



# Parish Update

A Weekly Newsletter of St. Margaret Mary Parish



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 13, 2017

Are you a rule follower, or do you like to write your own rules? Sometimes rules can feel very limiting. Sometimes rules are more freeing when we embrace their spirit and purpose. At some point we determine the rules which govern our own lives. Our values inform our rules and we should regularly measure our life rules according to the values we claim to live by.

Look in this week's email for opportunities which fall within the rules you have set for your life, then find your values as you engage in these opportunities.

## **NEW ITEMS:**

- **A Message from Fr. Walsh**
- **Our Catholic Appeal**
- **Ministry to the Sick**
- **Haiti Faith Sharing**
- **Just Girls**
- **Youth Ministry**
- **A Place for All People**
- **Parenting Class**
- **Technology Night for Parents**
- **Life Plus**
- **Together in Holiness**
- **The Sultan and the Saint**
- **Life in the Eucharist Retreat**
- **Food Pantry**
- **SMM Lenten Offering**
- **Playgroup**
- **Life in the Eucharist Retreat**
- **Human Trafficking**

## **PREVIOUS ITEMS:**

- **St. Margaret Mary Catholic School Registration**
- **Lectors and Greeters Needed**
- **Grace Within**
- **Elizabeth Ministry**
- **Hospice Care Presentation**
- **Education in Haiti**
- **Beloved**
- **Great Generation Trip**

- **Blessed Are you Who Mourn**
- **First Holy Communion Preparation**
- **Theology of the Body**
- **Theology on Tap**
- **Haitian Book Club**
- **Free Tax Preparation**
- **Parish Census**
- **Vocations Essay Contest**
- **Life in the Eucharist**
- **SMM Grants**

## **HAPPENING THIS WEEK**

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

[Daily Readings - Click Here](#)

### **Monday, February 13**

Altar Server Training, 6:30 pm  
 Inquiry Sessions, 7:00 pm  
 Grace Within, 7:00 pm  
 RCIA, 7:00 pm  
 Novena, 7:00 pm

### **Tuesday, February 14**

Men's Bible Study, 7:00 am  
 Elizabeth Ministry Rosary, 9:00 am  
 Grace Within, 9:30 am  
 Purls and Prayers, 10:00 am  
 Hospice Care Presentation, 12:00 pm  
 Divorce Support Group, 6:30 pm  
 The Sultan and the Saint, 6:30 pm

### **Wednesday, February 15**

Writing Our Stories, 10:00 am  
 Just Girls, 4:00 pm  
 Haiti Faith Sharing, 6:00 pm  
 Social Justice Lending Library, 6:30 pm  
 Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 pm

### **Thursday, February 16**

Women's Bible Study, 9:30 am  
 Centering Prayer, 10:00 am  
 Playgroup, 10:00 am  
 Parenting Class, 6:00 pm  
 Baptism Class, 7:00 pm  
 Haiti Education Group, 7:00 pm  
 Abiding Presence, 7:00 pm  
 Adoration, 7:30 pm

### **Friday, February 17**

New Hope, 7:00 pm  
 Beloved: Marriage Enrichment, 7:00 pm

### **Saturday, February 18**

Blue & Gold Banquet, 6:00 pm

### **Sunday, February 19**

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Faith Formation Classes, 10:45 am  
 Family Faith 10:45 am  
 Retrovaille, 1:00 pm

Youth Ministry Summer Trips, 1:00 pm

**Monday, February 20**

Cancer Support Group, 10:00 am

Altar Server Training, 6:30 pm

Bereavement Support, 7:00 pm

Grace Within, 7:00 pm

Inquiry Sessions, 7:00 pm

RCIA, 7:00 pm

Novena, 7:00 pm

***Quote of the Week***

“For freedom Christ set us free; so stand firm and do not submit again to the yoke of slavery.”

- Galatians 5:1

***Question of the Week***

“When have you faced the difference between following the letter or the spirit of the law?”

Freedom is an essential gift from God who loves us freely.

Some laws limit freedom; some laws create freedom.

The Ten Commandments and the teaching of Jesus set us free from the slavery and confusion of a world that often lacks purpose and direction.

The freedom to choose and the freedom to live a life of dignity as God’s children are the bedrock foundations of every good law.

The kind of law we can follow in both letter and spirit.

