Parish Update

A Weekly Newsletter of St. Margaret Mary Parish

The Most Holy Trinity June 1, 2015

Abandoned. Alone. Hopeless.

Jesus Christ rose and ascended into heaven. He has left us to our own devices. Not so!

In the unfolding of the mystery of the Most Holy Trinity, we understand how God has revealed himself to us across the ages. Our recent liturgical celebrations highlight the revelation to humanity of Jesus Christ as the Son of God and the descent of the Holy Spirit upon all creation. As the author of all creation, the author of all life and the author of history itself, we are not abandoned by God, but rather co-creators seeking union with his plan. We are joined and hope-filled.

What might you find in this week's e-mail which will help you understand the mystery of God in union with other seekers, or what might you find to help discover and celebrate the hope we have in our ever-present God?

NEW ITEMS:

- **New Parish Website Launched!**
- **Rummage Sale Planning Meeting**
- **Rental Assistance**
- **Playgroup**
- **A Great Generation Event**
- **First Friday**
- **Baby Basics**
- **Catholic Charities HeARTS Give Hope Event**
- **Haiti Livestock Program**
- **Prayer Flags**

PREVIOUS ITEMS:

- **Catholic Support Survivor Guide**
- **Momnipotent**
- **Evening with Hady Mendez**
- **Young Adult Ministry**
- **Pancakes for Peace**
- **The Living Rosary**
- **The Elijah Cup**
- **Summer Book Discussion**
- **Life in the Eucharist Retreat**
- **Vacation Bible Camp**

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

- **Mass & Devotion Times - Click Here**
- **Daily Readings - Click Here**

Monday, June 1
Catholic Divorce Survival Guide, 6:30 pm
Momnipotent, 7:00 pm
Rummage Sale Meeting, 7:00 pm
Novena, 7:00 pm
Tuesday, June 2
Fr. Walsh's Men's Bible Study, 7:00 am
Purls and Prayers, 10:00 am
Wednesday, June 3
Writing Our Stories, 10:00 am
Playgroup, 10:00 am
Evening with Hady Mendez, 6:30 pm
Thursday, June 4
Living Liturgy Group, 9:00 am
Women's Book Discussion, 10:00 am
Centering Prayer Group, 10:30 am
Great Generation Bowling, 10:30 am
Adoration, 7:30 pm
Sunday, June 7
Corpus Christi
Pancakes for Peace after 9:30 am and Noon Masses
Monday, June 8
Catholic Divorce Survival Guide, 6:30 pm
Momnipotent, 7:00 pm
Novena, 7:00 pm

Question of the Week:

"How well do I trust Jesus' promise that he will always be with us?

"Can a mother forget her infant, be without tenderness for the child of her womb? Even should she forget, I will never forget you" (Isaiah 49:15).

We cannot live without depending on other people. But whom can we trust if even those closest to us may sometimes forget?

At times, it can be difficult to trust even ourselves. As St. Paul says, "For I do not do the good I want, but I do the evil I do not want" (Romans 8:19).

Speaking about trust, Ronald Reagan once quoted a Russian proverb: "Doveryai no proveryai - Trust but verify."

In a world where complete trust is difficult, we can still find comfort in knowing that Jesus is someone whom we can trust without reservation.

New Items:

New Parish Website Launched!

Take time to conenct to the new website and explore the new navigation. Give it a preview from your mobile devices and see how the new responsive design makes it much easier to navigate. Spend some time on the website to familiarize yourself with the navigation so that you will more easily find all the things you like to reference on the site. To check out the new site: Click Here

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Rummage Sale Planning Event

Monday, June 1st, 7:00 pm

The Rummage Sale is coming in July, but planning comes first. If you love Rummage Sales, this group is for your! Come to the Holy Grounds Room to share your ideas, your enthusiasm and your energy. For more information, please contact Anne McQuiggen at annemcquiggan@comcast.net. See you there!

Rental Assistance for Elders & People with Disabilities

Applications Dates: June 1st to June 5th

The Orange County Housing and Community Development Division will be accepting pre-applications for individuals who are interested in obtaining housing under the Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) Program. The rental assistance program, which is similar to the Section 8 program, is for elders and/or people with disabilities. The online application website will open at 12:01 am on June 1st and close at 11:59 pm on June 5th.

The website is located at: www.waitlistcheck.com/FL1280. Questions about this process should be directed to Sabrina David at (407) 836-5160 or email Sabrina.davis@ocfl.net. Details may be found on the Welcome Chart in the courtyard after Masses.

Playgroup

Wednesday, June 3rd from 10:00 to 11:00 am

Playgroup meets this Wednesday in the nursery in the Family Life Center. For more information contact Claudia at cvzeliadt@gmail.com. This is not a drop off but a great way for moms or dads or caretakers with babies or toddlers to meet other parishioners and play in a safe, playful environment.

