



*Jesus did this as the beginnings of his signs
in Cana in Galilee...*

*Saint Margaret Parish
Saugus - North Revere
Massachusetts*

*...and so revealed his glory,
and his disciples began to believe in him*

Jn 2:11

Saint Margaret Parish

Saugus ~ North Revere, Massachusetts

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Mass Schedule: Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m.

Saturday 4:00 ~ 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 ~ 10:00 a.m.

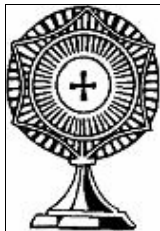
Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00 ~ 3:45 p.m. and by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Father George E. Morin, Pastor

Mid-week Assistance Father Donald Skerry, SVD

Weekend Assistance Father Lawrence Wetterholm - Father Vincent Cornejo

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Please join us on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. for an hour of adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. At 7:00 p.m. those present participate in the recitation of the **Rosary**. Come, pray the

Rosary and stay for all or part of that special weekly hour. You deserve the peace and quiet that come from being in the presence of the Lord. Everyone is welcome. **Thank you for your patience and understanding during our recent Church painting/renovations which caused disruption of this weekly time of Adoration.**

Some important reminders for everyone's consideration:

To provide for our children's safety we ask that a parent accompany them to the restroom during Mass times.

Please turn cell phones and pagers off when at Church.

Observe silence prior to the beginning of Mass - people are praying and preparing for Mass.

Religious Education Classes are as scheduled:

Grades 1 through 6: Sundays at the Belmonte Middle School from 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. Classes have resumed following the Christmas Break.

Grades 7 & 8: Friday, February 2, 2007 from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Saint Margaret Parish Hall.

Grade 9 (First Year Confirmation): Wednesdays, in the Parish Hall from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Classes resume after the Christmas break on Wednesday, January 17, 2007.

Grade 10 (Second Year Confirmation): The next class for Students & Sponsors is Sunday, January 21, 2007 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, February 11, 2007 at a 12:00 noontime Mass. Bishop Francis X. Irwin, our Regional Bishop, will be the confirming bishop. Please keep all our young people preparing for confirmation in your prayers.

Mass Intentions

Robert & Rita D'Agostino	Memorial Mass	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(1/13)
Janet Gordon	5th Anniversary Mass	5:30 p.m. Saturday	(1/13)
Harold Patch	Birthday Remembrance	8:30 a.m. Sunday	(1/14)
Steven Leonard	2nd Anniversary Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(1/14)
Lawrence Donovan	17th Anniversary Mass	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(1/20)
Janet Comeau	Memorial Mass	5:30 p.m. Saturday	(1/20)
Joseph Sarno	1st Anniversary Mass	8:30 a.m. Sunday	(1/21)
Danny Tillinghast	Memorial Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(1/21)



Catholic Schools

Week: From January 28 to February 3, 2007 CSW will be observed. At this time Catholic

Schools in our area will be hosting various events to introduce people to their schools and to stimulate interest in new students to attend. Listed here are Catholic Schools in our area. Call to see when they might be having their "Open House."

Catholic Schools in our area

Elementary Schools

Immaculate Conception, Revere	781-284-0519
St. Mary, Danvers	978-774-0307
St. Patrick School, Stoneham	781-438-2593
Cheverus School, Malden	781-324-6584
Our Lady School, Lynnfield	781-599-4422
Sacred Heart School Lynn	781-592-7581
St. Mary School, Melrose	781-665-5037
St. Joseph School, Wakefield	781-245-2081
St. Mary School, Winchester	781-729-5515

High Schools

Malden Catholic High School	781-322-3098
St. Mary Jr/Sr High School, Lynn	781-595-7885
Nazareth Academy, Wakefield	781-245-5210
Bishop Fenwick, Peabody	978-531-8200
St. John's Prep, Danvers	978-774-1050
Austin Prep Jr/Sr High School, Reading	781-944-4900
Pope John XXIII, Everett	617-389-0240

Charitable Contributions: Due to recent changes in the federal tax laws for charitable contributions, beginning in 2007, parishioners who itemize deductions on Schedule A of their tax returns will no longer be able to deduct contributions to the parish unless they maintain a bank record or receive a written contribution statement from the parish. Cash contributions that are not in a parish envelope cannot be tracked by the parish and will not be included in the year end contribution statement. To ensure tax deductability for 2007 contributions to our parish, the following payment methods are recommended:

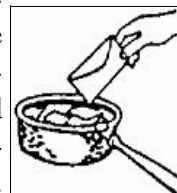
- 1) Use of parish envelopes provided to you by the parish
- 2) Written checks made payable to the parish
- 3) Direct deposit from your bank account
- 4) Payroll deduction

Second Collections

Parish Monthly Collection - January 13 & 14
 The Church in Latin America - January 20 & 21

The Grand Annual Collection: In November a letter was sent to each registered household of the Parish, seeking support for the Grand Annual Collection. Each household was asked to contribute if possible \$200.00. To date 175 parish families have donated \$26,465.00 to the Grand Annual. Thank you very much. All donations to this collection are used totally for the benefit of St. Margaret Parish.

