



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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December 17, 2023



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: 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., and 12:00 noon
(From Memorial Day through Labor Day: Sat 5:30 p.m,
Sunday 9 :00 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.)

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

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 1:00 p.m.

PARISH WEBSITE:

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Parish Center Office

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Monday to Thursday

Rectory

201-641-2988

By appointment only

Religious Education

201-641-2988

Sunday to Thursday

SATURDAY, December 16

5:30 PM Mary & John Van Saders
 [10A] & [28A]

SUNDAY, December 17

Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM Vito M. Telischak
 10:00 AM Elizabeth & Daniel Weir &
 Therese & Thomas Leonardi
 12:00 PM Sergio Passaro

MONDAY, December 18

12:00 PM Isabel Hussey

TUESDAY, December 19

12:00 PM Nicolo Hroncich

WEDNESDAY, December 20

12:00 PM Antonia Piccinich [1A]

THURSDAY, December 21

12:00 PM Tony Picinic

FRIDAY, December 22

12:00 PM Charles Morra

SATURDAY, December 23

5:30 PM Gioacchino Piccinich

SUNDAY, December 24, 2023 Christmas Eve

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM People of Our Parish Family
 10:00 AM People of Our Parish Family
 (Please note that there will be no 12 Noon Mass
 on December 24)
 5:30 PM and 12:00 Midnight
 (11:30 PM Christmas Carols)
 People of Our Parish Family

Memorials

Bread & Wine

Louis R. Balala

Sanctuary Candle

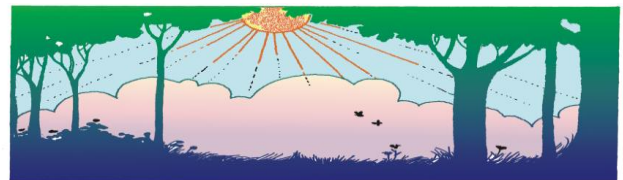
People of Our Parish Family

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

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| Catherine Mary Moncello | Anthony Deli |
| Michel Porta | Valerie Vernay |
| Camilla Leventhal | Julian Morgan |
| Nicole Grano | Baby Amato Jordan |
| Johanna Hanush | Philip Dittmar |
| Lena Vitalle. | Grace Ehler |
| John Thomas Lazur Dersch | Julio Sanchez |
| Robert Zienkiewicz | Arline Hrbek |
| Florence Navarro | Kevin Michael Francis |
| Paula Kelnhofer | Jacqueline Palmadessa |
| Barbara Demczynszyn | Robin Toscano |
| Caroline Ruppert Hubert | Ellie Lombardelli |
| Tom Greaux | Brandon Kingsley |
| John Ratynski | Robert & Carolyn Salzman |
| Victor Ruggiero | James Moran |
| Dominick Di Buono | Olivia La Forte King |
| David I. Ramos | Emily Menzella |
| Vitangelo Bavaro | Chris Lynch |
| Mary Mirrop | Ron Ruppert |
| Michael & Stephen | Pia Maria Pignataro |
| Demczynszyn | |



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.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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who wishes to complete
their initiation into the
Catholic Church by
receiving Confirmation and/or
Communion and Confirmation,
please call
Farther Kevin at 201-641-2988*



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December 10, 2023
\$2,511



Annual Appeal for 2023

Make your gift today.



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| St. Margaret's 2023 Goal | \$24,229 |
| Number of Pledges | 98 |
| Amount of Pledges | \$20,840 |
| <small>As of May 13</small> | |

**[Here is Sr Dorothy's contact info
as of July 1]**

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Third Sunday of Advent:

**O God, who see how your people
faithfully await the feast of the Lord's
Nativity, enable us, we pray, to attain
the joys of so great a salvation and to
celebrate them always with solemn
worship and glad rejoicing. Through
our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who
lives and reigns with you in the unity
of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever
and ever.**



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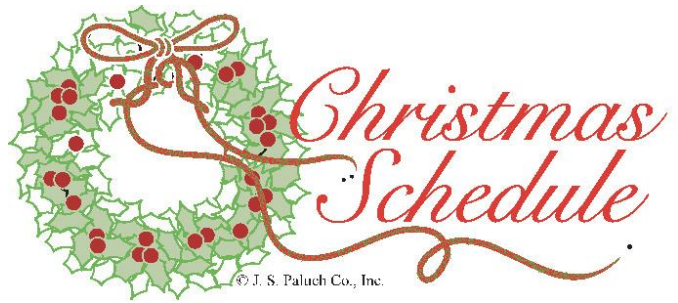
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"Rejoice: the Lord is nigh." As Christmas draws near, the Church emphasizes the joy which should be in our hearts over all that the birth of our Savior means for us. The great joy of Christians is to see the day

drawing nigh when the Lord will come again in His glory to lead them into His kingdom. The oft-repeated *Veni* ("Come") of Advent is an echo not only of the prophets but also of the conclusion of the Apocalypse of St. John: "Come, Lord Jesus," the last words of the New Testament. Today is known as *Gaudete* Sunday. The term *Gaudete* refers to the first word of the Entrance Antiphon, "Rejoice". Rose vestments are worn to emphasize our joy that Christmas is near, and we also light the rose candle on our Advent wreath.



St. Margaret of Cortona 2023 Christmas Schedule

4th Sunday of Advent Masses December 23-24

Saturday: 5:30 PM

Sunday, Christmas Eve: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM

Please note that there will be no 12 Noon Mass on
December 24

Christmas Masses December 24-25

Sunday, Christmas Eve: 5:30 PM and 12:00 Midnight

Monday, Christmas Day: 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon

Holy Family, Sunday December 31

Saturday, December 30: 5:30 PM

Sunday, December 31: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon

Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God (New Year's Day)

January 1, 2024

Monday, New Year's Day: 12:00 Noon

This year, New Year's Day is not a
Holy Day of Obligation

Epiphany, Sunday January 7

Saturday, January 6: 5:30 PM

Sunday, January 7: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 Noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday's December 2, 9, 16, 23 1:00 PM

Tuesday, December 19, 5-7 PM

Wednesday, December 20, 2-4 PM

Thursday, December 21, 3-5 PM



December 17 marks the beginning of the **O Antiphons**, the seven jewels of our liturgy,

dating back to the fourth century, one for each day until Christmas Eve. These antiphons address Christ with seven magnificent Messianic titles, based on the Old Testament prophecies and types of Christ. The Church in these following Golden Nights travels through the centuries recalling the longing for the Redeemer. Today begins with **O Wisdom (O Sapientia)**. **First O Antiphon: O Sapientia (O Wisdom)**
Symbols: All-Seeing Eye and the Lamp *Come, and teach us the way of prudence.* **Traditional Antiphon:** O Wisdom, who came from the mouth of the Most High, reaching from end to end and ordering all things mightily and sweetly, Come, and teach us the way of prudence.

