



# Parish Update



A Weekly Newsletter of St. Margaret Mary Parish

Nineteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

August 8, 2016

One of the first things a better is taught in the game of baseball is to keep her eye on the ball. We have adopted the phrase, “keep your eye on the ball” to remind us to stay focused on what is important. Look for opportunities in this week’s email that will help keep you focused on serving the Lord by building up his kingdom today.

## NEW ITEMS:

- **Pope Francis’ Bedtime Prayer**
- **Elijah Cup**
- **Kingdom Builders**
- **RCIA Inquiry**
- **“Lord Teach Me to Pray”**
- **Catechists Needed**

## PREVIOUS ITEMS:

- **New School Year Calendar**
- **Mass Projectionist Wanted**
- **Blood Drive**
- **Single Mingle**
- **Home of the Angles**
- **SMM Grant Opportunity**
- **Relive Beatlemania**
- **Women’s Bible Study**
- **Sacrament Preparation**

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

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

[Daily Readings - Click Here](#)

### **Monday, August 8**

Evening Daily Mass in church Today, 5:30 pm

Novena, 7:00 pm

Kindergarten Parent Meeting, 7:00 pm

### **Tuesday, August 9**

Men’s Summer Bible Study, 7:00 am

SMMCS Orientation Day, 8:00 am

Elizabeth Ministry Rosary, 9:00 am

Purls and Prayers, 10:00 am

**Wednesday, August 10**

SMMCS First Day of School, 8:00 am

Writing our Stories, 10:00 am

Playgroup, 10:00 am

Holy Hour for Vocation, 3:00 pm

**Thursday, August 11**

Living Liturgy Group, 9:00 am

Centering Prayer, 10:00 am

Adoration, 7:00 pm

First Grade Parent Meeting, 7:00 pm

**Friday, August 12**

**Saturday, August 13**

Novena, 9:45 am

**Sunday, August 14**

Twentieth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Blood Drive, 8:45 am – 1:30 PM

**Monday, August 15**

Mass, Assumption, 9:00 am

Mass, Assumption 5:30 pm

Novena, 7:00 pm

Pre-K Parent Meeting, 7:30 pm

### *Quote of the Week*

“O God, let me know myself; let me know you.”

St. Augustine, *Soliloquies*

### *Question of the Week*

“What does it mean to be a vigilant servant in the Master’s vineyard?”

There are many ways to describe our relationship with God: servant and master, sheep and shepherd, child and parent.

In addition to these usual descriptions, each of us has the capacity to bring something personal and unique to our relationship with God, and experience how that relationship grows and changes over time. That is what the Apostle Thomas experienced at the life-changing moment when he exclaimed, “My Lord and my God!”

There is value in reflecting on the usual descriptions of our relationship with God. But there is also value in recognizing how our relationship with God, however, defined, helps us better understand who we are.

## New Items:



### **Pope Francis' One Minute Video** **Pope Francis' Bedtime Prayer**

From the Catholic News Agency's featured videos, find out what Pope Francis prays for at bedtime by [Clicking Here](#).

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### **Elijah Cup Signup** **Next Weekend, August 13 - 14 after Masses**

As a parish, we pray that the Lord will provide vocations to the priesthood, religious life, diaconate and brotherhood as well as to the married and single vocations. Participants in the Elijah Cup program who receive the cup and other resources at Sunday Mass, place it in a special area of their home and use it as a focal point for prayer each day of the week.

You may sign up to take the Elijah cup home next weekend after all Masses in the courtyard. You may also sign up to take the Elijah Cup home by going online and [Clicking Here](#)

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### **Kingdom Builders Signup** **Next Weekend, August 13 - 14 after Masses**

Another way to pray for vocations is to become a member of the Kingdom Builders Campaign. There are no meetings and no dues - just a commitment to say a short daily prayer. This weekend members of the parish Vocations Committee will be at a table in the courtyard after all Masses to invite you to join.

You will receive an envelope with a welcome letter and a vocations prayer card. You will be asked to register your name and email address and then pray a daily prayer.

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### **Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA) Inquiry** **Begins Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm**

If you are interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith, or know someone who is, the inquiry phase of RCIA begins on Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>. For more information please contact Sr. Rosemary at [srosemary@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:srosemary@stmargaretmary.org) or (407) 644-6812.

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## **“Lord Teach Me to Pray”**

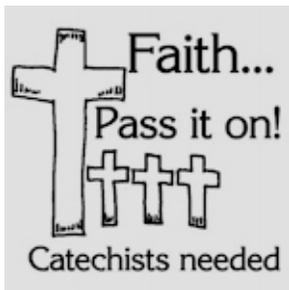
**Intorductory Sessions on Thursday, August 24<sup>th</sup>**

**morning: 11:00 am to 12:30 pm**

**or evening: 7:00 to 8:30 pm**

Do you want to deepen your prayer life? “Lord Teach Me to Pray” (LTMTTP) is a prayer series rooted in Ignatian spirituality and designed to help women and men learn a new form of prayer. It was developed to meet the on-going desire for spiritual growth for people as they respond to the call to holiness and a deeper commitment to Jesus Christ.

This 12-week series beginning in September introduces Ignatian prayer and spirituality in the way that St. Ignatius himself introduced people: i.e., by structuring their initial prayer experience around the Christian Virtues. It is conducted in a small group experience with two trained facilitators. Join us for an introductory session where we shall watch a video explaining this prayer experience in the Bethany/Cana Rooms.



