CONFIRMED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT
Auxiliary Bishop Mark Rivituso anoints with chrism 8th grader Anne Roesch, accompanied by her sponsor, Emily Straka. 49 young people of our parish and school completed their sacramental initiation into the Catholic Church at Confirmation on May 10.

Celebration of the Eucharist
Saturday 4:30 p.m. & Sunday 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.
Monday thru Friday at 6:30 a.m.
and Fridays at 8:00 a.m. on school days
Holy Days and holidays as published in Sunday Bulletin

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 3:45 to 4:15 p.m.
Parish Mission Statement

Saint Margaret of Scotland Church is a diverse, urban, Catholic parish. Inspired by the Holy Spirit and the example of our patroness, we are called to be a vibrant voice and beacon of the Catholic faith in our neighborhoods.

We proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ in word and action by:

- Praying and celebrating as a Eucharistic community,
- Educating children and adults to live a full Christian life in today’s world,
- Serving others with unconditional generosity, and
- Living just lives and working for a more just society.

School Mission Statement

St. Margaret of Scotland Parish School is a diverse, urban, vibrant, and inclusive Catholic community. We promise a challenging learning environment for children, pre-kindergarten through eighth grade, in which they realize their academic potential and giftedness in body, mind and spirit. Our students embody the example of our patron saint as responsible leaders and caretakers of our community through works of service and social justice.

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Bulletin Article Deadline:
Monday, 2:00 p.m.
E-mail submissions to:
communications@stmargaretstl.org

Monthly Giving Report

March 2018

Total General Fund Contributions: $48,224
General Fund Budget Goal: $48,557
Amount Over/(Under) Budget: ($333)
Number of Sundays: 4

FY18 YTD (July ’17 - March ’18)
Total General Fund Contributions: $476,756
General Fund Budget Goal: $469,944
Amount Over/(Under) Budget: $6,812

Sacrament of Matrimony

There is a promise of marriage between:

Paige Klekner and Michael Rockhold

We Share Online
Event Registrations and Giving
StMargaretStL.WeShareOnline.org
Happy Birthday, Church!
Happy Birthday, St. Margaret of Scotland School!

The Solemnity of Pentecost, the ‘birthday of the Church,’ gives us the opportunity to congratulate our parish school in completing a century of service to Catholic education.

In September 1917 the school opened its doors to welcome children in grades one through six. It began at the direction of the parish’s first pastor, Fr. John J. O’Brien, and under the leadership first of Sister Mary Pachomia Lacky. She, and her fellow Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet, would staff and serve as devoted educators of our school for ninety years, a blessed gift to thousands of students. In successive years, our school grew in number and grades. The single building once served in excess of 700 students! It was not exceptional for fifty kids in a classroom to be managed by a single nun.

The addition of a new building in 1966 accommodated the growth. Later, with foresight and urban savvy, the parish leaders of St. Margaret secured the future well-being of our school by expanding its footprint. During the challenging decades of the 1970s and 80s, several homes, some of them derelict properties, were purchased and razed. The building of the middle school in 2015 marked a new chapter in our history, as it signaled the parish’s commitment to our mission of education and an enduring presence in our city’s landscape. Through the decades, generations of young people received an excellent education and made thousands of lifelong friendships.

The size of the school has fluctuated over the generations. The curriculum has changed with the developments in academics. The styles of teaching has altered. When our school began 100 years ago, students wrote with pens dipped in inkwells; today they can write with their finger on a computer laptop. Back then teachers wrote lessons with chalk on a slate board; now they use electronic pens on a white screen.

What hasn’t changed over this century at St. Margaret of Scotland is what we are doing now. The worship of our God and the instruction in the ways of our Catholic faith have been at the center of this house of learning. The mission has always been and continues to be the pursuit of the gospel of Jesus Christ, the knowledge that God made us to know Him, to love Him, to serve Him, and to be happy with God in life eternal. And our inspiration throughout is our patroness, the namesake of our parish and school, St. Margaret, Queen of Scotland, who a thousand years ago modeled for us the role of a teacher and an instrument of charity and justice. We honor her by imitating her example.
On Thursday evening, May 10, Bishop Mark Rivituso presided at the Sacrament of Confirmation here in our church. The following young people (listed with their Confirmation saint’s name) completed their initiation in the Catholic Church through their anointing in the Holy Spirit:

Harris Abegg (St. Nicholas)  
Seigo Barber (St. Genesius)  
Elliot Becker (St. Robert)  
Mary Byrne (St. Jeanne Jugan)  
Preston Carpenter (St. Robert Bellarmine)  
Carmen Cox (St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)  
Vincent Dawson (St. Francis Xavier)  
Isabel DeBourg Rapp (St. Pelagia)  
Alexander Deiters (St. Thomas More)  
Sarah Ann Drebes (St. Rose Philippine Duchesne)  
Luke Duffy (St. Thomas Aquinas)  
Rita Duggan (Blessed Karolina Gerhardinger)  
Barrett Fasano (St. Clare of Assisi)  
Dylan Fritz (St. Ambrose of Milan)  
Abigail Gerstner (St. Elizabeth Ann Seton)  
Timothy Greiner (St. Henry)  
Ryan Harper (St. Therese the Little Flower)  
Lucia Hathaway (St. Catherine of Alexandria)  
Louise Hubman (St. Cecilia)  
Chapin Ibendahl (St. Gabriel Lalemant)  
Matilda Killeen (St. Anthony of Padua)  
Ethan Knabe (St. Ignatius of Loyola)  
Samuel LaPorte (St. Francis of Assisi)  
Cooper Littlepage (St. Mariana de Jesus de Paredes)  
Ian Manion (St. Sebastian)  
Pasha Manley (St. Nicholas)  
Ina Marlinghaus (St. Maturinus)  
Caeli Millett (St. Teresa of Calcutta)  
Peter Molitor (St. Francis of Assisi)  
Claire Molner (St. Barbara)  
Catherine Ohs (St. Lucy)  
Evelyn Ohs (St. Thomas Aquinas)  
Sofia Ottolini (St. Veronica)  
Isabella Ottolini (St. Kalliopi)  
Arthur Pena (St. Joan of Arc)  
Nolan Rasmussen (St. Sebastian)  
Greta Reitenbach (St. Cecilia)  
Anne Roesch (St. Elizabeth of Hungary)  
Peter Roither (St. Ignatius of Loyola)  
Hunter Sala (St. Jose Maria Robles Hurtado)  
Ella Short (St. Elizabeth of Hungary)  
Wyatt Simmons (St. Hubertus)  
Katerina Sosbey (St. Lidwina of Schiedam)  
Jonathan Speth (St. Kateri Tekakwitha)  
Olivia Stark (St. Francis of Assisi)  
Francis Vacc (St. Frances Cabrini)  
Margaret Wangard (St. Bernadette)  
Joshua Weston (St. Michael)  
Olivia Wilmes (St. Angela Merici)

**Stewardship Corner**

“There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit; there are different forms of service but the same Lord; there are different workings but the same God who produces all of them in everyone.”

1 CORINTHIANS 12:4-6

All of us are blessed, regardless of our own individual circumstances; God has given each of us many gifts. How we use those gifts is our gift back to God. For God’s plan to work, each must do what we are called to do and guess what – we are not all called to do the same thing!
“In the end, it’s the beginning that counts!” That’s what we say at St. Margaret of Scotland School. And, it was never more evident than last week when Ms. Reid’s prekindergarten class led the entire school in prayer and song at Mass.

The story came to life and all eyes were riveted to the scene taking place in the sanctuary. The newly-confirmed up in the balcony must have felt the Spirit move within them as they watched with wonder and awe.

The reading from the Acts of the Apostles told the story of Pentecost when Peter told the people: “All of us can tell you that God has raised Jesus to life! Jesus was taken up to sit at the right side of God, and he was given the Holy Spirit, just as the Father had promised. Jesus is also the one who has given the Spirit to us, and that is what you are now seeing and hearing.” We did see.

And then, the PK cantors and choir led us in the hymns to accompany the liturgy. They were strong and fearless and inspiring to all who were gathered there in prayer. We did hear.

In the gospel, John repeated what Jesus had said to his disciples: “I tell you for certain that if you have faith in me, you will do the same things that I am doing. You will do even greater things, now that I am going back to the Father. Ask me, and I will do whatever you ask. This way the Son will bring honor to the Father. I will do whatever you ask me to do.”

--Jesus

We will ask!

