



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)

February 9, 2025



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.

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays at 1:00 p.m.

PARISH WEBSITE:

<http://www.stmargaretnj.org/>

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Monday to Thursday

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By appointment only

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201-641-2988
Sunday to Thursday

Mass Schedule

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SATURDAY, February 8

5:30 PM Anne Nierstedt

SUNDAY, February 9, 2025

Fifth Sunday of the Church Year

9:00 AM Angela & Salvatore Facchini

11:30 AM Bill Jehle

MONDAY, February 10

12:00 PM Segatur Oscarsson

TUESDAY, February 11

12:00 PM Elena Zgaljardic

WEDNESDAY, February 12

12:00 PM Silvio Mattessich

THURSDAY, February 13

12:00 PM Elena Zgaljardic

FRIDAY, February 14

12:00 PM Carmine Gioffre &
Domenica Fedele

SATURDAY, February 15

5:30 PM Scardigno Family

SUNDAY, February 16, 2025

Sixth Sunday of the Church Year

9:00 AM Gioacchino & Antonia Piccinich

11:30 AM William Carter & Dolores Borelli

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	Lena Vitale
Julio Sanchez	Robert Zienkiewicz
John Ratynski	Brandon Kingsley
Arline Hrbek	Paula Kelnhofer
Jacqueline Palmadessa	Barbara Demczyszyn
Robin Toscano	Caroline Ruppert Hubert
Ron Ruppert	Robert & Carolyn Salzman
Chris Lynch	George Stauble
Mary Mirrop	Pia Maria Pignataro
Michael & Stephen Demczyszyn	
Steven Sciancalepore	



Mary Uddgren

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.



February 2, 2025

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*****Please Note**

New Sunday Mass

Schedule Time

9:00 AM & 11:30 AM



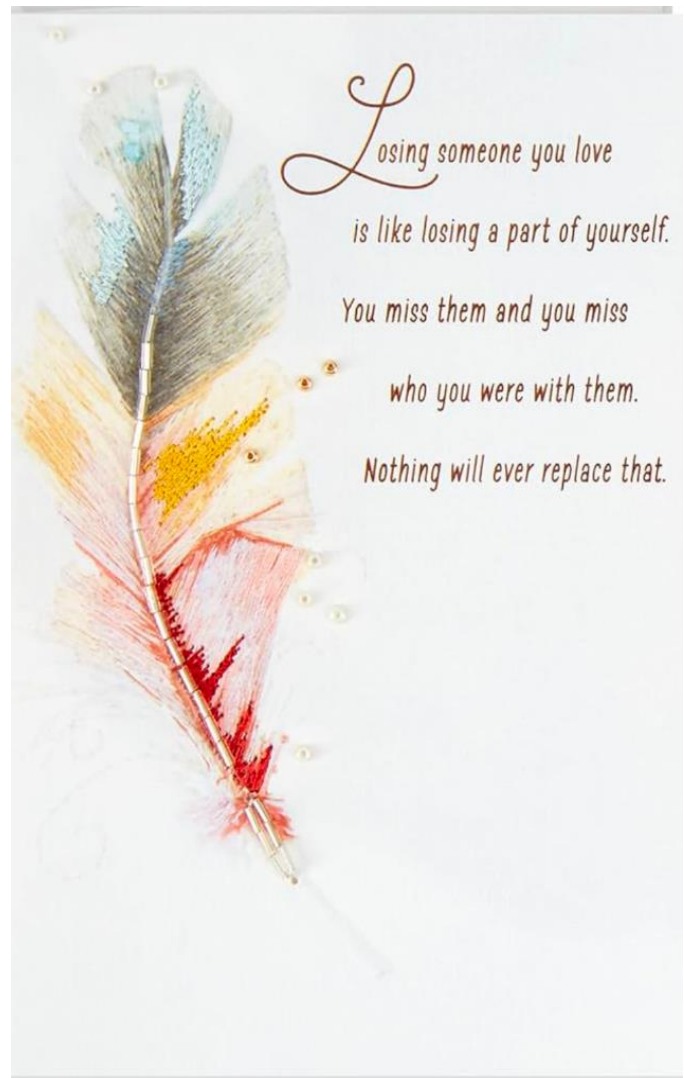
THE LETTERS “AMDG” sometimes appear as a decoration on architectural features of Catholic buildings. They abbreviate the Latin phrase *Ad maiorem Dei gloriam*, which means “To the greater glory of God.”

