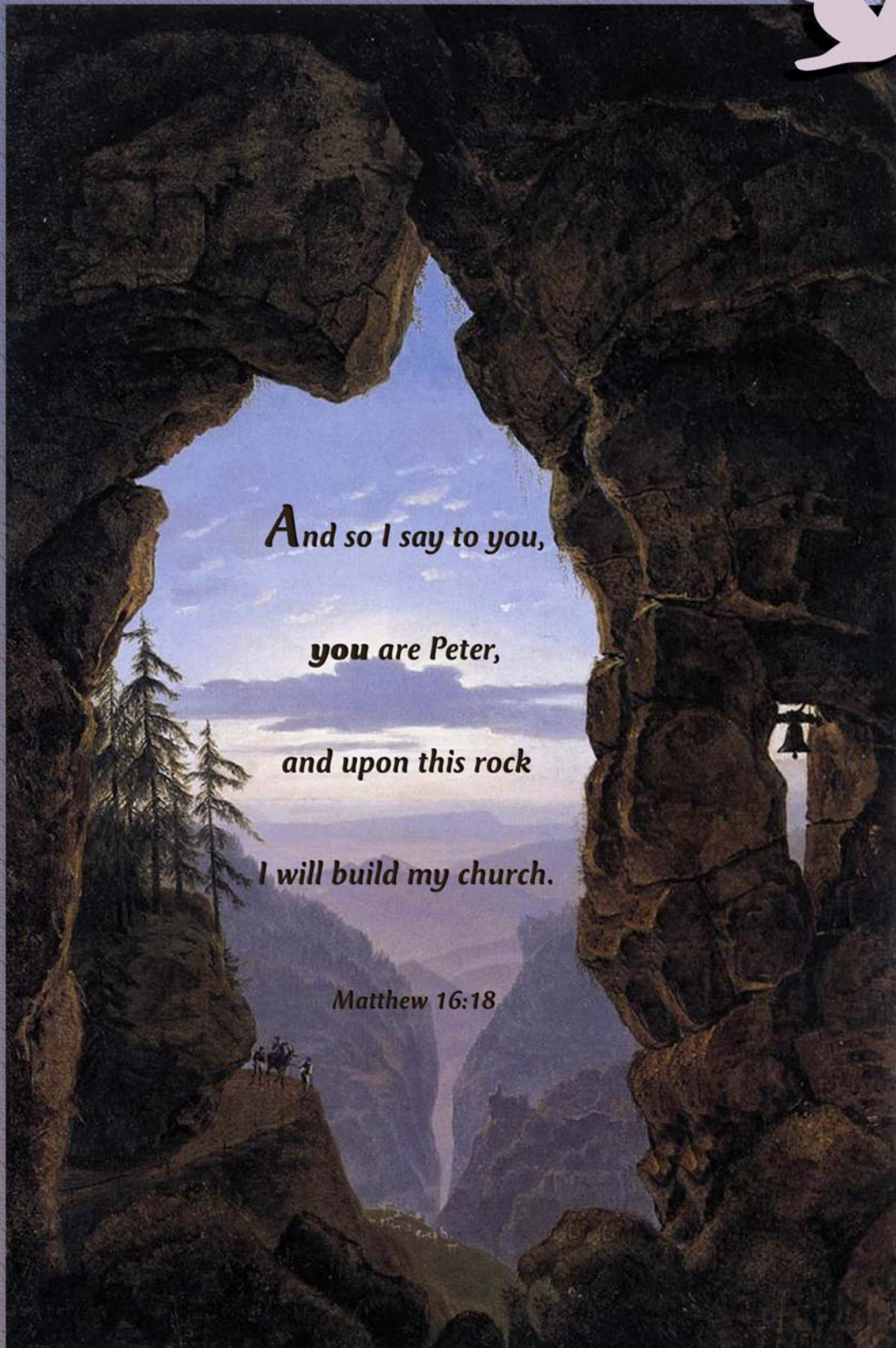


Saint Margaret Parish
Saugus ~ North Revere, Massachusetts

*Our mission is to foster the spiritual growth of our Parishioners,
to reach out to the community, and to spread the Word of God.*



And so I say to you,

you are Peter,

and upon this rock

I will build my church.

