

Journey OF Faith

**Saint Margaret Parish
Saugus & No. Revere, MA**

**Blessed Sacrament Parish
Saugus, MA**

January 10, 2010

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

In Word & Deed

Some events are so significant they can serve two purposes, bring to a close one era and open a new chapter in our life. Weddings, funerals, graduations, an out of state move or a conversion to a new belief or way of life splits life in two: before and after. Once the change takes place, there is no turning back as one chapter is written and another presents a blank page.

The Baptism of Jesus ends one phase of His life and opens another. He leaves behind a life of relative obscurity and begins openly preaching the Gospel message. Heralded by John, Jesus begins the phase of His life that will lead Him to preach, teach, heal and forgive and then end in the horror and sorrow of His passion and death on the cross. He carried the hopes of Israel and of the whole human race.

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Jesus comes out of the water, drawing the world with him, as it were, and raising it up when it had hitherto been sunk in the abyss. He sees the heavens, not being rent, but opening of their own accord. The first Adam had of old closed heaven to himself and us, just as he had seen the earthly paradise being closed to him, with a fiery sword barring access.

The Holy Spirit bears witness. Here all is in perfect harmony, for the testimony comes from heaven, just as he to whom the Spirit bears witness has come from heaven.

Trinity of Anzianova, Fourth century



Scripture Readings

Sunday	January 10
Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22	
Monday	January 11
1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20	
Tuesday	January 12
1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28	
Wednesday	January 13
1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39	
Thursday	January 14
1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45	
Friday	January 15
1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12	
Saturday	January 16
1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Mk 2:13-17	
Sunday	January 17
Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11	

*Now, Master, you can dismiss
your servant in **peace**
you have fulfilled your word.
For my eyes have witnessed
your **saving deed**
displayed for all the peoples to see:
A revealing light
to the Gentiles,
the **glory** of
your people Israel.*

Luke 2:29-32



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FAMILY LIFE:

TO WALK AS ONE

Life is shaped by all kinds of events, some larger than others. Births, deaths, weddings, school and friends have a great influence. But sometimes, small things can make a big difference. A helping hand or listening ear in time of need, a word of encouragement or simply being accepted for who we are can change the course of our lives. You never know how you will impact someone else with your words and deeds.

Our life of faith is also shaped by large and small events, but no one single event is more important than our Baptism, an event that many of us cannot remember because we were infants. Yet it put us in a special relationship with God and made us members of the Church. Too often it is celebrated more as a social event

than a religious one, yet it has life-defining and life-giving effects.

Since it is such an important time, share with your kids the story of that day. Watch the video. What happened? Why did you choose the godparents you did? Who was the priest or deacon? Were there other children baptized? What happened afterwards? What were you thinking? What were your hopes for your child? With pictures, videos and godparents, you can renew the commitment you made for your children and give them a better understanding of how their faith life began.



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The sun conquers and the steps by which it approaches its zenith show forth a mystery. For it is twelve days since he began to mount upward and today is the thirteenth day. It is the perfect symbol of the Son and his twelve apostles. The darkness of winter is conquered, to show that Satan is conquered. The sun conquers, so that all may know that the only-begotten Son of God triumphs over all.

Explains the Epistle

In Word & Deed

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Our Baptism is similar to the Lord's. We end one phase of life and enter into a new relationship with God and with each other. The promises of our Baptism, made for us by our families and which we renew each Easter, open for us the chapter of our vocation, our

mission to teach, preach, heal and forgive. There is no turning back. The Lord calls us to live a life of faith. And the best chapters are yet to be written.

~James Gaffney

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Mass Times

Weekend Masses:

Saturday @ 4:00 pm

Sunday @ 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am

Weekday Mass at Blessed Sacrament:

9:00 a.m. Thursday, Friday & Saturday

Weekend Masses:

Saturday @ 4:00 pm & 5:30 pm

Sunday @ 8:30 am & 10:00 am

Weekday Mass at Saint Margaret:

9:00 a.m. Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday: 3:00 pm to 3:45pm and by request

Rev. Felix Prior, O' Carm – Sunday Assistance
Deacon Francis M. Gaffney – Permanent Deacon
Martha G. Lecaroz – Parish Secretary
Donna Zinna – Religious Education -781 231 3699
Phyllis Bunnell - Music Director
Debora Pillsbury - Parish Housekeeper
Nicholas Raftelis – Buildings and Grounds

Rev. Lawrence Wetherholm – Weekend Assistance
Rev. Vincent Cornejo – Weekend Assistance
Rev. Donald Skerry, SVD – Mid week Assistance
Ben DiScipio - Music Director

THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Usually held on the second Sunday of the month.

