

# Saint Margaret Parish

Saugus - North Revere Massachusetts

August 26, 2007

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time



## JEAN FRANÇOIS MILLET L'ANGÉLUS [THE ANGELUS] 1857–1859

A man and a woman are reciting the Angelus, a prayer which commemorates the annunciation made to Mary by the angel Gabriel. They have stopped digging potatoes and all the tools used for this task – the potato fork, the basket, the sacks and the wheelbarrow – are strewn around them. In 1865, Millet said: "The idea for *The Angelus* came to me because I remembered that my grandmother, hearing the church bell ringing while we were working in the fields, always made us stop work to say the Angelus prayer for the poor departed". So it was a childhood memory which was behind the painting and not the desire to glorify some religious feeling; besides Millet was not a church-goer. He wanted to catch the immutable rhythms of peasant life in a simple scene. Here he has focused on a short break, a moment of respite.

Alone in the foreground in a huge empty plain, the two peasants take on a monumental quality, despite the small size of the canvas. Their faces are left in shadow, while the light underlines their gestures and posture. The canvas expresses a deep feeling of meditation and Millet goes beyond the anecdote to the archetype.

Perhaps that explains the extraordinary destiny of *The Angelus*: it triggered an unbelievable rush of patriotic fervor when the Louvre tried to buy it in 1889, was venerated by Salvador Dali, lacerated by a madman in 1932 and became a world-famous icon in the 20th century. Perhaps it will cause us to pause in our work and elevate our minds and hearts to God—asking that he bless the work of our hands.

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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.

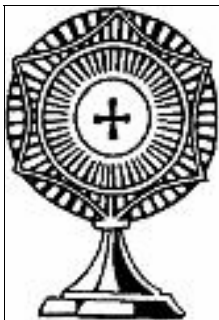
Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00 ~ 3:45 p.m. and by appointment

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

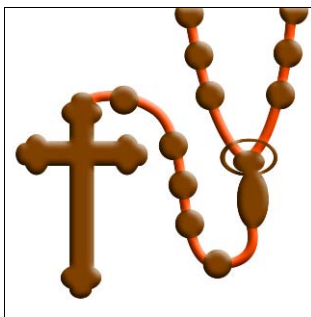


### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

On Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 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. 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. Also, on Sunday mornings, at 9:30 a.m. the Rosary will be prayed prior to the 10:00 a.m. Mass.



### Children's Liturgy of the Word

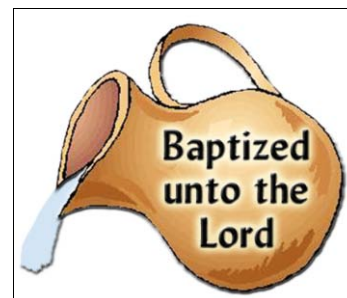
### The Liturgy of the Word for Children:

Next weekend, September 2, will be the last Sunday for the Liturgy of the Word for Children for this season.

On September 2, there will be an Ice Cream Social following the 10:00 a.m. Mass to celebrate this wonderful program and to give everyone an opportunity to view all the beautiful work the children did throughout the summer. It will also give everyone an opportunity to thank Cheryl Myers and Gerrie Milgroom for all the attention and care they give this program of faith sharing with the children of the Parish. All are welcome to the Ice Cream Social.

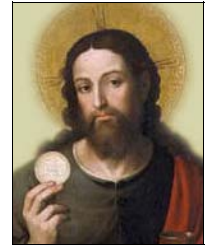
*The more we depend on God,  
the more dependable God is.*

**The Sacrament of Baptism:** During this month of August we welcomed into the Body of Christ, through the saving waters of Baptism, the following Children: **Sebastian Joseph DeThomas & Duncan James DeThomas**, children of Frederick and Lauren; **Oliver Edward Swart**, child of Jonathan & Cara; **Raelyn Carmen Quiles**, child of Ramon & Linda; **Kaylee Sandra Hefferman**, child of Daniel & Michelle; **Nicholas David Muise**, child of David & Lisa; **Sarah Lauren Marciano**, child of Christopher & Angela; **Thomas Joseph Russell**, child of Frank & Susan. Our congratulations to these parents and our prayerful encouragement to them to raise their children with a lively faith, hope and love of God.



