**The Parish Family of St. Catharine and St. Margaret**
*Spring Lake, New Jersey*
*Rev. Msgr. Harold F. Cullen, Pastor*

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**Mass Schedule**

**St. Catharine Church**
215 Essex Ave, Spring Lake, NJ 07762
- **Saturday**: 5 PM
- **Sunday**: 7 AM, 9 AM, 10:30 AM
- **Monday-Saturday (except Wednesday)**: 8 AM

**St. Catharine Chapel**
- **Sunday**: 12 Noon
- **Wednesday**: 8 AM & 12 Noon
- **Monday-Friday**: 12 Noon

**St. Margaret Church**
300 Ludlow Ave, Spring Lake, NJ 07762
- **Saturday**: 4.00PM
- **Sunday**: 8:30 AM, 10 AM, 11:30 AM

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**
- **St. Catharine Chapel**, Saturday 3:30– 4:30PM
- **St. Margaret Church**, Saturday 3:00 – 3:45 PM

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**Parish Directory**

Rev. Msgr. Harold F. Cullen PhD, Pastor
Rev. William Dunlap, Associate Pastor
Rev. Charles Weiser, Senior Priest
Rev Martin Padovani, Weekend Assistant
Rev William Dowd, Weekend Assistant
Edward Jennings, Deacon
Dr. John Little, Deacon
Rich Baier, Buildings
Richard Cambron, special projects
Tammy Sablom, Religious Education
Ed Stevens, Director of Cemeteries
Sister Margaret Tierney, SC Pastoral Care
Dr. Jarred Tafaro, Director of Music
Lisa Defilippo Cole, Business Manager

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**NEW PARISHIONERS:**

Welcome! We encourage all new families who move into St. Catharine - St. Margaret Parish to call the rectory to register in the parish.

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**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**
*November 25, 2018*

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**Contact**:

- **Website**: www.stcatharine-stmargaret.org
- **Email**: ContactUs@stcatharine-stmargaret.org
- **Phone**: 732-449-5765
Dear Parishioners:

Belated Happy Thanksgiving to all St. Catharine-St. Margaret parishioners! And if you are home for the holidays, a special greeting and welcome to you as we celebrate and thank God for his many blessings to us. And we do have a lot to be thankful for!

As always, however, at this time of the year, I remind everyone to be clear about how and why we give thanks as followers of Christ.

Even if we were not surrounded with all the blessings that we acknowledge today, we, no less than the Pilgrims before us, should reflect naturally on the goodness of God. And that goodness is not so much measured by what we have been given, as much as by what He does with us always. The goodness of God is reflected by the awareness that He is with us and that He shares with us the joyful as well as the sorrowful moments of our lives, and carries us through the good and the bad times: “Even though I walk in the valley of the shadow of death” the Psalmist wrote “I will not be afraid because you are with me.” God’s presence in our lives does not necessarily make life easy, but rather makes life meaningful and gives us purpose, direction and strength.

In our western way of looking at things, there is always a temptation and a tendency to put an economic interpretation on our blessings. We easily say “God is good!” when we move into a new (and improved) house, or when the bottom line shows an upward trend, or the investment portfolio shows solid gain, or we receive a promotion on the job: “God is good!” we automatically think and say.

There is no real connection between the goodness of God and the bottom line of your financial statement. Be very careful that you never identify the blessings of God and the goodness of God with material abundance and prosperity. If this were so, most of the population of the world would have little reason to praise God, and the rich would be content and the poor would be unhappy. We know that the opposite is very often the case. To make such an identification is to imperil your very faith.

Monsignor Cullen

Pastoral Council Update

We want to keep you informed of the key issues we are addressing with the hope that you will participate more actively either through one of our ministries or by contacting us to give input. These are our areas of focus right now:

1. Support for the music ministry and Dr. Jarred Tafaro.
2. Local initiatives to counter the negatives of the national child abuse and cover-up scandals.
3. New programs to excite the youth and young families to participate more in our faith.
4. New efforts to serve those in need locally.
5. New methods to listen to/communicate with all parishioners.
6. Plans to better incorporate St. Catharine School into our parish life.

Our names and contact information are listed in the parish website. We would be delighted to hear from you either to voice support for our areas of focus or to suggest additional areas on which we should concentrate.

Your Pastoral Council Members

Our Promise To Protect

The Diocese of Trenton is committed to the initiatives outlined in the U.S. Bishop’s Charter for the protection of Children and Young People in regard to the reporting and investigation of sexual abuse allegations involving minors.

