Directory of Ministries and Services

St. Margaret Parish
Bel Air, Maryland

Seeking a world transformed and unified in Christ.

St. Margaret Church

St. Mary Magdalen Mission
St. Margaret Parish ~ Bel Air, Maryland

St. Margaret Church and Chapel
141 N. Hickory Avenue
Bel Air, Maryland 21014
Parish Office/Administration 410-838-6969 410-879-2670
Elementary School 410-879-1111 410-838-8713

St. Mary Magdalen Mission
1716 Churchville Road
Bel Air, Maryland 21015
Callahan Center 410-838-6969
Middle School/Education Center 410-877-9660 410-420-9320

Daily Mass ~ Saint Margaret Chapel
Monday through Friday 6:30 am and 8:30 am and Saturday 8:30 am

Weekend Masses
Saturday at Saint Margaret Church 4:00 pm
Sunday at Saint Margaret Church 8:00 am, 10:00* am, Noon
Sunday at Saint Mary Magdalen 9:00*am and 11:00* am
* Children’s Liturgy of the Word

Reconciliation
St. Margaret Church ~ Saturdays: 2:30 – 3:30 pm

Feasts and Holidays
Check our weekly bulletin or the website at www.stmargaret.org.

Eucharistic Adoration
Mondays at Saint Margaret Chapel ~ 9:00 am to 7:00 pm followed the Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help at 7:00 pm.
Dear friends in Christ,

The people of St. Margaret and I would like to extend to you a cordial invitation to participate in our parish life and encourage you to join us for worship. Whether you are a new neighbor or a long-time resident, we would like to get to know you and assist you in any way we can.

This directory contains many ministries and services offered to our parishioners and the surrounding community. Take a few minutes to read it over. If something interests you, please let us know. Be sure to check our website for the most current events and activities.

There is a lot happening at St. Margaret, and we would like you to be a part of it. May the blessings of our Heavenly Father always be yours.

In the Lord,

Rev. Msgr. Kevin T. Schenning
Pastor

141 N. Hickory Avenue ~ Bel Air, Maryland 21014
www.stmargaret.org ~ 410.879.2670 ~ Local: 410.838.6969
MISSION STATEMENT

St. Margaret Parish of Bel Air, Maryland is a multigenerational Roman Catholic community centered in the Eucharist and committed to learning, loving and living the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We minister to each other and our neighbors, locally and globally by:

- praying and celebrating the Sacraments,
- growing and mentoring in faith,
- fostering relationships that create belonging, and
- serving with compassion and advocating for justice

PASTORAL COUNCIL

The Pastoral Council is a consultative body sharing in responsibility for the pastoral care of the Parish in collaboration with the pastor and staff. The Pastoral Council consists of three appointed members and nine members elected at large for three-year terms.

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HISTORY OF ST. MARGARET PARISH
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ST. MARY MAGDALEN MISSION

November 19, 1900, Rev. J. Alphonse Frederick, the first pastor of St. Margaret Parish, purchased three acres of land in Bel Air, Maryland for the sum of $3000, using money which was bequeathed to him by his mother, Anna Margaret (Hild) Frederick. Five years later, this land became the location of the church of Saint Margaret.

- Following are some facts and significant events in the history of St. Margaret Catholic Parish, and the development of St. Mary Magdalen Mission as a mission of St. Margaret.
- Rev. J. Alphonse Frederick was ordained a priest, December 18, 1874.
- On May 1, 1905 the cornerstone was laid and volunteers helped build the church. The Church was named in honor of Fr. Frederick's mother's patron saint, St. Margaret, a 3rd Century martyr. Mass was first celebrated on October 1, 1905. This was the first known celebration of a Catholic Mass in Bel Air. The original church, presently our Adult Education Center, was used for Eucharistic celebration until 1969 when the new church was finished.
- A Mass of dedication was celebrated on April 20, 1969, by His Eminence Lawrence Cardinal Shehan to consecrate the present house of worship for the Church of St. Margaret.
- The altar is a five ton piece of marble carved in the shape of a table. Within the altar is the relic of Pignatianus, a holy Roman martyr of the third century. The tabernacle of the Blessed Sacrament is located in the Chapel at the rear of the Church.
- The original church was remodeled to provide offices for the staff of St. Margaret until 1995 when the new two story building was completed. The new building now provides staff offices on the second floor and Pre-school and Kindergarten facilities on the first floor.
- The original church, now the Adult Education Center, was dedicated on May 13, 1995 by William Cardinal Keeler. It also houses the Archbishop William D. Borders Library which was dedicated in the Fall of 1995.
On May 13, 1995, ground was broken for the new St. Mary Magdalen Mission Center on Churchville Road, which is the mission of St. Margaret. It was dedicated on April 12, 1997 by William Cardinal Keeler. A single multi-purpose building seats 600 for Mass and 300 for banquets. The complex also includes an Education Center/St. Margaret Middle School which was completed in the Spring of 2001.

