



St. Margaret of Cortona Parish
31 Chamberlain Ave Little Ferry, NJ 07643
Serving the Catholic Communities of
Little Ferry and Moonachie
In Ministry, Education and Service -- Since August 24, 1912
(Destroyed by Sandy - Oct 29, 2012 – Restored in Christ Aug 4, 2013)

July 28, 2024



Reverend, Kevin E. Carter,
Pastor
Reverend Michael Otuwurunne,
In Residence
Reverend Victor P. Kennedy,
Weekend Assistant
Eileen M. Ballone,
Director of Music
Dina R. Tarabocchia,
Parish Secretary

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 noon
(From Memorial Day through Labor Day: Sat 5:30 p.m,
Sunday 9 :00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.)

Weekdays: Monday to Friday: 12:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 1:00 p.m.

PARISH WEBSITE:

<http://www.stmargaretlfnj.org/>

PARISH E-MAIL: smcortona1912@aol.com

Parish Center Office
Phone: 201-641-2988 Fax: 201-322-0172
Monday to Thursday

Rectory
201-641-2988
By appointment only

Religious Education
201-641-2988
Sunday to Thursday

Mass Schedule

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SATURDAY, July 27

5:30 PM Philip Burghardt

SUNDAY, July 28, 2024

Seventeenth Sunday of the Church Year

9:00 AM Delio Family

11:30 AM Pasquale Paniscotti

MONDAY, July 29

12:00 PM Mary Zietarski

TUESDAY, July 30

12:00 PM Raquel Morales

WEDNESDAY, July 31

12:00 PM Jill Tarabocchia [26A]

THURSDAY, August 1

12:00 PM Jel Manalang

FIRST FRIDAY, August 2

12:00 PM Dominic Raimondo

FIRST SATURDAY, August 3

12:00 PM Mass Guild

5:30 PM Angelina Wolchko

SUNDAY, August 4, 2024

Eighteenth Sunday of the Church Year

9:00 AM Cathy Curry [3A]

11:30 AM Facchini Family

{Special Dedication Anniversary Mass}

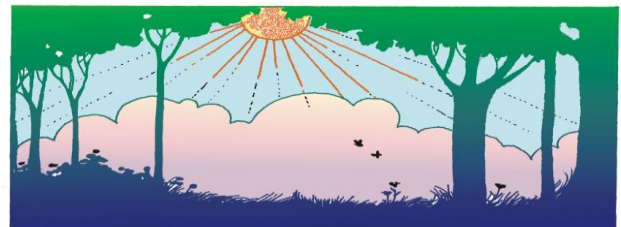
**Memorials
Bread & Wine
And
Sanctuary Candle
Victor Traverso**

We lift up to the Lord in our prayers and good works for: the sick, frail and the homebound.

Catherine Mary Moncello	Anthony Deli
Michele Porta	Valerie Vernay
Camilla Leventhal	Julian Morgan
Nicole Grano	Baby Amato Jordan
Johanna Hanush	Lena Vitale
Julio Sanchez	Robert Zienkiewicz
Florence Navarro	John Ratynski
Arline Hrbek	Paula Kelnhofer
Jacqueline Palmadessa	Barbara Demczyszyn
Robin Toscano	Caroline Ruppert Hubert
Brandon Kingsley	Ron Ruppert
Robert & Carolyn Salzman	Chris Lynch
Tom Greaux	MaryMirrop
Pia Maria Pignataro	Victor Ruggiero
George Stauble	Michael & Stephen Demczyszyn



Victims of terrorism and war; genocide in Syria and the Holy Land, worldwide human trafficking, racism and hatred, domestic abuse and street violence, severe weather conditions and for all those victims who suffered and lost their loved ones, under the COVID-19 pandemic.

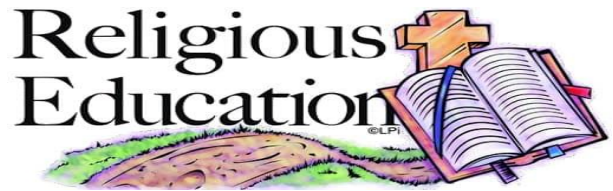


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FYI * Please **do not** touch or add flowers or rosaries to statues inside or outside church grounds, as they are leaving marks and destroying them. Thank you



*If there is any adult (18+yrs.)
who wishes to complete
their initiation into the
Catholic Church by
receiving Confirmation and/or
Communion and Confirmation,
please call
Farther Kevin at 201-641-2988*



