



## *Parish Mission Statement*

*The Mission of  
Saint Margaret Parish  
is to foster the spiritual growth  
of our Parishioners,  
to reach out to the community,  
and to spread the Word of God.*

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*Saint Margaret Parish*

*Saugus - North Revere Massachusetts*

*September 9, 2007*

*Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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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

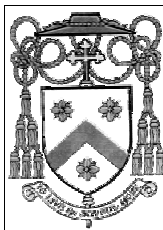
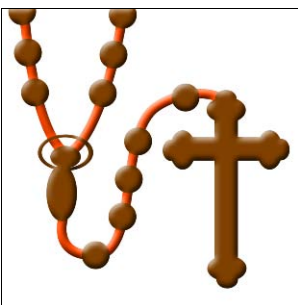
Weekend Assistance Father Lawrence Wetterholm - Father Vincent Cornejo



### 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 spe-

cial 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.



**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.

On Wednesday, September 19, Bishop Francis X. Irwin, our regional bishop, and representing Cardinal Sean, will visit Saint Margaret's Parish. Bishop Irwin will 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.

*"Escape from your everyday business for a while...Enter your mind's inner chamber. Shut out everything but God and say with your whole heart... 'Lord, my God teach me to seek you, and when I seek you, show yourself to me.'"*

*Saint Anselm*

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

### Mass Intentions

George Woodbury	Birthday Remembrance	4:00 p.m. Saturday	(9/8)
Ray Girard	3rd Anniversary Mass	5:30 p.m. Saturday	(9/8)
Joanne Paoletta	Birthday Remembrance	8:30 a.m. Sunday	(9/9)
Robert & Rita D'Agostino	Memorial Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(9/9)
Nicole & Angelina Parrottino	Memorial Mass	9:00 a.m. Monday	(9/10)
Jennie Palladino	13th Anniversary Mass	9:00 a.m. Friday	(9/14)
Frederick Collins (10th Anniv.) & Ellen Collins (11th Anniv.)		4:00 p.m. Saturday	(9/15)
Joshua Cahill	Anniversary Mass	5:30 p.m. Saturday	(9/15)
Rose M. Frontiera	20th Anniversary Mass	8:30 a.m. Sunday	(9/16)
Joseph Giunta	Anniversary Mass	10:00 a.m. Sunday	(9/16)



### 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 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.

**Religious Education Registration:** Classes begin 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



### SAINT MARGARET PARISH PRESENTS THE RCIA

#### The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)

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 on Saturday, September 22 at 9:00 a.m. to about 10:15 a.m.** For more information call 781-233-1040.

### Religious Education

**Grades 1 through 6:** Classes begin on Sunday, September 9 from 8:30 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. at the Belmonte Middle School.

**Grades 7 & 8:** A Parent meeting will be on Friday, September 7 at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. The first Class for 7 & 8 Grade students is Friday, October 5 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

**Grade 9 (Confirmation Year I):** There will be a Parent Meeting for Grade 9 on Sunday, September 16 at 6:30 p.m. Meeting will last no longer than one hour.

**Grade 9 Students** will begin the year with a Retreat that will begin on Saturday, September 22 at 5:00 p.m. and conclude at the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday morning.

**Grade 10 (Confirmation Year II)** There will be a meeting for Sponsors ONLY on Sunday, September 9 at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will last no more than one hour.


**Grade 10 Students** will begin their year of Confirmation Preparation with a Retreat beginning Saturday, September 15 at 5:00 p.m. and conclude on Sunday at the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

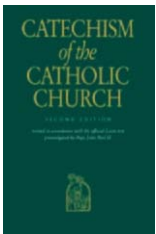
**Meeting for All Going on the Pilgrimage to Italy:** On Sunday, September 23, immediately after the 10:00 a.m. Mass, there will be an informal meeting for everyone going on the Pilgrimage to Italy with the Choir. The purpose of this meeting is to finalize any last minute issues and answer any questions you may have as the time of departure draws nearer.

