



St. Margaret of Cortona Parish

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April 30, 2023



Reverend Kevin E. Carter,
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In Residence

Sister Dorothy A. Donovan, S.S.J.,
Pastoral Associate

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

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

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 1:00 p.m.

PARISH WEBSITE:

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Phone: 201-641-2988 Fax: 201-322-0172

Monday to Thursday

Rectory

201-641-2988

By appointment only

Religious Education

201-641-2989

Sunday to Thursday



SATURDAY, April 29

5:30 PM William Santos

SUNDAY, April 30, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM Nevio Mattessich
 10:00 AM Mauro Favuzzi
 12:00 PM Doris Mattessich

MONDAY, May 1

12:00 PM Michele Thorry Mele

TUESDAY, May 2

12:00 PM Matthew Nierstedt

WEDNESDAY, May 3

12:00 PM Antonia Piccinich

THURSDAY, May 4

12:00 PM Antonia Piccinich

FRIDAY, May 5

12:00 PM John Bussanich

SATURDAY, May 6

5:30 PM Mary & John Van Saders

SUNDAY, May 7

Fifth Sunday of Easter

8:00 AM Gianmartino Matesic
 10:00 AM Ana Margarita Cofino
 12:00 PM Thomas Smith

**Memorials
 Bread & Wine
 And
 Sanctuary Candle
 People of Our Parish Family**

April 30, 2023 Fourth Sunday of Easter

OUR PROTECTOR

Today's readings invite us to recognize our need for one who ensures our safety, nourishes us, and leads us to peace and security, like sheep who rest in the care of a good shepherd. Such a shepherd will protect and save the sheep, even from the most deadly of predators. Today, we ponder the incredible news that Jesus accepted death on the cross in order to open the gates of eternal life with God for us. Through his resurrection, Jesus protects and saves us from the power of sin and death. We need only accept his love and live as God's people in this life, relying on the Lord who is the door to new life for us and for all.

HEAVEN

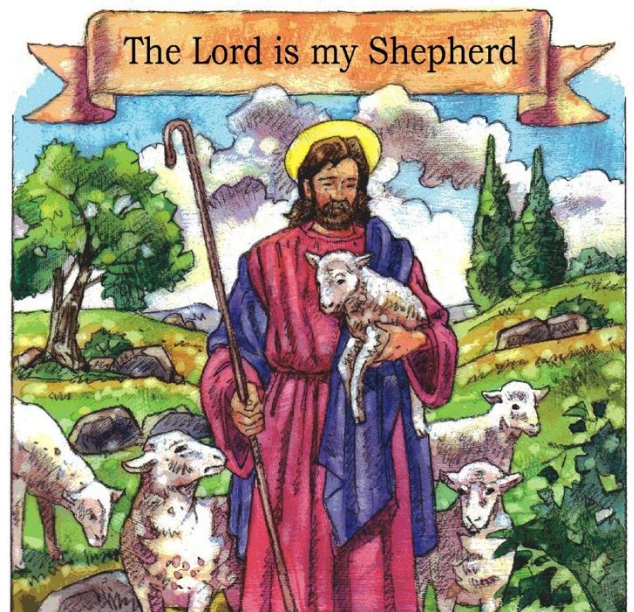
The goal of religion is not to get us into heaven—but to get heaven into us.
 —Anonymous

COUNTING SHEEP

Every person can tell how many goats or sheep one possesses, but not how many friends.
 —Cicero

STOP COUNTING SHEEP

When at night you cannot sleep,
 talk to the Shepherd and stop counting sheep.
 —Anonymous



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
Camilla Leventhal	Julian Morgan
Nicole Grano	Baby Amato Jordan
Johanna Hanush	Philip Dittmar
Lena Vitale.	Grace Ehler
John Thomas Lazur Dersch	Julio Sanchez
Robert Zienkiewicz	Arline Hrbek
Florence Navarro	Kevin Michael Francis
Paula Kelnhofer	Jacqueline Palmadessa
Barbara Demczyszyn	Michael 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
Charlie Di Buono	Vitangelo Bavaro
Mary Mirrop	



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.



Annual Appeal the 2023

Make your gift today.



St. Margaret's 2023 Goal	\$24,229
Number of Pledges	96
Amount of Pledges	\$20,640
As of April 26	



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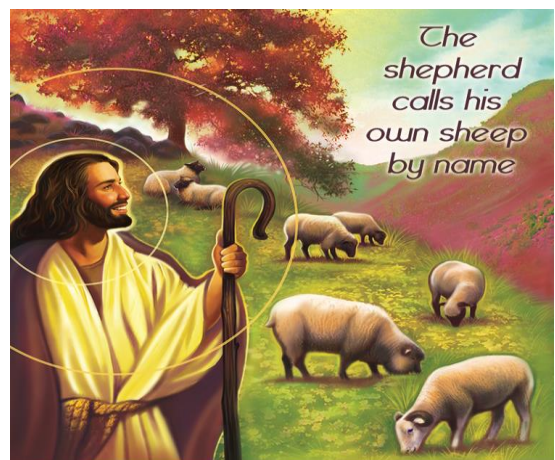
If there is any adult (18+yrs.) who wishes to complete their initiation into the Catholic Church by receiving Confirmation and/or Communion and Confirmation, please call Sister Dorothy at 201-641-2989

****MASS OF THE ANOINTING SATURDAY, MAY 6 AT 12 P.M.**



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**April 23, 2023
\$2,118**



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OUR FASCINATING FAITH

Vocations

Jesus, the Good Shepherd, tells us that he calls his own sheep by name and those sheep respond by following him. Unlike the early disciples, we do not have the benefit of hearing the Lord Jesus call us by name. Or do we? Through the centuries countless men, women, and children have responded to the call of the Lord and dedicated their lives to ministering to God’s people. How often have we heard the phrase, “he or she ‘has the calling’ ”? We need look no further than our own parish to find ways that the call of the Lord is manifested. The Lord Jesus is constantly calling out to us through the celebration of the sacramental life, through the proclamation of the living word, and through the example of those who have put on Christ in Baptism. Today the Lord Jesus, the Good Shepherd, speaks to each one of us, the sheep of his flock. Let us listen for the call to follow him as his disciples. And on this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, let us pray for others, as well, to hear and heed whatever God is calling them to do with their life as a baptized Christian.

Mary has a special love and sensitivity for all of God’s children. This was manifested on many occasions but was most pronounced at the wedding feast of Cana in which she interceded for the bride and groom when the supply of wine was depleted at their celebration. We can imitate sensitivity to the needs of others by donating any unwanted clothing, knickknacks, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, tools, toys, stuffed animals, and children’s books to Catholic Charities. The Donation Bin(s) is located in the Church’s vicinity. Thank you.



Mary, The Mother of Compassion

