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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 September 5, 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](http://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 at this time

- \*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.

### 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](mailto:emily@st-margarets.org). Sunday School Open House is 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](mailto: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](mailto:Patti@st-margarets.org).

### Clothes for Insecure Housed Families in the Broadneck Area

St. Margaret's is working with the Broadneck area schools' Pupil Personnel Worker Alison Mathews who works with families in domestic violence safe homes and insecure housing. She is currently searching to find a bag of 5 sets of clothes for children and parents in our local area.

What is needed --

- \*Donation of new or gently used children's and adult clothes (all sizes).
- \*Donation of new underwear and socks in all children and adult sizes.
- \*We hope to collect 5 donations for each child/adult. They can be placed in a plastic or paper bag with what size and what sex the clothes are for.

### Join The Afghan Tiger Team

Is your heart calling you to help Afghan refugees that assisted the U.S.? The Mission Commission is setting up a Tiger Team to discern and act quickly on the best ways to help. Over the next three months, we will meet every Thursday evening 6:00-8:00 p.m. Attend either by Zoom (Zoom Link: <https://bit.ly/2WCbHEE>) or in person in the Fellowship Hall. To join the Tiger Team or for more information, please contact Janice John: [janicejohnrg@gmail.com](mailto:janicejohnrg@gmail.com) or Fran Becer: [fran.becker10@gmail.com](mailto:fran.becker10@gmail.com). And/or please consider donating by making checks payable to "St. Margaret's Church" with "Afghan" in the subject line. Thank you!

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](#)

## 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 class-wide 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](mailto: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, Sierra, Nick, Dan, Olga.

To **make an automated prayer request**, go to our website at [www.st-margarets.org](http://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](mailto:info@st-margarets.org).

## Sewing Mission Returns

The Sewing Mission is back in the mask making business and looking for more sewers! Anne Arundel County Public Schools has mandated mask wear for all students, teachers, staff and visitors for the beginning of school year 2021-22. We have confirmed a need for reusable cloth mask for some of the more diverse, largely populated schools in Annapolis. As one Guidance Counselor said, "Children often arrive at school without their masks. The county is providing disposable masks but reusable, cloth mask are a welcome donation!" If you can produce some youth sized masks please contact Beth Kopack at 410-279-5136 or [esolchamp@icloud.com](mailto:esolchamp@icloud.com). We can supply new sewers with the patterns and materials needed. Please join us in this effort to protect our community's children while teaching the Earth friendly concept of reusability.

## Women's Guild Sale

The Guild's popular **fall mum sale will be held on October 3** between services. Make sure to bring cash or your checkbook that day.

## NEW STARTING TIMES

**Wednesday Morning Eucharist Service** - 9:00 a.m. starting October 13 -- **NOTE New Date**

**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 [patti@st-margarets.org](mailto:patti@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](mailto:info@st-margarets.org) for more information.