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Deadlines

Dragon Tales E-News
Monday afternoon

Sunday Announcements
Wednesday afternoon

Office Hours

Monday-Wednesday - 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Thursday-Friday - By appointment only

Announcements for August 29, 2021

Welcome!

If you are new to St. Margaret's, we offer a special welcome. Our parish is very dynamic where service is a priority, where you can question your own faith journey, and where everyone is welcome to receive communion. If you would like to know more about our church, contact us using our contact form on our Newcomers page of our website at www.st-margarets.org/newcomers.html. And be sure and take a yellow bag from an usher. It will provide you with a lot of information about St. Margaret's.

Safety Protocols for Worship

- *There is no congregational singing - only Cantors will sing.
- *Masks are strongly encouraged for worship in the sanctuary.
- *Please sign in on the attendance sheet in the narthex.
- *Hand sanitizer is available in the narthex and at the front of the sanctuary.
- *We will continue to share an elbow bump and smile during the passing of the peace.
- *Please be conscious of physical distancing.

Welcome Back Bash

Today is our "Welcome Back" bash **from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We'll have our Blessing of the Backpacks at the 9:00 and 11:15 a.m. services**, as well as a food truck, Sunday School sign-ups, playground fun and more!

The day also includes a **school supplies drive** for our local Broadneck area schools. **Donations will be accepted only today.** Needed items include: pens, pencils, dividers, scissors, highlighters, crayons, colored pencils, markers, spiral notebooks, baby wipes, Ziploc bags, lunch bags, earbuds, and wipes.

If you enjoy the food from the food truck, **please consider giving a goodwill offering with proceeds going to the Lutheran Social Services of the National Capital Area** to assist Afghan refugees resettle in the area.

Registration for Children's/Youth Formation

Children/Youth Formation Registration for the 2021-22 year is now open. Options include Sunday School, Children's Chapel, Youth Group, Acolytes, Music, etc. Printed forms are in the narthex. Automated forms are on our website at <https://www.st-margarets.org/registration-form.html>. Adult volunteers are a must to support these learning opportunities for our youngest members. If you can help, please contact Emily Delsordo at emily@st-margarets.org. Sunday School Open House now scheduled on Oct. 3. Classes begin on Oct. 10. The formation hour is 10:15 to 11 a.m.

Thursday Morning Book Study Resumes

All are welcome to join our Thursday Morning Book Study that resumes on **September 9 @ 9:00 a.m. on Zoom** (to start with). The group will be reading a **Peter Gomes book titled *Strength for the Journey***. It is a compilation of sermons he offers as spiritual resources for daily living. To participate, contact Pat Hall at pshall1@verizon.net. Here is a link to purchase the book: <https://www.amazon.com/Strength-Journey-Biblical-Wisdom-Living/dp/0060000783>

Monday Evening Adult Formation on Zoom Begins September 13

Our weekly Monday night study on Zoom at 7 p.m. will focus on the book "The Forgotten - Christianity's Original Struggle Against Bigotry, Slavery & Sexism" by Stephen J. Patterson. Discussions will focus on how human beings overcome the ways by which we divide ourselves one from another and whether it is possible beyond race, class, and gender. To participate, email Patti@st-margarets.org.



**Stewardship Sunday -
Coming September 19**

Foyers Program Renewed for 2021-22

St. Margaret's Foyers program is being renewed this coming program year! What is Foyers? Foyer is a French word that means "hearth" or "fireside," suggesting a group that is relaxed, receptive, and open to each other. St. Margaret's Foyers participants are assigned into small groups who spend time together throughout the program year getting to know one another outside of the St. Margaret's campus. To participate, you sign up either at church on a Sunday or email Ruth McKee Harmon at rhmckeyharmon@gmail.com. Deadline to register is October 1. All registrants are invited to a program kickoff event in the Parish Hall on Sunday, October 17 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

Volunteer Opportunities

*Provide dinners for the Light House shelter residents the 3rd and 4th Sunday of the month. For more information, contact MartiEngstrom@gmail.com.

*Needed donations for the Light House are found at <https://annapolislighthouse.org/get-involved/needs/>. Our donations will be picked up every two weeks and delivered to the Light House.

*Donate food or volunteer for distribution at the Broadneck area food pantry My Brother's Pantry. Contact: Russell Jackson.

*Join the Annapolis Run for The Light House on the scenic trails of Quiet Waters Park. The race options are virtual and include a Half Marathon, the Joggin' Joe Shafran Memorial 5k Run, and a 1.25 Mile Walk. For more information, go to <https://www.annapolisrunforthelighthouse.org/>.

*West Annapolis Pop-up Pantry - feeding hungry families in the Annapolis area two Thursdays a month- Contact: Barbara Marder, Janice John

Needed: Classroom tutors at Broadneck Elementary

Can you share ONE hour a week from October until June helping children in grades 1st through 3rd with reading, writing or math? For several years before the pandemic, SMC had a partnership with Broadneck ES, logging in hundreds of hours of much needed help in the classroom, whether it was one-on-one tutoring or a classwide project. No experience is necessary and you and the teacher decide what hour works best for the two of you! In the words of a SMC tutor: *I don't know who benefits the most from me being in the classroom, the student, the teacher or me! I love seeing a student smile once s/he gets a math concept or wants to continue reading!* Please contact Fran Becker, fran.becker10@gmail.com for more details or to let her know that you would like to tutor.

Parish Prayer List

For your prayers: Suzie Clifton, Charlie and Nancy, Amanda, Vanessa, Lynne, Charlie Dobbs, Charles Rector, John and Gail Morton, Sarah Donnelly, Sarah Holmes.

For those who have died: Bee Billups, Patricia McManus.

To **make an automated prayer request**, go to our website at www.st-margarets.org and click on the prayer request button. For pastoral emergencies only, call 443-837-5463.

A note on Prayer Requests -- We often remove prayer list names that have been on for a longer period of time. If a name has been taken off and you still want them on the list, email info@st-margarets.org.

Guild Resumes Meeting in September

Our Women's Guild will begin their new program year with their **monthly meeting on September 1 via Zoom**. The meeting starts at 1 p.m. with a guest speaker at 1:30 p.m. All are welcome. For more information on the Guild and its activities email Judy.Hall0404@gmail.com.

The Guild's popular **fall mum sale will be held on October 3** between services.

NEW STARTING TIMES

Wednesday Morning Eucharist Service - 9:00 a.m. starting September 8

Senior Sessions - Tuesdays - 9:00 a.m. starting Sept. 14 Seniors 65+ are welcome to join clergy on Zoom the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month **now at 9:00 a.m.** The sessions include special prayers, a discussion over the Gospel reading of the week, and a sharing of joys and challenges. To participate, email the Rev. Patti Sachs at patt@st-margarets.org.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Children's Chapel song leaders. - One Sunday a month during the 9 a.m. service

Ushers - at the 9:00 & 11:15 services

Acolytes (ages 7-18) - at the 9:00 & 11:15 a.m. services

Altar Guild members - weekly teams

Contact: Laura at info@st-margarets.org for more information.

Upcoming Baptism Dates

Baptism is the sacrament of becoming a Christian performed as part of a Eucharistic service. The next available baptism dates are Sunday, September 12 and Sunday, November 7. To request a baptism, go to www.st-margarets.org, click on the About Us tab, and click on Holy Baptism. Download the form and send to Peter@st-margarets.org.