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Follow us on social media. Links can be found on our parish website www.stmargchurchmattydale.org
The reality of our isolation has begun to sink in. Perhaps, at the beginning, for some of us it was a bit of an adventure or at least a restful staycation. Home improvement projects could be done and family time together could renew relationships. We may all miss Mass, we might have thought, but now we have more time for prayer at home.

This optimistic take has begun to wear thin. “It is not good for man to be alone,” God says in the Book of Genesis. We are now becoming more and more aware of this. Going to Mass, attending a movie showing, and meeting friends at a restaurant (or for that matter inviting them to your home for dinner), all of these are missed. They cannot be replaced by phone calls and, in the case of Mass, livestreaming and YouTube.

“I believe in the communion of saints,” is one of the phrases of the Apostles’ Creed. This means our connection in Jesus with all believers, those on earth and those in heaven. We cannot be with our friends or our communion of saints in our St. Margaret’s Church, but we are still connected in Jesus.

Are you missing friends and family? Call them, pray for them, ask the saints to pray for them. All this will be a real connection. It can also give you a break from the people you are cooped up with and help you come back to being with them with something and someone new to talk about, whether it’s God or your aunt.

We are also planning another parish parking lot prayer opportunity, see below. Keep praying, and see you on the internet!

**Rosary and May crowning with Benediction**: Saturday, May 2, 12:00 noon, in the St. Margaret’s Church front parking lot (Rt. 11 side). We will recite the rosary and crown the Blessed Mother as well as have Benediction. The ceremony will be livestreamed on the St. Margaret’s, Mattydale, Facebook page. There is a link to this page on the parish website: [www.stmargchurchmattydale.org](http://www.stmargchurchmattydale.org). Parishioners may drive by the Blessed Sacrament to adore Jesus. Please enter the front parking lot from the Bernard St. side (Big Lots side) and exit on the Kirsch Dr. (Byrne Dairy) Side.

You may park in the front parking lot (overflow parking in the Big Lots parking lot section we use on Sunday). We will bring the Blessed Sacrament before all cars for Benediction.

You need not exit your car for rosary, adoration or Benediction. However, if you wish to exit your car for the Benediction, for instance to kneel, please do so on the driver’s side only, this will assure that there is a car between groups of people and appropriate social distancing.

**Masses**: We will continue to have Masses on FaceBook live and YouTube every day. You can links to our FaceBook page and YouTube channel on our parish webpage: [www.stmargchurchmattydale.org](http://www.stmargchurchmattydale.org). Mass times for the livestreaming are posted on the parish FaceBook page. The YouTube page has the Masses available for viewing throughout the day.

**Food Pantry**: Our St. Margaret’s Food Pantry remains open! Monday – Tuesday 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM; Wednesday 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM; Thursday 9:30 AM – 2:30 PM. Closed Fridays and weekends. Evening hours are suspended. Suitable precautions are being taken. Please call [315-454-4515](tel:315-454-4515) if you have food to drop off or you need food. Cash donations are very helpful as the Food Bank sells the Food Pantry food and other items that cannot be easily found at grocery stores. Please be generous.

Please remember that God’s mercy in Jesus his Son sustains us and will see us through this difficult time. Pray, deepen your faith, and help anyone you can.

In Christ,
Fr. Rob Hyde
**Music Ministry:** The Saint Margaret Music Ministry concert originally scheduled for Sunday, April 26th at 3:00 pm entitled “A voice for the Voiceless” has been postponed until the Fall. Thank you to all those who contributed either as a sponsor or a patron, those memorials will definitely be in the concert program when we have rescheduled. Although we can’t be together at the moment to raise our voices in song together, we thank you for your continued and generous support of our ministry. Thanks, Michael

**Sanctuary Lamp in the church is lit with the intention of the ending of the Coronavirus**

Please remember in your prayers all our sick, especially: Jeremy Conners, Marion Cook, Richard DeFazio, Frank DeFonzo, Sue DePaola, Benny DiBlasi, Angela DiBlasi, Kerry Dunne, Deborah Graham, Josie Giocondo, Jena Green, Jim Maloney, Scott Miller, Gisela Riehl, Addison Sinclair, Madison Showens, Brian Tracey, Paula Trudell and Matthew Watkins.

**Capital Campaign Corner**

There is still time to join in on our St. Margaret Capital Campaign trivia contest. It is so easy to enter. Just keep an eye out for the trivia questions which will be posted in the bulletin, on our parish Facebook page, and our parish website. You may submit your answer to each week’s questions by emailing sstone@syrdio.org (please put Capital Campaign Trivia in the subject line) or by sending in your answers to the rectory.

**This week’s question:** What animal is the St. Margaret School Mascot?

At the end of the trivia contest the person/family with the highest number of correct answers will win a prize.

Good Luck everyone!!

(Capital Campaign funds collected as of 4/20: $47,228.29) Thank you for your support!!