Please call the Rectory to schedule

Usually held on the third Sunday of the month.

Please call the Rectory to schedule

THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples planning to marry are encouraged to schedule more than one year in advance.

The Archdiocese requires at least six months notice.

Sick and Homebound

If you know someone in the parish who is sick or homebound and who would like to receive the Eucharist, please notify the rectory.

WELCOME! New Parishioners

Please introduce yourself to one another, as well as to the priest following Mass.

Afternoon of Prayer for Parish Pastoral Visitors and Ministers of Communion to the Sick: The Office of Worship and Spiritual Life and the Office of Health Care Ministry will offer a regional Afternoon of Prayer for Pastoral Visitors and Eucharistic Ministers to the Sick on Sunday, January 31, 2010 from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Our Lady of the Assumption, Lynnfield. There is no charge for this Day of Prayer. You are welcome to attend. You are asked to register by calling the Office of Worship and Spiritual Life at 617-779-3640.

Mass of Thanksgiving: “Celebrating 100 Years of Scouting” The Office for the New Evangelization of Youth and Young Adults and The Catholic Committee on Scouting are celebrating 100 years of Scouting on Sunday, February 28, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross, 1400 Washington Street, Boston. Light Refreshments will be served afterward at Cathedral High School. Cathedral Tours will be available beforehand starting at 12:15 p.m. Advanced Registration and Donations are welcomed and helpful, but are not required. To register, please email BSA100thMass@yahoo.com or visit www.oymboston.org for registration forms.



Thomas More College Winter Open House:

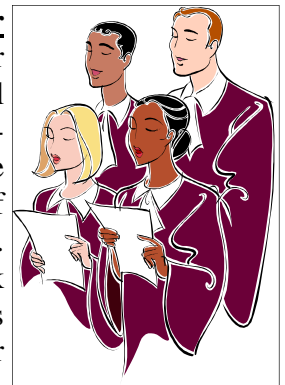
On President's Day, Monday, February 15, 2010, Thomas More College is hosting its annual Winter Open House. All high school seniors, juniors, and their families are encouraged to attend classes, have lunch, converse with students, and meet with professors. Located in scenic Merrimack, NH, Thomas More College provides a Great Books education that is firmly rooted in the Catholic tradition. All students learn Iconography in our unique Way of Beauty program and spend a full semester on our Rome campus at no extra cost. Tuition is low and scholarships are available. For more information, and to register, please contact the admissions office at (800) 880-8308 or email us at admissions@ThomasMoreCollege.edu Overnight guests are welcome.

Monday Morning Bible Study: You are welcome to join our Monday morning Bible Study Group that meets in St. Margaret Parish Hall immediately after the 9:00 a.m. morning Mass. Using the Little Rock Bible Study series, the participants will be studying the “Women of the Old Testament.” This Study is just about ready to start so come on Monday, January 11, 2010, to receive your materials and an overview of what and how the program works and see the benefit that comes from being formed in the Word of God. If you are interested in joining the group, please call Bev Gorman at (781) 233-8306.

Master of Arts in Ministry Program for Laity: Saint John's Seminary is offering a Master of Arts in Ministry Program for Laity starting Tuesday, January 12, 2010. The Program location is 149 Washington Street, Brighton. There are courses being offered for first year core, second year core and MAM (Masters in Ministry) Electives (open to all students), and MAM Degree Program courses for MAM Degree Program students only. For information or registration form, please call 617-779-4104 or email Maryellen_lenihan@rcab.org.

Saint Margaret Parish Choir Christmas Concert:

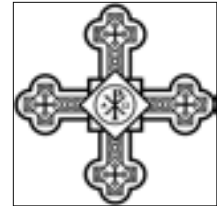
Our thanks to Ben Discipio and all the members of the Saint Margaret Parish Choir for the beautiful Christmas Concert of held on Sunday, December 27. We appreciate the hard work and dedication of many weeks of rehearsals to prepare for such a wonderful repertoire.



