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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time This Week in Our Parish

Sunday, February 15

10:45 pm Faith Formation for Children

Monday, February 16

7:30 am Rosary Chapel
 6:30 pm Altar Server Training Church
 6:45 pm Young Adult Ministry Chapel
 7 pm Blessed Is She Moms Group Holy Grounds

Tuesday, February 17

7 am Fr. Walsh's Men's Bible Study Parish Hall
 7:30 am Rosary Chapel
 9:30 am Rosary & Prayer at Abortion Clinic
 10 am Purls and Prayers Holy Grounds
 4:30 pm Centering Prayer Holy Grounds
 First Communion Preparation

Wednesday, February 18 ASH Wednesday

Hallow Lenten Challenge Begins (page 4)

7:30 am Rosary Chapel
 8 am Mass with Distribution of Ashes Church
 10 am Mass with Distribution of Ashes (with School) Church
 10 am Writing Group SMM Room
 12:10 pm Service with Distribution of Ashes Church
 After service: Lenten Soup in Parish Hall
 NO 5:30 pm MASS TODAY
 6:30 pm Mass with Distribution of Ashes Church
 After Mass: Confessions Church
 7:30 pm SMM Choir Rehearsal Chapel

Thursday, February 19

7:30 am Rosary Chapel
 9 am Women's Bible Study
 10 am Playgroup (see page 6)

Friday, February 20

7:30 am Rosary Chapel
 8:30 am Confessions Chapel

Saturday, February 21

7:30 am Rosary Chapel
 3:45-4:45 pm Confessions Chapel

Sunday, February 22

10:30 am Early Catholic Family Life Parish Hall
 10:45 pm Faith Formation for Children
 After 6 pm Mass Middle and High School Student: XLT (page 7)

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Masses held in Church,
 except daily evening Masses in
 Chapel (Unless otherwise noted)

Monday Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119; Mk 8:11-13
 8 am Mass † Chip Bush
 5:30 pm Mass † Maggie Pileggi

Tuesday Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94; Mk 8:14-21
 8 am Mass † Annabella Annarumma
 5:30 pm Mass † Konrad Sieber

Ash Wednesday Joel 2:12-18; Ps 51; 2
 Cor 5:20-6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

8 am Mass † Michael Naste
 10 am Mass School Intentions
 12:10 pm Service
 6:30 pm Mass † Peggy Hayes
 (No 5:30 Mass today)

Thursday Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1; Lk 9:22-25
 8 am Mass † Steve Lorow
 5:30 pm Mass † Peggy Hayes

Friday Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51; Mt 9:14-15
 8 am Mass † William Bryan
 5:30 pm Mass † Denise Dobberstien

Saturday Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86; Lk 5:27-32
 8 am Mass † Marion Spitzmiller

Vigil Mass for Sunday:

5:00 pm Mass † William Willhoite, Sr.

Sunday 1st Sunday of Lent

Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Ps 51; Rm 5:12-19;
 Mt 4:1-11
 8 am Mass † Kathryn DiMauro
 9:30 am Mass Our Parish Family
 12 Noon Mass † Michael Daog
 6 pm Mass † Bruce Faierson

Text Color Guide to Area of Interest

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LENT PRAY40

Hallow



LENT PRAY40: THE RETURN

Join Jonathan Roumie, Fr. Mike Schmitz, Mark Wahlberg, Chris Pratt, Mother Olga, Sister Miriam, Jeff Cavins, and more this Lent for Pray40 — a journey back home to the Father with *The Brothers Karamazov* and the *Return of the Prodigal Son* by Fr. Henri Nouwen. We'll see how Dostoevsky's famous novel brings the Parable of the Prodigal Son to life like never before, showing us how we're all farther from God than we need to be.

The good news is God is waiting for us each with open arms, running out to meet us while we are still a long way off. We'll step into the lives of the characters together and discover the ways their struggles and brokenness mirror our own. We'll let go of what holds us back, return home to the Lord, and let Him send us out as His hands and feet.