### Mass Intentions

John Stella & Mary Jane Renzi	Memorial Mass	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(8/25)
Frank Trudeau	9th Anniversary Mass	5:30 p.m. Saturday	(8/25)
Thomas Eaves	1st Anniversary Mass	8:30 a.m. Sunday	(8/26)
Joanne Paoletta	2nd Anniversary Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(8/26)
Edward Monahan	39th Anniversary Mass	9:00 a.m. Tuesday	(8/28)
Frances DeAngelis	1st Anniversary Mass	4:00 a.m. Saturday	(9/1)
Julia Harrington	22nd Anniversary Mass	5:30 p.m. Saturday	(9/1)
Rocco & Susan LaVacca	Memorial Mass	8:30 a.m. Sunday	(9/2)
Karen Piazza	Memorial Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(9/2)



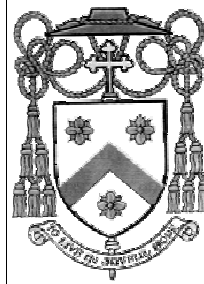
**The Religious Education Program Needs Your Help!** Consider offering your time and talent to share your faith with the children and young people of the Parish. **One teacher is needed for Grade 3 and one teacher is needed for Grade 4. In addition, we also need teachers helpers, substitute teachers, hall monitors, discussion group facilitators for the Confirmation Year I and II. Please prayerfully consider helping in this most important Parish Ministry. What could be more important than sharing the faith with the children and young people of our Parish?** Please call Carol if you wish to help with Grades 1 through 6 and call Andrea for Grades 7 through 10. Call them at 781-233-1040.

**Religious Education Registration:** Classes begin very soon - September 9. Now is the time to register for our Religious Education Program for Grades 1 through 10. In addition to those who have participated in the past we also welcome new children and young people for the coming year: Grade 1 children, those new to the Parish, and Catholic High School Students preparing for Confirmation. Registration Forms and appropriate schedules may be obtained at the Rectory. The Registration Fee is \$60.00 per student with a maximum of \$75.00 per family.



### **SAINT MARGARET PARISH PRESENTS THE RCIA**

RCIA (**the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**) is an ongoing process for those seeking to become members of the Catholic Church through Baptism or if one has been Baptized in another Christian Faith to be admitted into Full Communion in the Catholic Church. It also invites those who have been Baptized but have not received Eucharist and/or Confirmation to enter into the process and receive these sacraments. If you know anyone who might be interested, let them know what we are offering. To further encourage them, you might bring them to at least the initial meeting. Weekly meetings are informal gatherings of prayer, inquiry and rich discussion. Meetings will begin in the Fall. More information will follow.



**Parish Visitation:** Church law requires the Bishop of a Diocese to have a formal visit with each of his Parishes at least once every six years. Thus it is the responsibility of Cardinal Sean with the assistance of his auxiliary Bishops to visit every Parish in the Archdiocese every six years.

Last week we received notification that Bishop Francis X. Irwin, our regional bishop, and representing Cardinal Sean, will visit Saint Margaret's Parish on Wednesday, September 19. The visit will begin in the afternoon giving Bishop Irwin time to meet individually with Carol Nadeau, the Parish Secretary and Administrator of Religious Education, Andrea Alberti, our Youth Minister, Gerrie Milgroom, our Pastoral Associate, Ben DiScipio, our Music Director and with Father George, our Pastor. After supper, the Bishop Irwin will meet with the Parish Pastoral Council and the Parish Finance Council. We look forward to this visit which will give the Bishop an opportunity to see and appreciate what we are doing here at Saint Margaret's.



**ST. PAUL CENTER  
FOR BIBLICAL THEOLOGY**

### Gateway to Life By Dr. Scott Hahn

Jesus doesn't answer the question put to Him in this Sunday's Gospel. It profits us nothing to speculate on how many will be saved. What we need to know is what He tells us today - how to enter into salvation and how urgent it is to strive now, before the Master closes the door. Jesus is "the narrow gate," the only way of salvation, the path by which all must travel to enter the kingdom of the Father (see John 14:6). In Jesus, God has come - as He promises in this week's First Reading - to gather nations of every language, to reveal to them His glory. Eating and drinking with them, teaching in their streets, Jesus in the Gospel is slowly making His way to Jerusalem. There, Isaiah's vision will be fulfilled: On the holy mountain He will be lifted up (see John 3:14), will draw to Himself brethren from among all the nations - to worship in the heavenly Jerusalem, to glorify Him for His kindness, as we sing in Sunday's Psalm. In God's plan, the kingdom was proclaimed first to the Israelites and last to the Gentiles (see Romans 1:16; Acts 3:25-26), who in the Church have come from the earth's four corners to make up the new people of God (see Isaiah 43:5-6; Psalm 107:2-3). Many however will lose their place at the heavenly table, Jesus warns. Refusing to accept His narrow way they will weaken, render themselves unknown to the Father (see Isaiah 63:15-16). We don't want to be numbered among those of drooping hands and weak knees (see Isaiah 35:3). So we must strive for that narrow gate, a way of hardship and suffering - the way of the beloved Son. As this week's Epistle reminds us, by our trials we know we are truly God's sons and daughters. We are being disciplined by our afflictions, strengthened to walk that straight and narrow path - that we may enter the gate, take our place at the banquet of the righteous.

