



# SAINT MARGARET

PARISH

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## Mass Schedule

**Daily:** Saint Margaret Chapel Monday - Friday: 6:30 am and 8:30 am  
Saturday: 8:30 am  
*Chapel is open for private prayer daily 6:30 am - 5:00 pm*

**Weekend:** Saint Margaret Church  
Saturday: 4:00 pm and 5:30 pm  
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 10:30 am and 12:00 pm

Saint Mary Magdalen Mission  
**Reconciliation:** Saint Margaret Church  
Sunday: 9:30 am and 11:00 am  
Saturday: 3:00 pm - 3:45 pm and immediately following the 5:30 pm Mass

## Mass Intentions February 1 - February 9, 2014

Saturday	4:00 pm	Tom Heidenrich
	5:30 pm	Mary Scoppa
Sunday	7:30 am	Paul and Josephine Guercio
	9:00 am	Lt. Owen Sweeney, Frank and Helen Dzierwinski
	10:30 am	Bob Mehr
	12:00 pm	Rita Parent
	9:30 am	Frank Bonilla
	11:00 am	Nancy Kathryn Sherman Morbit
Monday	6:30 am	Harv Hobik
	8:30 am	Nancy Schuster Natoli
Tuesday	6:30 am	Souls of the family of Thomas D. Noeth. Sr.
	8:30 am	Jonathan Parslow
Wednesday	6:30 am	Eucharistic Service
	8:30 am	Rita Handy
	8:30 am	Austin Lentz
Thursday	6:30 am	Eucharistic Service
	8:30 am	Mary Kelly Reinmann
Friday	6:30 am	Eucharistic Service
	8:30 am	Mary Scoppa
Saturday	8:30 am	Jennifer Alexander
	4:00 pm	Joseph Dembeck
	5:30 pm	John, Margaret and Robert Wilzack
Sunday	7:30 am	Paul and Josephine Guercio
	9:00 am	Charles McDonald, Jr.
	10:30 am	Colleen Rossi
	12:00 pm	Andrew Muir
	9:30 am Mission	Frank Salerno
	11:00 am Mission	Special intention for parishioners

**The Parish Office hours:** Monday through Thursday - 9:00 am to 7:30 pm  
Friday - 9:00 am to 4:00 pm



For children up to 3 years of age, nursery service is available in the Preschool building (next to the church) during the 9:00 and 10:30 am Masses and during the 4:00 pm Mass on Saturdays. This service is available at Saint Mary Magdalen during the 9:30 and 11:00 am Masses. Trained staff will care for your children while you attend Mass. This is a free service.

## Readings for February 9, 2014

### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Reading I:** Isaiah 58:7-10  
**Reading II:** 1 Corinthians 2:1-5  
**Gospel:** Matthew 5:13-16

**Key Passage:** Jesus said, "In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven." (Matthew 5:16)

**Adult:** In what way might you be hiding the light of Christ from others? What could you do to improve this?

**Child:** How can you let the light of Christ in you shine for others this week?

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# SAINT MARGARET

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Seeking a world transformed and unified in Christ

Saint Margaret Church

Bulletin for the week of February 2, 2014

Saint Mary Magdalen Mission

### Welcome to Saint Margaret

We extend a warm welcome to all who attend our services. We hope that you will find our parish community a place where your life of faith will be nourished. We also hope that you will share your special gifts within the community. Your prayers, your presence and your talents are most welcome. Please introduce yourself after Mass. May God bless all of us.

### Breaking News

**Coffee and Conversation**  
Our next gathering will take place on **Thursday, February 6** at 9:00 am, in the Adult Education Center. Please feel free to drop by and enjoy homemade goodies and fellowship.

### Mission Meet and Greet

We invite you to stay after the 11:00 am Mass next **Sunday, February 9** and get to know your Church family. Let's extend the fellowship of the Mass beyond the church into our day-to-day connections. A light lunch will be provided.

### Training for Eucharistic Ministers

A training session for those interested in becoming Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion at Saint Margaret Church or Saint Mary Magdalen Mission will be held on **Wednesday, February 5**, 6:30 - 8:00 pm in the church. We are in particular need of ministers who might want to serve at the 10:30 am or 12:00 pm Masses. If you plan to attend, or if you have questions, please contact Mary Ann Silvestri, [axsilvestri@verizon.net](mailto:axsilvestri@verizon.net) or 410-838-6261.