Matthew 16:18

Mass Intentions

George McCabe	Memorial Mass	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(8/20)
Marjorie Castiello	7th Anniversary Mass	5:30 p.m. Saturday	(8/20)
Frank Trudeau	7th Anniversary Mass	8:30 a.m. Sunday	(8/21)
Russell Campanello	7th Anniversary Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(8/21)
Lillian Paturzo	Birthday Remembrance	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(8/27)
Ralph & Elena Vietri	Memorial Mass	5:30 p.m. Saturday	(8/27)
Melvin Melanson	Birthday Remembrance	8:30 a.m. Sunday	(8/28)
Anna Troy	7th Anniversary Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(8/28)



Religious Education of our Young: As we prepare for the fall and a new year of Religious Education, we are in need of men and women who will serve as catechists for children in Grades 1 through 6. For Grades 7 & 8, parents will be requested to participate in our once a month program and in Grade 9 discussion group facilitators are needed. Please pray about this important ministry for our children. If you have questions or need more information, call the rectory at 781-233-1040.

Is God calling you? The Church needs you to serve the spiritual needs of God’s people. Is God calling you to serve as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? If He is, call the Vocation Office of the Archdiocese (617-746-5949).

Vocations: Everybody’s Business: Archbishop Sean is asking each Parish to establish a Vocations Committee. The role of this committee is threefold: to pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life; to promote vocation awareness; and identify and invite men and women to consider a vocation to the priesthood or religious life. This is not to be a large committee and the time commitment will be very manageable. A regional committee workshop is scheduled for September 12. Thank you for your consideration. For questions/information call Fr. George (781-233-1040).

Marriage Intentions

Michael Hogan ~ Jeanne Imbrogno (8/27)



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: On Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. you are invited to come and spend time in adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Life is hectic and we are all busy. We have the perfect antidote: come and rest and bring all your hearts desires to the Lord present in the Eucharist.

Mass times: Away from home? Go to www.masstimes.org for information about Mass schedules, maps and directions wherever you may be.

“Be still and know that I am God.”

“I was sick and you comforted me.” Did you ever consider being a Hospice Volunteers caring for the terminally ill and their families. Training session begin in October. Call David 781-338-7863 to learn more about being a Hospice Volunteer.



The Liturgy of the Word for Children: Parents, take advantage of this opportunity for children. After the opening prayer of Mass, the children gather in the Parish Hall to hear the

Word of God and to have it presented to them on their level. Only a few Sundays remain. The last Sunday for this program is August 28. Thanks to the parents who brought their young children and to the adults who have made this possible.

Fundraising Week: We are pleased to announce that five consultants have volunteered to sell their products during the week of September 19 and will give St. Margaret Parish a percentage of their sales! The product lines are: **“Pampered Chef”** with Cindy Liuzza, **“Creative Memories”** with Michelle Nadeau, **“Party Lite”** with Mary-Ellen Picardi, **“Home Interiors”** with Cookie McCormack and Barbara Spilsbury, **“Avon”** with Lorraine Repoli. Please keep this week in mind to come and purchase products that you are interested in, or would like to find out about, it is never too early to take care of your Christmas shopping and you’ll be helping out our Parish. Further details will follow. Our thanks to those who have volunteered in making this week possible.

Monday Morning Bible Study Group: 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 Old Testament Book of Job. Come on Monday, September 12 and receive an overview of what and how the program works and see all the benefit that comes from being formed in the Word of God.



Join the Choir! Choir rehearsals are beginning again, on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. Visit Ben after Mass and speak to him about your becoming part of our growing choir.



