

Saint Margaret of Antioch Church

115 West Central Avenue ❖ Pearl River, New York 10965



27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 4, 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 week. Email: Dorothy@smparish.com

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From the Desk of Father Raaser

Tomorrow will be 5 years that you have been putting up with me!! Time flies, I can't believe I arrived here on a Monday morning 5 years ago.

And I thank God for 5 wonderful years. This is really a very beautiful, friendly parish, with wonderful, generous, and sincere and most importantly: holy people. It is through your goodness, and generosity that we have accomplished so much these past 5 years. Thank you for putting up with me!

After 41 years of teaching First Grade in our PREP program, we say good-bye and a heart-felt thank you to **Mr. David Kasney** who is retiring. David introduced countless children to God's love for them, in Jesus His Son and through the Church of Christ. His great ability for storytelling, his yearly celebration of the Last Supper, with the children participating with grape juice and Rockland Bakery flat bread, his concern for the safety of all the children and adults in the Program will certainly be missed. So David, on behalf of all your past students and your entire parish family, allow me to say thank you and may God bless you with many years of happiness, holiness and a fun retirement.

There is some concern in the parish about people receiving Holy Communion on the tongue. Let me begin by writing, it is strictly up to the communicant on the manner of receiving Holy Communion, this is the Universal Liturgical law of the Church. No one, other than the Pope can say otherwise, bishops, pastors, priests laypeople included. In our country since 1975 with a special indult from the Vatican, people may receive Holy Communion in the hand, it is their option according to their conscience.

This very question came up early on during the Coronavirus pandemic. The United States Catholic Bishops Conference (USCCB) after a study informed the American bishops that it's safe without unreasonable risk to distribute Holy Communion on the tongue.

On April 30th a memorandum was sent containing guidelines for receiving Holy Communion on the tongue in a safe manner. The Dominican House of Studies in Washington consisting of priests, including theologians and medical doctors including infectious specialist Dr. Timothy Flanagan, prepared the guidelines: "Phased Restoration of Public Masses".

The guidelines stipulate what a priest may do **if** he senses that his fingers touch "a person's hands or mouth." "He may also arrange for an ablution cup to be on the table, and may purify his fingers in the ablution cup before using hand sanitizer". We have here in St. Margaret's an ablution cup filled with sanitizer; and a cloth, which is changed after every Mass.

I have yet to touch a person's tongue or lips in distributing Holy Communion. I place the Sacred Host on the very edge of the tongue, not coming close to touching the tongue, or certainly the lips. Let me assure you that I am very cautious. However, I do touch just about everyone's hand or fingers tips.

So you tell me which one is safer.

And lastly, no one has the right to pressure another in receiving Holy Communion one way or the other; it is a manner of conscience, it is a manner of Liturgical law. So in pastoral love I say instead of watching how other people receive Holy Communion, close your eyes and say your prayers. The minutes after receiving our Lord are graced moments of deep prayer and communion.

Reminder today at 2:00PM, on the front steps of the Church we will have the **Blessing of animals**. Humans: please wear a face covering and try to keep a safe distance, but Fido doesn't have to!

Mass Intentions

Sunday, Oct. 4th – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:30 PM – John Donegan Jr.
5:45 PM – Kathleen Costin
7:30 AM – Natalie Picinic
9:00 AM – Eugene McGovern
10:30 AM – For the Parish (Livestream)
12 Noon – Mary, Bill & Frank O'Brien
5:30 PM – The Holy Souls

Mon., Oct. 5 – Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos, Priest

7 AM – Joseph and Muriel Greeley
9 AM – Joanne Duffy

Tues., Oct. 6 – Saint Bruno, Priest:

Blessed Rose Durocher, Virgin

7:00 AM – Michael Kennelly
9:00 AM – Anne Lyons

Wed., Oct. 7 – Our Lady of the Rosary

7:00 AM – Laurie M. Rizzo
9:00 AM – Felix & Lily McCarron

Thurs., Oct. 8 - Weekday

7:00 AM – Thomas & Cathleen Coen
9:00 AM – Felix McGinnis

Fri., Oct. 9 – Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions,

Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest

7:00 AM – Ruben Rosas
9:00 AM – The McDonald, Sweeney & Gannon Families

Sat., Oct. 10 - Weekday

9 AM – Austin O'Toole
12 Noon – Ruben Rosas

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

2020 PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY CRUSADE

Gather in front of Saint Margaret Church
Saturday, Oct. 10th at 11:45 AM

(We must start at 12 Noon!)