PRAY40 DAY-BY-DAY & GUIDES

MON- WED	Meditations on <i>The Brothers Karamazov</i> and <i>The Return of the Prodigal Son</i> led by Jonathan Roumie, Mother Olga, and Sister Miriam James Heidland.
THUR	Stories of Return – Real-life stories of conversion, all about returning to the Father, even from the lowest places, and the ripple effect that such a return can have in the world.
FRI	Fasting Fridays – Challenges led by Mark Wahlberg and Chris Pratt with a focus on scripture and real, tangible ways to let go of what holds you back from a meaningful relationship with God
SAT	Saturday Interviews – Jeff Cavins interviews some amazing folks about their own experiences of prayer and putting live into action.
SUN	Sunday Homilies from the incredible Fr. Mike Schmitz

WEEK-BY-WEEK THEMES

ASH WEDNESDAY Come Home

WEEK 1 Love

WEEK 2 Temptation

WEEK 3 Pride

WEEK 4 Trust

WEEK 5 Grace

WEEK 6 Redemption

The Lent Pray 40 challenge will be **available on our parish page on the Hallow app beginning February 18.**

Already using Hallow?

Simply open the app, tap the 'church' tab at the bottom of your screen, visit our parish page, and join the challenge.

New to Hallow?

Set up your free account: Visit hallow.com/parish, search for our parish by zip code 32789, follow the prompts. You'll receive a special trial with full access to the premium content. To say on the free version, just tap 'skip' – you'll still have access to our parish page, 5 prayer challenges a year, and over 1000 other selections on Hallow.

Need help getting started? Contact parishsupport@hallow.app.



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2025 Contribution Statements

To better serve our parish community and steward resources responsibly, St. Margaret Mary Church sent 2025 contribution statements by email through our secure parish database system. Email delivery allows us to provide statements more quickly, reduce paper and postage costs, and ensure timely delivery for tax preparation.

What to expect?

- Contribution statements were emailed by January 31, 2026
- Emails came from our official parish database platform (from email address info@stmargaretmary.org)
- Statements are provided as a PDF attachment
- The emailed statement is IRS-acceptable for tax purposes
- Prefer a paper statement? Parishioners who prefer to receive a paper copy by mail may opt in.

To request a mailed statement, please complete the form on the webpage no later than February 15, 2026.

stmargaretmary.org/tax-letter

Important Notes

- For privacy and security, contribution amounts are never included in the email body
- Statements are sent individually, not in group emails
- Annual summary statements meet IRS requirements

Questions or Corrections

If you believe there is an error in your statement or have questions about delivery, please contact the parish office at: info@stmargaretmary.org or 📞 407.647.3392

Catholic Social Teaching

Movie Night: *Leo From Chicago*

Monday, February 23, 6:30 PM (Parish Hall)

Offering an intimate portrait of Pope Leo XIV's early life, this film traces his history and early roots, from his childhood in Chicago through his years of study and formation, to his emergence as a leader in the Church. Join our Peace & Justice Ministry this Lent for this and other films that invite us to reflect on Pope Leo's reminder of our call to protect the vulnerable and advance human dignity: "You have in your hands a very great task, to accompany those who need a sign that God never abandons anyone—not the smallest, not the poorest, not the foreigner, not anyone" (Pope Leo XIV, 2025).

Bingo for Haiti - Thank you!

Our Bingo Night last month raised \$3,000 to support education projects at our new sister parish, St. Michael. This week, eight teachers at the primary school operated in the St. Charles Chappelle will participate in training to strengthen skills teaching mathematics. Thank you for supporting the work of our Haiti Ministry.

Pro Life Rosary

Every Tuesday, 9:15 am at the All Women's Health Center, 431 N. Maitland Avenue, Altamonte Springs.

Our purpose is to pray for women considering an abortion, to offer well written pamphlets explaining where free help is available. For more info or questions please contact the Family Life Office at 407-645-0284.

Connect

Senior Adult Ministry

No Game Day on Wednesday, Feb. 18, due to Ash Wednesday services.

Playgroup

Thursday, February 19, 10-noon, local playground. For more info, email smmplaygroup@gmail.com

Young Adult Ministry

Every Monday, 7 pm in the Chapel.

Join us for rosary and then fellowship down Park Avenue.

@smmyoungadults or Young Adults of Saint Margaret Mary on Instagram or FaceBook

Mary Martha Circle Paint & Sip Night

A few spots are available for the Paint & Sip night. Women of the parish are invited to join us on **Tuesday, February 24 at 6:00 pm** in the Family Life Center for food, fellowship, prayerful reflection, and creative fun! The cost is \$25.00. Refreshments, lite bites, and all painting materials are included. No painting experience is necessary. For more information or to register, contact Karen@stmargaretmary.org

Faith

Is there a teaching of the Catholic Church that you have trouble with?

Submit your question to Fr. Ken at churchoffice@stmargaretmary.org.

Fr. Ken is originally from Nigeria, was ordained to the Priesthood in 2011 and holds a doctorate in Canon Law from the Pontifical Lateran University in Rome, Italy.