Our thanks also to the Choir for the wonderful collation that followed the Concert. Our thanks to those who attended the Concert and their free will offerings of \$320.00 which were donated to the Parish. Thank you very much. Ben and the Choir invite you to consider becoming a Choir Member. The Choir loft is a bit cramped, but there is always room for one more! Speak to Ben after one of the weekend Masses or stop by at a Choir Rehearsal on Thursday evenings in the Choir Loft at 7:00 p.m. Ben is an excellent teacher and the camaraderie among the Choir Members is inviting.

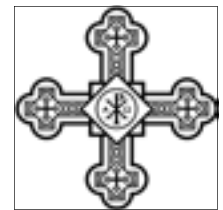
Mass Intentions at Blessed Sacrament

Frank, Rose and Anthony Maguzzu	Memorial Mass	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(1/9/10)
Benoit Lecaroz	15th Anniversary Mass	7:30 a.m. Sunday	(1/10/10)
Souls in Purgatory		10:30 a.m. Sunday	(1/10/10)
Francis Bradlee	50th Anniversary Mass	9:00 a.m. Thursday	(1/14/10)
Mass of Thanksgiving		9:00 a.m. Friday	(1/15/10)
William Morris	Memorial Mass	9:00 p.m. Saturday	(1/16/10)
Kenneth Shaw	Memorial Mass	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(1/16/10)
Erminie Battis	Memorial Mass	7:30 a.m. Sunday	(1/17/10)
Arthur Cook	Memorial Mass	9:00 a.m. Sunday	(1/17/10)
Vito Petriello	Memorial Mass	10:30 a.m. Sunday	(1/17/10)



Mass Intentions at Saint Margaret

Melinda & Angelo Sapochetti	Memorial Mass	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(1/9/10)
Dorothy O'Brien	5th Anniversary Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(1/10/10)
Helen Schaefer	21st Anniversary Mass	9:00 a.m. Wednesday	(1/13/10)
Dorothy O'Brien	5th Anniversary Mass	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(1/16/10)
Marie Green	Memorial Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(1/17/10)



We pray for Peace in the World, an end to war and terrorism, an end to world hunger, our men & women in the Armed Services: **John Scott, Brian & Stephanie Howard, Kevin Howard, Lt. Maxwell Palumbo, Sgt.**

Paul J. Eaves, Pvt. Richard Boudreau, Cpl. Timothy Perkins, Cpl. Alison Perkins

Year of the Priest: Pray for Priests and vocations to the Priesthood.

The Sick: Fr. James Field, Alexander Mossuto, Marie Guerrini, Thomas Kehoe, Kevin Riordan, Nancy Patti, Catherine DeVito, Virginia Cieri, Lucille Voutour, Richard Bourque, Ronald Bourque, Rosemarie Goins, Joe Alden, Charles Regan, Georgina Reagan, Barbara Lewis, June Anderson, Rita Anzuoni, Denise Voutour, James Voutour, Jean Roli, Frank Palmer

The Faithful Departed: Barbara Donlon, Mary Clark, Christina Barry, Louis Bromberger



The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick:

In the Letter of Saint James we find an important question: "Are there any among you who are sick?" Saint James also advises what should be done, namely, that "they should call for the priests of the Church and have them pray over the sick anointing them with oil

in the name of the Lord." This Anointing formerly called "Extreme Unction" or "The Last Rites," is not only intended for those near death but is for all the sick. We encourage you to request this sacrament when facing illness, prior to surgery or medical tests. Allow the Lord to come and comfort you and the prayer of the Church to strengthen you. This sacrament is a wonderful sign of the love of God and the healing grace of Jesus.



Marriage Intentions

**Elizabeth A. Powers
&
Matthew C. Gosselin
(1/23/10)**

Blessed Sacrament Church Parking Lot: Last September, the principal part of the Parish Parking Lot (all the way to the helipad at the rear of the property) as well as the entrance and exit lanes were repaved at a cost of \$104,000.00. This was an expensive project but it needed to be done for the safety of those who use our property. Also this cost, although expensive, was about half the price quoted just the year before. This lower cost was due to the drop in petroleum products and the general downturn in the economy. In late August we sent a letter to all registered Parishioners of Blessed Sacrament Parish asking their help with this undertaking. To date \$45,903.45 has been donated. This is good but as you can see we have a long way to go. Therefore, in the near future, a reminder letter will be sent to all registered Parishioners from whom we have not heard. Also, this is the end of the year and for tax purposes some may consider a year-end gift to the Parish. All that is collected will be used solely and entirely for Blessed Sacrament Parish. We pray your generosity so that we can move on to other areas that need attention.

