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REJOICE AND BE GLAD,  
FOR YOUR REWARD  
WILL BE GREAT  
IN HEAVEN.

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*St. Margaret Parish  
Saugus - North Revere, Massachusetts  
February 3, 2008*

## Saint Margaret Parish

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

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

Sunday 8:30 a.m. ~ 10:00 a.m. ~ 5:45 p.m. (when there is Confirmation Class)

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



**Ash Wednesday:** This Wednesday, February 6, marks the beginning of the Lenten Season. The blessing and the distribution of Ashes will take place at the following:

**9:00 a.m. Mass**

**12 Noon Service**

**4:00 p.m. Service**

**7:00 p.m. Mass**

*“Turn away from sin  
and be faithful to the Gospel.”*

**Ecumenical Lenten Services:** Come together with members of other Saugus Churches on each Sunday evening of Lent for what is a wonderful Saugus tradition. Good music, preaching and fellowship are what these evenings are about. **All welcome.**

**February 10:** Vineyard Church, (former Masonic Temple, Adams Ave.) Pastor Bob, preaching.

**February 17:** East Saugus Methodist, Fr. John Mulloy, preaching.

**February 24:** St. Margaret, Rev. Kay Connor, preaching.

**March 2:** TBA.

**March 9:** First Congregational (Saugus Center), Rev. Steve Perry, preaching

### Religious Education

**Grades 1 through 6:** Classes are Sundays, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. at the Belmonte Middle School.

**Grades 7 & 8:** The next Class Grade 7 & 8 students is Friday, February 1, 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Grade 9 Students:** Classes are Sundays at 4:15 p.m. until 5:45 p.m. After class they celebrate Holy Mass together.

**Grade 10 Students and Sponsors** will have their next class on March 2, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. There is Mass for Students and Sponsors prior to class.

**Mass at 5:45 p.m. On Sundays when there is Confirmation Class, there is a 5:45 p.m. Mass to which all are invited.**

**Daily Mass during Lent:** Join us each morning, Monday through Friday at 9:00 a.m. for morning Mass. There is no better way to prepare for Easter than to hear the Word of God each day in the context of the Holy Eucharist. Don't come alone - invite a friend.

**Stations of the Cross:** A most appropriate Lenten Devotion are the Stations of the Cross. During Lent we will have Stations of the Cross on Friday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Join us on February 8, 15, 22, 29, March 7 and 14.

### Mass Intentions

Alfred Walker	7th Anniversary Mass	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(2/2)
Ravagno/Olsen Families	Memorial Mass	8:30 a.m. Sunday	(2/3)
Frank Mersicano	30th Anniversary Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(2/3)
Bryant Kimball	8th Anniversary Mass	9:00 a.m. Monday	(2/4)
Helen Dillon	1st Anniversary Mass	9:00 a.m. Wednesday	(2/6)
Dennis Hanson	Birthday Remembrance	9:00 a.m. Thursday	(2/7)
Frank Silva	4th Anniversary Mass	9:00 a.m. Friday	(2/8)
Bernard Murphy & Family	Memorial Mass	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(2/9)
Pasquale & Fred Fiore	Memorial Mass	5:30 p.m. Saturday	(2/9)
John & Rose Russo	Memorial Mass	8:30 a.m. Sunday	(2/10)
Michael Cronin	10th Anniversary Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(2/10)

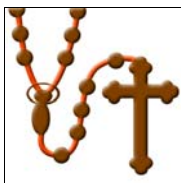


### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

On Wednesday evenings 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 Ro-

sary. Come, pray

the Rosary and stay for all or part of that special weekly time of prayer and adoration. You deserve the peace and quiet that come from being in the presence of the Lord. All are welcome.



### The United Parish Food Pantry is

at the Cliftondale Congregational Church, 50 Essex Street. On the second weekend of each month we collect food for the food pantry. (Please: check the expiration date.)

Volunteers are also needed. If you are free on Friday mornings, you are needed. Drop by at 9:30 a.m. or call Carol Cashman (781-558-1092) to volunteer. The Pantry operates Fridays from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. **Our next Food Collection Weekend is February 9 & 10, 2008.** Your donation of food is always needed. Thank you for your generosity.

### Marriage Intentions

**Robert J. Casey & Elizabeth F. Ford**  
February 23, 2008

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, **Paul Eaves, Jason Carmody** and **Michael McMorrow.**

### The Faithful Departed

**Hazel Reilly - Irene Cuneo - Irene Gallant**

The Sick **Karen Shirk - Ed Fallon**

The Feast of St. Blase is February 3. On this weekend we will offer a general **blissing of throats** after each Mass. Those wishing an individual blessing may approach the altar. "Through the intercession of St. Blase, Bishop and Martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness: in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen."



