



Parish Update



A Weekly Newsletter of St. Margaret Mary Parish

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 7, 2016

From where do you gather your strength? Good nutritious meals, maybe a workout that rebuilds muscle?

In the song, "*The Power of Love*", Huey Lewis and the News touch on the reality of love as more than an emotion, but a true power that can create pure happiness, sadness, and anger; it is power beyond all material existence and all other forces.

The resurrection gives witness to the authentic power of love. And it is the promise to each of us as we journey towards salvation.

Look in this week's email for opportunities to experience the power of love; that you might both give new life in the love you share and receive new life in the sharing.

NEW ITEMS:

- Letter from Father Walsh
- Just Girls
- Red Mass
- Special Needs Ministry
- Register for Pumpkin Run
- MOMS Annual Celebration
- Baby Basics
- Homeless Heart Concert
- Christmas Tree Sale
- Advent Wreath Lighting
- Food for Farmworkers

PREVIOUS ITEMS:

- Bishop Noonan's Statement on Voting
- Elizabeth Ministry Rosary
- SMM School Military Mass
- Tailgate Date Night
- Grief Support
- Caroling for Haiti
- Interfaith Hospitality Network
- FORMED
- Pray - With All Your Heart
- Kairos Prison Ministry

- **Crafts for Haiti**

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

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

[Daily Readings - Click Here](#)

Monday, November 7

Elizabeth Ministry Rosary, 6:00 pm
Ignatian Prayer – Men, 6:30 pm
Bereavement Support, 7:00 pm
Moms, 7:00 pm
Novena 7:00 pm
Inquiry into the Catholic Faith, 7:00 pm

Tuesday, November 8

Men's Bible Study, 7:00 am
Elizabeth Ministry Rosary, 9:00 am
Purls and Prayers, 10:00 am
MOMs, 10:00 am
Catholic Divorce Support Group, 6:30 pm
Ignatian Prayer – Women, 6:30 pm
Celebration of Reconciliation, 7:00 pm

Wednesday, November 9

Ignatian Prayer – Women, Noon
Just Girls, 4:00 pm
Ignatian Prayer – Women, 6:00 pm
Pumpkin Run Packet Pickup, 6:00 pm
SMM Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 pm

Thursday, November 10

Women's Bible Study, 9:30 am
Centering Prayer, 10:00 am
Play Group, 10:00 am
Ignatian Prayer – Women, 6:30 pm
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, 7:00 pm
Disability Ministry for Parents, 7:00 pm

Friday, November 11

SMM Catholic School Veterans Day Mass, 9:00 am
New Hope, 6:00 pm

Saturday, November 12

Pumpkin Run, 6:30 am
Pumpkin Run Race, 7:30 am
Date Night Tailgate, 7:00 pm

Sunday, November 13

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Life Plus – Grade 2, 10:45 am
Faith Formation, 10:45 am
Confirmation Preparation, 4:15 pm
Ignatian Prayer – Women, 4:15 pm

Monday, November 14

Elizabeth Ministry Rosary, 6:00 pm
Ignatian Prayer – Men, 6:30 pm
Confirmation Elective, 6:30 pm
EMHC Procedure Meeting, 7:00 pm
Bereavement Support (St. Mary Magdalen), 7:00 pm
Moms, 7:00 pm
Novena 7:00 pm
Inquiry into the Catholic Faith, 7:00 pm

Quote of the Week

“Our loved ones have not disappeared into dark nothingness. Hope assures us that they are in God’s good and strong hands. Love is stronger than death.”

- Pope Francis from his general audience, June 17, 2015

Question of the Week

“My belief in the resurrection and the world to come impacts my daily life by. . .”

There is no escaping the question of the world to come when you lose a loved one.

A husband or a wife, a son or a daughter, a father or a mother.

They are somewhere. They don’t just cease to exist.

Do they look forward to being with you again? Are they interceding for you with God? Are they still part of your life? Are you still part of theirs?

When you lose a loved one your belief in the resurrection is an inescapable part of your daily life.

New Items:



Letter from Father Walsh about Prayer and Our Parish

In his letter, Father Walsh writes, “I believe our parish is being called to a deeper awareness and practice of prayer. Furthermore I believe that this prayer is not meant to be separate from our ministry but integral to it.”