Second Collections

Blessed Sacrament Parish

Snow Removal Collection - January 16 & 17
The Church in Latin America - January 23 & 24

Saint Margaret Parish

Parish Monthly - January 9 & 10
Snow Removal Collection - January 16 & 17
The Church in Latin America - January 23 & 24

**BLESSED SACRAMENT
FINANCIAL BLESSINGS**

The Offertory Collection last week was **\$4,668.38**. **\$1,426.46** was collected for the Renovation Fund. Attendance was **340**. Thank you for your generosity.

SAINT MARGARET FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

The Offertory Collection last week was **\$1,777.00**. Attendance at the weekend Masses was 235.



Poor Boxes: As you enter or as you leave Church, please remember the Poor. Your donation placed in the Poor Boxes is the principal source of income for the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Both Saint Margaret and Blessed Sacrament Parishes are blessed to each have a dedicated group of people who make up the membership of the S V de P Society. They are often called upon to help people of our community with food, clothing, utilities and shelter in emergency situations. Please help them in their works of charity.

*“Whatsoever you do to these least ones of mine,
you do for me.”
Matthew 25*

The Manhattan Declaration: In my Christmas Homily I mentioned the Manhattan Declaration. I encourage you to read this very well written declaration on very important issues that affect us as Catholics and citizens of the United States. The Declaration is the result of a series of meetings held in New York City this past November by a group of Catholics, Orthodox and Evangelical Christians. Their conversations led to the writing of what is now called “The Manhattan Declaration.” This document speaks clearly of three areas where there can be no compromise, even to the point of civil disobedience. These three areas are the sanctity of human life, the dignity of marriage as the conjugal union of husband and wife, and the rights of conscience and religious liberty. We would encourage you to read the Declaration yourself and, if you wish, you may join the more than 300,000 people who have signed it to date. Go to www.manhattandeclaration.org to read the declaration and if you wish to sign it.



ARISE Together In Christ: Season Four of ARISE will be starting the week of February 14, 2010. The theme for Season Four will be “*New Heart, New Spirit.*”

Whether you have participated in the past or not, plan to participate in Season Four! We want you and we need you. Sign-up weekend is Jan 23 and 24..

Saint Margaret Parish Religious Education:

Grades 1 through 6: Classes will resume for grades 1 through 6 on Sunday, January 10, at 8:30 a.m. at the Belmonte Middle School.

**Combined Religious Education Classes
Blessed Sacrament & Saint Margaret Parishes**

Grades 7: Held monthly on Friday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Saint Margaret Parish Hall - the next class is Friday, February 12.

Grade 8: Held monthly on Friday evenings from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at Saint Margaret Parish Hall. The next class is Friday, January 15.

Confirmation Year I: (usually Grade 9) meets at 4:15 until 5:30 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall. The next class is Sunday, January 24.

Confirmation Year II: (usually Grade 10) Classes are held monthly for both the Student preparing for Confirmation and his/her sponsor. Classes are held at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall from 6:00 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. The next class is scheduled for this Sunday, January 10.

7th & 8th Grade Friday Night CCD: For safety reasons, all parents are asked to pick up their children from **Friday Night 7th & 8th grade CCD** at the **Jackson Street Parking Lot** where adults are on duty to chaperone all children until pick up. Please **pull in** to the lot to avoid a traffic jam and wait for your child to arrive. Thank you for your cooperation. When dropping children off, do so only on the Church side of Lincoln Avenue. For their safety, do not allow them to cross Lincoln Avenue.

**Holy Hour for**

Life: We remember with sadness the day when the Supreme Court of the United States legalized

abortion. Let us pray for the reversal of *Roe v. Wade*. We invite you to a "Holy Hour for Life" on Sunday afternoon, January 17 at 2:00 p.m. at Saint Margaret Church. All welcome.

Blessed Sacrament Religious Education:**Religious Education Grade 1-6**

Religious Education classes resume this week from 10:15-11:15 at Saugus High School.

Religious Education Catechists will be meeting on Tuesday evening January 12 in the lower church for planning, fellowship and prayer. The meeting begins at 7:00PM. Snow date is January 13.