The Offertory Collection last Sunday was \$4,000.00 with 652 people in attendance. The Offertory Collection for the previous weekend (December 30 & 31) was \$2,734 with 506 people in attendance. Thank you very much for your generosity to the Parish.



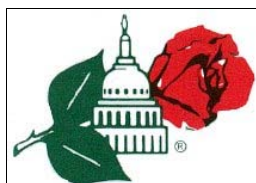
Parish Offertory Envelopes: We encourage the use of Parish Envelopes for your weekly donation to help support our Parish. If you wish to receive envelopes, please give us the following information:

Name:

Address:

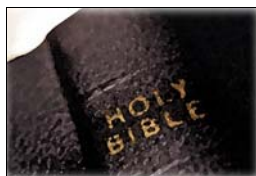


United Parish Food Pantry: On the second weekend of each month we collect food for our local food pantry. The Food Pantry is located at the Cliftondale Congregational Church, 50 Essex Street. If you are free on Friday mornings, volunteers are always needed. Drop by at 9:30 a.m. or call Carol Cashman at 781-558-1092 to volunteer. The Pantry operates on Fridays from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. (Please note the expiration date on the items you donate. Food that has gone beyond the expiration date cannot be given away and must be thrown out. Thank you for your cooperation.) **Our next Food Collection Weekend is January 13 & 14.** Your donation of food is always needed and very much appreciated. Thank you.



34th Annual March for Life: The Immaculate Conception Parish (Malden/Medford) Respect Life Committee is once again planning a pilgrimage to the 34th Annual March for

Life in Washington, D. C. The group will leave from St. Margaret's Church in Burlington by motor coach on Sunday morning, January 21 and will return on Tuesday evening, January 23. The cost is \$220.00 per person, double occupancy (\$350.00 single) until January 7 (cost will be a little higher after that date). Come and be inspired by the ten of thousands of young people who will witness to the Gospel of Life in this non-confrontational event. Please call Janet Callahan at 781-324-3564 to register or for more information.



Monday Morning Bible Study:

You are welcome to join our Monday morning Bible Study Group which meets in the 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 New Testament*. This study is just beginning—not to late to join! Come, receive your materials and see how the program works and enjoy the benefits that comes from being formed in the Word of God. All welcome.

Youth Activities

Junior HIGH Happening: Parents! Are you looking for a high-energy, fun-filled, spiritual growth experience for you 7th/8th grader? If so, this is it!!! **SNOWCAMPS 2007** will be held on the weekend of **March 2 - 4, 2007** at Camp Brookwoods in Alton, NH. Youths from throughout the archdiocese will be participating in what could very well be the best weekend of their lives! Sign-up now as space for SNOWCAMPS is limited and will sell out. For application and information contact Andrea at smym06@yahoo.com

CYO Basketball: In a wonderful collaborative effort involving the youth of both Saint Margaret and Blessed Sacrament Parishes, we have four teams (3 boy's teams and 1 girl's team) involved in the



CYO youth basketball league. Thanks to the work of Anne Marie Glowacz and Earl Reed we are able to offer this program to our youth. All are welcome to cheer our teams on at the Saugus High School Gym on Sunday afternoons beginning at 12:15 p.m.

The Living Rosary Pilgrimage: On Sunday, January 14 at 2:00 p.m. you are invited to Holy Family Parish, 26 Bessom Street, Lynn for Benediction and the recitation of the Rosary and the Chaplet of Mercy. All welcome.

A Time of Discernment: Cardinal Sean will offer two distinct retreat to assist men in discerning their Vocation to the Priesthood. The first will be on Thursday, February 1 at Blessed John XXIII Seminary in Weston and is for men ages 40 and over. The second will be February 2—4 at St. John's Seminary in Brighton and is for men ages 18 to 40. For information call the Vocation Office of the Archdiocese at 617-746-5949. Pray for vocations!