He has been appointed the Defender of the Bond for Matrimonial Cases in the Tribunal of the Diocese of Orlando. His ministry reflects a deep commitment to pastoral care, theological insight, and service to the People of God. Fr. Ken will review selected questions and provide a thoughtful answer with reference to the Canon of the Catholic Church.

To see previous Q&A go to: stmargaretmary.org/fr-ken

Blessed is She Small Groups for MOMS

Mondays 7-8 pm (Holy Grounds Room)

This year we offer conversation and refreshments around the Abiding Together podcast series on the *Identity of Sister*. This does not involve a book, but we will be listening to the podcast episodes #8, 9, 10, and 11 from the 10th season of their podcast. All moms are welcome! NO RSVP needed. For more information call the Family Life Office at 407-645-0284.

Young Adults

Mondays, 7 pm, Chapel.

Join us for rosary and then fellowship down Park Avenue.

@smmyoungadults or Young Adults of Saint Margaret Mary

Formation

Early Catholic Family Life

Sunday, Feb. 22, 10:30-11:45 am.

For families with children ages 4 and under.

New families always welcome!

We meet in the parish hall for snack and parent child activities and then move to the school fort for playtime and making new friends. RSVP online at: stmargaretmary.org/early-catholic-family-life. For more information contact the Family Life Office at 407-645-0284.

Vacation Bible Camp

Week of June 15-19 from 9 am to 12 pm. Our theme is "*Rainforest Falls: Exploring the Nature of God!*". Registration will open on the SMM Church website in early March for campers and adult/teen volunteers.

Adults and teens are needed to serve on our Vacation Bible Camp Creative Team. These volunteers meet in May and early June to plan and make many of the set and design pieces for camp. Please email Michelle at michellet@stmargaretmary.org

Faith Formation classes continue each Sunday from 10:40-11:40 in the Parish Hall. For your planning purposes, our next 'day off' will be Sunday, March 22 for Spring Break/Winter Park Arts Festival.

Opportunities for Lent

2026



RETURN



Keep this section for future reference.

Mass/Prayer/Devotion

Daily Mass Schedule

8:00 am Mass: Mon thru Sat

5:30 pm Mass: Mon thru Fri

Sacrament of Penance

(Location in Chapel)

(Holy Week schedule, see page 4)

- **Penance Service:**
Monday, March 2 at 7 pm
- **Saturdays**
8:30 am & 3:45 pm -4:45 pm
- **Fridays at 8:30 am**
- **See page 4 for Holy Week**
- Separate appointments other than the above scheduled times may be made by contacting the parish office.

Lenten Stations of Cross

Friday nights at 7 pm (Church)

Join us as we pray the Stations of the Cross using a reflective journey that invites us to return to the Lord, hear Christ's voice, and walk with him in prayer, compassion, and hope. All are welcome.

Living Stations of the Cross
Wednesday, April 1, 9:15 am.

Ecological Walking Stations of the Cross
Saturday, March 14, 9:30 am (Mead Gardens)

Stations of the Cross for Immigrants
Monday, March 30, 7 pm (Church)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

First Friday, March 6

8:30 am– Saturday 9 am

Lent calls us to return to the Lord with our whole heart. Join us for First Friday Adoration following the 8:00 am Mass. In the stillness of Christ's presence, we are invited to return, to rest, and to be renewed by his mercy. Please register at stmargaretmary.wufoo.com/forms/first-friday-exposition. No First Friday on April 3 due to Good Friday

Rosary

Monday–Saturday, 7:30 am (Chapel)

Saturday, March 7, 9 am (Chapel)

Additional Lenten Opportunities

Hallow

Join the Hallow Pray40 Prayer Challenge This Lent, our parish invites you to join **Hallow's Lent Pray40 prayer challenge in a journey to return to our Father, beginning on Ash Wednesday, February 18**. The journey will be guided by Sister Miriam, Mother Olga, Fr. Mike Schmitz, Mark Wahlberg, Chris Pratt, Jeff Cavins and Jonathan Roumie who plays Jesus on "The Chosen". As a parish partnered with Hallow, our parish page is a place to join prayer challenges, share prayer intentions, and connect more deeply with our parish family. To set up your free account visit hallow.com/parish, search for our parish (zip code works best), and follow the prompts.

Lenten Alms Collection

This year's Lenten Alms collection will support the **Lifeboat Project**.