If you have been sexually abused as a minor by a member of the clergy or anyone representing the Catholic Church, or if you know of someone who has, you can report that abuse through the Diocesan Abuse Hotline 1-888-296-2965.

The Diocese of Trenton reports any allegations of sexual abuse to the appropriate law enforcement agencies. Anyone with allegations is also encouraged to provide that information to local law enforcement agencies.
**Pastoral Care**

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**732-449-5765**

If you are going into the hospital, our priests will be happy to anoint you by appointment before admittance. If you are IN the hospital, please call us to let us know so we can visit you, since hospitals no longer list patients’ parishes.

If you wish someone to visit you or your loved one in your home or assisted living, please notify me directly, Sr. Margaret Tierney, 732-449-5765, ext. 124.

**Blood Pressure Screenings**

On the 2nd Tuesday of each month, 12:30pm - 1:30pm, in the Convent.

**Bereavement Ministry** The next session is Thursday, November 29, 2018 at 1:30 PM in the Convent. If you have lost a loved one do not feel alone in your journey, we are here to support you. To register or for more information, call Sr. Margaret Tierney, 732-449-5765, ext. 124.

Members of our Parish who have family or friends in the service have given us their names which can be found in our Remembrance books in both churches in front of one of the side altars. We encourage you to stop there, say a prayer for those listed and for all our service people.

To add a name to our prayer list, please call Barbara 732-449-5392 or Karen 732-685-7065 or parishcouncil@stcatharine-stmargaret.org.
The Christmas Giving Tree

Our Christmas “Giving Tree” has tags requesting items of clothing and toys for children and/or adults. Please select a tag, buy the item or gift certificate and return it gift wrapped with the tag attached to the outside of the gift. Some agencies have requested that gifts NOT BE WRAPPED and this is indicated on the tag. If you would rather not shop you may make a donation for sneakers and for senior citizens gifts. Please place all monetary gifts in the collection box by the tree with the tag attached to the envelope.

Gifts must be returned by SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16th in order for the last distribution to be delivered to the agencies during the week of December 17th so they can sort and distribute in time for Christmas. We need help to sort and bag gifts after the last Masses at: St. Margaret Churches on Sunday, December 9th and Sunday, December 16th and at St. Catharine’s Church on Monday, December 10th and Monday, December 17th at 2:00 PM to sort and deliver gifts.

Please call Maureen O’Reilly at 732-449-8285 if you can help on even one of these occasions.

Thank you. May God bless your family.

Mission of Mercy Uganda

Sister Carole and Sister Faida were recently interviewed on the Domestic Church Catholic Radio by Jim Manfredonia and Gabriella Furmato about their Mission of Mercy Uganda Organization. The interviewers were amazed at what has been accomplished in 16 years with special thanks to St. Catharine School and St. Catharine-St. Margaret Parish for their dedication to this project.
St. Catharine Classics

Eighth Annual Christmas Party

Honoring Monsignor Harold Cullen

Sunday, December 16, 2018

1:00 to 4:00 PM

Doolan’s Shore Club

SOCIAL HOUR with Hors d’Oeuvres, Unlimited Soft Drinks, Cash Bar

Sit-Down Dinner

Caesar Salad

Choice of three Entrees with Duchess Potatoes and Roasted Asparagus,

Apple Pie a la Mode, Coffee and Tea.

Live entertainment, Bruce Foster on Piano and Vocals

$45 includes tax and gratuities

Tear off and return with your check made out to St. Catharine's Church to:
Rosemary Heine, 25 Magnolia Drive, Spring Lake Heights, NJ 732-449-0753

NAME. ________________________________________NO. OF PERSONS_____

PHONE NUMBER________

My (our) entree selection is:

___ ROAST SLICED SIRLOIN STEAK WITH MUSHROOM REO WINE SAUCE

___ FILLET OF ATLANTIC SALMON WITH SEURRE BLANC SAUCE

___ CHICKEN PICATA (LEMON, BUTTER, CAPERS)

___ I would like to sit with: ____________________________________________

(Use reverse side for list of people to be included at your table.)
Monsignor Cullen is inviting all our parish children to participate in our Family Mass of Thanksgiving on Thursday, November 22, 2018 at 10:00 AM at St. Catharine Church. Children are invited to dress as pilgrims or native Americans.
All children should meet in the down stairs chapel of St. Catharine Church no later than 9:45 AM. A special gift will be given out after Mass.
Please return to your teacher or email to religioused@stcatharine-stmargaret.org.