### Bicentennial Pilgrimage:

Plan to mark the Bicentennial of the Archdiocese of Boston by coming together in prayer and fellowship with pilgrims from across the Archdiocese and from throughout the world at the **49th International Eucharistic Congress, June 18—24, 2008, in Quebec City, Canada.** Pope Benedict has approved the theme of the congress: "*The Eucharist, God's gift for the life of the world.*" He invites Catholics to converge on Quebec City to deepen their spiritual lives through the Eucharist. The Archdiocesan Pilgrimage will provide a comprehensive travel package specially for adult members of the Archdiocese as well as a package tailored to young adults - complete details will be forthcoming. For information contact Father Michael Drea at 617-479-5400 ext 12.



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**Keep those Shaw's and Star Market cash register receipts coming** (also get them from relatives, neighbors and coworkers, etc.)! \$100.04 was received this week bringing the total received thus far to \$780.07. Each week about \$5,000.00 in Cash. Therefore keep those Cash Register Receipts coming! A basket is provided in the front vestibule of the Church. The Parish will receive 1% of the total of those cash register receipts. Thank you.

**The Living Rosary Pilgrimage:** will be on Sunday, February 10th at 2:00 p.m. at St. Joseph parish, Lynn. Rev. James Gaudreau will lead the gathering in a Holy Hour and Benediction. All are welcome.

**Grand Annual Collection:** Our thanks to those who have responded to our Grand Annual Collection. To date 169 Parish families have donated \$27,325.00. This Collection has made possible most of the improvements that have been made to our Church inside and out. Please allow us to continue improvements to the Parish property and programs through your generous response to the Grand Annual Collection. A reminder letter was recently mailed to those who have not participated in the Grand Annual Collection as yet. It is our hope that with over 1400 registered households in the Parish we can improve our participation rate.



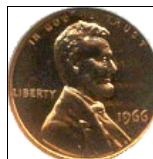
**Joint Parish Pastoral Council Meeting:** The Parish Pastoral Council will meet with the PPC of

Blessed Sacrament Parish on Tuesday, February 12 at 7:30 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall. It is very important that every member be present. Sister Marion Batho, CSJ, of the Planning Office of the Archdiocese will be our guest. She wants to be with us to see how we are trying to cooperate together. Her insights will also be very valuable to us.

*"Walk worthy of the Lord  
and please Him in every way."  
(Colossians 1:10)*

**"A Taste Of Italy"  
Parish Annual**

**Dinner:** Make plans to come to our Annual Dinner on Saturday, February 16, 2008. The theme this year is "A Taste of Italy!" And a wonderful menu has been planned. Menu and tickets are now available after weekend Masses and at the Rectory. Tickets are at \$30.00 per person. Why not gather a group of friends or family members and reserve a table together?



**Annual Penny Sale:** Yes, we are going to have our Annual Penny - date to be announced soon! In the meantime, we would appreciate your help! Needed are 200 new items with a value of \$5.00 or more (no alcohol or tobacco products). These will become the prizes at the Penny Sale! So, start bringing those needed prize items to the rectory—just leave them at the front entryway or to church—leave them in the vestibule. We need your help and thank you for your cooperation.

*"The best Penny Sale in Town!"*



**The St Vincent de Paul Society** wishes to thank all of those who supported the Spaghetti Supper and raffle which earned \$851.00 to assist the needy of the Parish with food and fuel. Raffle winners were Pauline Kimball - Lottery basket, Nancy Luoma - Afghan, Mary Dunphy - Target gift certificate. Special thanks to Corinne Riley for organizing the event and to Frank Piwowski for cooking.

**Second Collections**

Parish Monthly Collection - February 9 & 10  
Peter's Pence - February 16 & 17



**Offertory Collection:** Last Sunday's collection was \$2,832.00 and the collection for the for the Church in Latin America was \$1,216.00. Attendance at the weekend Masses was 528. Thank you for your generosity to the Parish and to the Missions of the Church.

**ATTENTION ALL MIDDLE SCHOOLERS****Snow Camps March 7-9, 2008**

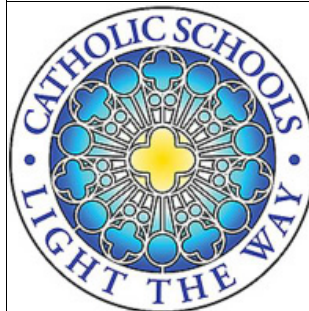
SNOW CAMPS APPLICATIONS are HERE!! Get one NOW and invite at least one friend to join all Saint Margaret's CAMPERS to Snow Camps - the best weekend of your life! The highly-concentrated experience is jam-packed with games, discussions, talks, singing, & lots of new & different, fun & crazy activities. Through it all your junior highs will see, hear, & sense that Christ loves them and wants them to know the joy of living life to the **FULLEST!** Please: applications in by Feb. 1.

