

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Parish

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THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

“From this day all generations will call me blessed: the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his Name. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.”
- Lk 1:48b-49, 52

Examples from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1996, 1970-CCIL

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday: 9:00 and 11:00 a.m., and 7:00 p.m. Masses

Monday: 8:15 a.m. Communion Service

Tuesday-Friday: 8:15 a.m. Mass

Rite of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:30 to 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday: 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Welcome! We invite you to join our parish. Adults (18+) should join as members on their own, even if their parents are already members. Please complete and return a *New Member Registration* form. The form is available on our website, in the Church, and in the Parish Center. Registration is required for Baptism, First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation, Marriage, and enrollment in Catholic Formation (religious education) programs.

August 15, 2021 • Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

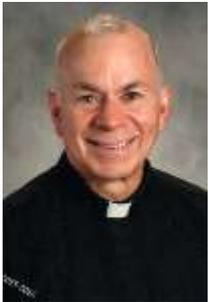
From A Grateful Heart

Has The Almighty Done Great Things for You?

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*“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord;
 my spirit rejoices in God my Savior
 for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.
 From this day all generations will call me blessed:
 the Almighty has done great things for me
 and holy is his Name.*

(Luke 1:46-49)

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Today we celebrate the Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary into Heaven.

By “assumed” the Church skirts the issue of death and corruption of the body. Why? Because there are no witnesses to her burial and it is the tradition that Mary was taken up into heaven as the Mother of the Divine One – God!

By “Mother”, we mean that Mary gave her womb as a vessel to the child Jesus. The second person of the Trinity, The “Logos” (*Word*) of God, The Eternal One – GOD.

Mary is not the source of Jesus, as you and I, that came from our mother’s but, she gave herself to God the Father as an instrument (a ‘lowly servant’) in response to the message given to her by the angel (her “Fiat”).

Mary proclaims to Elizabeth that “her soul is given to God”. Body and soul; Mary is formed anew in the conception and birth of God. For this reason Mary is forever connected to the eternal flesh of Jesus who remains fully God and fully human before and after the resurrection. Mary’s body will live forever because she was eternally connected to the eternal reality of Jesus Christ.

This is why Mary holds a very special place in our hearts, as we profess the faith of Jesus as Lord and Savior. Mary being connected to divinity is connected to all of the created. Mary becomes connected to us and all people – “in every age”! And every age will call her “Blessed”!

It is not poetry or religion or superstition to say that Mary is our Mother. It is a reality in and of God – since “He has done great things for her!” Yes, and in doing so, we benefit!!

Yes, great things have been done for us as well! We have a heavenly Mother who cares for us with the burning love of her Son Jesus. Mary as appeared many times and in many ages to assure us of her maternal love for us - And holy is her name!”

May our Risen Savior bless you,

Fr. Pat Nelson, SDS



Ask Fr. Pat

Pretend you are a first time visitor to a Catholic Mass. Could you explain why we do what we do or would your response be, “That’s the way we’ve always done it.” If you have questions about the Catholic faith, about Catholic rituals, about Catholic Tradition, or about Scripture, ask Fr. Pat! If you are curious, others are, too!

Email: AskFrPat@gmail.com

Questions and answers may be featured in upcoming bulletins. Submissions will always remain anonymous.

PONDERINGS OF THE HEART

*Everything that affected Jesus affected his mother,
yet no intimate understanding existed between them.
His life was hers, yet constantly escaped her.*
~Romano Guardini

The above quote comes from the book, "The Lord," written by Romano Guardini. If you've never heard of him, I highly recommend doing some digging. A priest, author, teacher and philosopher, he is one of the most influential people in Catholic intellectual life of the 20th century. His life is fascinating, his work is easily digestible, and his reflections will feed your soul.

In "The Lord," Guardini writes a mere five pages of reflection on Mary, but they are the most powerful, intimate, and personable words I've ever read. Prior to this, I struggled in my understanding of Mary's role in the Catholic Church, in Jesus' life, and in my relationship with her. Guardini, however, helps to fill the gaps, leaving me more informed, in awe, and longing for connection.