Baptism Preparation: In order to prepare for the Baptism of a child, parents and god-parents are to attend a Baptism Preparation Class.

At Blessed Sacrament, the next Preparation Class is on Tuesday, February 9 at 7:00 p.m. Call the Rectory (781-233-2497) to register. At Saint Margaret, the next Preparation Class is on Thursday, February 11 at 7:00 p.m. Call the Rectory (781-233-1040) to register.

Unemployed? Under-employed? Do you find yourself one of the many who are without sufficient work these days? Does it cause you to be anxious, to be fearful for your family and their future? Do you wonder where to turn? Some members of an **ARISE** group wondered if offering the possibility of a support group would be helpful to you. If it interests you to join such a group, to turn together in prayer to God, to enter into conversation, sharing ideas and mutual assistance, please contact Sr. Mary for further details. The group will meet some time Thursday or Friday depending on the best available time/space for the participants. Leave your name and telephone number for Sister Mary at Blessed Sacrament Rectory (781-233-2497) and leave a message for her. People of both Parishes and friends are welcome.

The March for Life: Join the thousands who will make their pro-life presence known to the lawmakers in Washington, DC, the citizens of the United States, and people around the world, on **Friday, January 22, 2010**. Please plan now to attend. Your presence, in growing numbers every year, is the best way to draw attention to the untenable legacy of *Roe v. Wade*, and to persuade our leaders to eradicate it from America's future. More detail on transportation will follow.





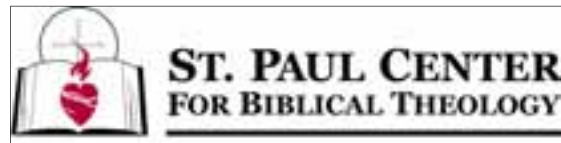
Please remember our Troops this Christmas Season. Items to be collected during the month of January are cookies, candies and sweets. There are collection baskets at both Blessed Sacrament Church and at Saint Margaret to receive your donations. Thank you for thinking of our troops.



Important Reminders

- For the safety and well-being of our children, parents must accompany their children to the restrooms at all times. Why not make a visit before Mass begins to avoid disruption?
- As a courtesy to others, turn your cell phones off and other paging devices.
- Out of respect to the Sacrament we celebrate, as a courtesy to your fellow parishioners and the priest, and to give good example to our children and young people, please arrive for Mass on time and do not leave early.
- Out of respect for the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, prepare for Mass in prayer and silent adoration. Save your conversations for after Mass.
- At Blessed Sacrament Church, the driveway used as the exit is a fire lane and should be free of parked vehicles. No parking in this area at any time.

Another Weekend Snowstorm! When a snowstorm arrives on a weekend, it usually means that attendance at Sunday Mass will be down. It also means that the Offertory Collection will be down. A Parish budget depends on the Parish's principal source of income, the weekly Offertory Collection. Therefore when a storm occurs on a weekend, it creates havoc with the budget. Last year the financial reports of both Blessed Sacrament and Saint Margaret's indicated that each parish ended the fiscal year with a deficit. In order to eliminate deficits, we depend on a consistent weekly Offertory Collection. All this to say: we would appreciate if you would give in next Sunday's Offertory Collection what you would have given if you had been here on January 3. We thank you very much for your consideration and kindness.



The Anointing

By Dr. Scott Hahn

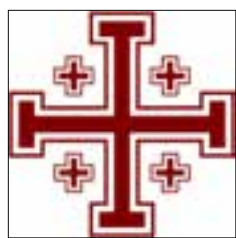
The Liturgy last week revealed the mystery of God's plan - that in Jesus all peoples, symbolized by the Magi, have been made "co-heirs" to the blessings promised Israel. This week, we're shown how we claim our inheritance. Jesus doesn't submit to John's baptism as a sinner in need of purification. He humbles Himself to pass through Jordan's waters in order to lead a new "exodus" - opening up the promised land of heaven so that all peoples can hear the words pronounced over Jesus today, words once reserved only for Israel and its king: that each of us is a beloved son or daughter of God (see Genesis 22:2; Exodus 4:22; Psalm 2:7). Jesus is the chosen servant Isaiah prophesies in today's First Reading, anointed with the Spirit to make things right and just on earth. God puts His Spirit upon Jesus to make Him "a covenant of the people," the liberator of the captives, the light to the nations. Jesus, today's Second Reading tells us, is the One long expected in Israel, "anointed...with the Holy Spirit and power." The word Messiah means "one anointed" with God's Spirit. King David was "the anointed of the God of Jacob" (see 2 Samuel 23:1-17; Psalm 18:51; 132:10,17). The prophets taught Israel to await a royal offshoot of David, upon whom the Spirit would rest (see Isaiah 11:1-2; Daniel 9:25). That's why the crowds are so anxious at the start of today's Gospel. But it isn't John they're looking for. God confirms with His own voice what the Angel earlier told Mary - Jesus is the Son of the Most High, come to claim the throne of David forever (see Luke 1:32-33). In the Baptism that He brings, the voice of God will hover over the waters as fiery flame, as we sing in today's Psalm. He has sanctified the waters, made them a passage-way to healing and freedom - a fountain of new birth and everlasting life.