On September 20, 2001 the St. Mary Magdalen Education Center was dedicated by Bishop William C. Newman, Eastern Vicar of the Archdiocese of Baltimore. The Education Center consists of nine classrooms, a library/multimedia center and a gymnasium. The building houses St. Margaret Middle School (grades 6-8) during the day and Faith Formation and Continuing Education classes at other times.

**PASTORS**

1905 - Rev. J. Alphonse Frederick
1918 - Rev. Henry B. Sanderson
1924 - Rev. John E. Eckenrode
1937 - Rev. Walter L. Read
1945 - Rev. John Twamley
1946 - Rev. Joseph McCourt
1958 - Rev. Terence J. Evans
1970 - Rev. Alphonse G. Rose
1976 - Rev. James B. Carey
1986 - Rev. Francis X. Callahan
2006 - Msgr. G. Michael Schleupner
2016 – Msgr. Kevin T. Schenning

A detailed history of St. Margaret Catholic Parish may be found in the 2005 Commemorative Centennial Book celebrating 100 years of Catholic ministry in Bel Air. This book is available in the Parish Office. A copy may be found at the Harford County Historical Society located on Main Street in Bel Air, Maryland.
PARISH EVENTS

Hospitality Sundays
Second Sunday of each month at the church and mission. After the 8:00 and 10:00 am Masses at the church and after the 11:00 am Mass at the mission. Kathy Reilly at 410-838-6969, ext. 100.

St. Margaret Parish Fall Festival
A parish event held the fourth weekend in September that features: Pit beef and ham, amusements rides and games.
Jen Stuart at jenstu73@yahoo.com

Blessing of Pets
In the tradition of Saint Francis of Assisi is held annually in October.

Family Events
Parish Hall on St. Margaret Campus
- Family Autumn Night  5:00 pm
- Advent Family Night  5:00 pm
- Easter Egg Hunt  10:00 am at the mission

Fr. Kevin’s FUNraiser Dinners
St. Patrick’s Dinner Dance in March, Ham Dinner in February, Crab Feast in October and Pork dinner in November.
Kathy Reilly at 410-838-6969 ext. 100 or kreilly@stmargaret.org.

Holy Rollers Trips
Trip are planned several times a year to offer parishioners and opportunity to enrich their lives both spiritually and socially. Recent outing have been to the Sight and sound theater in Lancaster and also the Baltimore Basilica.
Terry Castagnera  castagnera@verizon.net

Mardi Gras Pancake Supper Parishioners and families are invited to attend our version of Fat Tuesday to celebrate the beginning of Lent in the Parish Hall on St. Margaret Campus.

Service Camp
A service camp engaging middle and high school youth in various off-campus service opportunities. Check the website for this and additional youth ministry events.

CHECK PARISH WEBSITE FOR UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION ON ALL EVENTS  www.stmargaret.org
Faith Formation refers to the various ministries within St. Margaret Parish providing guidance and education in the following areas:

- Faith Formation
- Preschool, Elementary, Middle and High School
- Young Adult Ministry
- Sacramental Preparation
- Adult Faith Formation
- Saint Margaret Catholic School

...and whose mission is to...

- proclaim the Gospel message of Jesus Christ
- foster relationships that create belonging
- motivate the faithful to serve with compassion and advocate for justice
- foster the lifelong faith formation of every parishioner
- lead to worship
- enhance prayer and the celebration of the sacraments
Faith Formation

In **Pre 3-First Grade** Sunday Faith Formation classes, children in Pre 3 thru first grade increase their awareness of God through active learning sessions that include prayer, stories, songs, crafts and Scripture. Classes meet from 9:45 – 11:00 am each Sunday from early October until Easter time. Lisa Hack 410-838-6969, ext. 102 or lhack@stmargaret.org