**FAMINE TEAM MEETINGS: 3/3, 3/10, 3/17, 3/24 2:45pm** Be a part of something wonderful and join the Famine Team!! All ages welcome to lead our teens through 30 hours of prayer, fasting and experiencing poverty first hand...all the while raising conscientiousness and money to help those in need internationally and locally. You will save thousands of lives - and change your own FOREVER! The Famine is set for Palm Sunday March 15th & 16th

**A Valentine Invitation:** Would you like to live your life more deeply in the midst our hectic world? Lent offers an opportunity to hear in a fresh new way the loving and deeper invitations of Jesus to each of us. Learn how to recognize such invitations in a Biblical perspective. When? Where? Reserve four Thursday evenings beginning Valentine's day to listen to presentations (via DVD) by Rev. Ron Rolheiser, OMI whose captivating style brings a modern approach to spirituality to a new generation of seekers. He is the author of many best-selling spiritual books. His weekly column appears in Catholic newspapers around the world.

This Lenten Series will be facilitated by Sr. Mary O'Rourke, CSJ on Thursdays, February 14, 21, 28 & March 6 at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Don't pass up this invitation. Bring friends. Enrich your life and their lives this Lent. Registration forms can be found at the doors of the Church. Please return the forms to the rectory by Ash Wednesday, February 6.



Catholic Schools are planning for the Fall 2008. If you are interested in a Catholic School for your child, why not arrange a visit now? Below are listed Catholic Schools in our area. All are having Open Houses

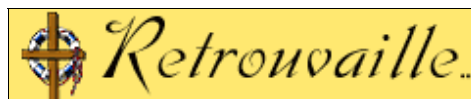
soon, so call now.

**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
St. John School, Peabody	978-531-0444

**High Schools**

Malden Catholic High School, Malden	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

**REDISCOVER A LOVING MARRIAGE WITH A RETROUVAILLE WEEKEND.**

If your marriage is tearing the two of you apart, if there is little or no meaningful communication, if you are considering separation or divorce, we believe Retrouvaille can help you. Look us up on the web at [www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com) or call 1-800-470-2230. The next New England Retrouvaille weekend will be held February 8-10, 2008. Call for information. All calls are confidential.

... a Lifeline for Troubled Marriages



**Immediate Preparation For Confirmation:** If you are an adult who may never have received the Sacrament of Confirmation, we would welcome you to come forward at this time. Our RCIA

team is here waiting to serve you! We meet on Saturday morning from 9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. in the Parish Hall of Saint Margaret Church. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be administered on Sunday, March 30 by Bishop John Bowles, Retired Auxiliary Bishop of Boston. (Unfortunately, due to a change in his schedule, Cardinal O'Malley will not be able to administer Confirmation in our Parish this year.) Confirmation is the sacrament that leads Christians toward a more intimate union with Christ and a more lively familiarity with the Holy Spirit - His actions, His gifts, and His biddings - in order to be more capable of assuming the apostolic responsibilities of Christian life. Confirmation is also required in becoming Godparent to a child or adult receiving Baptism. If you desire to prepare for this sacrament or know of someone who is interested please let Fr. George know. Attending meetings now will prepare you for the upcoming reception of the sacrament on March 30.



### **Men and Women Catholic Confer-**

**ences:** Keep these dates open: 2008 Men's Conference - Will be on Saturday April 19, 2008 at Boston College's Conte Forum and the 2008 Women's Conference - Will be on ei-

ther Friday evening April 18, 2008 or Sunday April 20, 2008 at Boston College's Conte Forum. It is our hope that a good number of both men and women from our Parish and community will participate in these excellent conferences. We hope to order a good number of tickets. If you are interested, let us know.

### **The Sacrament of Baptism** is

*usually* celebrated on the third Sunday each month at 12 Noon. (However for the month of March, Baptism will be on March 9.) There is a Preparation Meeting prior to the Baptism of a child which is held every other month. The next Preparation meetings for parents & godparents are on Thursday, February 7, April 3, June 5, August 7, October 2, December 4, 2008 in the Parish Hall at 7:00 p.m. Please call the Rectory (781-233-1040) to register.



