon of each
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Corner

From the Desk of Father Raaser

October is an important month in our parish and national history. We celebrate our Church building and the discovery of the New World by Christopher Columbus.

Yesterday on October 10th, 119 years ago, ground was broken for the first Church of Saint Margaret of Antioch. Msgr. Mooney, the Vicar General of the Archdiocese, blessed the cornerstone. Our first church was wooden and cost around \$1500 to build. In 1901, Archbishop James Corrigan dedicated the Church. Originally, St. Margaret's was a mission church of St. Joseph, Spring Valley until June 24, 1923. Our first resident pastor was Fr. Charles Woods. The fire that destroyed the original Church in 1929 saddened his tenure as pastor. It would be left to his successor, Fr. Cornelius Hayes, to build the brick church we have. Our church was dedicated on October 17, 1931.

History is important and to know our own history is more essential. Forgetting one's history is a very dangerous thing. Understanding where you came from makes understanding of whom you are now possible. Ignorance of history is to put oneself at the mercy of anyone who can and will invent history in order to impose his or her thoughts or ideology on everyone else.

Certainly Nazism, Socialism, Communism did precisely that. First gather up the intellectuals, the writers, the poets, etc., then gather the history books and get rid of them all. The past means nothing; it is only the present that counts and the future glory, of which will never come. I cringe when I hear people say why do we have to study history, it's the past, who cares. Clearly, we have seen the damage, the lack of knowledge of history has caused our nation these past few months, as we are tearing down our past.

Tomorrow is Columbus Day and I can't figure out why, (other than the great disdain for Western culture and Christianity) there is such animosity against Columbus. Was he perfect, like all of us the answer is no. And just like us, he is a person of his time. Is he guilty of all the crimes against humanity that he is being charged with? Of course not. It's called revisionist history. I revise history to fit into my ideology. The curse of today's thought is that like truth itself, history is relative to me, "It's my truth, and it's my history." Of course, that is a fatal error that leads to destruction and even death.

Why do we celebrate Columbus? President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, who established Columbus Day as a federal holiday in 1937, described the real reason in his 1940 celebratory statement:

The courage and the faith and the vision of the Genoese navigator glorify and enrich the drama of the early movement of European people to America. Columbus and his fellow voyagers were the harbingers of later mighty movements of people from Spain, from Columbus's native Italy and from every country in Europe. And out of the fusion of all these national strains was created the America to which the Old World contributed so magnificently.

This year when we contemplate the estate to which the world has been brought by destructive forces, with lawlessness and wanton power ravaging an older civilization, and with our own republic girding itself for the defense of its institutions, we can revitalize our faith and renew our courage by a recollection of the triumph of Columbus after a period of grievous trial.

The promise, which Columbus's discovery gave to the world, of a new beginning in the march of human progress, has been in process of fulfillment for four centuries. Our task is now to make strong our conviction that in spite of setbacks that process will go on toward fulfillment.

Was Columbus a saint, we don't know of course, but what I do know and was taught in second grade that I was to detest my sins above all the sins of others.

Happy Columbus Day, and thank God for his courage.



Sunday, Oct. 11
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM – Fred D'Elia
5:45 PM – George Armas
7:30 AM – Leo and Anne Biedermann
9:00 AM – James and Martin McMorro

10:30 AM – Martin Dolphin (Livestream)

12 Noon – For the Parish

5:30 PM – Kenneth Johnstone

Mon., Oct. 12 - Weekday

7 AM – Bridget Murray

9 AM – Patrick McGovern

Tues., Oct. 13 - Weekday

7:00 AM – Rosemary O'Connell

9:00 AM – John & Robert McKiernan

Wed., Oct. 14 – Callistus I, Pope and Martyr

7:00 AM – In Thanksgiving

9:00 AM – Austin O'Toole

**Thurs., Oct. 15 – Saint Teresa of Jesus,
Virgin and Doctor of the Church**

7:00 AM – Michael Mazur

9:00 AM – Mary Daly

Fri., Oct. 16 – Saint Hedwig, Religious;

Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin

7:00 AM – Rita Freud

9:00 AM – Frank & Julia Kelly – Morgan Keena

Sat., Oct. 17 – St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop & Martyr

9 AM – Gerard Nevins

12 Noon – Bart McGowan

Sunday, Oct. 18 – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM – Gerald Freel

5:45 PM – John Brogan

7:30 AM – James & Frances Barschow

9:00 AM – Luke Mercurio & Nancy Baccaglini

10:30 AM – Gladys Dolan (Livestream)

12 Noon – Brendan John Fee

5:30 PM – For the Parish

**CONFESSIONS: Saturdays: 9:30 AM – 10 AM and
11 AM – 11:45 AM (No Face to Face Confessions)**

Weekly Collection for Oct. 4th - \$ 8822.00

Electronic Giving for the month of September
amounted to: \$ 15,173.81

Thank you for all who have contributed to the collection.

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY IS NEXT WEEK

We are called through our Baptism to be part of the
Church's missionary efforts, through prayer, self-
sacrifice and support of the Mission Church
through material aid.