In **Elementary Faith Formation** (First through grade five) children learn what it means to be a follower of Jesus. Catechists implement faith sharing through prayer and Scripture stories and children learn Catholic tradition and doctrine. Wednesday sessions are held one hour each week from mid-September until Easter time at 5:00 – 6:00 pm and 6:45-7:45 pm.
Lisa Hack 410-838-6969, ext. 102 or lhack@stmargaret.org

**Middle and High School Faith Formation** This program targets students in grades 6 through 9. Classes meet throughout the school year on either Tuesday or Wednesday night, where students learn about our faith through an age-relevant curriculum. Our program strives to help students understand the richness of our faith, explore a closer relationship with God, and build a foundation of morality that will help to guide them during their adolescence and beyond.
Ken Goedeke 410-838-6969 ext. 125 kgoedeke@stmargaret.org

**Home Study Faith Formation** This program provides materials and support to parents who choose to guide their children through the faith formation process at home. Elementary families (K-5) will meet four times throughout the year as well as work through the provided curriculum at home. Middle school and high school families (6-9) will also meet four times a year and complete the provided curriculum at home. Completed workbooks are collected at the end of the year.
Elementary Home Study: Lisa Hack 410-838-6969, ext. 102 or lhack@stmargaret.org
Middle School Home Study: Ken Goedeke 410-838-6969, ext. 125 kgoedeke@stmargaret.org
Ignite
A five-day program for incoming 9th grade students that utilizes a variety of interactive teaching methods woven together with youth ministry. The program runs Monday thru Friday, usually during the first week in August from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm daily and will fulfill your 9th grade Faith Formation requirement along with the four Large Group Sessions and Family Life sessions held throughout the school year.
Ken Goedeke 410-838-6969 ext. 125 or kgoedeke@stmargaret.org

Vacation Bible Camp is an annual summer program lasting one week that nurtures a child’s relationship with God in a relaxed atmosphere through music, crafts, recreation and Bible stories. Students move from station to station where music, craft, recreation and snack coordinators direct the activities. Vacation Bible Camp is in session from 9:15 am to 12:15 pm one week at the end of June.
Lisa Hack 410-838-6969, ext. 102 or lhack@stmargaret.org
Middle and High School Youth Ministry
Service, social and spiritual opportunities are available on an ongoing basis for middle and high school youth. Social activities include movie nights, outdoor games, Hersheypark trip, dodge ball, ice cream socials, crazy games, and much more! Service opportunities are held both on-campus and off-campus throughout Harford and Baltimore County. Opportunities for spiritual growth are available through small faith sharing groups, prayer services and other activities. Each year, service trips are offered to middle and high school youth which engage young people in various off-campus service opportunities while learning about Catholic Social Teaching in a fun and meaningful way through hands-on activities. Watch the bulletin and our parish website for information on all youth ministry events.

High school hangout nights are held every Tuesday, 7:00 – 9:30 pm at the FIRE House on Wright Street. All high school students are invited.

Kristin Rupprecht 410-838-6969, ext. 166 or krupprecht@stmargaret.org

College and Young Adult Ministry Ministry
Social, service, and spiritual opportunities for college students and Young Adults. College ministry meets on Wednesdays over the summer and Christmas break. Young adults who are out of college gather on Friday evenings.
Kristin Rupprecht 410-838-6969, ext. 166 or krupprecht@stmargaret.org
ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Welcome Home
Our doors are always open. Have you been away from the Church? Considering a return to practice your faith? Let us help you find your way home. Contact Michelle Sullivan 410-838-6969, ext. 126 or msullivan@stmargaret.org

Small Faith Sharing Groups are an important element to discovering yourself and your faith. You are encouraged to join a group of fellow parishioners to grow together and support one another in your faith journeys.
If you are interested in joining, creating or learning how to facilitate a Small Faith Sharing Group, please contact Michelle Sullivan 410-838-6969 ext. 126 or mksullivan@stmargaret.org.