Their mission is to raise awareness of the issue of human trafficking and empower the lives of survivors through short and long-term aftercare, residential programs, and education. Your support will provide rescue services and after care for people who have been trafficked. Please be as generous as you are able.

Pray daily for the 21 adults, teens, and children who are preparing to receive the sacraments of baptism, confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.

Parish Library

Enhance your Lenten experience with books from the Parish Library. To help make the 40 days of Lent an enriching experience, consider checking out a book from our parish library. With over 1200 titles, nearly 100 books on prayer, and sections focusing on the saints, finding peace, growing in the spiritual life, or expanding devotion to Mary, there is something for everyone. For a suggested reading list for Lent, visit the Parish Library section at stmargaretmary.org/ministries/faith-formation-for-adults.

Tuesday Weekly Study

Reflect more deeply on the Word of God through a weekly series Encountering the Word with Jeff Cavins. The series helps individuals reflect on the weekly Sunday readings and engage with Scripture in a deeper, more meaningful way. The series will be available in our "Tuesday Weekly Study" email. To sign up for the "Tuesday Weekly Study" visit stmargaretmary.org/sign-up.

Lazarus Ministry Spring Clean Event

Tote Distribution to parishioners for donations February 18-19 (Courtyard)

Return of filled totes any time by March 12 (Parish Hall)

Distribution March 12 (Lee Road Hotels)

The ministry is asking parishioners to donate personal hygiene and cleaning supplies for the families living in hotels on Lee Road. For a list of items, to sign up to volunteer, and to see other details please visit the Lazarus Ministry Page on the SMM website.

Blessed is She Lenten Groups For Moms

Mondays 7-8 pm (Holy Grounds Room)

We will be using the book "This Present Paradise" by Claire Dwyer and the study guide for the book found on Amazon or on the Abiding Together podcast.

This study is an invitation into the prophetic life of St. Elizabeth of the Trinity and her call to holiness for the laity.

All moms are welcome! NO RSVP needed. For more information call the Family Life Office at 407-645-0284.

Faith Formation for Children wants to walk with you on your Lenten journey! You will find family ideas and activities at stmargaretmary.org/lent-activities-for-children-and-families. Calendars, crafts, games and more will keep your family thinking about the true meaning of Lent.

Lenten Film Series

- **Monday, February 23, 6:30 PM (Parish Hall)**
Leo From Chicago
Offering an intimate and previously unseen portrait of Pope Leo XIV's early life, this film traces the history and roots of Pope Leo, from his childhood in Chicago through his years of study and formation, to his emergence as a leader in the Church.
- **Monday, March 2, 6:30 PM (Parish Hall)**
In the Executioner's Shadow
A penetrating look at the death penalty, this film tells the stories of a state executioner who comes within days of executing an innocent person; a bombing victim who struggles to decide what justice means; and the parents of a murder victim who fight for the life of their daughter's killer.
- **Monday, March 23, 6:30 PM (Parish Hall)**
St. Judy
This biographical drama tells the story of Judy Wood, the immigration attorney whose work changed U.S. asylum law to protect the lives of vulnerable women.



*... and to dust
you shall return.*

February 18

8 am

Mass with distribution of ashes

***Sacrament of Reconciliation
in Chapel Following 8 am Mass***

10 am (School)

Mass with distribution of ashes

12:10 pm

Mass with distribution of ashes

*A Lenten soup meal will follow Mass
in the Parish Hall.*

6:30 pm

Mass with distribution of ashes

***Sacrament of Reconciliation
in Church Following 6:30 pm Mass***

No 5:30 pm Mass on Ash Wednesday

Holy Week

March 29 Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

5:00 pm (Sat) Vigil Mass
8:00 am Mass
9:30 am Mass
12:00 Noon Mass
6:00 pm Mass

March 30 (Monday of Holy Week)

8:00 am Mass
8:30 am Confessions (Chapel)
11:00 am Chrism Mass at
Mary, Queen of Universe
5:30 pm Mass
7:00 pm Confessions (Chapel)

March 31 (Tuesday of Holy Week)

8:00 am Mass
8:30 am Confessions (Chapel)
5:30 pm Mass
7:00 pm Confessions (Chapel)

April 1 (Wednesday of Holy Week)

8:00 am Mass
8:30 am Confessions (Chapel)
5:30 pm Mass
7:00 pm Confessions (Chapel)

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

April 2 Holy Thursday

8:00 am Morning Prayer (Chapel)
7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
Adoration after Mass until 11 pm
Night Prayer at 10:45 pm