**Saint Margaret Parish Choir Prepares for their Pilgrimage to Italy!** With only two weeks left before they leave for Italy, the Choir would like to thank all of St. Margaret's parishioners, their families and friends for their continued support throughout the past year's fundraising efforts. In return, they would like to share with you the many pictures, which will be taken on their pilgrimage to Italy. It is hoped that shortly after their return and given ample time, a slideshow will be prepared and available for viewing at a date and time to be announced in a future bulletin. We wish the Choir success at their singing venues in Italy and know that they will do their very best to make St. Margaret's proud. Arrivederci and God Bless!

**Workshop on Visiting the Sick:** Starting Thursday, September 20 and running for six weeks, a workshop on Pastoral Care to the Sick and Homebound will be offered at Saint Athanasius Parish, Reading, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Parish Activity Center. Nan Bouché, a certified Chaplain and former coordinator of Catholic Pastoral Services at Jordan Hospital in Plymouth, will teach the course. The workshop will include a review of communication skills, the basics of pastoral visitation, key illness issues, spiritual needs and concerns, grief, loss and dying, and care giving issues. Those who might wish to assist the Parish by visiting the homebound, the hospitalized and long term care facilities would do well to participate in this program. Register through the Parish and pre-register by September 17.

**Ready, Set, Breakfast!**  Our Monthly Breakfasts will start up again on Sunday, October 14. Stay tuned for menu & pricing information. We appreciate your support and participation of our monthly Breakfasts.

**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.

**Domestic Violence Walk:**  The annual walk to raise awareness about Domestic Violence is Sat. Sept. 29, 10:00 a.m. at Breakheart Reservation. A fun walk for all—T-shirts, door prizes & refreshments. Organizations such as HAWC (Help Abused Women & Children) & GLSS (Greater Lynn Senior Services) will be represented & literature will be available. The cost is \$7.00 per individual, or \$10.00 per family. All welcome to this 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. Last week registered Parishioners received by way of the mail three "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: Congratulations! The Parish has arrived at 101% of its goal (which is \$19,500.00)! To date 133 Parishioners have donated \$19,707.00 to the Appeal! Thank you so much for your positive response.** A reminder: the Parish will now receive a return of 25% of all donations which exceed the Parish goal. If you haven't given to the Appeal as yet, please do your part in helping the mission of the Church in our Archdiocese.



**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.

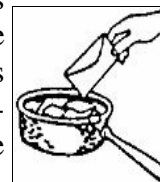
All that is received in the Poor Boxes goes to helping people in our community who are experiencing an urgent need related to food, shelter and clothing.

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

**Second Collections**

Parish Monthly Collection - September 8 & 9

**Offertory Collection** Last Sunday's Collection was \$4,026.00 and the Catholic University Collection was \$938.00. Thank you for your generosity to the needs of the Parish and the educational mission of the Church.



Mass attendance was 504. (The collection one year ago on September 3, 2006 was \$2,777.00.)



**1<sup>st</sup> Annual Revere Beach Memorial:**

Remembering those whose lives have been cut short due to alcohol and drugs. All are welcome to join in the service of remembrance on Sunday, September 16, 2007 at the William G. Reinstein Bandstand, Revere Beach, 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Everyday we remember.....Let’s spend a moment

remembering together. (Alternate rain date will be Sunday, Sept. 23, 2007)

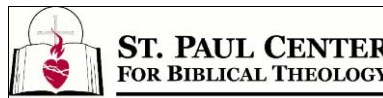


**14th Annual Barn Concert:** Join us for an evening of faith at the historic Smith Barn in Peabody. Singer/Song writer and Pilot columnist **Jaymie Stuart Wolfe** presents, *Treasures Old and New - a journey of song and reflection through the “lost & found” of our Catholic faith.* 5:30 p.m. dinner; 6:30 p.

m. Concert; 8:30 p.m. Mass with Father George Evans from Saint Julia Parish, Weston, MA. The date: Saturday, September 15. The cost: \$17.50 per person in advance only. Call 781-245-8548 to make your reservation.