Catholic Men’s Fellowship
It is through small group gatherings that men help and encourage each other to work to increase their spirituality, faith and knowledge of Church teachings through evangelization and discipleship.
Meetings are held on Sunday evenings from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm in the Adult Education Center.
Jack Dempsey  410-803-2111

Bible Study
Little Rock Scripture Study Series, is just one of the resources used for scripture study. Many different group sessions and times are offered.
Jack Dempsey  410-803-2111

Centering Prayer Community meets twice a month to pray and share their experience of contemplative prayer. Instructions are available.
Gene Popiolek  443-567-6214
RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)
The process of conversion to bring both the baptized and the unbaptized person into the communal life of the Church. It is divided into four continuous stages that correspond to a candidate’s progress in Christian formation. As a community our parishioners become the primary ministers to the new Catholics. The talents of many people are needed for the success of this process: sponsors, catechists, spiritual advisors, social justice ministers and hospitality ministers. 
Michelle Sullivan 410-838-6969, ext. 126 or msullivan@stmargaret.org

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

The Infant Baptism Program provides support to parents in understanding their important role in educating their children in our Catholic faith tradition. Monthly, a one-hour interactive session is presented to new parents on the history of Baptism, the role and selection of Godparents, the Church’s role and the nature of this joyous celebration.
Kathy Reilly 410-838-6969, ext. 100 or kreilly@stmargaret.org

Baptismal Garment Sewing
During the Rite of Infant Baptism a white garment is placed on the baby to symbolize they are clothed in a new life – the life of Christ. It is a tradition in our parish that these garments be made by parishioners. There are two ways you can help. We need individuals who are willing to cut them out from a pattern and individuals who are willing to do the sewing OR you can join our sewing team that meets quarterly for fellowship, lunch and of course, sewing.
First Reconciliation Program
Parents, supported by the parish, are the catechist (teachers) of their children as they prepare them for this sacrament of healing. They will receive various materials to assist them in this important role. Parent seminars are held in the Fall as well as a Mock Reconciliation when the children watch a pretend reconciliation and visit the reconciliation rooms. The sacrament is received during Advent. Joan Motsay Brown 410-838-6969, ext. 127 or jmbrown@stmargaret.org

First Eucharist Program
Similar to the Sacrament of Reconciliation, parents will catechize (teach) their children about the sacrament of Eucharist. They are supported with various materials and seminars which will help them prepare their children to receive Christ for the first time. Parent seminars are held early in the calendar year followed by a half day retreat for the children before they receive their sacrament in May. Joan Motsay Brown 410-838-6969, ext. 127 or jmbrown@stmargaret.org

Adult Confirmation Program
The program is for adults who have been baptized, have received the sacrament of Eucharist and now desire to be confirmed. Trained catechists help prepare those seeking confirmation. Opportunities for the reception of the Sacrament of Confirmation occur several times throughout the year here at our parish and at Archdiocesan celebrations. Michelle Sullivan 410-838-6969, ext. 126 or msullivan@stmargaret.org

Youth Confirmation Program
Fosters the total personal and spiritual growth of our youth and assists them in an awakening and ownership of their Catholic faith. Our Confirmation program is open to students in the 10th grade. The program begins in the late spring of the 9th grade with an initial parent/candidate meeting and runs throughout the 10th grade year. Preparation includes a parent meeting, a sponsor/candidate day of reflection, an overnight retreat, classes and a service and reflection component. In order to qualify for enrollment in the program, students must have attended either Catholic school or Faith Formation in 9th grade. Kristin Rupprecht 410-838-6969, ext. 166 or krupprecht@stmargaret.org
Holy Orders is a sacrament celebrated with men who feel called by God to service in the Church as priests or permanent deacons. All those who would like to explore the possibility of serving God and the Church as an ordained minister should contact the parish office and request to speak with one of our priests or permanent deacons. Parish office 410-838-6969. Men who are interested in the priesthood may also contact the Archdiocese Vocations Office 410-547-5426.

Sacrament of Marriage
Saint Margaret Parish family rejoices with you in celebrating your love for one another in the Sacrament of Marriage. We make every effort to meet your needs as an engaged couple and to help you prepare for your sacred vows. To schedule your nuptials at St. Margaret or St. Mary Magdalen or to contact a priest regarding your wedding, please call the parish office at 410-838-6969.

Marriage Preparation Program.
Fully trained Sponsor Couples assist engaged couples in discovering those areas of strength and uniqueness in their relationship upon which they can build a lasting, loving marriage. The engaged couple meets in the home of their Sponsor Couple approximately four times. Michelle Sullivan 410-838-6969, ext. 126 or msullivan@stmargaret.org

Anointing of the Sick is for anyone facing a serious illness who would like to pray for God’s healing presence in their lives. All who are preparing for surgery, those with major changes in their health, and those who have just learned about a major health issue can come to seek this sacrament. The sacrament is celebrated after every Mass on the first weekend of each month or with individual priests by appointment.
St. Margaret School was established in 1911 by the School Sisters of Notre Dame. Over the years, as the Bel Air area has grown, the school has grown too, adapting to the times with lay faculty and administration, but remaining true to its mission of Catholic faith-based education.