*A service of the St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology  
www.SalvationHistory.com*

### 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 Gospel According to John and the Johannine Epistles. Come on Monday, September 10, 2007, 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.



### Basic Truths of the Catholic

**Church:** Father John MacInnis is offering a course on the basic truths of the Catholic Church. Using the Catechism of the Catholic Church as the primary source the course will examine the Creed, the Christian Moral Life and the Liturgical practice of the Church. This is a good basic course and is recommend for all. The course will be on Thursdays from 7-9 PM and beginning Thursday, September 6 at St. John the Evangelist Parish, Peabody. Pre-registration is required. Please see Father George.

**Spanish Religious Education Classes:** Saint John the Baptist Parish, 17 Chestnut Street, Peabody, MA is offering Religious Education classes in Spanish for children and young people Kindergarten to Confirmation. Classes are on Sunday from 9:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and begin on September 16. For information/registration call Ana Rodriquez at 978-531-0002 ext. 338.

**Saugus Domestic Violence Walk:** The annual walk to raise awareness about Domestic Violence will be held Saturday, September 29, 10:00 a.m. Breakheart Reservation in Saugus. This is a fun walk for everyone. T-shirts, door prizes & refreshments. Area organizations such as HAWC (Help Abused Women & Children) and GLSS (Greater Lynn Senior Services) and others will be represented, and literature will be available. The cost is \$7.00 per individual, or \$10.00 per family. All are welcome to this special event, sponsored by the Saugus Coalition Against Domestic Violence.



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Please keep bringing your Shaw's and Star Market cash register receipts (*also get them from relatives, neighbors and coworkers, etc.*). A basket is provided in the front vestibule of the Church. The Parish will receive 1% of the total of those cash register receipts. **We received another return of \$133.36 from this fundraising effort. Total received to date is not \$248.52.** Everything helps, so keep those receipt coming! Thank you.

**14 Days of Christmas Calendar:** Last year the Choir had a very successful fundraiser, a money calendar. Using their idea we hope to make it a Parish wide fund raising event. This past Monday by way of the mail we invited all registered Parishioners to donate toward three of our "14 Days of Christmas Calendar." Of course if you wish, more calendars are available at the Rectory. A wonderful prize will be offered on each of the 14 days, from December 24 to January 6. The letter which accompanies calendar reads:

Dear Friends,

Thank you for support of our "14 Days of Christmas Calendar" Fundraiser. In the past year we have made great efforts at making Saint Margaret's a more prayerful and beautiful place to worship and sing the praises of God. All the renovations have been made possible through the generosity and hard work of our Parishioners.

This calendar fundraiser is another attempt to raise funds to continue to improve our Parish property and programs. Will you help us?

Enclosed are three calendars. We ask you to make a donation of \$10.00 for each calendar. You may use them as Christmas gifts, or ask neighbors, relatives, friends and associates at work, to make a donation towards one of our calendars. If you need more than three, we have more available at the Rectory. Just ask. Everything you do is of great help and appreciated.

Wishing you and yours goodness and peace and grateful for your help in this fundraising effort, I am,

Sincerely yours, Rev. George E. Morin

**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:**



**The 2007 Catholic Appeal:** The Parish has arrived at 99% of its goal (which is \$19,500.00)! To date 132 Parishioners have donated \$19,457.00 to the Appeal! Thank you so much for your positive response. Wouldn't it be great if 10 more families donated \$5.00 over the course of the year (that's 50 cents a month from now to next May)! A reminder: the Parish will receive a return of 25% of all donations which exceed the Parish goal.



**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** Please support the valuable work of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society by remembering to place an offering in the Poor Boxes located at the Church doors.

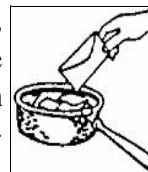
All that is received in the Poor Boxes goes to helping people in our community who are experiencing an urgent need related to food, shelter and clothing.

*"Whatsoever you do to the least of my brothers, you do to me."*

### Second Collections

Peru Earthquake Victims - August 25 & 26  
Parish Monthly Collection - September 8 & 9

**Offertory Collection** Last Sunday's Collection was \$3,330.00 and the Catholic Home Missions Collection was \$887.00. Thank you for your generosity to the needs of the Parish. Mass attendance was 505. (The collection one year ago on August 20, 2006 was \$2,628.00.)





### BIBLE DETECTIVE

See what you can discover for yourself about the background to the readings.