## New Items:



### A Message from Fr. Walsh

Beginning the First Sunday of Lent, for safety and security purposes, the perimeter doors of the church will be locked at the start of all Masses. If you arrive after that time, please enter through the church front doors. Thank you!

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### Our Catholic Appeal

This weekend we kicked off the Annual Our Catholic Appeal. Our assessment for 2017 is \$630,760. In a sense, this annual appeal unites all Catholics across the Diocese of Orlando as we generate the funding for the programming that serves all our parishes and the outreach that is accomplished across the diocese in the name of the Catholic Church.

Historically, only about 28% of our parish has supported this annual appeal. Many parishes, especially parishes in more economically challenged areas generate a much broader level of support. This year our emphasis is to reach our goal and expand the support of the campaign to many more households. Please consider responding to the appeal in whatever amount your family can provide.

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### Ministry to the Sick

Is God calling you? Ministry to the sick is a beautiful way to connect Catholics to the Church during a time when attending Mass might be impossible. There are three ways to minister: • Ministry to patients in Winter Park Hospital • Ministry in nursing and assisted living facilities • Ministry to those who are homebound.

Ministers serve according to their own personal schedule. If you feel called to this ministry, Deacon Bill Timmes will be in the courtyard after all the Masses next weekend to answer your questions. Or he can be reached at (407) 647-3392 of [bill@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:bill@stmargaretmary.org).

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## Haiti Faith Sharing

Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm

Our Haiti Faith Sharing committee assists our Lady of Perpetual Help parish in Haiti with various aspects of their faith formation. Wednesday's meeting in the Upper Room will focus on the recent Christmas crèche display and the marriage card signing for Haitian couples married last December. There will be a presentation of the couples' appreciation to everyone who made these projects possible. All are welcome to come and learn about the work of our committee.

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## Just Girls

Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 to 5:45 pm

Moms please RSVP for childcare for all children ages 10 and under by Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup> to [lori@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:lori@stmargaretmary.org).

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## Youth Ministry

High School and middle school youth are invited to join us on the following nights this week:

AMPLIFY - High School

Friday, February 15<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

*Life, Love and the Theology of the Body*, Session 2

REVIVE - Middle School 7<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

*Existence* Part 1: Response

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## A Place for All People

Thursday February 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:30 pm

In partnership with the City of Orlando Office of Community Affairs, please join us for the opening reception of "A Place for All People: Introducing the National Museum of African American History and Culture". The reception will be held in the Rotunda at Orlando City Hall located at 400 S. Orange Avenue.

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## Conscious Discipline Parenting Class

Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:15 to 7:30 pm

Session two will be held in the Antioch Room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Family Life Center. The cost is \$25 per class taught by Amy Zolessi, Certified Conscious Discipline Instructor. Free childcare is available. RSVP online at [www.stmargaretmary.org/parenting-with-conscious-discipline](http://www.stmargaretmary.org/parenting-with-conscious-discipline).

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## Technology Night for Parents

Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm

All parents are invited and encouraged to attend a Technology Night for Parents. The program is titled: "Kids Are Great at Online Games, But They Lose at Online Safety". The program will be held in the Parish Hall and will cover hot topics such as cyberbullying, social media, sexting, online gaming, computer protection and more. The presenter is James R. McQuiggan, CISSP a cyber security expert in the Central Florida area and a SMM parishioner.

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## Life Plus

Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 10:45 am

This class is for fifth graders in Faith Formation and Family Faith. It is designed to promote the dignity of the human person through safe environment awareness, chastity and virtues education. Please bring your children to the fifth grade classroom in the school. Children must attend this session or have an opt-out form on file with the Office of Faith Formation for Children. Parents are welcome to attend, but it is not required. Please contact Kristie Altman at (407) 647-5171 or

[Kristie@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:Kristie@stmargaretmary.org) for more information.

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## Together in Holiness

Saturday, March 11<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 am to 6:00 pm

You are invited to the third annual *Together in Holiness* marriage conference held this year at St. Marry Magdalen Catholic Parish located at 861 Maitland Avenue in Maitland. This event inspires couples to grow together in holiness and empowers parents to form their children in the Catholic faith. It includes dynamic presentations, Mass, Eucharistic adoration, and Reconciliation. Speakers include the renowned "Dr. Ray" Guarendi, author Bert Ghezzi, and Mary Caprio of the St.