For his entire letter: [Click Here](#)



Just Girls

Wednesday, November 9th from 4:00 to 5:45 pm

In the Antioch & Damascus rooms. Moms must RSVP for babysitting for children 10 and under to lori@stmargaretmary.org



Red Mass

Thursday, November 10th at 12:10 pm

Bishop Noonan invites the entire community, particularly those who work with the courts and the legal profession, to join him in prayer and ask the Spirit of God to guide and direct them in their service to the people of Central Florida.

The Mass will be celebrated at St. James Cathedral at 215 North Orange Avenue in downtown Orlando. After the Mass, there will be a luncheon and awards ceremony in the St. James Social Hall sponsored by the Catholic Lawyers Guild of Central Florida. For more information visit: <http://cflcatholiclawyersguild.org/>



Special Needs Ministry Meeting

Thursday, November 10th from 7:00 to 9:00 pm

For all parents with a child or young adult with mental illness, autism, intellectual or developmental disabilities. Meeting in the Upper Room. For more information: cassidy@cfl.rr.com



Register for Pumpkin Run

REGISTER NOW!!

Saturday, November 12th

The 7th Annual Pumpkin Run is scheduled for November 12th. To register visit our website at www.pumpkin5krun.com. St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church and St. Stephens Catholic Community are also looking for sponsors at all levels. For more information contact Tom Hargrave at hargrave_t@bellsouth.net or Jay Sujansky at jaylinda1@mac.com. Thank you for your support of our Haiti Ministry.



Ministry of Mothers Sharing Annual Celebration Dinner Thursday, November 17th

All prayer sponsors and moms who have completed the 8-week personal journey over the last many years (and spouses) are invited to this celebration of new beginnings. RSVP to Amy at babyraubs@aol.com by November 11th. Childcare is available for children ages 10 and under with reservation to lori@stmargaretmary.org

Sharing groups continue on Monday nights at 7:00 pm and Tuesday mornings from 10:00 am to noon.



Baby Basics

Saturday, November 19th from 1:30 to 3:30 pm

If you can count to 140, Baby Basics can use your help. One hundred and forty is the number of diapers used in two weeks by babies wearing Newborn and size one. We can use your help on the first and third Saturdays of the month to unpack shipping cases, count diapers, assist families to their cars, move diapers to storage and break down cartons for recycling. To volunteer contact Peggy Canary at macanary@aol.com



6th Annual Homeless Heart Concert Wednesday, November 30th at 7:00 pm At St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!!

It's become a highly anticipated event - now in its 6th year. The Homeless Heart Christmas concerts raise funds to support family stability programs. This year we are proud to host, performing together for the FIRST TIME Maureen McGovern, Florence LaRue of the Fifth Dimension and Freda Payne. Tickets are \$35 for general admission, \$55 for preferred section. Sponsorships are available by contacting Chris Gardner at (321) 228-7825 or chrisg@condevfl.com. Tickets are available in the Parish Office or online at www.HomelessHeart.org. For a press release describing this exciting event: [Click Here](#)



Christmas Tree Sale

St. Margaret Mary's Boy Scout Troop 62 is proud to announce their 25th Annual Tree Sale. The Troop is thriving with over 70 Scouts. Our pre-sale Fraser Fir trees, wreaths, centerpieces and beautiful cross door decorations can be purchased at www.supporttroop62.org. The tree lot will be open the first weekend in December on the SMM playground. Thank you for supporting these fine, young men as they work towards their Eagle Rank. Hurry, orders must be placed by November 21st.



Advent Wreath Lighting

Would you like to assist in the liturgies during Advent by lighting a candle of the Advent wreath at the beginning of Mass? Please contact Lisa Weis at lisa@stmargaretmary.org with your name, phone number and preferred Mass time. The four weekends of Advent are November 26/27, December 3/4, December 10/11 and December 17/18.



Food for Farmworkers

This week please shop for vegetable oil, tortillas, salsa, chopped canned tomatoes, and dry pasta, rice and beans, as well as any buy-one-get-one special. Please bring your donations to the parish hall when you come to Mass. Parishioners deliver the collected food to the Farmworker Association and the HOPE Community Center in Apopka.

Previous Items:



Bishop John Noonan's Statement on Voting

Orlando Diocese Bishop John Noonan has written a letter about the national elections and our voting responsibilities. To read his letter [Click Here](#)

Excellent resources to help voters form their consciences before casting their ballots or to answer questions about the Church's role in political life are available at the Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops' website; www.flaccb.org or www.faithfulcitizenship.org. Voter guides can also be found in the church narthex.