A Great Generation Event

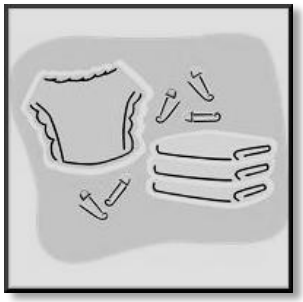
Thursday, June 4th, 10:00 am to Noon

Aloma Bowling Center, 2530 Aloma Avenue. $3.00 per game which includes shoes. Then join us at lunch at First Watch (Aloma). RSVP to Nancy Thompson at (407) 265-8103. Open to all ages.

First Friday

This Friday is First Friday

A time for all to enjoy a few moments of quiet with our Lord in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Make time to take the kids to the chapel this Friday anytime after 8:00 am Mass all the way through Saturday mroning. Pray a family rosary or just spend a few moments of quiet recognizing how much Jesus loves you!



Baby Basics

Sometimes parishioners ask if Baby Basics accepts partial packs of diapers; we answer with a resounding "yes." We have babies of nearly all sizes: 1 wear size newborn; 3 wear size 1; 8 wear size 3; 8 wear size 4; 14 wear size 5; and, 8 wear size 6.

The next time you are shopping why not pick up a pack of diapers for Baby Basics! With a simple pack of diapers you are giving hope to low-income working families in our neighborhood. Please mark the diapers for Baby Basics & leave them at the front office.

HeARTS Give Hope

PORTRAITS OF POVERTY ART CONTEST

Catholic Charities of Central Florida Food, Wine and Art Event

Friday, June 12th from 7:00 to 10:00 pm

Each year, Catholic Charities of Central Florida recognizes individuals and organizations who exhibit exemplary compassion and care for those in need by partnering with Catholic Charities to provide hope and opportunity. We invite you to join us to honor this year's Hope and Opportunity Awards recipients at the HeARTS Give Hope: Food, Wine & Art Event at Catholic Campus Ministry at UCF, 3925 Lockwood Blvd., Oveido. This year's honorees include St. Margaret Mary parishioners Allan Keen and Kevin Hagan.

Haiti Livestock Program

If you missed your chance to support the Haiti Livestock Program yesterday, donations are always accepted at the parish office.

Prayer Flags

You may have noticed that we have taken down the prayer flags that expressed the care and concern of our parish family for the people of Nepal who were affected by a terrible earthquake recently. God bless you for sharing your prayers with our entire community!

While the people of Nepal struggle to recover, Catholic Relief Services continues to provide essential supplies and services in our names. To learn more about the good work of CRS, receive updates, and donate to their efforts, please go to www.crs.org. In addition, in our front office you will be able to see an award-winning dramatic photo of prayer flags and additional details about that tradition. Thank you to the Edyth Bush Foundation who so generously has shared this photo with our parish!

Previous Items:

Catholic Divorce Survival Guide

Starts Tonight - Monday, June 1st from 6:30 - 8:30 pm

Walk-ins welcome. Meeting on the second floor of the Family Life Center. $20 for the book. For more information, contact Lori Reinneck at lori@stmargaretmary.org.

Momnipotent

Monday, June 1st from 7:00 to 9:00 pm
"The Balancing Act"

All moms are invited to tonight's session! A great session to help us find quiet spaces amidst the noise of life. Momnipotent is a Catholic DVD based study and faith sharing for all moms. So if you are a step mom, grand-mom, mom with babies, or mom with teenagers, this is time for you to reclaim the peace, balance and joy that come with mothering. For more information contact lori@stmargaretmary.org.

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.

Young Adult Ministry

This Wednesday Night: Wine and the Word

Meet for Mass at 5:30 and then do diner on the avenue.
Contact us at: youngadults@stmargaretmary.org
You can find us on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/SMMYAWP

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.

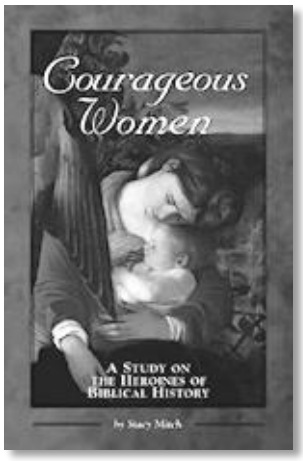
The Living Rosary

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

Pray for the success of the World Meeting of Families by representing a bead in the living rosary on Sunday, August 23rd between the 9:30 am and Noon Masses. If you would like to participate, please contact Kristie at Kristie@stmargaretmary.org or at (407) 647-5171.

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.



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 on June 4, 11,18, and 25 at 10:00 am. Please bring your own copy of the book to the discussions. Have the first two chapters read by the first session. All parishioners are welcome to join us in the Upper Room. For more information please contact Kristie at (407) 647-5171 orl 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 hunge rto 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

Last call to register for Vacation Bible Camp! Children entering four-year-old preschool through sixth grade this Fall may participate. The fee is $30.00 per child. Please obtain forms from the church and school offices, the information cart or online.

Please send your form to the Office of Faith Formation for Children by Wednesday, June 3rd. Training for adult leaders and teen crew leaders is Sunday, June 7th at 10:45 am in the Bethany/Cana Rooms. Please contact Kristie Altman at (407) 647-5171 or Kristie@stmargaretmary.org for more information

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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.