*A service of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology
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Daily Mass Schedule: The 9:00 a.m. morning Mass is at Saint Margaret Church on Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays and at Blessed Sacrament Church on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. The number of people attending daily Mass has been very uplifting. There has been as many as 75 people present. Thank you for your participation.

Communion to the Homebound: Do you know someone who is unable to come to Mass and who would appreciate receiving Holy Communion on a regular basis? **If so, call either Rectory: St. Margaret at 781-233-1040 and Blessed Sacrament at 781-233-2497.** Our Parishes have wonderful Ministers of Holy Communion who would be glad to visit on a regular basis.



Cursillo—St. Basil’s: Cursillo, a Spanish word which means a “short course in Christianity,” is a wonderful weekend retreat that has enriched the lives of countless men and women. If you are interested, please speak to Father

George, Father Dan or Sister Mary. Below is a list of upcoming dates for Cursillo for men and women at St. Basil’s Salvatorian Center in Metheun:

Men:

Jan. 28-31, 2010
 April 8-11, 2010
 Oct. 7-10, 2010
 Dec. 2-5, 2010

Women:

March 4-7, 2010
 April 29-May 2, 2010
 June 3-6, 2010
 Nov. 4-7, 2010



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: On Wednesday evenings at Saint Margaret’s from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. join us for all or part of this time of prayer and adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. At 7:00 p.m. those present participate in the recitation of the **Rosary.**

You deserve the peace and quiet that come from being in the presence of the Lord. What better way to prepare for Christmas than by giving yourself the gift of time.

“I will come to you in the silence...”

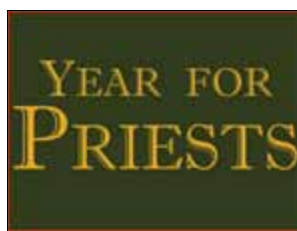


The United Parish Food Pantry is at the Cliftondale Congregational Church, 50 Essex Street. **On the last Sunday of each month Blessed Sacrament collects food for the food pantry. On the second Sunday of each month Saint**

Margaret collects food for the food pantry. Volunteers are also needed. If you are free on Friday mornings, you are needed. Drop by the Pantry at 9:00 a.m. or call Carol Cashman (781-233-9460) to volunteer. The Pantry is open Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. **The next Food Collection Weekend for Blessed Sacrament is January 30 & 31. The next Food Collection Weekend for Saint Margaret is January 9 & 10.** Your donation of food is always needed. Kindly look at the expiration date on your food donation. Food items that have gone beyond the expiration date may not be given out. They can only be thrown out! Thank you for your cooperation, understanding and your generosity.



The St. Stephen Ministry. The next Blood Drive will be on January 21, 2010 at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall. Please mark your calendar and donate the precious gift of life. Thank you.



**The Year of the Priest
 A Prayer for Priests**

Dear Lord, We pray that the Blessed Mother wrap her mantle around your priests and through her intercession strengthen them for their ministry. We pray that Mary will guide your priests to follow her own words, “Do whatever He tells you” (Jn 2:5). May your priests have the heart of St. Joseph, Mary’s most chaste spouse. May the Blessed Mother’s own pierced heart inspire them to embrace all who suffer at the foot of the cross. May your priests be holy, filled with the fire of your love seeking nothing but your greater glory and the salvation of souls. Amen.

Saint John Vianney, pray for us.



QUIZ

Can you choose the correct endings?