April 3 Good Friday

Day of Fasting and Abstinence
8:00 am Morning Prayer (Chapel)
12 Noon Stations of the Cross
3:00 pm Friday of the Passion of the Lord
7:00 pm Friday of the Passion of the Lord

April 4 Holy Saturday

8:00 am Morning Prayer (Chapel)
8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass (Livestreamed)
(with Service of Light and Baptisms)

April 5 Easter Sunday

6:30 am Mass in Central Park
(Bring lawn chairs or blankets)
8:00 am Mass
9:30 am Mass (Livestreamed)
12 Noon Mass
(no 6 pm Mass)

Regulations for Fast and Abstinence

Ash Wednesday, February 18 and Good Friday, April 3, are days of fast and abstinence. Fridays of Lent are also days of abstinence.

Fasting is to be observed by all 18 years of age and older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On a fast day one full meal is allowed. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

Abstinence is observed by all 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fast and abstinence, the parish priest should be consulted.

Fasting, alms-giving, and prayer are the three traditional disciplines of Lent. The faithful and catechumens should undertake these practices seriously in a spirit of penance and of preparation for baptism or of renewal of baptism at Easter.

For Middle & High School

Liturgy and Prayer

Upcoming EDGE Nights (Middle School)

Please enter the FLC building through the back lobby doors (by Mary statue that faces the parking lot) to meet in the Parish Hall.

- **Sunday, February 22, 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm:**
“XLT” Night with Life Teen

This is a night for our middle schoolers to attend Adoration with our high schoolers who are in Life Teen at the same time. We refer to these nights as “XLT” Nights, meaning “Exalt Him” as we give Him due worship and receive His Love! Please meet us in the Parish Hall to sign in, have pizza together, and to get a quick briefing before we head over to the Church together.

- **Wednesday, March 4, 6:30 pm - 8 pm**

We’ll have dinner, games, and a topic to chat about. Bring a friend

Upcoming Life Nights (High School)

Please enter the FLC building through the back lobby doors (by Mary statue that faces the parking lot).

- **Sunday, February 22, 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm**

This is our XLT night, which means we will “exalt Him” in Adoration with our praise and worship team! Come to the Youth Room for community time and pizza like normal, and then we will head down to the Church together when it’s time.

Summer Trips Registration is now open!

- If you are in Middle School (Rising 7 and 8 grade) and interested in joining us at **Camp Hidden Lake from June 8 – June 13**, please contact belastmargaretmary.org for more information to register.
- If you are in High School (Rising Freshmen to Rising Freshmen in College) and interested in joining us at **Camp Covecrest from July 6 – July 11**, please contact peytonstmargaretmary.org for more information to register.
- If you are in High School (Rising Freshmen to Rising Freshmen in College) and interested in attending **Steubenville Orlando on June 19 – June 21**, please contact peytonstmargaretmary.org to register.
- Current Juniors and Seniors are invited to apply for our **Mission Trip/ Pilgrimage to Mexico City from June 18 – June 23**. Passport required to apply. Applications are due February 18. Please contact peytonstmargaretmary.org for the application and to answer any questions.

A fundraiser is available to anyone registered for any of these trips on March 20 and 21. Please contact your youth ministers accordingly to receive the sign-up link. You could potentially get some or all your trip fees covered if you participate!

Centering Prayer

Every Tuesday from 4:30 to 5:15 pm

Men and women are invited to join us to experience God’s loving presence in quiet peace, and centered prayer. Contact karenstmargaretmary.org with any questions.

Prayers and Devotions for Autistic Persons Resource

Autism Consecrated will be posting our Daily Lenten Prayers for *Autism’s Belonging in the Body of Christ* on our social media pages (Facebook, Instagram, X) from Ash Wednesday through Easter. Be sure to look for each day’s post. We will also be posting Fr. Nolette’s Scriptural Stations of the Cross for Autistic People on the Wednesdays and Fridays of Lent.

All of these prayers, including the Stations, are 100% free to download and use/print/copy/distribute to prayer groups as well: autismconsecrated.com/prayer

Please be sure to pull out the center section of this bulletin for Lenten Prayers, Liturgies, and other opportunities.

Outreach & Opportunities to Serve

Lazarus Ministry Spring Clean Event Donations

February 21 to March 8

Our Lazarus Ministry will distribute storage totes after masses February 21-22 to collect personal hygiene and cleaning supplies for families living in motels on Lee Road. Please return the totes with items from the provided list to the Parish Hall by noon on Sunday March 8 (or drop off at the pull-through before weekend masses). Supplies will be distributed at the motels March 12. For more information, including the supply list, or to sign up to volunteer, see the Lazarus Ministry page at stmargaretmary.org/lazarus-ministry

Youth Ministry is Calling For Donations!