Saint Margaret of Scotland Parish Council is actively seeking two new candidates to join for the term beginning in June 2018. The Parish Council is a collaborative, advisory group that works with the Pastor to set goals for the parish as a whole, support the various ministries and promote the mission of the parish through action. The parish themes of Evangelization and Communication guide our work. If you are interested in learning more about how to become a member of the parish council, please contact

Chris Goudy (christophergoudy@gmail.com) or Heather Lawyer (hlawyer@mac.com)
**Mass Intentions For This Week**

**Monday, May 21**
6:30 a.m. Kay Beffa +

**Tuesday, May 22**
6:30 a.m. Guadalupe Garza +

**Wednesday, May 23**
6:30 a.m. Therese Bouley +

**Thursday, May 24**
6:30 a.m. The Casey Family +

**Friday, May 25**
6:30 a.m. Kathleen O’Toole +
8:00 a.m. Kyle Pace +

**Saturday, May 26**
4:30 p.m. Katie Walterscheid +

**Sunday, May 27**
8:00 a.m. Dorothy Gormley
10:00 a.m. People of the Parish

To mark a special occasion or to remember a beloved family member, or friend - living or deceased, with a Mass intention please call the Parish Office at 314-776-0363.

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**This Week In Our Parish**

**Monday, May 21**
Ladies Aux., 7:00 p.m. - Church Hall
Athletic Assoc., 7:00 p.m. - Canmore Room

**Wednesday, May 23**
Centering Prayer, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. - Chapel
Choir Rehearsal, 7:15 p.m. - Church/Church Hall

**Thursday, May 24**
Eucharistic Adoration, 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. - Chapel
Cub Scouts, 6:00 - 7:15 p.m. - Church Hall

**Saturday , 26**
Divine Mercy Group, 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. - Canmore Room

**Sunday, May 27**
Rosary, 7:30 a.m. - Church

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**Ministry Schedule - Weekend of May 26 / 27**

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**ANNUAL CATHOLIC APPEAL UPDATE**

**We Have Benefited from the ACA. Have You Given?**

This summer we have a huge tuck-pointing project for our church and school. Thanks to a grant from the Annual Catholic Appeal of $35,000, the cost of this expense to the parish will be offset. Think too of the thousands of dollars our school families receive through tuition assistance as well as the help financially and emotionally challenged persons are given through our Catholic agencies.

St. Margaret of Scotland has a challenge goal for the ACA: $57,000. Right now, we have collected $40,000 in pledges. Have you done your part? A gift of $20 from each parish family that has never participated would be a huge leap for us. Please respond favorably when you are called up to give to the ACA.

Though our volunteers won’t be available at Masses with pledge cards, you can still contribute. Please contact Tom and Marilyn Sweeney at tlsweeney53@gmail.com for your pledge card or other donation information. If you already have a card, feel free to drop it in the collection basket or send it to the Parish Office. Thank you for supporting the many ministries funded by the ACA!

**LADIES’ AUXILIARY NEWS**

Ladies Auxiliary will meet on Monday, May 21 in the church hall which will be our last meeting as we adjourn for the summer months and resume in September. We will have a Pot Luck dinner beginning at 6:30 p.m. followed by a business meeting. All women of the parish are welcome! Please join us for an evening of good food and fellowship!!!!

**St. Vincent de Paul Society News**

**IN KIND CONTRIBUTIONS**

Our generous school families have kept our pantry well supplied during the school year but we are currently running low on items such as peanut butter, jelly, canned fruits and vegetables, canned meats and soups. Our neighbors welcome gifts of these non perishable items—it helps reduce their food bills and keeps staples in the house in times of emergency. Please consider donating some of these items the next time you visit the grocery. Donations may be left in the bins in the back of church.

**CONFERENCE SUPPORT**

The following chart demonstrates the gap between our current income and expenses. We had a surplus in our accounts due to fundraising and some generous bequests and we decided to avoid extensive fundraising and use that money. Please note that our expenses in the previous quarter exceeded our income by almost $12,000.00. We are grateful for the support of the parish and hope that you will continue to help us reach out to our less fortunate neighbors.

Give Us This Day

**A retreat in daily life**

You're invited to subscribe to Give Us This Day, a book published monthly with scripture and prayers for each day along with reflections, articles and artwork. For more information about this simple tool to help you deepen your spirituality, or to subscribe for just $25, visit WeShare.

For additional information, e-mail Emily Straka at emstraka@yahoo.com or call the Parish Office at 314-776-0363.