_____Yes, my child would like to participate at the Thanksgiving Day Mass.

Child’s Name_________________________
Grade__________

Child’s Name_________________________
Grade__________

Child’s Name_________________________

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**CYO News**

**CYO Basketball, Grades 9-12**

First Practice: Monday, December 3, 7:30PM at St. Catharine School Gym, 301 Second Ave., Spring Lake.
Please join us! All players welcome!
Our First game will be in December.
Register on line at www.stcatharine-stmargaret.org
For more information, call Tammy Sablom 732-449-4424 ext 305 or email to religioused@stcatharine-stmargaret.org.

“Sport is not only a form of entertainment, but also — and above all I would say — a tool to communicate values that promote the good that is in humans and help build a more peaceful and fraternal society”
~Pope Francis
**Liturgical Ministry Schedule for St. Margaret Church Saturday, December 2 & Sunday, December 3**

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<th>SUN 12 NOON</th>
<th>Nov. 30: Christmas Spectacular. Welcome the holiday season with the elegance and grace of Father Alphonse Stevenson conducting the renowned Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea on at 7:30 PM at St. Dominic's Church, Brick. Tickets are $35 in advance $40 at the door &amp; will be sold after all weekend Masses. For more info, call 732-840-1410 Mon.-Fri, 9 AM-4 PM. Checks or cash only.</th>
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<td>Sarah DeGennaro, Elinore Vermeire, Theresa Abel, Theresa Mattucci</td>
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**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

### Monday, November 26
- 2:30 PM  Girl’s JV Bball, Gym.
- 4:00 PM  Girl’s V Bball, Gym.
- 5:00 PM  Boy’s JV Bball, Gym.
- 7:00 PM  Boy’s V Bball, Gym.

### Tuesday, November 27
- 6:45 AM  Men’s Morning Prayer Group, Convent.
- 8:30 AM  Pastoral Care, Allaire.
- 9:30 AM  Healthy Bones, Hall.
- 10:00 AM  Pastoral Care, Brandywine.
- 1:30 PM  Chair Yoga, Hall.
- 4:30 PM  CCD, K-5, SCS.
- 7:00 PM  CCD, 6th, 7th & 8th, SCS.
- 7:00 PM  CCD 2nd Grade Parent Meeting, SCS.
- 7:00 PM  CCD Knights of Columbus, Hall.

### Wednesday, November 28
- 10:30 AM  Pastoral Care, Sunrise.
- 2:30 PM  Daisy Troop, SCS.
- 2:30 PM  Girl Scouts, SCS.
- 2:30 PM  Cheerleaders, Gym.
- 3:00 PM  Irish Social Dancing, Hall.
- 5:00 PM  Youth Ensemble.
- 7:00 PM  RCIA, Convent.

### Thursday, November 29
- 12:00 PM  Altar Sewing/Craft Guild, Hall.
- 1:30 PM  Bereavement Session, Convent.
- 2:30 PM  Girl’s JV Bball, Gym.
- 4:00 PM  Girl’s V Bball, Gym.
- 5:30 PM  Boy’s JV Bball, Gym.
- 7:00 PM  Adult Choir, St. Catharine Church.
- 7:00 PM  Daughters/Sons of St. Cath, Hall.

### Friday, November 30
- 3:30 PM  Boy’s V Bball Game, Gym.

### Saturday, December 1
- 10:00 AM  SCS Christmas 5K.
- 11:30 AM  Girl’s JV Bball, Gym.

### Community Outreach Ministry Food Collection

**Next Sunday, December 2**

Thank you for your generosity last month with our food drive. As you know, we collect food on the first Sunday of each month for Our Lady of Providence Parish. The food goes to people who are working hard to make a good life here in our country for their families. Especially welcome are Goya food products, rice, and flour. While it is often a struggle, they are grateful for your assistance. We are looking for families who would take responsibility for ONE Food Drive on ONE WEEKEND each year.

**Dec. 9: 150th Anniversary of St. Vincent Academy at the Shore Reunion Brunch** at the Spring Lake Golf Club at 11:30 am. All Alumnae and Friends are invited to attend. The cost is $50. For more info visit tnolan@svanj.org or call Pat Delaney Hanbury 732-922-0634.