God will hear us, if we pray through the intercession of His Blessed Mother. That's why we're doing the 2020 Public Square Rosary Crusade. For more information contact: Mary Milillo at 845-5701309



Weekly Collection for Sept. 27th - \$ 7,006.00

Thank you for all who have contributed to the collection.



The following infants were baptized in September
and welcomed into our
Family of God.

OWEN MICHAEL EGAN
CONNOR PATRICK GLIEMANN
DIANE ELLIE HOEKSTRA
COLTON MICHAEL WARREN
COLIN EDWARD CARROLL
LUCIA ROSE FICARRA
JOSEPH BARTHOLAMEW MANNINO, JR.

Daily Readings of the Week

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c; Lk 10:25-37

Tuesday: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15; Lk 10:38-42

Wednesday: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14 ; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thursday: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75; Lk 11:5-13

Friday: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6; Lk 11:15-26

Saturday: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7; Lk 11:27-28

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a; Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6;
Phil 4:12-14, 19-20; Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10



Readings for Next Sunday - 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reading I: Isaiah 25: 6-10A On this mountain the Lord of hosts will provide for all peoples a feast of rich food and choice wines. On this mountain he will destroy the veil that veils all peoples; he will destroy death forever. The Lord God will wipe away the tears from every face; the reproach of his people he will remove from the whole earth; for the Lord has spoken.

Reading II: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20 Brothers and Sisters: I know how to live in humble circumstances; I know also how to live with abundance. In every circumstance and in all things I have learned the secret of being well fed and of going hungry, of living in abundance and of being in need. I can do all things in him who strengthens me.

The Gospel: Matthew 22: 1-14 Jesus again in reply spoke to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables, saying, "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a king who gave a wedding feast for his son. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find. They found, bad and good alike, and the hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to meet the guests, he saw a man there not dressed in a wedding garment. The king said to him, 'My friend, 'how is it that you came in here without a wedding garment?' But he was reduced to silence. Then the king said to his attendants. "Bind his hands and feet, and cast him into the darkness outside, where there will be wailing and grinding of teeth. Many are invited, but few are chosen."

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

CHURCH MEMORIALS: The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for: *The Priests & Staff of St. Margaret Church*

WEDDING BANNS:

III Nicholas Caputo and Leigh Ann Buckhout

A PRO-LIFE FAMILY EVENT –
THIS Sunday, Oct. 4th, Route 59, Nanuet
2:00 PM TO 3:30 PM

This Year's Theme: LOVE LIFE.

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Saint Margaret of Antioch Bereavement Support Group A safe place for the bereaved ...

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- to receive support, empathy & acceptance



DATE: Fall session will continue for the following dates:

Wednesdays:

October 7, 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.

ALBERTUS MAGNUS HIGH SCHOOL - 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. For more info, contact:

Ms. Alexis Fatigati '07, Director of Admissions, at 201.445.6800, ext. 112 or afatigati@ihanj.com. IHA is located at 500 Van Emburgh Ave.,

Township of Washington, NJ, 07676.

Bereavement Support Group -St. Francis of Assisi – W.Nyack

Consolation Ministry offers sessions on Tuesdays from 7 to 8:30 pm 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.

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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>

Feast of Saint Maria Faustina October 5th

Help me, O Lord, that my eyes may be merciful, so that I may never suspect or judge from appearances, but look for what is beautiful in my neighbor's soul.

Help me, O Lord, that my ears may be merciful, so that I may give heed to my neighbor's needs.

Help me, O Lord, that my tongue may be merciful, so that I should never speak negatively of my neighbor.

Help me, O lord, that my hands may be merciful and filled with good deeds, so that I may do only good to my neighbor.

Help me, O Lord, that my feet may be merciful, so that I myself may feel all the sufferings of my neighbor.

May Your mercy, O Lord, rest upon me. Amen.

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

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, and tender Mother of all people, I consecrate myself to your Immaculate Heart, and recommend to you my family, my country, and the whole human race. Please accept my consecration, dearest Mother, and use me as you wish, to accomplish your designs upon the world. O Immaculate Heart of Mary, Queen of Heaven and earth, rule over me, and 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

10/05 – 10/11 – Team #6 – S. Bellocchio

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

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Sincerely,
Patricia Maldonado, Principal



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