- St. Margaret Elementary school is located on the St. Margaret Campus on Hickory Avenue in downtown Bel Air.
- St. Margaret Middle School is located at the St. Mary Magdalen Mission Campus, 1716 Churchville Road in Bel Air.

MISSION STATEMENT
St. Margaret School is committed to providing each child with a strong foundation in the Catholic faith, academics, and citizenship. We accomplish this through a challenging disciplined environment focused on nurturing individual development and characterized by Catholic beliefs and values, academic excellence, parental involvement, and community service. Our purpose is to inspire self-reliance, instill a positive sense of self-worth, and prepare each child to face new challenges and appreciate the joys of life.

Visit us online at www.smsch.org
For enrollment and campus tours, please contact the Admissions Director at 410-879-1113 ext. 159
St. Margaret School Today:
• Coed, Catholic day school
• Certified, degreed teachers
• Elementary and middle school campuses in Bel Air, MD
• Average class size: 24
• Preschool Prep: Parent-child 2 year old program
• Three year-old pre-K classes through Grade 8
• Full day Pre K4 year old and full day Kindergarten
• State of Maryland licensed extended day care programs available at each campus
• Nine out of 10 students stay at Saint Margaret for all eight years
• 100% accepted to high school of choice

Building a School for the Future:
• Outreach programs
• Routinely upgraded computers
• Smartboards, Mimio boards, iPads, Chrome books and 3D printers
• Secure, web-based communications
• Newly renovated gymnasium
• Creative Arts club
• Lego Robotics Club
• Athletics
• Chorus
• Band
• Fine arts
• Academic clubs
• Full-time nurse
• Instructional Aides Pre K3 through Grade 2
• Resource K through Grade 8
• Financial aid
    …and much more
ANNUAL SCHOOL EVENTS
Contact school office 410-879-1113

Fall Festival is a parish event held at St. Margaret on Hickory Avenue in September and features: pit beef and ham, amusements rides and games.

Golf Tournament will be held at Maryland Country Club in mid-October. Included in the day are raffles, an auction and fabulous dinner!

Basket Bingo will be held in the Parish Hall at St. Margaret School on Hickory Avenue in January.

Spaghetti Dinner will be held in the Parish Hall at St. Margaret on Hickory Avenue in March.
Join us for dinner, dessert, music! Fun for the entire family!

School Book Fair
This Elementary School fair is held in the Parish Hall at St. Margaret School on Hickory Avenue in mid-March.
Contact Saint Margaret School at 410-879-1113.
OUTREACH

Corporal Works of Mercy

*Feed the hungry* † *Give drink to the thirsty* † *Clothe the naked*

*Shelter the homeless* † *Visit the sick*

*Visit the imprisoned* † *Bury the dead*

Our parish mission statement calls us to minister to each other and our neighbors. We have a lot to offer to those who are interested. Please contact the parish office if you would like more information:

Deacon Jim Decapite at 410-838-6969, ext. 143,  
or email jdecapite@stmargaret.org  
Nina Heck at 410-838-6969, ext. 174  
or email ninah@stmargaret.org  

All volunteers are required to complete **Virtus Training**  
which is an online training, prior to actively volunteering. Please email or contact Nina.

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**Bereavement Ministry**

**Funeral Sacristans**
Our team supports families during the funeral Mass. Team members greet family members, set up and serve at the funeral Mass. Individuals are on call one week a month.

**Funeral Reception Ministry**
Provides hosting and set-up of hospitality after the funeral in the Adult Education Center.

**Ministry of Consolation**
This ministry provides spiritual and moral support for those who have suffered a loss. The group reaches out to the family members through cards and calls following the funeral services. They also plan the annual All Souls Mass and a reception afterward.

**Funeral Liturgy Planning**
**Priests and deacons** meet with families to complete the Introductory Rites, Liturgy of the Word to include selected readings and hymns, Liturgy of the Eucharist, and individuals who will be involved. This preparation assures families that all aspects of the service will be handled with honor, dignity and meets the wishes of the deceased and their family. This will be offered at Church or the funeral home. Contact the parish office 410-838-6969.