John Paul Foundation. Registration is \$49 per couple through February 9<sup>th</sup>, then \$59 per couple. \$29 then \$35 for individuals. Free childcare. Learn more and register at: [www.togetherinholiness.org/orlando-fl-2017](http://www.togetherinholiness.org/orlando-fl-2017).

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## The Sultan and the Saint

The Sultan and the Saint: An Approach to Christian-Muslim Dialogue was supposed to start with a group of 20 parishioners. The number grew to 40 and then to 60. We are now running three separate study groups this spring to discuss the roots of tradition of both faiths. You can still sign up for the waiting list for a summer repeat

of the program. For more information and to register, please contact: Karen Moran at (727) 424-3039 or [karenmoran7@gmail.com](mailto:karenmoran7@gmail.com) or or Meghan Collins at: [meghancollinscnm@gmail.com](mailto:meghancollinscnm@gmail.com) or (407) 265-0357.

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## SMM Lenten Offering

This year our parish's Lenten offering will be for the JMJ Pregnancy Center. For 27 years they have assisted mothers and families facing unexpected pregnancies. All services are free to anyone regardless of age, marital status, religion or race. JMJ receives no government assistance and depends entirely on the providence of God through the generosity of donors like you.

JMJ provides free services to over 500 clients a month and \$500,000 in support each year to the families who choose to accept life! During Lent you will be able to pick up a baby bottle to fill with your donation and return to the church.

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## Food Pantry

This week please shop for hamburger & tuna helper, canned fruit, instant mashed potatoes and canned pasta. There is also a special request for canned sweet peas. Those whom you help express their sincere appreciation and gratitude.

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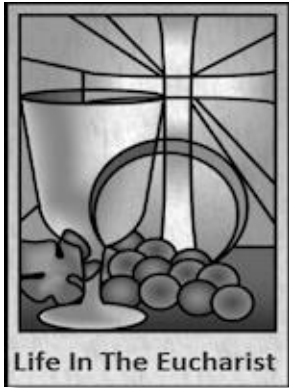


## Playgroup

Every Thursday from 10:00 to 11:30 in the Nursery

For more information contact Claudia at [cvzeliadt@gmail.com](mailto:cvzeliadt@gmail.com). This is a great way for moms, dads and caretakers with babies or toddlers to meet other parishioners and play in a safe environment.

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## Life in the Eucharist Retreat

Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup> from 6:30 to 9:00 pm  
and Saturday, April 1<sup>st</sup> from 8:30 am to 5:00 pm Mass

The heart of every parish is found in its coming together to celebrate the Eucharist and being sent forth to live the Gospel. In recent times, Catholics have witnessed and lived through an unprecedented reform of their entire sacramental system. The renewal of the liturgy invites Catholics to enjoy full, conscious and active participation in the rites of their church, especially the celebration of the Eucharist.

Come and explore five rich themes of the Mystery of the Eucharist: Nourishment, Reconciliation, Transformation, Abiding Presence and Mission. Baby sitting is available for children 1 to 4 years of age. For more information or to register contact Andrea Cavallere at [andrea@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:andrea@stmargaretmary.org) or (407) 998-5678. There is no cost for the program.

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## Human Trafficking Myths and Misconceptions

Myth 2: Human trafficking is essentially a crime that must involve some form of travel, transportation, or movement across state or national borders.

Reality: The legal definition of human trafficking, as defined under the federal trafficking statutes, does not require transportation. Human trafficking is not synonymous with forced migration or smuggling. Instead, human trafficking is more accurately characterized as exploitation, a form of involuntary servitude, or

“compelled service” where an individual’s will is overborne through force, fraud or coercion

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## Previous Items:



## St. Margaret Mary Catholic School Registration

St. Margaret Mary Catholic School is accepting applications for new students for the 2017-2018 school year. Please find the link to the Online Application on the school website at: [www.smmknight.org/Admissions](http://www.smmknight.org/Admissions). New applications are due Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. Please contact the registrar, Mrs. McCarthy with any questions at [mccarthy@smmknight.org](mailto:mccarthy@smmknight.org) or call the school office at: (407) 644-7537.

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## Lectors and Greeters Needed

Lectors are lovers of the Word of God. They use oral communication skills to proclaim and share the Word with the gathered assembly. Lectors proclaim the readings approximately once a month and are expected to spend two to three hours in preparation for each reading. New lectors are selected through a process of discernment and are required to participate in a series of training meetings.

