

**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)*

*April 7, 2024*



**Reverend, Kevin E. Carter,**  
*Pastor*  
**Reverend Michael Otuwuronne,**  
*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



**SATURDAY, April 6**

5:30 PM Patricia Lynch

**SUNDAY, April 7, 2024 SECOND SUNDAY  
OF EASTER OF THE DIVINE MERCY**

8:00 AM Debbie Della Vecchia

10:00 AM Margaret & Frank Herzich

12:00 PM Joseph De Ruvo

**MONDAY, April 8**

12:00 PM Antonia & Gioacchino Piccinich

**TUESDAY, April 9**

12:00 PM Alois Lutz

**WEDNESDAY, April 10**

12:00 PM Mary Blaney

**THURSDAY, April 11**

12:00 PM Tommaso Morin

**FRIDAY, April 12**

12:00 PM Madonna Danganan

**SATURDAY, April 13**

5:30 PM Donald Walsh

**SUNDAY, April 14, 2024**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

8:00 AM Frank Maas

10:00 AM Gagliardi Family

12:00 PM Sergio Passaro

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

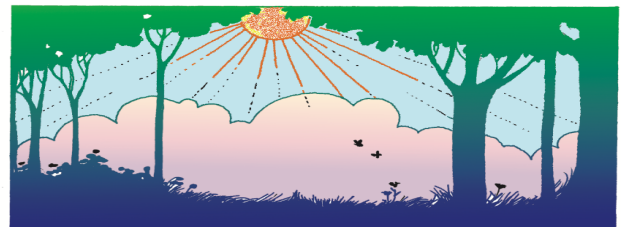
We lift up to the Lord in our prayers and good works for: the sick, frail and the homebound.

Catherine Mary Moncello	Anthony Deli
Michele Porta	Valerie Vernay
Camilla Leventhal	Julian Morgan
Nicole Grano	Baby Amato Jordan
Johanna Hanush	Lena Vitalle
Julio Sanchez	Robert Zienkiewicz
Florence Navarro	Vitangelo Bavaro
Arline Hrbek	Paula Kelnhofer
Jacqueline Palmadessa	Barbara Demczynszyn
Robin Toscano	Caroline Ruppert Hubert
Ellie Lombardelli	Brandon Kingsley
John Ratynski	Robert & Carolyn Salzman
Dominick Di Buono	Tom Greaux
Chris Lynch	MaryMirrop
Ron Ruppert	Pia Maria Pignataro
Michael & Stephen	Victor Ruggiero
Demczynszyn	George Stauble



Barbara Burghardt  
Theresa De Dio

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





*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*



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The Archdiocese of Newark is excited to announce that we are once again preparing the annual tradition of honoring those couples in our Archdiocese who will be celebrating five, twenty-five and fifty years of valid marriage for the Catholic faithful in the year 2024!

These anniversary liturgies will be held in the Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart in Newark as follows below and will be celebrated by Cardinal Joseph Tobin. Please note that the Anniversary Masses will be celebrated at the  
**12 noon Mass this year.**

June 2, 2024      12:00 PM      50 years  
( All counties)

May 5, 2024      12:00 PM      5 years & 25 years  
(All counties)

If your have families that are still playing 'catchup' with their celebrations, any couple who would have celebrated their Silver or Gold Anniversary in those years stunted by covid restrictions may still join us as well. Please note and share with your couples, whether the milestone took place in 2020, 2021 ( or even if they missed in 2022 or 2023), the certificates will say Silver or Gold, not 26, 51 etc.

It is our desire that every couple in the Archdiocese deserving of such recognition be present at the appropriate liturgy. The presence of these couples will be a tender witness to the strength and stability of Christian marriage in today's society.

To register please call the Parish Office and speak to Dina - 201-641-2988.



St. Margaret's 2024 Goal	\$24,229
Number of Pledges	77
Amount of Pledges	\$19,150
As of March 25	



**March 31,2024  
Easter Sunday  
\$11, 061**



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NATIONAL  
**Eucharistic  
Revival**  
June 11, 2022 – Pentecost 2025

**Reflections on the Eucharist**

From “Mystery of the Altar” St. Madeleine Sophie Barat (1779-1865) pg. 146

St. Madeleine spoke to her Novices of the Society of the Sacred Heart on Christ’s exceeding love for each person in the sacrament of the Eucharist encouraging them to generously return love for love: I spoke to them of the infinite love of our Blessed Lord in instituting this Divine Eucharist and on the tender and loving words He spoke to His Apostles during the Last Supper. How, I asked, can we help loving Him who has given us such unheard of marks of love? It was to us, as well as to His Apostles that He said to them, “I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer” (Luke 22:15), that is, to give Myself to you as your food. Yes, the Jews are about to put Me to death. I must leave you, but My love cannot abide the separation. I shall institute this Divine Sacrament and thus always remain with you – and with those who will come after you until the end of time. Oh, Sisters, shall we still be unmoved? Shall we still refuse Him anything? Can we keep anything back? It would be monstrous ingratitude!” Time passed quickly while speaking on so engrossing a subject. It was ten o’clock, and I told them it was time to go; though they were ready to stay all night. Nevertheless, duty prevailed. And before separating, we gave each other the kiss of peace.

## The Madonna of the Martyrs

### La Madonna Dei Martiri

*Many of our parishioners with roots in Molfetta, Italy have a very strong devotion to this image of our Blessed Mother. We are pleased to inform you that an antique statue crafted in Bari, Italy and measuring about 3 feet tall has been donated to our parish from the membership of la Federazione Molfettesi d’America (An Italian American social organization located in Weehawken). The statue of “la Madonna” will be blessed and unveiled at the noon mass on Sunday, May 19th 2024. The statue will be placed on a wood pedestal near the statue of Saint Padre Pio. Parishioners who wish to make a donation toward the purchase of the custom oak pedestal please call Tony Cirillo at (201)759-8992 or Mauro Raguseo at (201) 755-6407.*

### **Easter Joy**



How intense was your joy in this Easter season? Sharing Easter joy with a meal and the support of family and friends is a yearly celebration that most of us cherish. Some people, however, have difficulty experiencing these joys due to their circumstances in life. Catholic Charities aims to help relieve the sufferings of many in our society through its various programs. Please help Catholic Charities continue its mission by donating your unwanted clothing, small appliances, shoes, linens, sheets, towels, stuffed animals, knickknacks, tools, toys, and children’s books to the Donation Bin(s) located on the property. May the spirit of the Risen Christ resound through your generosity. Thank you.