This quote resonates with me in an obvious way as a mother, but I see it beyond my relationship with my children. I consider the various areas of my life: work, school, friendships, family; and I realize that though I am deeply connected to each, and that none would be the same without me, none are mine. I am only a part of them. In surrendering ownership, I see my role in each more clearly. I am better equipped to ask myself how I can contribute to the health, mission, and success of the whole, even if that means letting go.

Sometimes, the hardest thing to do is to watch events unfold from afar, to accept another's decision, or to step back and let others take the lead. A closer reading of Mary and her relationship with Jesus provides numerous examples of how we can do this with grace, charity, and unconditional love.

I encourage you to read the Gospels and focus on Mary's presence, involvement, and relationship with Jesus from Conception through Resurrection. Consider how seeing her in the everyday of Jesus' life helps you to know her better and grow your faith. ~Jacque, Pastoral Coordinator

Care of the Sick and Homebound

Do you have an interest in sharing some of your time with parishioners who are homebound or nursing home? If so, please consider joining the Pastoral Care ministry team.

Pastoral care ministers are representatives of the parish who bring compassion and Communion to those who are sick or unable to be with our faith community. They serve individuals who live in their own home or a residents at Luther Manor. Training is provided. The time commitment varies. While the time and day is somewhat flexible, most requests are for weekdays (not evenings) and Saturday or Sunday mornings. To get involved, contact Dn. Frank Pemper at (262) 385-5696.

Getting to Know You

Featuring Nicquita "Nikki" Hines, Dean of Operations

Over the next several weeks, we are sharing a little "Question and Answer" segment with staff to help us all become better acquainted and encourage you to reach out and let us know how we can best serve the STMMP community.



How long have you worked at STMMS?
I started in July 2021.

What do you most enjoy about your work?

I enjoy working closely with students and being part of a team.

What do you do for fun?

I love reading and binge watching long television series. :)

What is your favorite season, and why?

I love fall because the weather is perfect, the food is great, and the holiday season is just around the corner.

What is your favorite food/drink? Favorite place/brand?

I love the truffle fries from Vino Cappuccino in Brookfield.

What is the best way to get in touch?

The best way to contact me is to email me at nhines@stmms.org. I am pretty responsive and will get back to you no later than the next business day.

Favorite quote / life motto?

You can always change your mind.

Help Us Get to Know You, Too!



Did you notice the photos behind the glass cabinet in the Narthex? These are the faces of some of the people who attend daily Mass. They graciously agreed to help get this project of getting to know one another started.

Just as many of us have a "favorite seat," many of us have a "favorite Mass." To better know one another, whether it's the person who sits just a few pews ahead of you or someone who attends a different Mass, we are looking for your help in getting to know each other.

Please submit photos, including your name/names, to Jacque Kelnhofer at jkelnhofer@stmmp.org



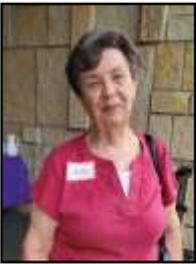
FAITH IN ACTION

Ministry Spotlight: Pastoral Care

Watch for Ministry Spotlight articles in the coming weeks. They will feature various ways to be involved at STMMP, to serve, and to be served.

~Prayer Shawl Ministry~

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is an opportunity to share your simple knitting and/or crocheting skills while praying for those who are ill, who are caregivers, and others who could use prayers. The time commitment is completely up to the individual and is usually met at home with no pressure to produce any set number of shawls. Yarn is available for your use. The shawls are very much appreciated by the recipients.



Karen Valente, a parishioner since 1960, has been involved in this ministry for many years. She estimates she has made around 800 prayer shawls! As she writes, “Just knowing how much people love the shawls makes my day. People who are hurting or are sick need to know that others care about them and are praying for them. It keeps me busy doing good for others. The notes and stories that come back to me sometimes make me cry. People have sent them all over the United States, and even to Germany.”

Once a thriving ministry, participation has dwindled over the years, however, the needs have not. These shawls are offered to those who are anointed, the homebound, caretakers, those who are healing, and anyone looking for the comfort of a hug filled with prayer.