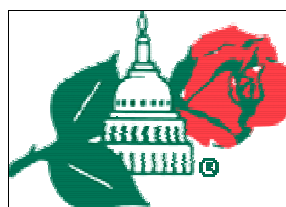
*The more we depend on God,
the more dependable God is.*



The Annual Ecumenical Leadership Dinner: On January 19, at 7:00 p.m. we will have our annual Ecumenical Leadership Dinner here at St. Margaret's. We are pleased to welcome Mr. Anthony Picarello, VP and General Counsel of the Becket Fund to be our Guest Speaker. The Becket Fund for Religious Liberty is a nonprofit, nonpartisan, interfaith, legal and educational institute dedicated to protecting the free expression of all religious traditions. The Becket Fund for Religious Liberty operates in three arenas: in the courts of law (litigation), in the court of public opinion (media), and in the academy (scholarship). Freedom of religion is a basic human right that no government may lawfully deny; it is not a gift of the state, but instead is rooted in the inherent dignity of the human person. Religious expression (of all traditions) is a natural part of life in civilized society, and religious arguments (on all sides of a question) are a normal and healthy element of public debate. Religious people and institutions are entitled to participate in government affairs on an equal basis with everyone else, and should not be excluded for professing their faith. The Becket Fund is named after **Thomas á Becket** (1118-70 AD), who stood resolutely at the intersection of Church and State. As a friend of King Henry II, Becket served as Chancellor of England and oversaw the laws of the kingdom. But as Archbishop of Canterbury, he steadfastly refused to allow the King to interfere in the Church, and was martyred by the King's knights for defending the principle of religious liberty.

St. Margaret Adult Choir "25 Days of Christmas Money Calendar Raffle": The winners of the daily drawings are thus far:

Dec.	25	Richard Currie
	26	Richard Miller
	27	Helen Connor
	28	Louise Nazzaro
	29	John Lynch
	30	John Sifakas
	31	Maureen McCloskey
Jan.	1	Ann Carozza
	2	Pat Donovan
	3	James & Debra Mason
	4	Marie Tillinghast
	5	Patty DeAngelis
	6	Dianne Milford
	7	Maria Morong



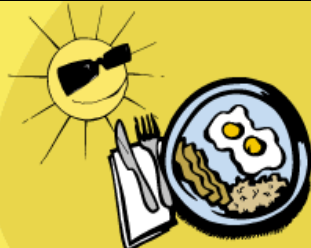
January 22, 2007 marks the 34th "birthday" of the Supreme Court's abortion approving decision, *Roe v. Wade*, a ruling that has denied a birthday to millions of American children .

Who can comprehend the height and depth of the devastation this single legal decision has brought to men, women, children, communities and society at large? And so that the sadness of this *Roe v. Wade* anniversary may some day be turned to joy in a life-respecting society, we pray to the Lord.

"Come to the Waters of Healing" Day of Post-Abortion and Healing:

On Saturday, February 3, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Project Rachel will sponsor a one-day retreat to help women hurting from past abortions. Come experience the healing love of Christ Jesus and find hope and healing, spend quiet time in prayer before God and hear stories of post abortion healing. For information call Project Rachel at 508-651-3100 or help@projectrachelboston.com

Ready,
Set,
Breakfast!



Monthly Breakfast at Saint Margaret's: Our next Breakfast will be on **Sunday, January 14** from 8:30 to 11:00 a.m. The menu includes Fried or Scrambled Eggs, Baked Potato Puffs, Corned Beef Hash, Kielbasa, English Muffins, Juice and Coffee. Donation: Adults \$5.00 Seniors and children ten and under \$3.00.

"Ministry in Christ's Name" - Day of Prayer for Pastoral Visitors:

Sunday, January 21 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. at Our Lady's, Lynnfield all those who visit the sick, the homebound and the hospitalized are invited to attend this time of enrichment. For information and to register call 617-779-3640.

If you choose one moment to explore your Catholic faith, make it the Catholic Men’s and Women’s Conference

- Inspirational speakers addressing real life issues and topics
- Chance to meet and discuss issues with like minded people
- A forum to bring focus to your spiritual life



Boston Catholic Men’s Conference – Please join many men from St. Margaret Parish who are attending the 3rd Annual Boston Catholic Men’s Conference on Saturday, March 17, 2007 at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center in South Boston. Speakers will include Carl Anderson (CEO and Chairman of the Knights of Columbus), Cardinal Peter Turkson (1st Cardinal ever from Ghana), Cardinal Sean O’Malley (Mass Celebrant), Martin Doman (popular contemporary Catholic Musician and Worship Leader) and The Landrys, Fr. Roger Landry (Pastor of St. Anthony of Padua, New Bedford), Scot Landry (Conference Founder and Secretary for Institutional Advancement of the Archdiocese of Boston). For more information, please contact Chuck or Anna Swain at 781-233-8442 or by email at enjoylifetoday@comcast.net or www.bostoncatholicmen.org, email info@bostoncatholicmen.org, phone 617-977-0916. Ticket price between 1/1/07 – 1/31/07 is \$30.00. Ticket price after 2/1/07 is \$40.00. St Margaret Parish will

provide transportation via a bus (if there are sufficient numbers).