### Want To Be Inspired? Read today's "Why I Volunteer"

Please see **page 3** of the bulletin to read more quotes from our parishioners about why they volunteer in the many wonderful ministries that we have at Saint Margaret.

## March for Life ~ Washington, D.C. January 22, 2014

The March for Life was held in Washington, D.C. on January 22. A full bus of parishioners from Saint Margaret journeyed from the Callahan Center to the nation's Capitol to stand up for life and participate in the March. Kathy Sangmeister coordinated the trip again this year and shares with us her wonderful story found on page 3 located in our Outreach column.



Daniel Webster writes, "This has been a tremendous opportunity for our family; our children reflect the choice for life made by each of their respective birthmothers and we have been blessed and tested as we grow in the love of Jesus Christ."

Dan's daughter, Olivia, has participated in the March for four years. She writes, "I love going every year, and there seems to be more and more people every time. I like being able to know that what I am doing it for the Lord. The March for Life helps me to think of the future and to make wise choices. The women that speak there all say that they regret what they did, and I know now that I do not want to be one of them and be sharing a sad story with thousands of people. I think that it is amazing that so many

people participate in the March but it still just is not enough. I hope that we can get some more people to join us next year for the March."

"My children and I have attended the March for Life for several years, because we want to join the thousands of Americans who come together and peacefully pray for the unborn, for their parents and for families. There is nothing more beautiful than walking side by side with fellow Christians who support the total gift of life. The most inspiring part to me year after year is the amount of teenagers and young adults who attend the March for Life. They are our future and we are blessed by them." Diane Green

## Souper Bowl of Caring



*"Being a disciple means being constantly ready to bring the love of Jesus to others, and this can happen unexpectedly and in any place: on the street, in a city square, during work, on a journey."*

Pope Francis

This weekend, **February 1 and 2** our poor box collection will be for the Souper Bowl of Caring. Each year our parish very generously supports this effort which provides funds to the Franciscan Center in Baltimore. Please consider leaving a donation in the poor box this weekend. Thank you!

### "Be Protectors of God's Gift"

This year, the theme of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal is "Be Protectors of God's Gifts." This is especially appropriate as Pope Francis has asked us to open our hearts and minds to the Gospel and to our responsibility to be protectors of those around us. Your gift will enable archdiocesan support of ministry, education and service that touch thousands of lives not only in our archdiocese but throughout the world.

The Appeal not only helps fund the mission of Christ in the archdiocese on an annual basis, it also funds services that are of great help to the ministries here in our parish. For example, our parish receives 25% of each dollar contributed up to our goal. Then, we receive 50% of the additional funds received. This year, we will commit our parish rebates to assist our sister parish, St. Anthony of Padua in Baltimore, enhance our Youth and Young Adult Ministry program and fund tuition assistance in our school.

If you received your pledge form in the mail, please complete it and mail it back. For those of you who did not receive a form, they will be available here at Mass in the weeks ahead.

### Not feeling your best? As A Courtesy To Others...

Please remember that germs are easily passed by hand contact or through a shared cup. If you have a cough or cold or any other communicable disease, please refrain from drinking from the chalice or shaking hands with others. A simple bow or nod at the greeting of peace will acknowledge another person very nicely.

### Our Faith in Action

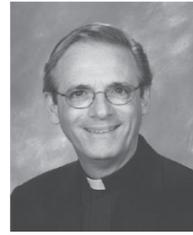
A bequest in your will, no matter what the amount, will help the parish continue its mission of serving God's people. Such a decision could be for you a worthy and personally satisfying objective. Everyone should have a will, no matter what your financial circumstances. When making your bequest, please use the full legal name and address: Saint Margaret Roman Catholic Congregation Inc., 141 N. Hickory Avenue, Bel Air, MD 21014.

### Contribution Tax Statements

All contributions are credited the week they are received. The 2013 contribution statements for Saint Margaret Parish were mailed on January 31, 2014.



### From Father Mike



**How about a little bit of humor this week?** Every so often in this column, I like to share some funny anecdotes or light-hearted sayings.

