

Holy Spirit Church



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Mass Schedule

Weekdays

Wednesday | 6:15pm
Friday | 8:00am

Weekends

Saturday | 4:00pm
Sunday | 11:00am

Rectory Office Hours: Mon., Tue.,
Thurs., Fri., 9am-4pm. Wed., 9am-5pm

St. Margaret Church



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Mass Schedule

Weekdays

Monday | 8:00am
Tuesday | 8:00am

Weekends

Sunday | 8:00am, 9:30am

Rectory Office hours: Mon., Tues.,
Thurs., Fri., 8:30-12:30pm.
Wed., 2pm.-6pm.

Our Mission

As the family of the Holy Spirit and St. Margaret Parish Community, we welcome all to our home, Christ's home. Our journey in faith brings us together through prayer. Eucharistic celebration, support, love and caring. We commit to give generously of ourselves, our time, and talent to one another, and to all in our neighborhood.

May 22, 2022
Sixth Sunday of Easter



This past weekend at Holy Spirit, we held a Bake Sale to help raise money for our annual Church Picnic and Out Door Mass, to help cover with the rising costs of supplies and the tent rental. Thank you to all the parishioners who baked and to all who helped in making our bake sale such a success! We raised \$614.00.

2 | Our communities praying together...

Holy Spirit Church | St. Margaret Church

Buffalo, New York

Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, May 23

8:00a.m. (SM) ~ Joseph & Grace Campiere & Dominic & Nancy Savarino req. by Family

Tuesday, May 24

8:00a.m. (SM) ~ Louise Wolford, Special Intentions req. by Fr. Bryan Zielienieski

Wednesday, May 25 Ascension Vigil Mass Holy Day of Obligation

6:15p.m. (HS) ~ Vito Procaccini (B-Day Remembrance) req. by Daughter, Pat Estella Bogner req. by Daughter, Sr. Katherine Marie Bogner

Thursday, May 26 Ascension Holy Day of Obligation

5:30p.m. (SM) ~ James Campagna req. by Wife & Family

Friday, May 27

8:00a.m. (HS) ~ Rose Adamski req. by Family

Saturday, May 28

4:00p.m. (HS) ~ Michael Caruana (B-Day Remembrance) req. by Flitt Family
Chris Chamberlin req. by Family

Sunday, May 29 Seventh Sunday of Easter

8:00a.m. (SM) ~ Gary Starck req. by Jeanne Rebecher
9:30a.m. (SM) ~ Joseph Sciortino & Padre Pio req. by Padre Pio Prayer Group
11:00a.m. (HS) ~ Mary Pantano DiMaio req. by Sister, Elsie
4:30p.m. (SM) ~ All Souls

Those who request weekend Masses & would like to bring up the offertory gifts, please inform an Usher before Mass."



The Sanctuary Candle at Holy Spirit Church burns this week in loving memory of W. Prange & M. Myers from Manzella Family

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tuesday, May 24

11:30a.m. (SM) ~ St. Margaret Seniors meet at Blessed Sacrament Church Hall, 263 Claremont Ave. Tonawanda

Wednesday, May 25

5:00p.m. ~ St. Margaret Choir Practice ~ Church
6:00p.m. (HS) ~ **Ministry Night** - for all Liturgical Ministers of Holy Spirit & St. Margaret ~ Novena/Mass/Meeting

Thursday, May 26

9:00-10:00a.m. (HS) ~ Food Pantry
10:30a.m. ~ St Margaret's Scripture Class with Sr. Karen Marie ~ Rectory
5:00-6:00p.m. (HS) ~ Food Pantry
6:00p.m. ~ Holy Spirit Choir practice ~ Church

Minister of the Word

Wednesday, May 25 Ascension Vigil Mass

6:15p.m. (HS) ~ Hedy Auletta

Thursday, May 26 Ascension Holy Day of Obligation

5:30p.m. (SM) ~ Mary Lou Cappellini

Saturday, May 28

4:00p.m. (HS) ~ Rebecca Donoghue

Sunday, May 29

8:00a.m. ~ (SM) ~ Mary Lou Cappellini
9:30 a.m.~ (SM) ~ Rick Cronin
11:00a.m.~ (HS) ~ Jim Kaczorowski
4:30p.m. (SM) ~Anne Simon

Eucharistic Minister

Wednesday, May 25 Ascension Vigil Mass

6:15p.m. (HS) ~ Cathy Slisz; **1 Volunteer needed**

Thursday, May 26 Ascension Holy Day of Obligation

5:30p.m. (SM) ~ Kate Mazzarini; Sr. Karen Marie

Saturday, May 28

4:00p.m. (HS) ~ Rick Amodeo; Phyllis Ostrowski

Sunday, May 29

8:00a.m. ~ (SM) ~ Larry Brooks; Donna Steele
9:30 a.m.~ (SM) ~ Paul Shea; Sr. Karen Marie
11:00a.m.~ (HS) ~ Ray & Zach Schwartzott



A Few Words from Fr. Bryan

It's time to get busy...