Boston Catholic Women’s Conference – Please join many women from St. Margaret Parish who are attending the 2nd Annual Boston Catholic Women’s Conference on Sunday, March 18, 2007 from 8am-6pm at the Boston Convention & Exhibition Center in South Boston. Speakers will include Immaculee Ilibagiza (Rwandan Holocaust survivor and Author of Left to Tell), Dana Scallon (Former Candidate for Irish President & Irish Singer), Johnnette Benkovic (Founder of Women of Grace & Living His Life Abundantly EWTN), Cardinal Sean O’Malley (Mass Celebrant) and others. For more information, please contact Chuck or Anna Swain at 781-233-8442 or by email at enjoylifetoday@comcast.net or visit www.bostoncatholicwomen.org, email info@bostoncatholicwomen.org, phone 617-977-0916. Ticket price between 1/1/07 – 1/31/07 is \$30.00. Ticket price after 2/1/07 is \$40.00. St Margaret Parish will provide transportation via a bus (if there are sufficient numbers).

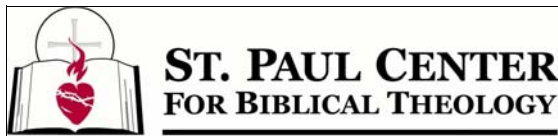


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Street Address:	Email:
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Parish:	Would you like to be contacted about upcoming events?



In the Wedding By Dr. Scott Hahn

Think of these first weeks after Christmas as a season of "epiphanies." The Liturgy is showing us Who Jesus is and what He has revealed about our relationship with God. Last week and the week before, the imagery was royal and filial - Jesus is the newborn king of the Jews who makes us co-heirs of Israel's promise, beloved children of God. This week we're at a wedding. We're being shown another dimension of our relationship with God. If we're sons and daughters of God, it's because we've married into the family. Have you ever wondered why the Bible begins and ends with a wedding - Adam and Eve's in the garden and the marriage supper of the Lamb (compare Genesis 2:23-24 and Revelation 19:9; 21:9; 22:17)? Throughout the Bible, marriage is the symbol of the covenant relationship God desires with His chosen people. He is the Groom, humanity His beloved and sought-after bride. We see this reflected beautifully in today's First Reading. When Israel breaks the covenant she is compared to an unfaithful spouse (see Jeremiah 2:20-36; 3:1-13). But God promises to take her back, to "espouse" her to Him forever in an everlasting covenant (see Hosea 2:18-22). That's why in today's Gospel, Jesus performs His first public "sign" at a wedding feast. Jesus is the divine Bridegroom (see John 3:29), calling us to His royal wedding feast (see Matthew 22:1-14). By His New Covenant, He will become "one flesh" with all humanity in the Church (see Ephesians 5:21-33). By our Baptism, each of us has been betrothed to Christ as a bride to a Husband (see 2 Corinthians 11:2). The new wine that Jesus pours out at today's feast is the gift of the Holy Spirit given to His bride and body, as today's Epistle says. This is the "salvation" announced to the "families of nations" in today's Psalm.

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www.SalvationHistory.com*



Thank you! Our thanks to all our children and young people who made this year's Epiphany Pageant so wonderful! Amanda Picardi, Shannon Harrison, Marilyn Carozza, Patrick Spellman, Sara Primo, Kelli McDermott, Danny Barletta, Timothy Crowley, Nicholas Dascoli, Joseph Faiella, Christopher Hunt, Maxwell Hunt, Shane Meredith, Cameron Pozark, Neal Spellman, Jacob Stoico, Erin Crowley, Deanna DiCenzo, Jaquelyn Faiella, Ketelyn Italiano, Kristina Italiano, Olivia Riley, Catherine Riley, Olivia Rando, Gianna Zirpolo, Jacob Castinetti, Jimmy Cresta-Devine, Robert Picardi, Delaney Barry, Madison Hunt, and especially little Katie Barletta. We are grateful to all the adults who played such an important part - the parents who encouraged their children to participate and who brought them to the rehearsals - and to Dawn Hunt, Lorraine Devine, Rhonda McDermott, Jean Meredith, Debbie Stoico, and all the mothers who helped in any way, to Judy and Mike Barletta for entrusting their little girl into "Mary's care, to Ben DiScipio for the musical accompaniment, and especially Mary Ellen Picardi, our Production Organizer.