Greeters welcome people as they gather for Mass, provide a smile and an open door. They offer hospitality in the name of the Lord. Greeters are scheduled to serve once or twice a month.

For further information contact Lisa Weis, Director of Liturgy at [lisa@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:lisa@stmargaretmary.org) or (407) 647-0726.

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## Grace Within

**Mondays, February 13<sup>th</sup> through April 3<sup>rd</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 pm**  
**or Tuesdays, February 14<sup>th</sup> through April 4<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 am to 11:30 am**

Meet and Greet session this week. The registration fee is \$30.00. For more information or to register contact JoAnn Brooderson at: [Joannpita@gmail.com](mailto:Joannpita@gmail.com).

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## Elizabeth Ministry

**Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am**

All ladies are invited to pray the rosary in the Upper Room. 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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## Hospice Care - Enhancing Life until the End-of-life

**Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup> from noon to 2:00 pm**

This presentation is designed to dispel the myths of hospice care and focus on how hospice services embrace the patient and the family medically, emotionally and spiritually. If given time Hospice can enhance the quality of life. Presented by Sally Kopke from Vitas Healthcare. Sponsored by SMM Pastoral Care and Health Ministry. A light lunch will be provided. Please RSVP to Michelle at:

[Michelle@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:Michelle@stmargaretmary.org) or call (407) 998-5659. The presentation will be held in the Bethany and Cana rooms of our Family Life Center.

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## **Presentation on Education in Haiti**

**Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in Holy Grounds**

Our Haiti Education Committee presents Wisly Zephir, a Haitian who is currently studying locally. He will give a brief presentation on the educational system in Haiti. Following his presentation we shall discuss an upcoming trip to Haiti during which we shall be assessing educational needs in our parish and discussing plans for education within our own community about Haiti and Haitian culture. All interested parishioners are welcome to this meeting. For more information contact Meghan Collins at: [meghancollinsCNM@gmail.com](mailto:meghancollinsCNM@gmail.com) or (407) 265-0357.

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## **Beloved**

**Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 9:00 pm**

RSVP now for a special BELOVED including a celebration of marriage and renewal of vows for all couples. The cost is \$5.00 per couple. Babysitting is available for children ages 10 and under with a reservation by Wednesday, February 15<sup>th</sup>. RSVP online at: [www.stmargaretmary.org/beloved](http://www.stmargaretmary.org/beloved).

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## **Great Generation Trip**

**Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 11:00 am**

The Great Generation sponsors a trip to see "Driving Miss Daisy" at the Athens Theatre in Deland that was designed in 1921 by Orlando Architect Murray S. King. The bus departs from K-Mart Shopping Center in front of Michael's Store. Lunch will be on your own at a recommended restaurant in downtown Deland.

Make your check for \$49 payable to Life's a Trip Tours, and mail it to Rose Walleze, 2260 Gillis Ct., Maitland, FL 32751. For more information and to make reservations call Rose at (407) 645-4521 or Miriam Timmes at (407) 644-6208.

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## **Blessed Are Those Who Mourn**

**Mondays, February 20<sup>th</sup> through March 27<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 to 8:30 pm**

This is a six-week, faith-based bereavement support group facilitated by Sally Kopke, MS (Vitas Healthcare). Topics are presented in the following order: Believing it happened, Feeling the reality, Living without them, Building a different life, Examining my faith, Honoring and remembering. For registration call Deacon Bill Timmes at (407) 647-3392 or email at: [Bill@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:Bill@stmargaretmary.org).

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## First Communion Preparation

Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:45 pm

Children and at least one parent will meet in church to begin with prayer. After the prayer service, adults will go to the Parish Hall for a presentation on the Liturgy of the Word and Scripture by Sandy Dooley. Registered students will meet with their classes. Parents will pick up students from the classrooms at the end of the presentation. If you need babysitting for siblings ages 10 years and under, contact Kristie Altman at (407) 647-5171 or [Kristie@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:Kristie@stmargaretmary.org). Thank you for

your prayers and support for all our students preparing to receive Jesus at the table of the Lord.