The phrase occurs frequently in the writings of St. Ignatius of Loyola (1491–1556), the founder of the Jesuits. Through it, Ignatius expressed the dedication of his life and work to religious purposes. The phrase recognizes that God has glory and that an individual’s work should aim to enhance it. The word “greater” can have more than one meaning. It expresses that the work of Christians contributes to God’s glory, as the Body of Christ builds up the Kingdom of God on earth. It also recognizes that the glory of God is greater than any glory assigned to the believer. Christians may win praise for the work that they do, but they devoutly realize that the real praise belongs to God, the giver of all gifts, who enables them to accomplish all things.

The Jesuits have encouraged the use of the initials “AMDG” on items ranging from statues of St. Ignatius to the homework assignments of their students. Others have also found inspiration from this motto. It appears on religious medals or other emblems that some Christians wear to help center the activities of their day. Pope John Paul II frequently headed his writings with “AMDG” as a devotional reminder of the purpose of his work. Even Johann Sebastian Bach, a great Lutheran composer of church music, appended the letters “AMDG” to some of his manuscripts.

Wherever the initials appear, they remind us that faithful Christians dedicate their lives, their work, their music, and their buildings to the greater glory of God.

Bulletin Inserts for the Liturgical Life of the Parish: Devotions and Customs
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The Grief Support Group Will Meet Every Monday

March 10 – 17 – 24 – 31-

April 7 – 14, 2025

Time – 1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M.

**Place – Saint Margaret of Cortona
Church - Rectory**

31 Chamberlain Avenue

Little Ferry, New Jersey 07643

To Register: Please call

Mary - 201-724-5492 or

Pat - 201-982-3004



JUBILEE 2025

PILGRIMS OF HOPE

December 24, 2024 – January 6, 2026

Celebrating the Holy Year.

FEBRUARY

Each month, Jubilee 2025 calls us to focus on a given theme of hope (“*signs of the times*”) as well as various Ministries & Groups.

The Holy See

The Jubilee of the Armed Forces, Police, and Security Personnel

The Holy See has designated a number of Jubilee Days throughout 2025 to recognize and celebrate different groups of people and various ministries in the Church. The Jubilee of the Armed Forces, Police, and Security Personnel will be held on Saturday, February 8, and Sunday, February 9, 2025.

Recently, Pope Francis addressed participants in the 64th International Military Pilgrimage at the French Marian Shrine of Lourdes. Entrusting to God's mercy all of their comrades-in-arms who died serving their countries and defending peace, Pope Francis urged Catholic members of the military to let their faith inform their service: *"The world needs you, especially at this dark moment in our history. We need men and women of faith who are capable of putting weapons at the service of peace and brotherhood."*

The Pope also emphasized the need for quiet time for spiritual discernment that will allow military personnel to reaffirm with hope their vocation in prayer: *"This spiritual pause at Lourdes is a time to rethink your military vocation from the perspective of faith, and of the love that every Christian must cultivate towards his brother, even his enemy."*

We Are His Witnesses: A Pastoral Letter from Cardinal Tobin

As we welcome the New Year, Cardinal Tobin invites all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Newark to read ***We Are His Witnesses***, his pastoral letter outlining new pathways for the future of the Archdiocese. Rooted in Pope Francis' call for pastoral conversion, missionary discipleship, and synodality, the letter reflects on our shared journey of faith and calls us to embrace renewal, collaboration and missionary outreach. This multi-year initiative will guide us in shaping a vibrant, hopeful future for our Church community. Read ***We Are His Witnesses*** and join this journey of faith as we respond to Christ's call to be His witnesses in the world.

(This letter is also available on our website)

https://rcan.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/We-Are-His-Witnesses_Jan-6-2025-FINAL.pdf

Robert L. Craig PTO's 1st Annual
Designer Bag
BINGO
SATURDAY, MARCH 1ST, 2025

Join us for an evening of fun Bingo and a chance to win a Designer Bag!

BRING YOUR OWN SNACKS AND BEVERAGES OF YOUR CHOICE!
ADDITIONAL BOARDS FOR PURCHASE DURING THE EVENT

TICKETS \$45

Boys & Girls Club
460 Passaic Ave.
Lodi, NJ 07644

Tickets Include:
Admission to a fun filled evening of Bingo
10 Bingo Game Cards / 1 card per round
Entry to door prizes

DOORS OPEN 5:30PM | GAME BEGINS 6:30PM

TO PURCHASE TICKETS CONTACT:
CANDACE TARABOCCHIA @ 201-783-4523
OR PTOBERTLCRAIG@GMAIL.COM

CASH ONLY!

All guests must be 21+

"SPREAD LOVE EVERYWHERE
YOU GO. LET NO ONE EVER
COME TO YOU WITHOUT
LEAVING HAPPIER."

Mother Teresa