My heart is broken, and I'm sure yours is too. Buffalo being added to a list of cities that have suffered from a mass shooting is just another addition to a long list of realities that continue to remind us that we need to do something different.

Last week I was invited to attend the St. Thomas Moore Guild luncheon that included a guest speaker. The speaker was Fr. Matt Malone, S.J., editor and president of America Media. I was extremely moved by his speech and believe his reflection is more prudent now than ever. In my own words what Fr. Matt was sharing challenged all of us in attendance to be part of a way forward. However, in being part of the way forward he shared that we have to consider two things.

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Holy Spirit's Food Pantry... Can you help stock our shelves with the following items: **canned soup (not tomato)**



Team IVA: Sr. Katherine Marie, Peggy Connors; Eileen Cook work 5/26/22 9am - 10am.

Team IVB: Joe Delmont; Mary Freeman; Dominic Petrill; Sharon Szablewski work 5/26/22 5pm - 6pm.

RCIA at Holy Spirit & St. Margaret: In our RCIA session today, we will reflect upon the mystery of the Trinity-truly the bedrock of our Christian faith. We are baptized in the name of Father, Son and Holy Spirit and we live our lives with their presence plated in our hearts.

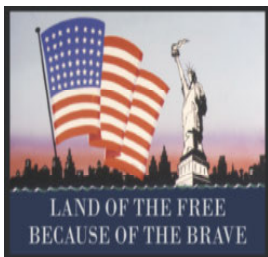
Holy Spirit Parish Council Needs You: It is time for our annual Parish Council elections. Each year there are three positions open, which can be filled by the member whose term is ending or by a parishioner who is interested in fulfilling the responsibilities of this ministry of leadership in service to our Holy Spirit Parish Community. Today on the tables in the rear of church you will find informational sheets describing the responsibilities and qualifications of Parish Council members, as well as a Parish Council Application. Please pray about this and ask the Lord if you are being called to consider offering yourself for this important ministry in our parish. Each member elected serves a three-year term. Applications should be submitted to me by May 22. The election itself is the weekend of June 11th & 12th. Thank You, Mike Cheman - Parish Council President.

Ministry Gathering...for all liturgical Ministers from Holy Spirit and St. Margaret Parishes. All current Ministers or anyone interested in joining one of the following Ministries: Minister of the Word, Eucharistic Minister, Ushers/Greeters, Altar servers (Adult or Youth), Choir Member, are asked to come. We will be meeting this **Wednesday, May 25th at Holy Spirit Church for the 6:15pm Mass** followed by a brief meeting. Please Join us!

Free Spirits News

Our next Free Spirits meeting is Thursday, June 9th at 12noon in the Church Hall. Doors open at 11:30am. All 55 and older are welcome! This is our last meeting till September.

- Double Decker Best of Buffalo bus tour scheduled for Monday, September 26th. Bus departs at 10am from Holy Spirit parking lot returning approximately 2pm, followed by lunch at River Works Restaurant. Cost \$30 per person. Sign up at meeting or call the rectory at 716-875-8102.



Book of Remembrance...for the celebration of Memorial Day, we would like to remember those who have died in active Military Service. We will have a Book of Remembrance available at Holy Spirit and St. Margaret in the back of Church, for you to write in a loved one's name. Those names will then be read aloud at weekend Masses May 28th & 29th.

Holy Spirit Garden Club...will meet on Saturday, June 4th from 9-11am. We will be planting flowers, spreading mulch, working on weeding the tree boxes and cleaning up around the Church grounds. If you are interested in helping in any way please come and join us. All are welcome!

Synod...Our Listening Sessions for Phase 1 of our Diocesan Synod will conclude at the end of May, but there are still plenty of valuable opportunities for you be heard. Here are some of the Sessions remaining:

May 23rd at 6:30 at St. Vincent de Paul open to everyone
May 24th at 5:30 at the Catholic Center downtown open to everyone

Mat 25th at 6:30 at Holy Cross for the Hispanic community
May 26th at 5:30 at Our Lady of Hope for the African community

May 31st at 7:00 at St. Leo the Great for those affected by divorce

June 1st at 6:30 at Our Lady of Hope for the Asian community
June 2nd at 6:30 at St. Joseph University for the LGBTQ community

Please check the Diocesan website for more details at www.buffalodiocese.org. And remember that Phase 2 will include all Parish Families of the Diocese.

The St. Margaret Events Committee would like to thank everyone who purchased Mother's Day Bouquets. The day was a huge success! Also a special thank you to everyone who worked the event. The Events Committee would like to continue having Events that will help St. Margaret's grow. If you have any suggestions, please attend and EC meeting or send an email to suszieg121@yahoo.com. Our next meeting is Tuesday, June 21st at 1pm in the St. Margaret rectory.