Lifeteen's new service club, **Pack2Impact**, is requesting donations to be collected for the local homeless population. Please consider bringing any of the following items: bottled water (small), non-perishable snacks, chapsticks, canvas bags, toothbrushes + toothpaste packs, mini deodorant, mini sunblock, mini tissues, unscented wipes, hand sanitizer, socks, and disposable hand warmers. Thank you to everyone in our community whether in Lifeteen or EDGE willing to donate. Please drop off donations in the back wall of the youth room office. This is all due on February 21.

Fundraiser at Burger-Fi today!

AND - this Sunday, we are doing a fundraiser for our new teen service club, Pack2Impact! If you go to BurgerFi on Park Ave. within the hours of 1pm - 9pm this Sunday, Feb 15, and say, "I'm with Pack2Impact" to the cashier upon ordering, 20% of the proceeds from all orders during this window of time will go directly to our service club so that we can buy resources and supplies. Our aim is to create bags with food, toiletries, Rosaries, and other spiritual goods to pass out to people experiencing homelessness around Orlando. We pray with everyone we encounter, and we hope to help alleviate local physical and spiritual poverty. Thank you for considering grabbing BurgerFi for your family on Sunday to help out our service initiatives!

Volunteers needed to make and deliver a homemade meal to families celebrating the birth or adoption of a new baby.

Elizabeth Ministry, following the example of Mary and Elizabeth, we visit and share the sacredness of life. To volunteer email Kristen or Shelby at smmelizabethministrymealteam@gmail.com.

Coffee and Donut Ministry

will take a break during Lent.

Thanks to all our dedicated volunteers who serve one Sunday Mass each month: John Eicher, Patrick Hegert, Danny Carson, Heather Welch, Lisa & Andy Ford, Debbie & Kirk Loughheed, Andy Jalbert, Peter O'Leary, Karen & Kim Autry, LeAnne & Mickey Sullivan, Jim & Helena Ryan, Louise & Bruno Roy, Beverly Rublaitus, Patty Noble, Penny Cutter, Doris Fisher, Kevin & Gloria Terry, Pia Briones and Ashlee Woodard. Many of these volunteers have been serving on the same Sunday for over 10 years! If you would like to sign up to help, contact lori@stmargaretmary.org.

Sacraments

Living a New Life Thru ...

Baptism ...

Caroline Marie Taurasi
Ignacio Pacheco
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National Marriage Week 2026

If you are married, participate in this 2026 [At-Home Marriage Retreat](#) anytime during the month of February. For more resources from the USCCB click on this QR code:



Welcome to our new Catholics

This past Saturday, our parish community welcomed **Donna Dorworth, Josie Lee, Brooklyn Lee, Sofia Patten, William Patten, and Claire Murray** into full communion with the Catholic Church. The candidates completed many weeks of formation and preparation in the Christian Initiation process (OCIA) to make their profession of faith and receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist. Donna, Josie, Brookly, Sofia, William,

and Claire, we welcome you to the Church and continue to pray for you and for all who seek a deeper relationship with Christ! To learn more about becoming Catholic, contact karen@stmargaretmary.org.

Rite of Sending & Rite of Election

Please **pray for our 21 catechumens** who will celebrate the **Rite of Sending** at the 9:30 Mass this weekend. This rite offers our parish community the opportunity to acknowledge their spiritual progress and send them forth with prayer and support to participate in the **Rite of Election** with Bishop Noonan next Saturday morning. The Rite of Election is a key moment. The catechumens declare their formal commitment to be initiated into the Catholic Church. They now become the Elect and will enter the period of Purification & Enlightenment as they begin final preparation to be baptized and receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.

First Communion sessions Continue Tuesday, February 17

Butterflies, Fish, Hearts, Rainbows, Seashells, Stars and Waves meet at 5:30 in the Parish Hall. Clouds, Doves, Earth, Sunbeams and Trees meet at 6:30 in the Church. Students **MUST** bring their workbook and school supplies to class.

Support

Surviving Spouses

Monday, February 23 at 11am in Holy Grounds

You are invited to join other widows and widowers for the purpose of bringing together the members of our parish who have lost a wife or husband. Please call Patrick Demers for any questions 407-998-5659.

Caregiver Support

Tuesday, February 24 at 10 am

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 call Patrick Demers 407-998-5659.

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