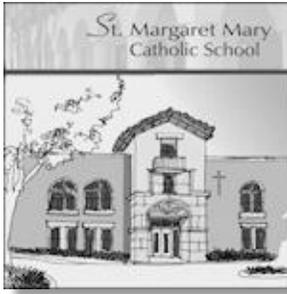


Elizabeth Ministry Rosary

Monday Evening, November 7th from 6:00 to 7:00 pm (Antioch Room)
Tuesday Morning, November 8th from 9:00 to 10:00 am

Now in the evening too! Childcare is available for children ages 10 and under with an RSVP by November 4th to lori@stmargaretmary.org. 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.



St. Margaret Mary Catholic School Celebrates Our Military Friday, November 11th at 9:00 am

The St. Margaret Mary Catholic School invites all veterans and active duty military, as well as all parishioners, to join us in the celebration of Mass on Friday at 9:00 am. This special Veteran's Day Mass honors all who have bravely served our nation. A reception will follow Mass. Thank you to our veterans and military for protecting us!

The Mass will be live streamed for family and friends who cannot join us personally

Real time viewing beginning at 8:55 am at: <http://stmargaretmary.yourstreamlive.com/>

Delayed viewing for one month after event at: <http://yourstreamlive.com/events/502192>



Tailgate Date Night

RSVP by Wednesday

Saturday, November 12th from 6:00 to 10:00 pm

For all couples - engaged or married. Three huge screens with the best games of the day in the Parish Hall. Gluten-free tailgate snacks. Plus an awesome half time show interview with several couples on how to keep God as the coach of your team. \$30 per couple. Register online now at: <http://stmargaretmary.org/tailgate-date-night/> or call the Family Life Office at (407) 645-0284



Grief Support during the Holidays

Monday, November 14th from 7:00 to 8:30 pm

Holidays are especially stressful for those mourning the death of a loved one. Bereavement Specialist Sally Kopke from VITAS Healthcare will facilitate a grief support session at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Parish on November 14th in the evening. Please RSVP to Mary Huynh at MaryH@StMaryMagdalen.org or (407) 265-2307.



Caroling for Haiti

Saturday, December 17th

Having a Christmas party? Invite the 6pm Mass Choir and friends to stop by and lead your guests in singing Christmas carols for about 20 minutes - all we ask is for a donation for Haiti. Call today, best times get booked quickly. Contact Andrea Cavallere at: (407) 739-3698 or andrea@stmargaretmary.org. And if you would like to join us caroling, we would love to have you.



Interfaith Hospitality Network, Family Promise Sunday, November 13th to Sunday November 19th

Four homeless families with children will be staying on the second floor of our Family Life Building. If you would like to help by staying with the families while they are here, by setting up or taking down their living spaces, or by doing laundry, please contact Judy Allen Judyallen244@gmail.com or (407) 644-8855. If you would like to help by cooking dinner, please contact Melissa Bunkers at (407) 484-5116 or melissawbunkers@gmail.com



FORMED

Good News! We have just renewed our annual subscription to FORMED so all parishioners have another year of free online Catholic resources! Watch an introductory video at www.formed.org or start your own subscription by entering our parish code: WHPGTK. Contact Lori if you have any questions at (407) 645-0284.



With All Your Heart at St. Margaret Mary Parish

During the next 3 months, a season called “Heart to Pray” will focus on many different aspects of prayer. The purpose of the “Heart to Pray” season is to encourage us to go deeper in our prayer life so that we can encounter the living Christ, his mercy and love. To find out more: [Click Here](#)



Kairos Prison Ministry

In November men of St. Margaret Mary’s Kairos Prison Ministry will go into the local Florida Department of Corrections prison near Orlando to share the message of Christ’s unconditional love and healing. You can join us by offering your prayers and financial support. Packages of store-wrapped cookies are also needed and may be dropped off in the parish office this week. Please contact Sheridan Becht at jsbecht@msn.com for details. *“But Lord, when did I feed you or visit you in prison?”* Matthew 25:36.



Crafts for Haiti

Do you like making crafts at home? If so we need your help for a future Craft Sale for our school in Haiti. You can make crafts of your own choice at home (sewing, knitting, crocheting, wood work, glue and paper) OR, we will provide ideas and materials. God has given us the talent to make, recycle and produce lovely gifts. Your talent will help the students and teachers whose school was completely lost during Hurricane Matthew. Please email annemcquiggan@comcast.net or call (407) 671-4798.

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.