



Parish Update

A Weekly Newsletter of St. Margaret Mary Parish



Ascension of the Lord

May 18, 2015

The earliest disciples of Jesus anticipated that Jesus would return after his ascension within their lifetimes. Some 2,000 years later we are still asking, "When?" In time, rather than waiting for when the earliest communities turned their focus on "what". What will we do to continue the mission that Christ has left us. They realized that it was their time to own the mission of Jesus.

What will you find below that helps you to extend the mission of Jesus into your own heart and into the environments in which you live - home, work and community?

NEW ITEMS:

- **Momnipotent**
- **Meat the Clergy**
- **Parish Council Elections – through Wednesday**
- **Scout Food Drive**
- **Caregivers Support Group**
- **Catholic Support Survivor Guide**
- **Pancakes for Peace**
- **Young Adult Ministry**
- **The Living Rosary**
- **The Elijah Cup**

PREVIOUS ITEMS:

- **Evening with Hady Mendez**
- **Summer Book Discussion**
- **Life in the Eucharist Retreat**
- **Vacation Bible Camp**

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

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

Monday, May 18

Novena, 7:00 pm

Momnipotent, 7:00 pm

Tuesday, May 19

Fr. Walsh's Men's Bible Study, 7:00 am

Purls and Prayers, 10:00 am

Wednesday, May 20

Writing Our Stories, 10:00 am

Playgroup, 10:00 am

Thursday, May 21

Living Liturgy Group, 9:00 am
Centering Prayer Group, 10:30 am
Meat the Clergy, 7:00 pm
Adoration, 7:30 pm

Sunday, May 24

Pentecost Sunday

Monday, May 25

Memorial Day

Question of the Week:

“Are you waiting for Jesus to fix things or are you acting with Jesus’ guidance to right wrongs?”

Jesus, the wonderful friend and teacher to whom the apostles had committed their lives, had been brutally executed.

- “What has just happened?” they wondered.

Then Jesus returns in a resurrected body and tells his apostles about the “kingdom of God.”

- “Now that you have returned, is the ‘kingdom of Israel’ finally here?” they asked.

After saying, “It is not for you to know the times or seasons,” Jesus leaves his apostles and ascends to heaven in a cloud.

- “What has just happened? Has he left us again? What do we do now?” they wondered.

Two thousand years later, the question remains just as urgent for us today.

New Items:



Momnipotent

Monday, May 18th from 7:00 to 9:00 pm

All moms are invited!. Step moms, grand-moms, moms with babies, moms with kids in college, etc. DVD small group discussion and time for reflection on the topic of “Sensitive Strength.” From hormones to empathy, how our emotions and compassion can be a great force for good!

Next meeting: June 1st, “Balancing Act”



Meat the Clergy Thursday, May 21st at 6:00 pm

A night of clergy appreciation held in our Parish Hall. The men of the parish are invited to enjoy an evening of fellowship with each other and the clergy of our parish featuring 4 Rivers BBQ, beer and relaxing conversation. Sponsored by Men Answering the Call, a ministry of adult men from all walks of life helping the church through service and strengthening their relationship with Christ through greater spirituality.

Cost: \$10.00. For more information: [Click Here](#)



Parish Council Elections

The Parish Council is a representative body of parishioners who assist the pastor in the policy making of the parish. Council members are called to determine the direction the parish will take in the light of their faith.

If you missed voting for the Parish Council election, stop by the Parish Office. Voting will end Wednesday at noon. *Only one ballot per parishioner and only registered parishioners sixteen years and older may vote.* For a sample

ballot of candidates: [Click Here](#)



Boy Scout 62 Stock the Shelves Food Drive

St. Margaret Mary's Boy Scout Troop 62 held its 5th annual Food Drive to "Stock the Shelves" of the Winter Park and Apopka Farmworker's food pantries this past weekend. THANK YOU St. Margaret Mary Parish for your overwhelming support of our Boy Scout Troop 62 "Stock the Shelves" food drive. This past weekend, you brought in over three tons of food to help our Winter Park and Apopka Farmworkers pantries get through the lean summer months.

Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Caregivers Support Group Tuesday, May 26th from 10:00 to 11:30 am

The St. Margaret Mary Caregivers Support group will have its monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 26th in the Family Life Center. If you care for a loved one at home or in a facility, consider taking this time to share with those who are experiencing the same situations and emotions. Give yourself the gift of prayer and support by sharing with one another. For more information email Rosario at Rosario@ortigao.com or Sharon at sharon@stmargaretmary.org



Catholic Divorce Survival Guide

Monday, June 1st - July 20th, from 6:30 - 8:30 pm

A summer series for those experiencing separation or divorce will be starting the first of June on Monday nights. If you are in need of this support:

[Click Here](#) for a flier

[Click Here](#) for a registration form

For more information call Lori Reinneck in the Family Life Office at: (407) 645-

0284.



Pancakes for Peace

Sunday, June 7th after the 9:30 am and 12:00 Masses

A delicious social event to start the summer. Adults - \$5.00, Children - \$3.00. Proceeds will benefit the Haiti Peace Program.



Young Adult Ministry

Checkout our new events at:

<https://www.facebook.com/SMMYAWP>



The Living Rosary

Sunday, August 23rd between the 9:30 am and Noon Masses

The Blessed Mother models acceptance, fidelity and peace, qualities needed in our relationships. In recognition of the upcoming World Meeting of Families in Philadelphia, we shall have a living rosary here in church on Sunday, August 23rd. We shall pray for the success of the meeting and for peace within our families, neighborhoods, the parish and the world. If you would like to represent a bead in the living rosary and recite a prayer, please contact

Kristie@stmargaretmary.org by June 1st. Thank you.



The Elijah Cup

We need people to pray for an increase in vocations. Please consider taking home the Elijah Cup as a focal point for your prayer. Contact Kristie Altman at: (407) 647-5171 or email Kristie@stmargaretmary.org.

Previous Items:

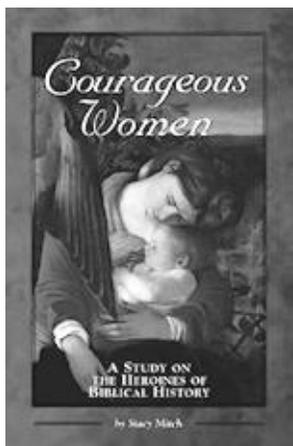


An Evening with Hady Mendez

Wednesday, June 3rd at 6:30 pm

Hady Mendez has been a SMM parishioner since moving to Florida in January, 2012. Following an amazing experience with a JustFaith community here in the parish, she decided to join Franciscan Mission Service in the Fall of 2013. In January of last year, she moved to Cochabamba, Bolivia where she has been living and working for the last year and a half.

On the evening of June 3, she will be returning to Winter Park to share her mission experience. She will talk about learning the language, experiencing culture shock, working in prison, living in community, and will share many heart-warming (end eye opening) stories of her life in Bolivia. If you are interested in learning more about what it is like to live and work alongside humble people in a developing country, please mark your calendar. There will also be small items made by women prisoners and ex-prisoners for sale as well as a light supper.



Summer Book Discussion

Thursday, June 4, 11, 18 & 25 at 10:00 am

The Women's Bible Study group will discuss the book *Courageous Women* by Stacy Mitch. Please purchase your own copy of the book. All parishioners are welcome to join us in the Upper Room. For more information please call (407) 647-5171 or email Kristie@stmargaretmary.org.



Life in the Eucharist Retreat

September 25-26

Do you desire to grow in your faith and understanding of the Holy Eucharist? Do you hunger to hear stories from fellow parishioners about their relationship with the Most Blessed Sacrament? Save the date for the annual Life in the Eucharist retreat presented here at St. Margaret Mary.



Vacation Bible Camp

June 15th to 19th from 9:00 am to Noon each day

Cool down during our hot summer days in Florida. Come to Totally Catholic Everest for some frosty fun. Children entering four-year-old preschool through sixth grade this Fall may participate. Cost is \$30.00 per child. Register by printing an [online form](#) and dropping it off or mailing it to Kristie Altman at the church or school.

Helpers are invited to set up the camp on the following dates: June 10, 7:00 - 9:00 pm; June 12, 9:00 - 11:30 am and 1:00 - 3:30 pm; and June 14, 1:00 - 4:00 pm. We shall meet in the Parish Hall. Babysitting will be offered on June 10 and the morning of June 12. Please call Kristie at (407) 647-5171 or email Kristie@stmargaretmary.org if you plan to use this service and give the name and age of your child. Your help is appreciated.

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.