PRAY for the Church's worldwide missionary work and
thank you for your generosity.

Daily Readings of the Week

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Gal 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1;
Ps 113:1b-2, 3-4, 5a and 6-7;
Tuesday: Gal 5:1-6; Ps 119:41, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48;
Lk 11:37-41
Wednesday: Gal 5:18-25; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6; Lk
11:42-46
Thursday: Eph 1:1-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6; Lk
11:47-54
Friday: Eph 1:11-14; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 12-13;
Lk 12:1-7
Saturday: Eph 1:15-23; Ps 8:2-3ab, 4-5, 6-7;
Lk 12:8-12
Sunday: Is 45:1, 4-6; Ps 96:1, 3, 4-5, 7-8, 9-10; 1
Thes 1:1-5b; Mt 22:15-21



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RESPECT LIFE MONTH

October is Respect Life Month. As
Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend
and protect the most vulnerable, from the
beginning of life to its end, and at every point
in between.

The five keys: Reflect, Pray, Share, learn more and Stay
Connected can be found at
<http://www.respectlife.org/celebrate>.



I *Conor Reilly and Jillian Horgan*
I *Christopher Roeth and Stephanie Pavlu*

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Saint Margaret of Antioch Bereavement Support Group

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DATE: Fall session will continue for the following dates:

Wednesdays: October 14, 21

TIME: 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM

LOCATION: Doyle Center

NOTE: *The following procedures will be implemented:*

- *Face covering is a must*
- *Hand sanitizer will be available or use your own*
- *Seating, 6 feet apart*
- *Space limited to 30 people*

To register please call Tracey at the Parish Center Office, 845 735-4746.



The Cardinals' Appeal is still being conducted. If you haven't contributed yet, please pledge on line or mail your pledge. It would be great if we could get at least 255 of our parishioners to contribute. We're now at 232. We can do it!! Latest numbers pledged: \$ 53,640.

St. Francis of Assisi is running a "300" Club Raffle to help support Sister Cecilia's One to One Literacy program to provide English classes & other supportive services for immigrants & help them live meaningful lives in Rockland County. *Drawing will be held November 1, 2020.*

300 tickets will be sold and half the proceeds (\$15,000) will benefit One to One Learning. For more information visit St. Francis web: <https://www.stfrancis-assisi.org/>

ALBERTUS MAGNUS HS - Virtual Open House -Thurs., Oct. 15th - 7pm & Sun., Nov. 1st at 12noon. Register:

<https://www.albertusmagnus.net/admissions/visit-our-campus>

Immaculate Heart Academy Open House – Sun., Oct. 25th, 11am-2pm & Thurs., Oct. 29th, 6:30 to 8:30pm. online registration: www.ihanj.com. Check website changes due to ongoing COVID-19. More info, contact: Ms. Alexis Fatigati, Dir. of Admissions, at 201.445.6800, ext. 112 or afatigati@ihanj.com. Located at 500 Van Emburgh Ave., Township of Washington, NJ, 07676.

SAINT MARGARET



Registration: Registration is open for September 2020. Each family was sent an email from Parish Giving to help with registration. **Please do not let the registration costs prevent you from signing up, Saint Margaret PREP will work with you, just let us know: smprep@hotmail.com**
If you are a new family to our program, welcome.

You may register as a "new" family by visiting our website to access the registration form
<https://smparish.com/registration>

Prayer to the Queen of the Most Holy Rosary- Oct. 7

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, & tender Mother of all people, I consecrate myself to your Immaculate Heart, & recommend to you, my family, my country, & the whole human race. Please accept my consecration, dearest Mother, & use me as you wish, to accomplish your designs upon the world. O Immaculate Heart of Mary, Queen of Heaven & earth, rule over me, & teach me how to allow the Heart of Jesus to rule and triumph in me and around me, as it has ruled and triumphed in you. Amen

Saint Margaret Rosary Altar Society

10/12 – 10/18 – Team #1 – G. Possavino

10/19 – 10/25 – Team #2 – M. Young

10/26 – 11/01 – Team #3- E. Neyen

Any questions call Angela: 845-920-0264



Fordham Prep School – Details on Admission visit:
fordhamprep.org/admissions or Contact Office at:
718-584-8367 – admissions@fordhamprep.org

Bereavement Support Group -St. Francis of Assisi – W.Nyack. Consolation Ministry offers sessions: Tuesdays 7 to 8:30pm, Oct. 6 & ending Nov. 24. in Classrooms 14 & 15. In order to register, please call: Bernadette (914) 907-8016, - Peggy (914) 589-7674, Sheila (845) 634-8315.

American Heritage Girls Troop NY1315 at St. Francis of Assisi, W. Nyack. From K-12 interested in a fun, Christ-centered, service-minded organization. Variety of badges. 2 Friday nights a month. To visit a meeting, email: kerribennett@optonline.net or www.ahgonline.org for more information. Come and join the fun!

Clare's Cove Thrift Shop at St. Francis of Assisi, is open Thursdays, Fridays, & Saturdays from 10am to 1pm. Masks are required to enter the shop. We look forward to seeing you!! 128 Parrott Road, West Nyack,
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