Most of them are religious-focused. Maybe right now, in the middle of winter, is a perfect time for this. So here goes.

A father was approached by his small son who told him proudly, "I know what the Bible means!"

His father smiled and replied, "What do you mean, you 'know' what the Bible means?"

The son said loudly, "I do know!"

"Okay," said his father. "What does the Bible mean?"

"That's easy, Daddy," the young boy said excitedly. "It stands for **Basic Information Before Leaving Earth!**"

There was a very gracious lady who wanted to mail an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. She placed it in a gift box and took it to the Post Office.

The postal clerk asked, "Is there anything breakable in there?"

"Only the Ten Commandments!" the lady answered.

Somebody once said that there are only two kinds of people in the world. There are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good morning, Lord!" And there are those who wake up in the morning and say, "Good Lord, it's morning!"

A minister parked his car in a no-parking zone in a large city because he was short of time and couldn't find a space with a meter. So he put a note under the windshield wiper that read: "I have circled the block 10 times. If I don't park here, I'll miss my appointment. Forgive us our trespasses."

When he returned, he found a citation from a police officer under the wiper. There was a note with it: "I've circled this block for 10 years. If I don't give you a ticket, I'll lose my job. Lead us not into temptation."

While driving in Pennsylvania, a family found themselves behind an Amish carriage. The owner of the carriage obviously had a sense of humor, because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand-printed sign.

*"Energy efficient vehicle!  
Runs on grass and oats!  
Caution: Do not step in exhaust!"*

A Sunday school teacher began her class with a question. "Boys and girls, what do we know about God?"

A hand shot up in the air. "He is an artist!" said the kindergarten boy. "Really? How do you know?" the teacher asked.

And the little boy said, "You know! It's right in the prayer. 'Our Father, who does art in heaven...'"

A Sunday school teacher asked a first-grader, "Johnny, do you think Noah did a lot of fishing when he was on the Ark?" "No!" Johnny replied. "How could he, with just two worms."

*Keep smiling!  
The peace and joy of the Lord  
be with you!*

*Father Mike*

### Inclement Weather Policy 2013-2014

If Harford County Schools are closed or delayed due to snow, ice, or inclement weather Monday-Friday, 6:30 am Mass is cancelled. We will celebrate the 8:30 am Mass. Check the parish website for updated information.

Also, if schools are closed due to snow, ice, or inclement weather, ALL parish meetings, functions and classes are cancelled that day and evening.

If there is snow or ice, or the prediction of snow or ice, during Adoration time on Tuesdays, Adoration will be suspended for that day.

This policy is now in effect to ensure the safety of parishioners and to allow for the proper cleaning of snow and ice from parking lots and sidewalks.



### Community Notes

#### TOPS - Take Off Pounds Sensibly

Do you need to lose those extra pounds gained during the holidays? TOPS meets every Thursday from 3:30 to 4:30 pm in the Adult Education Center on the Saint Margaret campus. Membership is \$28 a year with \$5 monthly dues. Call Carole at 443-567-6337.

#### Reminder: Bulletin Due Date

Information is due by 10:00 am on Monday for the following Sunday. If Monday is a holiday, items should be submitted the previous Friday. Please include name and contact information and fax to 410-879-2518 or e-mail kreilly@stmargaret.org.

#### Second Annual Retro Dance

Sponsored by Welcome One Emergency Homeless Shelter and The Havens of Hope Housing Program. Saturday, March 29 from 6:00 - 11:00 pm at the Callahan Center at Saint Mary Magdalen. Tickets are \$30 in advance or \$35 at the door. Hot and cold buffet, cash bar available. For more information contact Marie



Dekowski at 410-838-6969, ext. 126 or mdekowski@stmargaret.org.

#### Winter "Jammin Java" Coffeehouse at Saint Margaret

Friday, February 21, 7:30-10:30 pm at the Adult Education Center (historic church). C'mon out for a free night of cool tunes and hot coffee!



For more information, contact Ken Sporerl at 443-275-3137



# Parish Notes ...

## “Why I Volunteer”

“Saint Margaret faith community has been an important part of our lives since our family relocated to the Bel Air area more than 15 years ago. The short answer for my reason for volunteering is to try to give back for the many blessings we’ve received.”