ST. MARGARET'S SENIORS TRAVEL: Travel with St. Margaret's Seniors June 21 to the Golden Era of Country Music Dinner Theatre in Cuba NY. For \$109.00, enjoy an afternoon of friends, food, entertainment, and a stop at the Made In America store for a unique shopping experience. Click here for details; dnola32.wixsite.com/-senior-travel-club or call D. Nola 716-838-1778. Departure from Blessed Sacrament Church 10:00 AM, return 6:00 PM Checks payable to St. Margaret's Travel; Mail to 57 Avon Rd., Ton. 14150

OUR FAMILY NEEDS A NAME!

The Parishes of St. Mark, St. Rose, Assumption, All Saints, St. Margaret and Holy Spirit needs your help in coming up with a name for our Family. Each of the Parishes will keep its own name, but a Family Name is needed. The only condition is that it cannot be "religious." So, please fill out the entry below and return it in the collection basket or bring it to your Rectory as soon as possible. There will be a prize for the entry that is selected.

Family Name Entry

Suggested by: _____

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First, we are part of the problem. We cannot be naïve to think that our lives, what we say and do, have no effect on the world we live in. If we don't believe we impact the world, then we are fooling ourselves. We have to acknowledge that we are part of the problem. To even enter the conversation, we have to admit that sin affects our lives which makes us part of the problem. If we look deep inside ourselves, there is someone we haven't forgiven, someone we hold a grudge against, words and actions that we have said and/or done that contribute to evil in the world. This acknowledgement, as difficult as it is, gives us a way forward. This means that I can enter into the dialogue of how or what I can do to be better. Now, it's personal. When something is personal, I have a vested interest in it. When the problem is 'over there, with that group of people, or someone else's concern' then I have no vested interest in changing things. Once I am in solidarity with my fellow human beings, then we can move forward. Once it's personal, that means I can forgive, I can welcome, I can ask for forgiveness. I have the ability to make a positive change for good.

It's time for us to get busy, as individuals, as a community, as parishes and as the human family. The Gospel this weekend says that Jesus gives us his peace. Not as the world gives, but as he in union with his Father give peace. Let's get busy acknowledging that all of us are part of the problem, so we can be a part of the solution, because all of us could do more. Let's get busy inviting people into the dialogue of love and peace by the actions we live each day. Jesus inaugurated the Kingdom of Heaven, let's get back to acting like we are a part of that Kingdom.

If we want change, we have to become the change we want to see in the world. I find it disheartening that last Sunday's masses were some of the poorest attended, especially after the tragedy on Saturday. What will it take for us to make Jesus the priority in our lives? It takes realizing we need a Savior, and we don't need a Savior unless we realize we are part of the problem! Our parishes and our world will fail or succeed based on what you and I do.

Keep smiling
Fr. Bryan



PS – Mark your calendars! June 18 is going to be our first shared Corpus Christi procession. We will have one mass at St. Margaret that day at 9 am, with our procession starting right after. We will process to Holy Spirit, visiting four altars on the way and conclude with benediction and the 11 am mass. ALL should be a part of bringing Jesus to the streets. Please make this a priority!

Stewardship Update

Holy Spirit Church 5/15/22	
Offering	\$2,964.71
St. Margaret Church 5/15/22	
Offering	\$2,976.37
Electronic Giving	\$40.00



Sacraments

SICK CALLS: Phone rectory immediately in case of serious illness or accident. Also please let us know if you are confined at home and would like Communion brought to you.

MARRIAGES: Arrangements should be made at least six months in advance at the rectory. Attendance at Pre-Cana or Engaged Encounter is required.

LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION: If you are asked to be a Godparent, please call the rectory for your letter of recommendation, which attests that you are Baptized, Confirmed, and, if married, married in the Church. Of course your weekly presence at Mass here is vital to being a good role model as Godparent.

BAPTISMS: Please call the rectory to schedule your pre-Baptismal Class. Baptisms are normally celebrated on Sundays at 12:15pm, or during one of the weekend Masses.

CONFESSIONS: Every Saturday beginning at 3:15p.m. (Holy Spirit Church)

Every Sunday following 8:00 a.m. Mass. (St. Margaret Church)

NEW PARISHIONERS: We welcome all newcomers to our parish family and invite you to register as a member of the parish. Please stop by the rectory and introduce yourself!

OLD PARISHIONERS: If you are moving out of the parish, please notify the rectory by phone as soon as possible.

NOVENA AT HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH: Every Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. in honor of Our Mother of Perpetual Help. Followed by Mass at 6:15p.m.

ST. MARGARET PRAYER GROUP: Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each Month in the Church at 3pm.



6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

[Jesus said to his disciples:]
"The Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you."
- Jn 14:26-27a



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