



St. Margaret of Cortona Parish

31 Chamberlain Ave Little Ferry, NJ 07643

Serving the Catholic Communities of Little Ferry and Moonachie

In Ministry, Education and Service -- Since August 24, 1912

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Reverend, Kevin E. Carter,

Pastor

Reverend Michael Otuwurunne,

In Residence

Reverend Victor P. Kennedy,

Weekend Assistant

Eileen M. Ballone,

Director of Music

Dina R. Tarabocchia,

Parish Secretary

MASS SCHEDULE:

Saturday Vigil: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.)

Weekdays: Monday to Friday: 12:00 p.m.

Mass Guild - First Saturday of the Month - 12:00 p.m.

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 1:00 p.m.

PARISH WEBSITE:

http://www.stmargaretlfnj.org/

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Monday to Thursday

Rectory

201-641-2988

By appointment only

Religious Education 201-641-2988

Sunday to Thursday



SATURDAY, April 12 5:30 PM Patricia Lynch

SUNDAY, April 13, 2025
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

9:00 AM Anthony Giovine 11:30 AM Sergio Passaro

MONDAY, April 14 12:00 PM John Mattesich

TUESDAY, April 15 12:00 PM John Morich

WEDNESDAY, April 16 12:00 PM Mario Hroncich

HOLY THURSDAY, April 17 (Lord's Supper) 7:00 PM People of Our Parish Family

GOOD FRIDAY, April 18
12:00 Noon Stations of the Cross
3:00 PM Liturgy of The Passion of the Lord

HOLY SATURDAY, April 19 (Easter Vigil) 8:00 PM People of Our Parish Family

EASTER SUNDAY, April 20, 2025
THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
9:00 AM 11:30 AM
People of Our Parish Family

Memorials

Bread & Wine And

Sanctuary Candle
People of Our Parish Family
Palm Cross made by
Josephine Toscano





We lift up to the Lord in our prayers and good works for: the sick, frail and the homebound.

Catherine Mary Moncello **Anthony Deli** Valerie Vernay Michele Porta Julian Morgan Camilla Leventhal Lena Vitalle Nicole Grano **Robert Zienkiewicz Julio Sanchez** John Ratynski **Brandon Kingsley** Arline Hrbek Paula Kelnhofer Jacqueline Palmadessa Barbara Demczyszyn **Robin Toscano Caroline Ruppert Hubert** Ron Ruppert Robert & Carolyn Salzman **Chris Lynch** George Stauble Mary Mirrop Pia Maria Pignataro Michael & Stephen Demczyszyn Chris Lee Steven Sciancalepore Tom Greaux Johanna Hanush



Victims of terrorism and war; genocide in Syria and the Holy Land, worldwide human trafficking, racism and hatred, domestic abuse and street violence, severe weather conditions and for all those victims who suffered and lost their loved ones, under the COVID-19 pandemic.



April 6, 2025 \$3,130

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation can be celebrated at Saint Margaret's during Holy Week from 6 PM to 8 PM on Tuesday, from 5 PM to 7 PM on Wednesday and Thursday from 2 PM to 5 PM. Please realize that there will be no opportunity to celebrate this sacrament after Thursday afternoon. There will be no confessions on Holy Saturday.



The Grief Support Group Will Meet Last Monday

April – 14, 2025
Time – 1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.
Place – Saint Margaret of Cortona
Church - Rectory
31 Chamberlain Avenue
Little Ferry, New Jersey 07643

<u>To Register: Please call</u> <u>Mary - 201-724-5492 or</u> <u>Pat - 201-982-3004</u>





An anniversary liturgy for couples in the Archdiocese of Newark celebrating their 5th, 25th or 50th Catholic wedding anniversary will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin on Sunday, June 1st at 3:00 pm at the Cathedral Basilica in Newark, NJ. **To register for this mass**

Please call the Parish office and speak to Dina -201-641-2988.

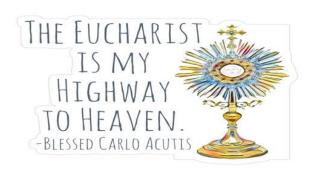
There will be only <u>ONE</u> Anniversary Liturgy for all couples. Kindly submit by <u>May 10th</u>.



ARCHDIOCESAN JUBILEE FOR MUSICIANS

To celebrate the 10th Anniversary of Pope Francis' encyclical, Laudato Si', a performance of Haydn's Creation will be offered by a 90-voice choir comprised of various singers from parishes in the Archdiocese of Newark with the Cathedral Choir, soloists and accompanied by the New Jersey Symphony. The concert takes place in the Cathedral Basilica on Friday evening, May 2nd, at 8 pm-no tickets necessary, admission is free.

For more information, call 973-484-2400, or visit: www.cathedralbasilica.org





THE CATHOLIC faithful use palm branches at Mass on Palm Sunday and bring them home for devotional purposes. Palm Sunday is the popular name for the Sunday before Easter, though its full title is Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion. Two Gospel passages are proclaimed at Mass that day: One tells of people waving branches or spreading cloaks to welcome Jesus in triumph to Jerusalem, and the other tells of his passion and death.

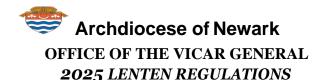
Any branches may be used in the liturgy, but parishes usually provide palm branches, as mentioned in John's Gospel (12:13). The faithful hold them at the beginning of the Mass for the blessing and procession.

After Mass, people may bring the branches home as a sacramental. Various customs have developed. Some place branches behind a wall-mounted crucifix or other religious image. Others cleverly fold them into crosses. Still others incorporate blessed branches into improvised prayers for protection during harmful weather.

Used palm branches are burned the following year, and the ashes are placed on the heads of the faithful on Ash Wednesday. Some parishes burn their own ashes. People who wish to dispose of old palm branches may offer them back for burning or dispose of them at home in some reverent manner.

Palm branches appear in religious art as a symbol of martyrdom. In the Book of Revelation (7:9), a great multitude praises God with palm branches in hand. In the apocryphal gospel of pseudo-Matthew (20–21), a palm tree miraculously bends over to nourish the Holy Family on the flight into Egypt, and an angel plants one of its branches in paradise, making the palm a sign of victory in any contest.

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1. The days of both Fast and Abstinence during Lent are Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.

On a day of Fast, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.

Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.

On a day of Abstinence, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.

- 2. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a serious obligation.
- 3. The Fridays of the year, outside of Lent, are designated as days of penance, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
- 4. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty*) extends from the <u>First Sunday of Lent, March 9</u> to <u>The Solemnity of the Most Holy</u> Trinity, June 15, 2025