- Here is my servant whom I:
(a) instruct (b) set free (c) uphold?
- God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the holy Spirit and:
(a) fire (b) power (c) oil?
- Now the people were filled with:
(a) fear (b) grace (c) expectation?
- He will baptize you with the holy Spirit and:
(a) fire (b) water (c) wine?
- The holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a:
(a) dove (b) mist (c) fire?

ANSWERS

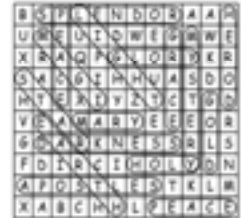
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WORDSEARCH

Solution to last week's wordsearch

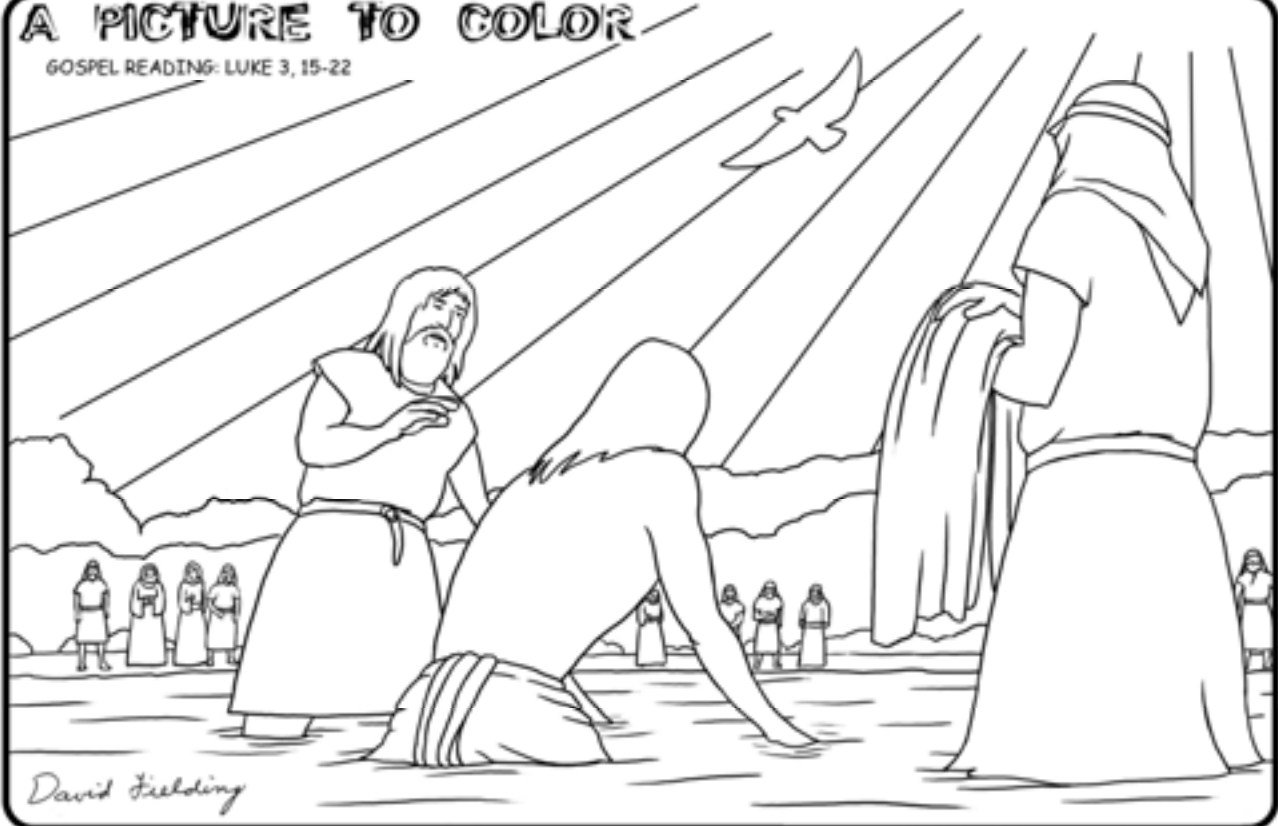
Can you find and circle the words listed below?

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| WATER | VOICE | GLORY |
| FIRE | POWER | HOLY |
| HEAVEN | GOOD | PEACE |
| SPIRIT | DEVIL | HEARTS |
| DOVE | SON | BAPTIZE |



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