#### THE LETTER TO THE HEBREWS

The author of the Letter to the Hebrews was the Apostle Paul (although someone else did the actual writing\*). The letter was written in Rome, maybe in the year 63 or 64 A.D. This was about 30 years after the death and resurrection of Jesus.

Paul had been a prisoner in Rome until shortly before 63 A.D.

Can you discover why he was imprisoned? What took him to Rome? Was he imprisoned more than once? What happened to Paul in the end? Where and how did he die?

(\* According to the Catholic Encyclopaedia)

### FILL IN THE GAPS

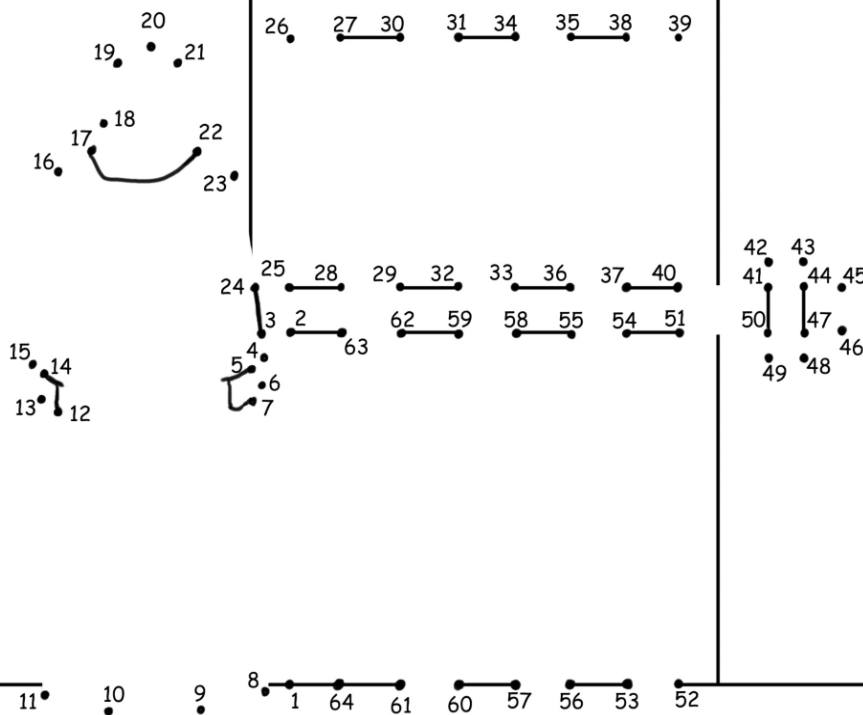
The sentences below are missing key words. Can you find the correct ones? (They are all in today's readings.)

- I know their \_\_\_\_\_ and their \_\_\_\_\_, and I come to gather nations of every \_\_\_\_\_.
- My son, do not \_\_\_\_\_ the discipline of the Lord, or lose \_\_\_\_\_ when \_\_\_\_\_ by him.
- For what "\_\_\_\_\_" is there, whom his \_\_\_\_\_ does not \_\_\_\_\_?
- \_\_\_\_\_ asked him, "Lord, will only a \_\_\_\_\_ people be \_\_\_\_\_?"
- For \_\_\_\_\_, some are \_\_\_\_\_ who will be first, and some are \_\_\_\_\_ who will be last.

#### ANSWERS

1. works, thoughts, language 2. disdain, heart, reproved  
 3. son, father, discipline 4. Someone, few, saved  
 5. behold, last, first

### CONNECT THE DOTS



READING:  
LUKE 13:22-30

David Fielding

# **Saint Margaret's Family Movie Night**

**Who: Fun for The whole Family**

**Where: St. Margaret's Church 431 Lincoln Ave.**

**When: Tuesday August 28, 2007 7:30 pm to 10:30 pm**

**What: Featuring footage from:**

**LIVING WATER  
CHILDREN'S WEEK**  
(approx.6 minutes)

**What: Large Screen Viewing of:**

**EVAN ALMIGHTY**  
(90 minutes)

**Cost: \$10.00 per family**

**Refreshments will be available to purchase for \$1.00 ea.**

**Pizza  
beverages  
Richie's slush  
snacks (popcorn, chips, etc.)**

**AND---- CAMPS COOKIES !!!!!**

**TICKETS WILL BE ON SALE AFTER MASS ON 8-11, 8-12, 8-18  
& 8-19 or by emailing [smym06@yahoo.com](mailto:smym06@yahoo.com)**

**CHILDREN UNDER 13 Must be accompanied by an Adult  
Children over 13 must have a completed permission slip  
(reverse)**

**Proceeds will go to St. Margaret's Youth Ministry**