**Widow and Widower**
This group meets on the second Tuesday of each month for lunch and activities. Lead coordinator is Carol Hoffman.

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**Homeless / Poor**

Saint Margaret works in a variety of ways to assist the homeless and poor in our area.

**Cooperative Food Ministry**
Five area churches feed the needy and the homeless in our area at Calvary Baptist Church, located at 206 Courtland Place. Every Monday night a different church arrives at 3:30 pm to prepare and serve 50-75 people dinner at 6:00 pm. We currently have two teams with lead coordinators, Janet Gentry and Steve Hunter.
Cottage Thrift Shop
A joint ministry of St. Margaret Parish and Emmanuel Episcopal Church. Volunteers collect, sort and assist in the shop, which provides clothing and miscellaneous articles to needy clients at a modest cost, or as a donation. Lead coordinator is Pat Stasiak.

FCCAU Welcome One Shelter
Provides year round transitional housing to homeless individuals. St. Margaret Parish volunteers on the 29th of each month. Volunteers help cook and provide evening host or hostesses once a month. Lead coordinator is Darlene Eickhoff.

Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna
This group works with the non-profit ecumenical Christian housing ministry whose mission to eliminate sub-standard housing for economically disadvantaged families living in Harford County. St. Margaret partners with Habitat for Humanity to offer an annual panel build in the fall for anyone over the age of 16 who wants to participate. Lead coordinator is Betty Hunter.

Thanksgiving/Christmas “Spirit of Giving” Program
- **Thanksgiving /Christmas food baskets** – Food is collected from parishioners beginning in October and then separated out to fill requests from the disadvantaged of Harford County. Teams work with separating the food, assembling the baskets and handing out the boxed items as well as delivering.
- **Christmas Giving Project** – Parishioners are asked to adopt a family or take tags from our Christmas trees and drop off items for this team to then assemble the orders that are phoned in from those in need. This requires many teams including taking telephone calls, sorting, wrapping and grouping packages, pickup and delivery the day of.
- **Teddy Bear Ministry** – provides teddy bears to residents of nursing homes and assisted living facilities during Christmas

Lead coordinator is Janet Gentry – information line 443-819-3066.

JAM—Sandwich Ministry
St. Margaret works with two other area churches to provide lunch on Sundays to area homeless who are not in the Welcome One Shelter. Lead coordinator is Barb Rohde.
Ministry of St. Lawrence
This ministry assists monetarily or by referral those individuals or families who are in need of basic living expenses. Needs included are food, rent, utilities, and eviction and outcomes are based on an understanding of the persons budget, current income and ability to meet obligations going forward. Lead coordinator is Nina Heck, ninah@stmargaret.org.

Our Daily Bread Casseroles
Beef stew casseroles are made by our parishioners in their homes, frozen and then dropped off to the Saint Margaret parish office or school kitchen. Casserole pans and recipes can be found at the doors of the church and Callahan Center (recipe may also be found on the parish homepage website: www.stmargaret.org) Parish Office 410-838-6969

Our Daily Bread Lunch Servers
This group meets at 7:45 am in the church parking lot to carpool to Our Daily Bread in Baltimore twice a month. Currently they are covering the 1st Friday of each month and the 2nd or 3rd Wednesday of each month. Our Daily Bread serves lunch daily to approximately 400-700 individuals who are homeless or hungry in Baltimore City. Lead coordinator is Gary Rohde.

Representative Payees
Provide a vital service to folks in our community who are unable to manage their Social Security income for a variety of reasons. They need a guardian angel to pay their bills and keep accurate records of their financial information. Lead coordinator is Jackie Novak.

Prison Ministry
Provides spiritual and personal support and encouragement to inmates at the Harford County Detention Center. Deacon Jim DeCapite at 410-838-6969, ext. 143 or jdecapite@stmargaret.org

Communion Services
Team members visit Sunday evenings and lead Communion services to the imprisoned.
Rosary Ministry/Project Rosary
This ministry meets on the second Thursday of each month from 1:30 - 3:00 pm in the Parish Office Conference Room and makes rosaries for inmates in the Harford County Detention Center and other groups as requested. Novices of all ages are welcome to come! This is a very informal, flexible ministry – individuals may come the Fridays that work best with their schedule or all Fridays. Each year this group participates with the Faith Fest event and will meet 12 consecutive weeks during the summer months. Lead coordinator is Diane Faber.

