



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

(Destroyed by Sandy - Oct 29, 2012 – Restored in Christ Aug 4, 2013)

August 30, 2026



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/>

PARISH E-MAIL: smcortona1912@aol.com

Parish Center Office

Phone: 201-641-2988 Fax: 201-322-0172
Monday to Thursday

Rectory

201-641-2988
By appointment only

Religious Education

201-641-2988
Sunday to Thursday



SUNDAY, August 30, 2026

Twenty- Second Sunday of the Church Year

5:30 PM (Saturday) Madonna Danganan
9:00 AM Eduardo Espino
11:30 AM Lynn Rose

MONDAY, August 31

12:00 PM Wendy K. Pasechnick

TUESDAY, September 1 (World Day of Prayer)

12:00 PM Pino Morin

WEDNESDAY, September 2

12:00 PM Mauro F. Mora

THURSDAY, September 3 (Saint Gregory the Great)

12:00 PM Luigi Amato

FIRST FRIDAY, September 4

12:00 PM John Bussanich

FIRST SATURDAY, September 5

12:00 PM Mass Guild
5:30 PM Patricia Lynch [15A]

SUNDAY, September 6, 2026

Twenty- Third Sunday of the Church Year

9:00 AM Lorenzo Casale
11:30 AM Helen & Charles Gannon

**Memorials
Bread & Wine
And
Sanctuary Candle
Virginia Porcaro**



**August 23, 2026
\$3,983**

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

Catherine Mary Moncello	Anthony Deli
Michele Porta	Valerie Vernay
Camilla Leventhal	Julian Morgan
Nicole Grano	Lena Vitale
Julio Sanchez	Arline Hrbek
Robert Zienkiewicz	Brandon Kingsley
Paula Kelnhofer	Jacqueline Palmadessa
Barbara Demczyszyn	Robin Toscano
Caroline Ruppert Hubert	Ron Ruppert
Robert & Carolyn Salzman	George Stauble
Chris Lynch	Pia Maria Pignataro
Mary Mirrop	Johanna Hanush
Steven Sciancalepore	Michael & Stephen
Tom Greaux	Demczyszyn
Delia Libunao	Pedro Jimenez
Amy Way	Lori Ruppert Hagens
Phyllis Francis	Colette Caminiti
Steve De Martini	Ignazio De Bari
Jean Addesso	Filippa Balistrieri



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 loss their loved ones, under the covid-19 pandemic.



St. Margaret's 2026 Goal	\$27,028
Number of Pledges	85
Amount of Pledges	\$22,901

As of August 4



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The 2027 Mass Book is now open for Daily and Weekend Masses, Memorials-Bread and Wine, Sanctuary Candles, and Flowers starting on Wednesday, August 26, 2026 Mornings from 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m Afternoons from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

NJ BISHOPS'
Mass for Life

Thursday, October 8, 2026 | 9:30 a.m.
Cathedral of St. Mary of the Assumption
151 N. Warren Street, Trenton

PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT
Cardinal Joseph W. Tobia, C.Ss.R., B.C., Archbishop of Newark

CO-MINISTERS
Bishop Pierre Blimark, C.Ss.R., B.C., Archbishop of Newark

NEW JERSEY MARCH FOR LIFE

"The NJ Rally & March for Life will begin at 11 am at the Statehouse Annex, a short walk from the Cathedral"

For full information, visit: <https://dioceseoftrenton.org/nj-march-for-life>



ADULT CHOIR

Join us this September

Thursdays at 7:30 pm

Season begins September 10th

**Sing at the 11:30 am Mass
September - June**

New Singers welcome,

No experience necessary

WELCOMING COMMUNITY

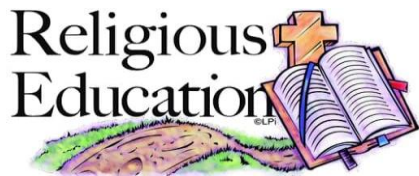
Questions? Ready to sing?

Eileen M. Ballone

Director of Music/Organist
musicmomemb@yahoo.com

Or come see me after mass!





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Religious Education

Registration for 2026-2027

Religious Education is now open

**To register please go to the parish office
Monday through Thursday from 10AM –
4PM and complete the registration paperwork
or download the registration forms from the
website St. Margaret of Cortona Catholic
Church in Little Ferry.
(stmargaretlfnj.org)**

**All forms must be dropped off at the parish
office. The fee for one child is \$110.00 for 2
children, \$140.00 and \$160.00 for 3
or more children.**

**Checks can be made payable to
Saint Margaret of Cortona Church.**

**Grades 1 and 2 – One Sunday each month
10:10 AM to 11:20AM**

**Grades 3, 4, 5 – Tuesdays –
3:30 PM – 4:30 PM**

**Grades 6, 7, 8 – Tuesdays
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM**

**If you have any questions, please contact the
parish office. 201-641-2988.**

August 30

***"The Holy Bible is like a mirror
before our mind's eye.***

In it we see our inner face.

***From the Scriptures we can learn our
spiritual deformities and beauties.***

***And there too we discover the progress
we are making and how far we
are from perfection."***

**~ Pope Gregory I (540-604),
Pope, Patron of musicians, Feast Day
September 3**

Litany of the Saints

IN THE Litany of the Saints, the Catholic Church calls upon dozens of saints by name to join in a solemn petition to God. The litany is used on occasions of special importance, such as the Baptism of adults; the dedication of a church; the ordination of a deacon, priest or bishop; and the prayers for the dying. The litany is always prayed at the Easter Vigil, even if there are no Baptisms. An abbreviated litany precedes the Baptism of infants.

The litany took shape throughout the Middle Ages. It probably began as a processional song in which the people repeated a simple refrain to a series of invocations intoned by cantors. The litany was standardized in 1570 and underwent a few minor revisions after the Second Vatican Council. It is usually sung in the traditional way—one or two cantors alternating with everyone else.

The litany begins by calling on Christ to have mercy. Then the saints are asked to pray on behalf of the Church on earth. The saints are arranged in chronological groups. First, the saints who appear in the Bible are named (e.g., Mary, the angels, and some apostles), and then some early martyrs, including Ignatius of Antioch, Lawrence the deacon, and Agnes. Then appear the great doctors of the church, such as Gregory and Augustine. Those associated with monasticism or the founding of religious orders come next—saints such as Martin, Benedict, and Francis. The list concludes with more recent saints, such as Catherine of Siena and Tèrese of the Child Jesus.

The litany then asks God to save people from various evils by the life of Christ. It concludes with intentions relating to the event at hand.

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