**Saturday Morning Bible Study:** Steve Dalton conducted a very successful Bible Study during the last Lenten Season. An excellent teacher, we are very excited that he is now offering this all new Bible Study entitled **"Responding to God: The Way of Discipleship."** Themes to be addressed in this Study are: The God Who Jesus Revealed; Christian Identity and Mission; The Sacred Society; Prayer (and Growth); Friendship With Jesus. The Bible Study will be held at Blessed Sacrament Parish Hall, 14 Summer Street, Saugus Center, on Saturday mornings from 9:00 to 10:30. The dates are September 29, October 6, October 13, October 20, and October 27. Take advantage of this opportunity. Don’t let it pass you by. Bring along a Bible and a notebook and pen. (If you need a Bible, let us know and we will get one for you.) All are welcome and there is no cost.

*“Ignorance of scripture is ignorance of Christ.”*  
Saint Jerome



**Counting the Cost** by Dr. Scott Hahn

Like a king making ready for battle or a contractor about to build a tower, we have to count the cost as we set out to follow Jesus. Our Lord today is telling us upfront the sacrifice it will take. His words aren't addressed to His chosen few, the Twelve, but rather to the "great crowds" - to "anyone," to "whoever" wishes to be His disciple. That only makes His call all the more stark and uncompromising. We are to "hate" our old lives, renounce all the earthly things we rely upon, to choose Him above every person and possession. Again He tells us that the things we have - even our family ties and obligations - can become an excuse, an obstacle that keeps us from giving ourselves completely to Him (see Luke 9:23-26, 57-62). Jesus brings us the saving Wisdom we are promised in today's First Reading. He is that saving Wisdom. Weighed down by many earthly concerns, the burdens of our body and its needs, we could never see beyond the things of this world, could never detect God's heavenly design and intention. So in His mercy He sent us His Spirit, His Wisdom from on High, to make straight our path to Him. Jesus himself paid the price for to free us from the sentence imposed on Adam, which we recall in today's Psalm (see Genesis 2:7; 2:19). No more will the work of our hands be an affliction, no more are we destined to turn back to dust. Like Onesimus in today's Epistle, we have been redeemed, given a new family and a new inheritance, made children of the father, brothers and sisters in the Lord. We are free now to come after Him, to serve Him - no longer slaves to the ties of our past lives. In Christ, all our yesterdays have passed. We live in what the Psalm today beautifully describes as the daybreak of His kindness. For He has given us wisdom of heart, taught us to number our days aright.

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*For peace in the war and terror-return home of women who in foreign lands, Lord. Lord,*



*world, an end to ism, and the safe our men and serve our nation we pray to the hear our prayer.*



**TRUE or FALSE ?**

1. The deliberations of mortals are timid, and unsure are our plans.
2. The corruptible body burdens the soul.
3. God saves man from returning to dust.
4. A thousand years in the sight of God are like tomorrow.
5. Paul was writing to Philemon as an old man.
6. Paul would have liked to keep Onesimus with him.
7. Philemon was returning Onesimus to Paul.
8. Whoever does not carry his cross and follow Jesus cannot be his disciple.
9. Someone planning to build a tower should calculate the cost when the work is under way.
10. Anyone who does not renounce his possessions cannot be a disciple of Jesus.

ANSWERS 1 true, 2 true, 3 false, 4 false, 5 true, 6 true, 7 false, 8 true, 9 false, 10 true.

**CROSSWORD**

(Most answers are in today's readings)

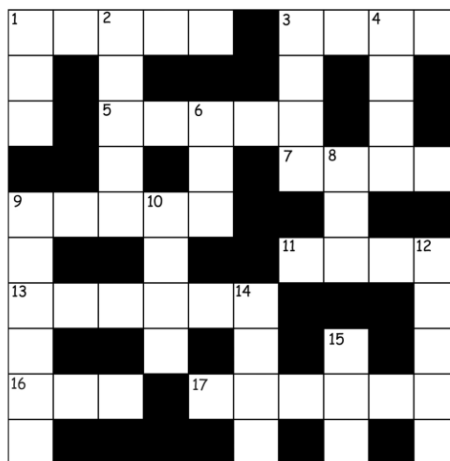
Last week's wordsearch



**CLUES ACROSS**

1. We spend it 3. Sunrise
5. Some animals eat it
7. Opposite of give 9. To look at something for a while
11. The real you; your \_\_\_\_\_
13. Sometimes called "Ghost"
16. Single 17. Where people are locked in