Respect Life

Respect Life Ministry
This group will provide information to the Parish on events and news related to Respect Life issues.

Birthright Pregnancy Resource Center
Practical help to anyone facing a crisis pregnancy with ongoing support, education, referrals and material assistance in a friendly atmosphere.
www.birthrightbeair.com

March for Life
St. Margaret participates in the annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. each January. Deacon Jim DeCapite 410-838-6969 ext. 143 or jdecapite@stmargaret.org

Play It Forward
This group socializes and plays simple games with members of the ARC of Northern Chesapeake and the Harford Center. Gatherings take place on the first Thursday of each month from 10:30 to noon at the Callahan Center at St. Mary Magdalen Mission. Volunteers interact with individuals with ‘differing’ abilities. Lead coordinator is Lisa McGann

Senior Citizens

First Friday Senior Citizens
Group provides lunch, entertainment and fellowship following Mass on the first Friday of the month at the Callahan Center at St. Mary Magdalen Mission (October, November, December, March, April, and May) Lead coordinators are Mary Jane Zarachowicz and LuAnne Belmonte.
Sick and Home-bound

**Eucharistic Ministry**

**Hospital Eucharist:** Holy Communion is distributed daily to Catholics at Upper Chesapeake Medical Center.  
Fr. Roque Lim 410-838-6969

**Home Eucharist:** Available to home-bound Catholics who wish to receive Communion at home.

**Nursing Home:** Communion services are held at Avondell Independent Living and also Bel Air Health and Rehab on Monday afternoons and Brightview Assisted Living on Wednesday afternoons. Nina Heck 410-838-6969, ext. 174 or ninah@stmargaret.org

**Hooked on Prayer**
This group is made up of women who come together to knit or crochet shawls for persons in need. The group meets on the second Tuesday of the month in the Adult Education Center Library. If you do not knit or crochet, but would like to learn, instructions are provided – the stitch used to make a shawl is simple and can be picked up easily.

**Legion of Mary**
This very dedicated group provides spiritual growth for members and outreach to the sick, homebound, nursing homes and hospitals.  Our Lady of the Snows Praesidium meets every Friday from 10am to noon in the Adult Education Center.  Lead coordinator is Anita Lennon.

**Health Ministry**
The mission of this ministry is to promote the health of the St. Margaret Parish congregation by actively encouraging, supporting and developing a sense of well-being of the body, mind and spirit through education, partnering, networking, advocacy and referral.

Lead coordinator is Mary Ann Williams.

**Prayer Tree**
Approximately 150 parishioners pray for the needs of the parish and individuals. Requests are distributed by e-mail to the Prayer Tree members. To request prayers or to become a member, contact the parish office at 410-838-6969.

**Thoughtful Wishes**
A group which makes cards for the sick and shut-ins at various nursing homes in the community.  Lead coordinator is Karen Barnaba.
Substance Abuse

Addiction Support Groups
They work to support and encourage those dealing with substance abuse. All information shared is kept strictly confidential. This group is responsible for coordinating Recovery Month in September of each year.

Meet in the Adult Education Center
  Families Anonymous  ~  Mondays 7:00 pm

Meet in the Lower Meeting Room of the Elementary School
  Alcoholics Anonymous  ~  Fridays 7:00 pm
  Women for Sobriety  ~  Saturdays 7:30 pm
  Narcotics Anonymous  ~  Sundays 6:00 pm
LITURGY

Liturgical Ministries

Lectors
Steve Pospisil 410-515-7509
Jackie Novak 410-420-3563

Ushers
Jackie Novak 410-420-3563

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
Diane Alsid

Altar Servers
Maureen Yantz 410-937-0592

Art and Environment
Includes attention to Liturgical seasonal decorations in the entire worship space, highlighting the means of the season using real and authentic materials reflecting God’s beauty in creation. Parish office: 410-838-6969

Altar Guild
Cares for the worship space, altar linens and vessels. Volunteering for this ministry requires two hours every three weeks. Anne Heidenreich 410-688-4527

Children’s Lectionary
Proclaims the scripture for our Sunday Children’s Dismissal so school-age children can understand the scriptures on an age-appropriate level. Frann Geraghty 410-838-2472 or Joan Motsay Brown at 410-838-6969, ext. 127.