**Daughters & Sons of St. Catharine—St. Margaret Parish**

Our next meeting is Thursday, November 29, 2018 at 7PM in Francis Duffy Hall, St. Margaret Church

Our guest speaker will be Steve Kenny who will speak on Faithful Citizenship and the Church Scandal issues.

Steve Kenny has taught Catholic Social Teaching and Catholic Moral Teaching at St. Joseph Regional High School. He has also led forums on Faithful Citizenship at parishes in the Archdiocese of Newark.

The USCCB document on Faithful Citizenship represents the guidance for Catholics in the exercise of our rights and duties as participants in our democracy. Our Church asks all people of good will to use this statement to help form their consciences; to teach those entrusted to their care; to contribute to civil and respectful public dialogue; and to shape political choices in light of Catholic teaching. The statement lifts up our dual heritage as both faithful Catholics and American citizens with rights and duties as participants in the civil order.

Four topics Steve will discuss:

1. Is there a place for religion in politics?
2. Should Catholics talk about their faith in their community?
3. Which political party is hostile to Catholic teachings?
4. What does the Church teach on social issues?

For questions or more information, please call Gretchen Stevens at 732-213-7475 or email gretchenstevens22@gmail.com.
RECTORY OFFICE HOURS: Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs. & Fri. 9 AM - 4 PM.

Evenings and Saturdays by appointment.

If you wish an appointment with a priest, please call beforehand.

On Holy Days & Holidays, the rectory office is closed.

Street and Telephone Numbers
Rectory, 215 Essex Avenue 732-449-5765
Convent, 211 Essex Avenue 732-449-5765, ext 126
Sr. Carole MacKenthun, RSM
Sr. Margaret Tierney, SC
Sr. Mary Bilderback, RSM
Sr. Barbara Williams, RSM
St. Catharine School, 301 Second Ave., Spring Lake 732-449-4424
Religious Education Office, SC School 732-449-4424, ext 305, 310
St. Catharine Cemetery, 1100 W Chicago Blvd. Sea Girt 732-681-6269
St. Anne Cemetery, 1610 Allenwood Road, Wall 732-681-6269

PARISH WEBSITE: www.stcatharine-stmargaret.org
SCHOOL WEBSITE: www.stcatharineschool.net
PARISH E-MAIL: ContactUs@stcatharine-stmargaret.org
PARISH BULLETIN E-MAIL: cindygraves@optonline.net
PASTORAL COUNCIL E-MAIL: parishcouncil@stcatharine-stmargaret.org
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION E-MAIL: religioused@stcatharine-stmargaret.org

MIRACULOUS MEDAL NOVENA: after 8am mass on Monday at St. Catharine Church.

QUEEN OF PEACE: Sunday at 2pm, St. Catharine Chapel.

EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION: Weekly Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is held EVERY Wednesday following the 8am mass in St. Catharine Chapel, Benediction at 4pm.

THIRD ORDER OF LAY CARMELITES: Prayer and reflection after the 8am Mass on the first Saturday of each month.

BAPTISMS: Beginning in September 2018, Baptisms will be held on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month. Baptism Preparation Classes are held on the 1st Tuesday of each month and must be taken before the Baptism. We urge parents to take the class before the baby’s birth. Please call 732-449-5765, ext 100 to arrange for Baptisms and the Preparation Class.

MARRIAGES: All couples planning marriage should notify the parish at least one year in advance. The Church sees marriage in one’s own parish as the most proper arrangement, therefore, people who reside in St. Catharine - St. Margaret Parish have a right to be married here. Others should receive the sacrament in their own parishes. The bride, the groom, or their parents must be registered and living in this Parish for at least one year. Pre-Cana or Engaged Encounter Weekend is required as is participation in FOCUS; a self-diagnostic inventory designed to help couples learn more about themselves and their unique relationship. Please call 732-449-5765, ext. 134.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We, the Catholic community of St. Catharine - St. Margaret, gather in Christ’s name to nurture spiritual growth through the various stages and challenges of life.

We are committed through liturgy, sacraments and parish activities - to proclaim the message of the Gospel, to provide a quality Catholic education for children and adults, to continue to build community and to serve those in need. Rich in the traditions established in this community during the last century, we challenge ourselves to live our faith in loving service to the community’s residents and its many summer visitors.

We affirm our concern for all members of the Mystical Body of Christ everywhere and particularly those who require assistance. And always, we seek to know and love God and to love our neighbor as Jesus taught us.