Saint Margaret of Cortona Religious Education

**Registration for 2024-2025
Religious Education is now open**

**To register please go to the parish
office Monday through Thursday from
10AM -4PM and complete the
registration paperwork or download
the registration forms from the website
St. Margaret of Cortona Catholic
Church in Little Ferry.
(stmargaretlfnj.org)**

**All forms must be dropped off at the
parish office. The fee for one child is
\$110.00 for 2 children, \$140.00 and
\$160.00 for 3 or more children.**

**Checks can be made payable to
Saint Margaret of Cortona Church.**

**Grades 1 and 2 - One Sunday each
month 10:40 AM to 11:50AM**

**Grades 3, 4, 5 - Tuesdays -
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM**

**Grades 6, 7,8 - Tuesdays
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM**

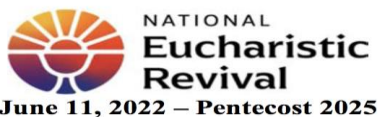
**If you have any questions, please
contact the parish office. 201-641-2988**



**July 21, 2024
\$3,245**



St. Margaret's 2024 Goal	\$24,229
Number of Pledges	103
Amount of Pledges	\$27,119
As of July 1	



Reflections on the Eucharist

**From "Beautiful Eucharist, Right Here, Right Now, No
Place I'd Rather Be" Bishop Andrew Cozzens, pg. 50**

It's important to understand the heart of our Catholic teaching, which is simple, even though it's mysterious...the substance of the bread and wine changes completely through the words of consecration, such that, there's no more bread and wine there. It appears like bread and wine. It has all the properties of bread and wine, but there's no bread and wine there. What *is* there? Jesus! And He's present so that He can come to you because He wants to be one with you. There's no more intimate way that He could come to you except to come to you as your food, to feed your soul. We need to be clear about that teaching. But it's not just teaching that makes a disciple. What we need is to move the heart experiences where we can encounter Him - adoration, devotions, music, the environment, candle-lit processions. Something beautiful that we're doing that helps us in our hearts because we're embodied persons. When we kneel, bow before Him, sing, all this helps us as embodied persons to experience His presence. That's what changes hearts.

Happy Anniversary

Happy Anniversary is a term heard a lot throughout the year. It is heard for married couples as well as clergy and those in religious life when it is their special day of remembrance.

There is one among us who celebrates an anniversary each year and it is not a person, it is a building. Our church building was re-dedicated after Hurricane Sandy on August 4, 2013. The Catholic Church considers the anniversary of a church's dedication to be a special day.

The Anniversary of the Dedication of a Church is a liturgical Solemnity within that church. This year, our church's anniversary of the re-dedication of the church after Hurricane Sandy falls on a **Sunday, August 4** (the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time to be exact). The mass of the anniversary takes precedence to the liturgy of the 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time. **Join us at the 11:30 am Mass ~ Bishop Saporito will be our celebrant.**

We should remember that the church is the people and we continue to work to fill our pews with God's people. As beautiful as any church building is, it is the People of God who are the church, the body of Christ, the family of God. Let's all take on the task of bringing our brothers and sisters in Christ to the home that is their church.

The Collect

THE COLLECT is the prayer that concludes the Introductory Rites of the Mass. The priest addresses the people, "Let us pray," signaling the purpose of the silence and the words that follow. Then he offers the prayer of the day, concluding with a formula to which everyone responds, "Amen."

The silence is important. During this time everyone is to "become aware of being in God's presence," so that they "may call to mind their intentions." Everyone prays "together with the Priest" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, 54)—exercising the common priesthood of the baptized. If you have come to Mass with particular needs, this silence is the time to call them to mind.

As the priest offers the prayer, he is "collect-ing" the thoughts of the people, who themselves have been "collect-ed" together from their homes for this celebration at church. Although it is sometimes called the "Opening Prayer" of the Mass, it is more properly and traditionally called the *Collect*.

The words express the character of the celebration. This is especially clear on occasions such as a wedding, a saint's day, and liturgical times such as Advent, Christmas, Lent, and Easter. People attentive to the words of the Collect will discover that the priest may be articulating the purpose of the event.

At other times, the words are more generic. Many of these prayers were composed from the sixth to the eighth centuries. Some of them were written for particular liturgical days, and are still being used on or near those days over a thousand years later.

The Collect is addressed to God the Father, and it is offered through Jesus Christ in the unity of the Holy Spirit. The priest extends his hands while he prays, using a gesture popular in Christian prayer since the earliest times.