How to Be Involved

No experience necessary! Ways to be involved:

- First, we are always in need of yarn (even scraps and small lengths), knitting needles, and crochet hooks to craft the shawls. Donations are welcome at the Church/Parish Center, year round.
- Second, you are welcome to pick up yarn at the Parish Center or use your own and make shawls/lap blankets at your own pace and drop them off, once complete. Free patterns are available if you're looking for suggestions.
- Third, whether a seasoned knitter/crocheter or someone who is just curious, you are invited to attend the monthly Faith & Fiber Fellowship gathering on the third Tuesday of each month (That's this Tuesday, 8/17.), to pray and socialize as we work on our shawls. Those interested in learning to knit or crochet are welcome!

How to Receive a Shawl

If you or someone you care for would benefit from a prayer shawl, please contact the Parish Center.

For additional information and/or questions about the Prayer Shawl Ministry, contact Jacque Kelnhofer at jkelnhofer@stmmp.org or (414) 461-6073, ext. 107.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Praying for Those Who Serve in the Armed Forces

Our parish wants to be sensitive to those currently serving in the armed forces, and wants to show support through prayer. We invite family and friends to send us the name, rank, branch of service, and location of your family member or friend serving, whether on American soil or overseas. Email Jacque Kelnhofer at jkelnhofer@stmmp.org. Our prayer list for active military is in the Church so our military is included in prayer, every day.

Come & pray now through October at 12pm on First Saturday

Where: the Fatima Shrine

141 North 68th Street

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Please contact the Parish Center at (414) 461-6073 for all sacramental inquiries.

Infant Baptism

Baptisms may be celebrated at all Masses. Preparation work is required for parents.

Catholic Formation Classes

Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Confirmation

Catholic formation classes are available for school-aged children and young adults. Contact us if you are interested in working with our parish to form your children in the faith as they prepare for the Sacraments of Initiation.

Rite of Christian Initiation (RCIA)

Are you an adult who is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith? RCIA is a way to learn about the sacraments and understand how to live in Christ's teachings. We walk the path of formation with you!

The Sacrament of Matrimony

The Sacrament of Matrimony may be celebrated most Saturdays of the year, with the exception of the seasons of Advent and Lent. The bride or groom must be registered as members of the parish and are expected to be attending Mass regularly. Weddings must be scheduled at least nine months prior to the actual date.

Ministry to the Sick or Dying

If you are going to have surgery or if you suddenly take ill and would like the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please call Fr. Patrick at (414) 581-2397. Additionally, we have ministers who can call and pray with you if you are ill or as you recover.



- 15: Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary
- 17: Faith and Fiber Fellowship
- 20: Hour of Mercy
- 22: 21st Sunday Ordinary time
- 24: Bereavement Meeting 6:30pm
- 25: Hospitality following the 8:15am Mass
- 27: Hour of Mercy
- 29: 22nd Sunday Ordinary time
- 31: School supply drive deadline

READINGS OF THE WEEK

- Sunday: *Vigil:* 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]
 1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11:27-28 *Day:* Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/
 Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk 1:39-56
- Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab and 44 [4a]/Mt 19:16-22
- Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/Mt 19:23-30
- Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/Mt 20:1-16
- Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and 9a]/
 Mt 22:1-14
- Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mt 22:34-40
- Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [4]/
 Mt 23:1-12
- Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 16

8:15 a.m. :Communion Service

Tuesday, August 17

8:15 a.m.: + Lillian Mueller

Wednesday, August 18

8:15 a.m.: Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, August 19

8:15am:

Friday, August 20

8:15 a.m.: Living & Deceased of Schubert & Meneguzzo Families

Saturday, August 21

5:00 p.m.: + Lois Callan

Sunday, August 22

9:00 a.m.: The members of our parish

11:00 a.m.: + Ethel Wagenknech

7:00 p.m.: intentions of Fr. Pat Nelson, SDS

Third Promise of Our Lord to Saint Margaret Mary:

"I will comfort them in all their afflictions"