



# Parish Update



A Weekly Newsletter of St. Margaret Mary Parish

Ascension of the Lord

May 9, 2016

Life-givers are those people in our lives who by their interactions with us give us a sense of renewal, a sense of purpose, or a sense of value. In these ways they help reinforce meaning in our lives. Are you a life-giver? Who are the life-givers for you? Jesus is a life-giver.

Look in this week's email for opportunities of renewal and growth as well as opportunities to be a life-giver to others.

## **NEW ITEMS:**

- **St. Margaret Mary Parish CARE Network**
- **Catholicism on FORMED**
- **Elizabeth Ministry**
- **Casual Fridays**
- **Incense at Mass**
- **Pentecost Colors**
- **Cancer Support Ministry**
- **Feed the Hungry**
- **Mental Health Month**

## **PREVIOUS ITEMS:**

- **Just Girls**
- **Boy Scout Food Drive**
- **Blood Drive**
- **Single Mingle**
- **Kairson Prison Ministry**
- **Feeding the Hungry Every Week**
- **Summer Book Club**
- **St. Margaret Mary Rummage Sale**

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

- [Mass & Devotion Times - Click Here](#)
- [Daily Readings - Click Here](#)

### **Monday, May 9**

Rummage Sale Organizational Meeting, 7:00 pm  
Novena to the Blessed Mother, 7:30 pm

### **Tuesday, May 10**

Father Walsh's Men's Bible Study, 7:00 am  
Rosary with Elizabeth Ministry, 9:00 am  
Purls and Prayers, 10:00 am  
Divorce Survival Guide, 6:30 pm

### **Wednesday, May 11**

Playgroup, 10:00 am  
Writing our Stories, 10:00 am  
Edge! Middle School Youth Group, 6:30 pm  
"Second Greatest Story Ever Told" 7:00 pm  
SMM Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 pm

### **Thursday, May 12**

Living Liturgy Group, 9:00 am  
Centering Prayer, 10:30 am  
Movie: "Poverty, Inc." 7:00 pm  
Adoration, 7:30 pm

### **Saturday, May 14**

Just Girls Modesty Fashion Show, 2:00 pm

### **Sunday, May 14**

Pentecost Sunday  
Stock the Shelves Food Drive in Courtyard  
Bloodmobile  
Journey 2Gether Middle School, 10:45  
High School Lifeteen Youth Ministry, 7:00 pm

## Quote of the Week

“He (God) has made the sharing of ourselves the law of our own being, so that it is in loving others that we best love ourselves.”

- Thomas Merton, *No Man Is an Island*

## Question of the Week

“When have I had to let someone go in order to continue living?”

When people must evacuate their homes because of a natural disaster, what are they most likely to take with them?

- a toaster? . . . a lamp from the living room? . . . or photos of loved ones?

When a company must downsize, who is the hardest to “let go?”

- anonymous employees known only by name? . . . or co-workers with whom we have shared a task?

People are not toasters. They are not things you encounter without being changed in some way - big or small.

From people with whom you have shared a simple greeting, to people with whom you have shared a life, neither of them are things you “let go.” Because if you do, you let go a part of yourself.

## New Items:



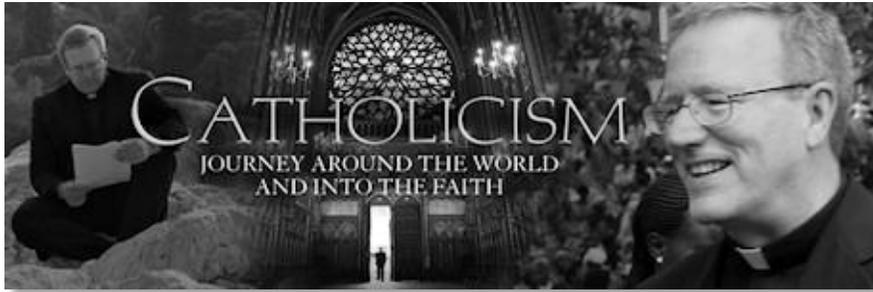
### **The St. Margaret Mary Parish CARE Network**

Our Parish CARE Network is a place to come in time of need. The CARE Network offers a comprehensive list of services and resources to answer physical, spiritual and educational needs.

