

## 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)

December 3, 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: 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



5:30 PM Joseph Nalewaiski & Anna Hightower

SUNDAY, December 3, 2023 First Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM Nerina Picinich 10:00 AM Helen Burghardt 12:00 PM Jack Blaney

MONDAY, December 4 12:00 PM John Bussanich

TUESDAY, December 5 12:00 PM Alfred Kiewe

WEDNESDAY, December 6 12:00 PM Maria & Matteo Matesic

<u>THURSDAY, December 7</u> Saint Ambrose 12:00 PM Donald Walsh

FRIDAY, December 8 The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary 8:00AM Domenica Picinich 12:00 PM Michael Pansini 7:00 PM Gioacchino & Antonia Piccinich Family

SATURDAY, December 9 5:30 PM Giuliano & Barbara Spadavecchia

SUNDAY, December 10, 2023 Second Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM Charles Morra 10:00 AM Justin Salzman 12:00 PM Margaret Krzyzaniak

> Memorials Bread & Wine Ronald W. Thomas Sanctuary Candle Jack Blaney

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

**Catherine Mary Moncello** Anthony Deli Michel Porta Valerie Vernay Julian Morgan Camilla Leventhal **Baby Amato Jordan** Nicole Grano **Philip Dittmar** Johanna Hanush Grace Ehler Lena Vitalle. John Thomas Lazur Dersch **Julio Sanchez Robert Zienkiewicz Arline Hrbek** Florence Navarro **Kevin Michael Francis** Paula Kelnhofer **Jacqueline** Palmadessa **Robin Toscano** Barbara Demczyszyn 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 Demczyszyn



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.



FYI \* Please <u>do not</u> touch or add flowers or rosaries to statues <u>inside</u> or <u>outside</u> church grounds, as they are leaving marks and destroying them. Thank you





This year we will continue with our Advent Giving Tree for the families with children in our area who require some help with Christmas. Tags will be available November 18 & 19<sup>th</sup>. All gifts should be returned by December 13<sup>th</sup>. Contact Cheryl Vorisek with any questions 201-805-0796. Thank you in advance for your generous response to this worthy cause.

## \*\*Join us today, Sunday December 10, 2023 for A Festival of Lessons and Carols at 3 PM



The new Liturgical Year commences with the **First Sunday of Advent**, opening the Advent season. In this new Liturgical Year, the Church



If there is any adult (18+yrs.) 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



November 26, 2023 \$3,237



St. Margaret's 2023 Goal Number of Pledges Amount of Pledges <sub>As of May 13</sub>

\$24,229 98 \$20,840

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not only wishes to indicate the beginning of a period, but the beginning of a renewed commitment to the faith by all those who follow Christ, the Lord. This time of prayer and path of penance that is so powerful, rich and intense, endeavors to give us a renewed impetus to truly welcome the message of the One who was incarnated for us. In fact, the entire Liturgy of the Advent season, will spur us to an awakening in our Christian life and will put us in a 'vigilant' disposition, to wait for Our Lord Jesus who is coming:

The Season of Advent is therefore a season of vigilant waiting, that prepares us to welcome the mystery of the Word Incarnate, who will give the 'Light' to the womb of the Virgin Mary, but essentially this time prepares us not only to welcome this great event but to incarnate it in our lives. We could say that the true light enters the world through the immaculate womb of Mary but it does not stay there. On the contrary, this light flows out into our dark, obscure, sinful lives to illuminate them, so that we can become the light that illuminates the world. For this reason, let us live this time of waiting not only to celebrate a historical memory but to repeat this memory in our lives and in the service of others. To wait for the Lord who comes, means to wait and to watch so that the Word of Love enters inside us and focuses us every day of our lives.





## St. Margaret of Cortona 2023 Christmas Schedule

<u>4th Sunday of Advent Masses December 23-23</u> 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

<u>Christmas Masses December 24-25</u> 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 26: 5:30 PM Sunday, December 27: 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

<u>Epiphany, Sunday January 7</u> 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