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## Theology of the Body

### Information Session for Parents

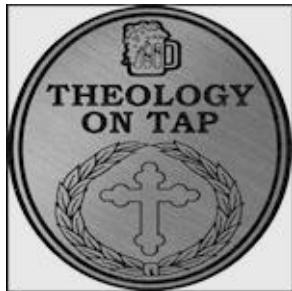
Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> from 6:30 to 8:00 pm

The Theology of the Body is not just for teens. Parents should start conversations about life, love and the body with children early. Theology of the Body will help parents use the

teaching from Pope St. John Paul II to help with questions like: "What does God have to do with sex?" "Why do I have to be responsible for chores and schoolwork?" "When can I start dating?" "When can I stay out after 11:00 pm?" All parents, grandparents, and other family members are welcome. RSVP online at:

<http://www.stmargaretmary.org/you-for-parents> or call the Family Life Office at (407) 645-0284.

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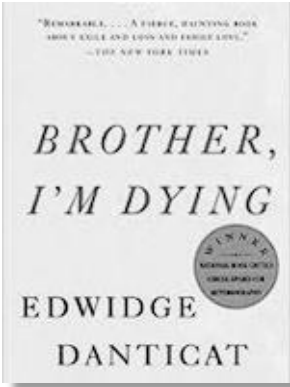
## Theology on Tap

Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> from 5:30 to 8:00 pm

Food and drinks and Theology on Tap sponsored by Men Answering the Call. This evening's presenter is Fr. David Scotchie, the author of *A Prayer for Hope* and *Can I Say Prayer with You?* The event will be held at Cocina 214 on 151 E. Welborne Avenue in Winter Park. Please RSVP to [matc@stmargaretmary.org](mailto:matc@stmargaretmary.org). Visit our website at <http://stmargaretmary.org/ministries/men-answering-the-call>. Visit us on facebook at <https://facebook.com/MenAnsweringTheCall/?ref=nf>.

For a flyer with additional information [Click Here](#).

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## Haiti Book Club

Sundays, March 5<sup>th</sup>, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, May 7<sup>th</sup> and June 14<sup>th</sup>  
from 2:00 to 4:00 pm in Holy Grounds

A group is forming to discuss books by Haitian authors and will begin meeting on Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> with a discussion of *Brother, I'm Dying*, a memoir by Edwidge Danticat. The group will kick off by participating in the Haitian Mardi Gras celebration at the Polasek Museum on Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>. The museum currently has an exhibit of the work of Haitian artist Frantz Zephirin. For more information please contact Linda Goddard at [lindamariepeace3@bellsouth.net](mailto:lindamariepeace3@bellsouth.net) or (407) 595-0616 or Trish Moser at [mosertrish@gmail.com](mailto:mosertrish@gmail.com).

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## Free Tax Preparation

Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 to 5:00 pm

A free tax preparation service is being made available to low income, elderly and needy parishioners of St. Margaret Mary Church by appointment only on a first-come-first-serve basis by Donald J. Christie, EA, CSA, MBA and Karen Christie, RTRP and Rolland Lawrence, RTRP at American Tax & Business Shoppe at 6924 Aloma Avenue in Winter Park. For an appointment call (407) 671-4696.

This free service does not include tax returns with require Schedules C, D or Schedule E. At the time of appointment, the individual must bring all 2016 tax documents, 1095 Health Forms, and last year's tax return.

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## Parish Census

Parish Census Cards were recently mailed to all parishioners. Please affirm your registration, make updates to your household information and return the card as soon as possible.

Thank you for your assistance with this project and for your loyal commitment to St. Margaret Mary Parish.

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## Vocations Essay Contest

Pope Francis says that faith makes us aware of a magnificent calling, the vocation of love. Have you taken time to think about your vocation?

The St. Margaret Mary Church Vocations Committee is sponsoring a Vocations Essay Contest. This year's topic is "Imagine you are a priest or a sister. Look inside yourself. What qualities do you have

for your vocation? How will you use them in your work as a priest or a sister." For more information about this exciting contest [Click Here](#).

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## Life in the Eucharist

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Come and explore five rich themes of the Mystery of the Eucharist: Nourishment, Reconciliation, Transformation, Abiding Presence and Mission. Registration information coming soon.

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## SMM Grant Opportunity

March 1<sup>st</sup> is the deadline for grant applications. Applications are still available 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 Applications." For more information call Scott at (407) 628-1324..

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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.