Pamphlet Rack in the back of church is a source for spiritual materials and Parish information. Maureen Yantz 410-937-0592
MUSIC

Tom Keesecker, Director of Music – tkeesecker@stmargaret.org.
Jeffrey Winfield, Assistant Minister of Music – jefwinfield@comcast.net.
Music office: 410-838-6969 Ext. 136

Our parish Music Ministry offers opportunities for adults, children and teens to enhance the worship life of the parish through our choral and handbell ensembles. We also welcome those who are proficient instrumentalists to share their talents at various liturgies throughout the year.

Rehearsals for all choirs are below:

Tuesday
Handbell Choir
(Agent and Young Adult)
5:30 – 6:30 pm
Music reading ability is necessary.

Thursday
Cherub Choir K—2nd grade
4:40 to 5:10 pm

Children’s Choir 3rd—8th grade
5:10 to 6:00 pm

Adult Choir
7:00 to 8:30 pm
(Sings regularly on Sundays at the 10:00 am Mass)

St. Mary Magdalen High School Contemporary Ensemble sings regularly on Sundays at the 11:00 am Mass at the Mission. Singers and instrumentalists are welcomed and encouraged to contact Jeff Winfield in advance of rehearsal so that music can be prepared for you.
DEVELOPMENT

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
The Parish Development Committee provides recommendations to the pastor for parish programs for development, strategic planning, special and planned giving, and communications, and coordinates parish and school development programs. The committee and subcommittees meet monthly or as needed in conjunction with ongoing projects.
Frank Izzo 410-893-2767

STEWARDSHIP ~ Our Faith In Action
This ministry is an invitation to share the gifts that God has given us through prayer, service and sharing.

COMMUNICATIONS
The parish is always looking for writers, photographers and artists to contribute to the weekly bulletin. If you are interested in writing an article for the bulletin, or taking photos at a parish event, please call:
Kathy Reilly 410-838-6969, ext. 200.
Submit bulletin information to bulletinsaintmargaret@gmail.com

PUBLIC RELATIONS
Public Relations - coordinates parish communications with staff, parishioners, other parishes, outside groups and media.
Kathy Reilly 410-838-6969, ext. 100
ADMINISTRATION

**Finance Committee** reviews and provides oversight for the parish financial accounting and budget processes. The committee meets two hours monthly. Bob Bugle 410-420-1581

**Facilities Committee** develops policies and procedures for the use of facilities at St. Margaret and St. Mary Magdalen. The committee plans and supervises building and renovation projects, and meets every other month. Steve Hunter 410-838-9029

**Parish Office Clerical Support** provides volunteer assistance to the Parish staff to carry out a variety of projects.

**Adopt-A-Garden** Individuals and families adopt a garden either at St. Margaret or St. Mary Magdalen campus. Keeping your designated garden free from weeds and planting flowers (both annuals and perennials) is all that is required. Steve Geraghty 410-935-9818
VIRTUS FOR PARISH VOLUNTEERS

St. Margaret Parish is committed to providing our children and youth with safe environments characterized by healthy relationships.

**ALL** volunteers at St. Margaret Parish must register with [Virtusonline.org](http://Virtusonline.org). The Archdiocese has implemented an online training and screening system for those that volunteer in our parish community.

**ALL** volunteers must be registered in the online compliance system in order for our parish to be in compliance with Archdiocesan youth protection requirements for volunteers, employees, minors, and clergy.

If you are a volunteer at St. Margaret Parish, please contact Karen Saccenti in the parish office, 410-879-2670 ext. 112 or ksaccenti@stmargaret.org for assistance.

Thank you for serving as a volunteer at St. Margaret Parish and for complyng with the Archdiocese requirements.
PARISH STAFF DIRECTORY

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Rev. Nicodemus Konza
Hospital Chaplain
Rev. Roque Lim
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Patrick Goles
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Pre-school and elementary
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Kristin Rupprecht
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Cluster Leader  Christine Buontempo 410-808-8960

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal, service organization dedicated to supporting the Catholic Church and its principles. It is the largest lay organization in the Catholic Church. It consists of more than 15,000 councils and over 1.8 million members throughout the world. Today, more than ever, the world needs a few more Knights to carry on this necessary work. Catholic men at least 18 years of age may join us in providing charitable to Saint Margaret parish and the greater Bel Air community. Kevin McNamara  443-409-4186  kgm4714@gmail.com
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