We are here to fulfill our parish mission “to share our God-given gifts and care responsibly for those in need.”

You can call us directly at (407) 647-3392. To view our parish website with more information: [Click Here](#)

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**Free on FORMED**  
**Available on our Parish FORMED Account**

*Catholicism* is a ten-part series filmed in 15 countries that explores the richness of our Catholic faith. Hosted by Robert Baron, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Los Angeles.

If you do not already have a FORMED account, you can create your own by going to: [www.formed.org](http://www.formed.org) and submitting our parish code: WHPGTK. All resources are free through the summer.

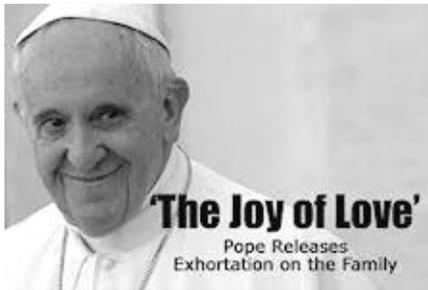
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**Elizabeth Ministry Rosary**  
**Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am**

All ladies are invited to pray the rosary this Tuesday in the Upper Room of the Family Life Center. Elizabeth Ministry is an international ministry dedicated to following the example of Elizabeth and Mary to respect all life, cherish children, encourage families, enrich marriages and build community. If you have a special intention for a mother in need, please let us know at: [lori@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:lori@stmargaretmary.org).

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**Marriage Ministry's Casual Fridays**  
**Friday, May 13<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 pm**

The topic will be Chapter 4 of Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation, "The Joy of Love." The exhortation is the conclusion of a two-year synod process exploring both the beauty and challenges of family life.

To read the text of the Exhortation: [Click Here](#)

To read a summary from the official Vatican News Network: [Click Here](#)  
Drinks and snacks provided. Please RSVP to [darceydinh@gmail.com](mailto:darceydinh@gmail.com)

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**Incense at Mass on Pentecost**

Please be aware that incense will be used at most of our Masses next weekend as we celebrate Pentecost. For those of you who have allergies or a sensitivity to incense, you may want to consider participating at the 8:00 am Sunday Mass when incense will NOT be used.

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## Pentecost Colors

Next Sunday we celebrate Pentecost. Here at St. Margaret Mary, we are Puerto Ricans, Italians, Germans, Irish, Vietnamese and so much more. Help represent your native country by coming to Mass on Pentecost Sunday wearing the clothing of your culture - or wear RED or another color of fire (orange, yellow) to represent the tongues of fire that rested on the apostles. Let's show our "Spirit" and enliven the church with what we wear and the way we participate at Mass.

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## Cancer Support Ministry

**Monday, May 16<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 to 11:30 am**

We welcome all cancer patients and survivors. Come join us in our faith, love, laughter and tears as we share our stories of healing and hope in the Family Life Center. For information email Deacon Bill at [bill@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:bill@stmargaretmary.org) or call: (407) 647-3392.

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## Feeding the Hungry

**First and Third Mondays from 8:30 to 9:30 am**

The food that is collected every Sunday needs to be transported to the Pantry at Redeemer Lutheran Church on the first and third Mondays of each month. The food will likely fit into the trunk of your car, but there may be some heavy lifting involved. This is a vital link in getting the food to people who need it. Please contact Mary Ann at: [maryann@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:maryann@stmargaretmary.org).

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## May Is Mental Health Month

Did you know that one out of every four families experiences mental illness? When your parish gathers, nearly everyone there will know someone who has a mental illness of varying severity and length.

As a faith community, we can offer spiritual comfort through our prayerful presence in people's lives by acknowledging their pain and supporting them through the healing and recovery process. For more information, visit the National Catholic

Partnership on Disability at: [www.ncpd.org/ministries-programs/specific/mentalillness](http://www.ncpd.org/ministries-programs/specific/mentalillness).

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## Previous Items:



### Just Girls

Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 to 4:00 pm

All girls are invited to a Pure Fashion/Modesty Fashion Show featuring the 2016 Just Girls in our Family Life Center. All girls who will be in the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> grade next year are especially invited. There will also be an opportunity to sign up for next year's program.