**CLUES DOWN**



1. A person, or the whole human race 2. Not day 3. Tiny particles 4. This gets things done 6. Remains of burned wood 8. Years lived 9. Good sense 10. Concern 12. Throw 14. Alter, or change (direction) 15. Seek an answer

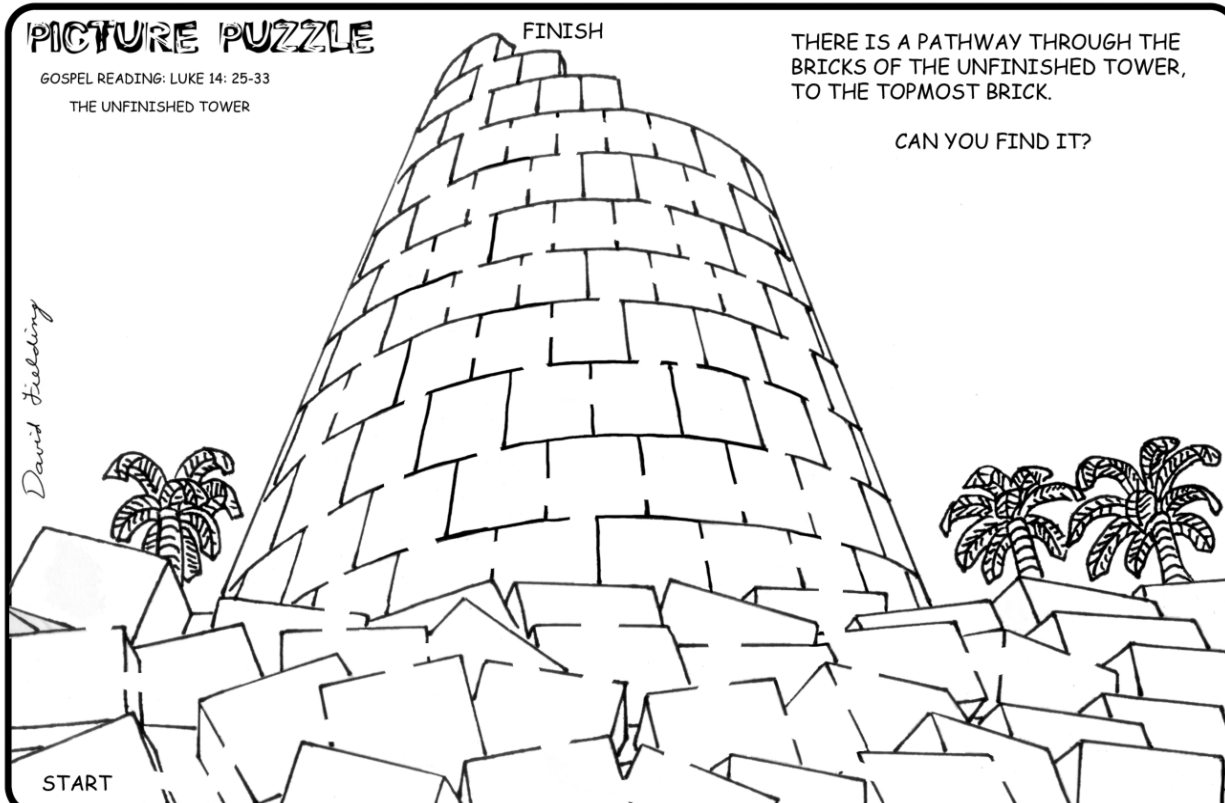
**PICTURE PUZZLE**

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 14: 25-33  
THE UNFINISHED TOWER

FINISH

THERE IS A PATHWAY THROUGH THE BRICKS OF THE UNFINISHED TOWER, TO THE TOPMOST BRICK.

CAN YOU FIND IT?



START