**Although masses are canceled to the public, Father Hyde will continue to celebrate the Masses and the petitions will be said.**

**Monday April 27th**
Don & Sarah Weaver (family)

**Tuesday April 28th**
Lillian Zadzilka (MaryAnn Magnan)

**Wednesday April 29th**
No mass today

**Thursday April 30th**
Ronald Currier (Mckinstry family)

**Friday May 1st**
1st Ann. Lois DeMezzo (Mr. & Mrs. Kiggins)

**Saturday May 2nd**
For the people

**Sunday May 3rd**
Deceased members of the Kirsch family (Paul Root)
1st Ann. Angeline White (family)

**Church Support**

Many thanks to the parishioners who sent in their contributions this week. We are deeply appreciative.

- Regular Collections: $7904.00
- Electronic Giving: $3500.00
- Easter Collection: $3927.00
- Misc. Collections: $2797.00
- Total Collections: $18,128.00

**Confessions:** Confessions will be available on Saturdays from 3:30–4:30 pm in St. Margaret’s church. Please wash your hands before coming, or hand wipes are available in the greeting area. Keep distance from others in church. Make your confessions from behind the screen.

**A Note From Our Human Development /Food Pantry:**
I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the parishioners that have been bringing all kinds of needs for our pantry. If it was not in food, it was monetary which gives us the chance to buy needs. We are very blessed to have such a giving parish. I would also like to thank all our volunteers who come in every week to assist in taking care of the needy. It warms my heart in such a difficult time to see all who are giving. Please be safe and healthy.

God Bless,
Donna Skrocki
Mass Livestreamed Daily

Bishop Lucia continues to livestream Mass on the Diocese YouTube Channel every day at NOON. www.youtube.com/syrdio. All TV & Livestream Mass times can be found at https://syracusediocese.org/offices/communications/catholic-television/

Weekly Mass on TV

Catholic Mass airs weekly on WSYR (Channel 9) on Sundays at 6:30 am & 9:30 am, and on Spectrum Cable Public Access Channel 98 on Saturdays at 8:30 pm.

Vocation Chats Online Talk Show!

Please join Fr. Jason Hage for a new initiative sponsored by the Office of Vocation Promotion every Monday at 7:00 pm on Instagram@vocationsyracuse You can also write in questions/comments which he will respond to at the end of the show. These videos will also be archived on the Vocation Promotion Office’s social media feed so you can watch them anytime. www.vocations-syracuse.org

Collections

Please know that the parish continues to function although we cannot take up our weekly Sunday collections, you may want to use online giving at www.stmargchurchmattydale.org. Simply scroll down to the bottom of the webpage and click donate to St. Margaret’s. You can give through your credit or debit card or your checking account. You can choose to give donations one at a time, returning to the website each time, or schedule them weekly, monthly, etc.

You can also give your contributions by mail, or drop them off at the parish offices by putting the envelopes through the mail slot. Thank you!!

Key to the Word

+HUMILITY "Clothe yourselves with humility in your dealings with one another” (1Peter 5:5)

Humility will allow us to have perspective, peace and joy that come when we know and value our ordinary, transparent selves without wasting the energy it takes to add or subtract anything from whom we really are. Humility is an essential ingredient in life because it provides a kenosis, an emptying of the self—the very desert spirit of letting go….At its core, humility dramatically opens up a beautiful space in our inner life: a space for solitude to listen to the message to our quiet spirit less they drowned out by the day’s noise; a space for gratefulness and giftedness in a word filled with a sense of entitlement. Robert J. Wicks (Crossing the Desert)
Prayer for St. Margaret’s Capital Campaign

“If the LORD does not build the house, in vain do its builders labor (Psalm 127)”

Lord as we seek to maintain and repair this, our house of worship, we ask you to bless our efforts.

Give us all hearts open to generous giving, both to our Capital Campaign and other works of charity. My our prayer, praise, and thankful hearts in this parish church make us all your willing servants.

We thank you for this, our beautiful church, and we ask your blessing on all those, living and dead, who helped build this church. May all our work be built up by your guidance and help. AMEN

Novena prayer for an end to the Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, full of grace, Patroness of this nation and Mother of the Church, in this time of illness and worldwide need we seek your intercession for the human family before your Son’s throne of grace and mercy. We ask for strength in adversity, health in weakness and comfort in sorrow. Help us, O Blessed Mother, to be filled with confidence and trust in the tender compassion of our God. Let us not be afraid, like our own Saint Marianne Cope, who entrusted her life and Ministry among the outcasts of society in the care of our Divine Physician. Continue to watch over all who are sick as well as those who care for them and give wisdom to all who are seeking a cure. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Spiritual Communion: You may pray this prayer during communion time while watching Mass on TV or on the internet, whether the Mass is live or recorded, it unites you to Jesus in Holy Communion time. “My Jesus, I believe you are present in the Most Holy sacrament, I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from YOU.” Amen