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### Boy Scout Food Drive

Prior to all Masses on the Weekend of May 14/15

St. Margaret Mary's Boy Scout Troop 62 is holding its 6<sup>th</sup> annual food drive to "Stock the Shelves" of the Winter Park and Apopka Farmworker's food pantries. We hope to collect over three tons of food. One in four of Central Florida's children currently live in poverty and face hunger daily.

Please bring non-perishable food items prior to any Mass on the weekend of May 14/15. All items will be collected outside the Church. For more information contact Jane Maihan at (407) 620-9478 or [jmaihan@cfl.rr.com](mailto:jmaihan@cfl.rr.com)

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### Blood Drive

Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 am to 1:30 pm

There is no substitute for human blood. When you donate blood, you are making an immediate contribution to the health and welfare of your community. Blood is needed by patients facing planned and unplanned medical procedures, trauma victims, cancer patients and premature babies. One donation can save up to three lives. Please bring a photo ID.

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### Single Mingle

Thursday, May 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm

Please join us for our fourth Single Mingle event at Firebirds Wood Fired Grill at 1562 N. Mills Avenue in Orlando. This single's group is for 40- 50- and 60-year-olds. For reservations please RSVP to Karen at [kid779@yahoo.com](mailto:kid779@yahoo.com) or (513) 319-9997. We look forward to meeting you!

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## **Kairos Prison Ministries**

**May 19<sup>th</sup> through 22<sup>nd</sup>**

On our next Kairos retreat, forty-two volunteers will meet 42 inmates and bring the Gospel message of Jesus' love and forgiveness. For information about Kairos contact: Carlos Benitez at: (716) 465-8191 or [carlos\\_benitez59@yahoo.com](mailto:carlos_benitez59@yahoo.com) or Mac Finnane at (407) 340-7104 or [finnanemac@gmail.com](mailto:finnanemac@gmail.com).

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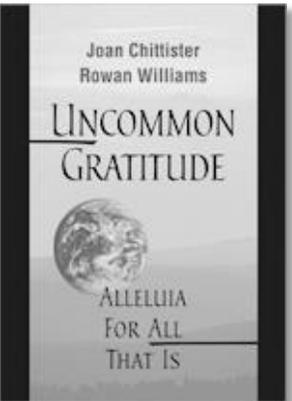


## **Feeding the Hungry Every Week**

**Every Monday Morning from 9:00 am to Noon**

If you would like to be a part of feeding the hungry every week and have a few hours to spare, the Christian Service Center pantry located at Redeemer Lutheran Church on 3377 Aloma Avenue would appreciate your help. Volunteers sort food, pack groceries and greet clients. St. Margaret Mary is part of a long-time coalition of churches and synagogues that support the pantry. For directions and details contact Mrs. Hall at (407) 628-1692.

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## **Summer Book Club**

**June 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 to 11:30 am**

The Women's Bible Study group will host a discussion of the book *Uncommon Gratitude: Alleluia for All That Is* by Joan Chittister and Archbishop Rowan Williams. Sandy Dooley and Angela Emerson will be facilitators. Please order your own copy of the book and bring it to the first session. Questions? Please contact Kristie Altman at (407) 647-5171 or [Kristie@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:Kristie@stmargaretmary.org).

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## St. Margaret Mary Annual Rummage Sale

### Item Drop-Off Dates:

**July 6<sup>th</sup> through 9<sup>th</sup> and July 11<sup>th</sup> through 13<sup>th</sup>**

Drop you items off at the Parish Center. Used mattresses or big CRT televisions cannot be accepted. If these dates don't work for you, we can accept items other than clothing at the warehouse in Oviedo on Saturdays in May and June by prior arrangement with Gerry or Anne McQuiggan at (407) 671-4788 or [gerrymcquiggan@comcast.net](mailto:gerrymcquiggan@comcast.net).

### Sale Dates:

**July 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm**

**July 16<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm**

The rummage sale will benefit our sister parish Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Jacmel, Haiti. If you would like to volunteer at this great event, please contact Mary Anne Smith at: (407) 286-4422.

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## Parish Vision Statement

Called into relationship by the Holy Spirit and

Centered in the Eucharist

St. Margaret Mary Parish is a welcoming community,

Sent by Christ to serve.