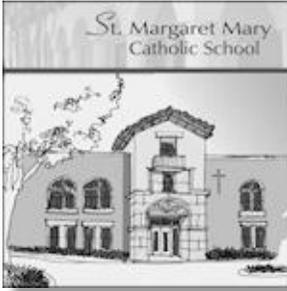
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## **Catechists Needed**

Be a hero to our parish children! Catechists for the Sunday Faith Formation program and for children’s liturgy are needed. Through our baptism we are called to share the Good News with others. Help children to know God through your love for him. Training and resources are provided. For more information contact Kristie at [Kristie@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:Kristie@stmargaretmary.org) or (407) 647-5171.

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## Previous Items:



### **Saint Margaret Mary Catholic School New School Year Calendar**

The new school year will soon be here for students of St. Margaret Mary Catholic School. Please mark your calendar with the following important dates:

August 8<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm

Kindergarten Parent Meeting in the Parish Hall

August 9<sup>th</sup> - 12:00 to 3:00 pm

Orientation Day: Meet the Teacher in the Parish Hall and Classrooms

August 10<sup>th</sup> - 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

First Day of School for Grades K-8

August 10<sup>th</sup> - 8:00 am

Tea and Tissue in the Parish Hall

August 11<sup>th</sup> - 7:00 pm

First Grade Parent Meeting in the Parish Hall

August 15<sup>th</sup> - 7:30 pm

Pre-K Parent Meeting in the Parish Hall

August 16<sup>th</sup> - 8:15 to 9:30 am and 1:15 to 2:30pm

Pre-K Meet the Teacher

August 17<sup>th</sup> - 8:30 am to 1:30 pm

First Day of School for Pre-K



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### **Mass Projectionist Wanted**

Are you a detail-oriented person who is comfortable with using technology? If so, we would like to talk with you. A few additional projectionists - the people who run the slides at Mass - are needed. To find out more, send an email to Mark in the Music Office at: [mark@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:mark@stmargaretmary.org) or (407) 998-5679

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## **Blood Drive**

**Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> from 8:45 am to 1:30 pm**

Our next blood drive is in August. When you come to donate please bring a photo ID.

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## **Single Mingle**

**Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm**

Please join us for our seventh successful Single Mingle event at Miller's Ale House, 1251 Lee Road in Winter Park. This single's group is for 40s, 50s, and 60s plus. Please RSVP to Karen at: (513) 319-9997 or [kjd779@yahoo.com](mailto:kjd779@yahoo.com) for reservations.

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## **Home of the Holy Angels**

**Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm**

Join us as we gather to honor Father Charles Nabwana at the Canopy Café located at 240 N. Pennsylvania Avenue. Formerly serving in the Diocese of Orlando, Fr. Nabwana joins us again during his school's summer break to share stories of the children and how the Home of the Holy Angels is doing in its seventh year of operation.

Please mark your calendar for an exciting evening for sharing in fellowship and celebrating the success of the many Holy Angels served through this important ministry. Please confirm your attendance by contacting John Gilbert at [gilbert2330@earthlink.net](mailto:gilbert2330@earthlink.net).

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## **SMM Grant Opportunity**

**Application Deadline: September 1<sup>st</sup>**

If you or your favorite non-profit organization is working to enhance the dignity and quality of life of people in need, you may apply for a grant from \$500 to \$5,000.

Applications are available online via the parish website: go to [www.stmargaretmary.org](http://www.stmargaretmary.org) then click on Ministries at the top. Click on *Advocacy and Justice* and then *Grant Application*. Hard copies are also available at the parish

office. This popular program funds twice a year in the spring and the fall. For more information, please contact Liz Buckley at (407) 628-1324.

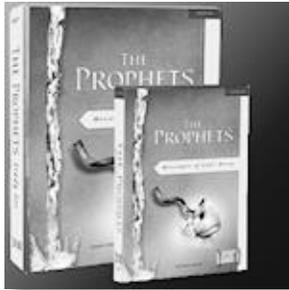
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## **Relive Beatlemania at St. Margaret Mary** Friday and Saturday, September 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

The Fun 4 Beatles Tribute show is coming to our Parish Center featuring members of Disney's world famous The British Invasion and the touring cast of Beatlemania. General admission tickets are \$35.00. Front seats are: \$40.00. All proceeds will benefit Our Lady of Fatima School in Jacmel, Haiti. To reserve your tickets contact: [Annemcquiggan@comcast.net](mailto:Annemcquiggan@comcast.net). For an informational flyer: [Click Here](#)

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## **Women's Bible Study** Begins Thursday, September 15<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am

St. Margaret Mary's Women's Bible Study will offer a ten-week study on *The Prophets* in the fall. The program is from Ascension Press, and video lectures are conducted by Thomas Smith and Sarah Christmyer. A second program, *St James: Pearls for Wise Living*, will be offered beginning in January.

Information on registration will be coming soon. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Turo and Kristie Altman at: (407) 647-5171 or [Kristie@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:Kristie@stmargaretmary.org).

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## **Sacrament Preparation** Beginning on Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:45 pm

Preparation for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion begins on October 4<sup>th</sup> in the church. Parents and children attend together. Families of second graders currently enrolled in the grade school and second graders who were enrolled in the Faith Formation program last school year will receive registration packets in the mail in August. If your child is new to the Faith Formation program or was not enrolled last year, please contact Kristie Altman at: (407) 647-5171 or: [Kristie@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:Kristie@stmargaretmary.org) so we can add your name to our mailing list.

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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.