Communion to the Homebound:

Do you know someone who is not able to come to Mass and would appreciate receiving Holy Communion on a regular basis? If so, call the Rectory (781-233-1040). Our Parish has some wonderful Ministers of Holy Communion who would be glad to visit on a regular basis throughout the year.



Gerontology Classes Open at UMass: The University of Massachusetts is accepting applications for its Manning Certificate Program of Gerontology, which prepares students to work with the elderly. The program is designed to give students the skills and resources needed to plan for an aging society, work in the aging network, and advocate for elders. Daytime classes are on Wednesdays beginning September 7 for two semesters. There is also an evening program available. Credits from the Program can be applied towards a Bachelor's Degree. The program is financial aid approved. For information or an application call 617-287-7330.



In the Letter of St. James we find the question, "Is there anyone sick among you?" The response is that the sick are to call the priests of the Church who are to pray over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. This Sacrament is not to be looked upon as the "Last Rites" but as a powerful instrument of God's healing and strength. Therefore, prior to surgery or when diagnosed with or living with a serious illness avail yourself of this gift. On the First Friday of September (September 2) this Sacrament is offered following the 9:00 a.m. Mass (unless there is a funeral) or at any time at your convenience. Call the Rectory to make arrangements.

Kevin Baumann: We continue to keep the "bucket" with fliers about Kevin in the vestibule of the Church. Whatever you can do is greatly appreciated. You may deposit your offering directly into the Kevin Baumann Medical Fund, account # 25005, tax number 04-692-9285, at the Saugus Federal Credit Union. Please pray for Kevin and his family.

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: _____

Peter's Powers by Dr. Scott Hahn

In the Gospel for the Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time, Jesus gives Peter the "keys to the kingdom of heaven" and the powers to "bind and loose." In this He fulfills a prophecy of Isaiah (see Isaiah 22:15-24). In the Davidic kingdom, the king appointed a prime minister to handle the kingdom's day-to-day affairs. Peter is being appointed prime minister of the restored kingdom of David, the Church. The "keys" are a symbol of the king's power, authority, and control (see Revelation 1:18; 3:7). The reference to "binding" and "loosing" is a familiar allusion to the rabbis' powers to declare what is permitted and what is not permitted. As prime minister of the kingdom of heaven, Peter is being made "chief rabbi," with ultimate authority to teach and to declare what will be allowed and what will not. Jesus rebuked the Pharisees and scribes for locking the kingdom of heaven and barring entrance to those trying to enter (see Matthew 23:13). In the new kingdom, their authority has been given to Peter (see also Matthew 21:43). In the Church - a kingdom both earthly and temporal and heavenly and eternal - Peter and his successors will bind and loose, opening the gates of salvation for all who would enter. And in the Book of Acts, Peter is clearly shown as the Church's chief teacher (4:1-22), preacher (2:14-42), judge (5:1-11), healer (5:15), and administrator (1:15-26).

The United Parish Food Pantry, located at the Cliftondale Congregational Church, 50 Essex Street, needs volunteers. Drop by any Friday at 9:30 a.m. and you will be put to work! Our next food donation weekend is September 10 & 11. Please bring a non-perishable food item when you come to Church. Your food donation is always needed and very much appreciated. Thank you.

2005 Annual Catholic Appeal Update: A recent update shows that 116 Parish members/families have donated/pledged \$15,230.00 to this year's Catholic Appeal. This represents 69% of our Parish goal which is \$22,100.00. This is amazing and I thank you very much. To those who have not donated or made a pledge as yet, I would encourage them to do so as soon as possible. If we should surpass our goal, the Parish will receive 25% of what is given over and above the set goal. Thank you for your support of the Appeal.

Second Collections

- Home Missions August 29 & 21
- Parish Monthly Collection September 10 & 11
- Catholic University September 17 & 18

The Offertory Collection last Sunday was \$2,592.00 and the Parish Monthly Collection was \$1,630.00. Thank you for your generosity to the needs of our Parish and for the Church throughout the world.