## **Lenten Regulations on Fast and Abstinence**

Ash Wednesday (February 6, 2008) marks the beginning of Lent. The following fasting and abstinence regulations are observed:

- Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years of age and older.
- Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics who are 18 years of age but not yet 59 years of age. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.
- The special Paschal fast and abstinence are observed on Good Friday and, where possible, on Holy Saturday. On these days, Christians prepare themselves by these disciplines in anticipation of the renewal of their baptismal commitment on Easter.

From its earliest days, the Church has urged the baptized and the catechumens to observe the threefold discipline of fasting, almsgiving, and prayer as a preparation for the celebration of Easter. Failure to observe individual days of penance is not considered serious, but failure to observe any penitential days at all or a substantial number of such days must be considered serious.

During Lent, the Church encourages attendance at daily Mass, self-imposed times of fasting, and generosity to local, national, and worldwide programs of sharing.



**QUIZ** Can you choose the correct endings?

- The Lord would leave as a remnant:  
(a) a people humble and lowly (b) a strong army  
(c) those he had rejected?
- Happy the poor in spirit, for theirs is:  
(a) influence over others (b) a life without trouble  
(c) the kingdom of heaven?
- To shame the strong, God chose:  
(a) the clever (b) those of royal descent  
(c) the weak of this world?
- Blest are the single-hearted, for they:  
(a) shall see God (b) shall achieve their goals  
(c) shall conquer others?
- Be glad when you are slandered and persecuted because of Christ, for:  
(a) God will save you (b) your reward in heaven is great  
(c) your opponents will die?

ANSWERS

The correct answers are: 1(a); 2(c); 3(c); 4(a); 5(b)

**WORDSEARCH**

Can you find and circle the words listed below the wordsearch grid?

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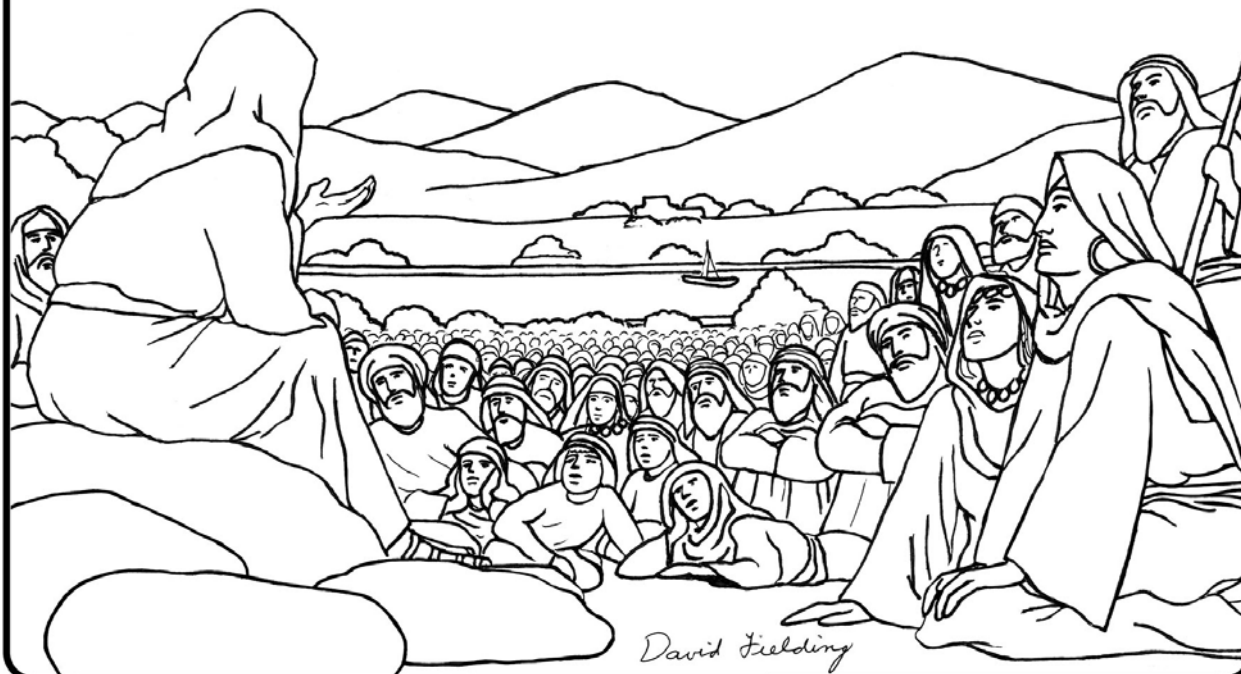
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**A PICTURE TO COLOR**

GOSPEL READING: MT 5, 1-12



David Fielding