



# *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 10, 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.stmargaretnj.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

# MassSchedule

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## 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

## MONDAY, December 11

12:00 PM Vito M. Telischak

## TUESDAY, December 12

12:00 PM Dennis Stabile

## WEDNESDAY, December 13

12:00 PM Barry Balala [1A]

## THURSDAY, December 14

12:00 PM Tony Picinic

## FRIDAY, December 15

12:00 PM Domenica Picinich

## SATURDAY, December 16

5:30 PM Mary & John Van Saders  
 [10A] & [28A]

## SUNDAY, December 17

### Third Sunday of Advent

8:00 AM Vito M. Telischak  
 10:00 AM Elizabeth & Daniel Weir &  
 Therese & Thomas Leonardi  
 12:00 PM Sergio Passaro

## Memorials

Bread & Wine

People of Our Parish Family

Sanctuary Candle

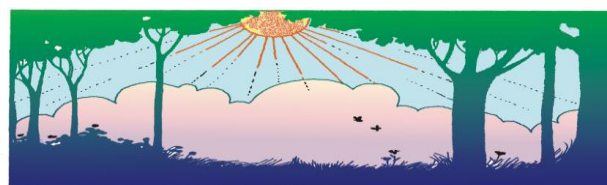
Barry & Louis Balala

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 Vitalle.	Grace Ehler
John Thomas Lazur Dersch	Julio Sanchez
Robert Zienkiewicz	Arline Hrbek
Florence Navarro	Kevin Michael Francis
Paula Kelnhofer	Jacqueline Palmadessa
Barbara Demczyszyn	Robin 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
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.



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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

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**



*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*

**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.**



**December 3, 2023  
\$2,705**

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

**Annual Appeal <sup>2023</sup>**  
**Make your gift today.**

St. Margaret's 2023 Goal	\$24,229
Number of Pledges	98
Amount of Pledges	\$20,840
<small>As of May 13</small>	

**[Here is Sr Dorothy's contact info as of July 1]  
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**Second Sunday of Advent:** "As the journey of Advent continues, as we prepare to celebrate the nativity of Christ, John the Baptist's call to conversion sounds out in our communities. It is a pressing invitation to open our hearts and to

welcome the Son of God Who comes among us to make divine judgement manifest. The Father, writes St. John the Evangelist, does not judge anyone, but has entrusted the power of judgement to the Son, because He is the Son of man.

“And it is today, in the present, that we decide our future destiny. It is with our concrete everyday behavior in this life that we determine our eternal fate. At the end of our days on earth, at the moment of death, we will be evaluated on the basis of our likeness or otherwise to the Baby Who is about to be born in the poor grotto of Bethlehem, because He is the measure God has given humanity.

“Through the Gospel John the Baptist continues to speak down the centuries to each generation. His hard clear words bring health to us, the men and women of this day in which even the experience and perception of Christmas often, unfortunately, reflects materialist attitudes. The 'voice' of the great prophet asks us to prepare the way for the coming Lord in the deserts of today, internal and external deserts, thirsting for the water of life which is Christ.” — Benedict XVI



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## St. Margaret of Cortona 2023 Christmas Schedule

### 4th Sunday of Advent Masses December 23-24

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

### Christmas Masses December 24-25

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 30: 5:30 PM

Sunday, December 31: 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

### Epiphany, Sunday January 7

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