*Bob Bugle*

“I volunteer with Faith Formation because I enjoy helping young Catholics learn ways to put their faith into practice in everyday life.”

*Debbie Marino*

“When I think about volunteering, I always think of the hymn “We are many parts” — and the gifts we have, we were given to share. I truly believe that God gives us gifts to use, and when we use them wisely it is our gift back to Him.”

*Kathy and Harry Saugmeister*

“I am called to bring good tidings to my students and to help them deal with the challenges to their Catholic faith and the moral values passed onto them by their family and the Church. Since the students are leaving the elementary part of their religious training, I want to open their eyes and hearts to a deeper understanding of the teachings of the Church and the importance of the Church’s roots in the Old and New Testament.”

*Phil Moylean*

Middle School Faith Formation teacher

“Every Sunday evening, prison minister volunteers, in alternating teams, bring Holy Communion and pray with Catholic inmates at the Harford County Detention Center. My husband Bill and I are one of these teams. It is almost impossible to express in words some of the moments we shared. They have been so God-filled that afterward we drive home in silence.”

*Anna and Bill Harrison*

“I always enjoy helping with getting the teddy bears ready to bring a smile to the people in nursing homes. It is fun to help and to see all of the stuffed animals.”

*Ian Doherty*

“I like delivering the gifts we buy and bringing joy to people at Christmas. I just wish we could do more for them all year too.”

*Camden Doherty*

Look for more wonderful quotes in the coming weeks!

## Outreach Notes

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### Play It Forward

Our next get-together will be on **Monday, January 13** from 10 – 11:30 am in the Adult Education Center. Please come share fellowship and fun by playing simple games with our vary abled friends from the ARC and United Cerebral Palsy. All ages are invited to join us for bingo, crafts and a sing-a-long with our very abled friends!



### In Sincere Gratitude

Dear Saint Margaret,  
Thank you for the generous donation of food and gift cards to assist some of the John Archer School families with expenses through the holiday season. The donations helped to brighten many homes this Christmas. Your thoughtfulness and generosity are appreciated by the students, their families and the staff of John Archer.

Sincerely,

Pat Walling, Principal

### Free Tax Preparation

Sponsored by the AARP Foundation and the Harford County Tax-Aide Program.  
**M-F, 9:00 am - 3:30 pm starting Janaury 27** in Aberdeen, Abingdon, Bel Air, Edgewood, Havre de Grace and Whiteford. Call 410-638-3425 to schedule an appointment.

### March for Life

It would be hypocritical of us to say that our concern for the unborn was always a priority. It was circumstances that brought the importance into our consciousness. Almost 16 years ago, we got a phone message that a sonogram showed that we were going to be blessed with a granddaughter. Right after that, the next message was filled with crying and hopelessness that the baby had spina bifida. Doctors said she would be paralyzed from the chest down, have hydro-encephalitis, and be brain damaged. The only option was to abort the baby. With our Lord’s mercy, and at great risk to our daughter-in-law, they opted to undergo fetal surgery to repair the spine. We serve an awesome God, and today our beautiful granddaughter is a freshman in high school, has taken dance lessons including acrobatic and participates in therapeutic horseback riding. This, and also having witnessed the emotional and psychological devastation caused by abortion, has made a huge impact on us. We march in gratitude for our blessings and to be a voice for the unborn who cannot speak for themselves.

*Kathy & Harry Saugmeister*

## Health Ministry Notes



Heart disease is not just a concern for men. According to the American Heart Association, one in 4 women die of heart disease in the U.S.. Join

in raising awareness of this important women’s health issue by wearing red on Feb. 7. Check the publication, When Delicious Meets Nutritious: Recipes for Heart Health, (<http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/educational/hearttruth/downloads/pdf/factsheet-recipes.pdf>) and try incorporating one of the suggested healthy substitutions into one of your favorite recipes or prepare one of the recipes mentioned. For more information on heart disease or increasing your family’s heart wellness, contact the Health Ministry Team by sending an email to [saintmhealthministry@stmargaret.org](mailto:saintmhealthministry@stmargaret.org).

## Substance Abuse Ministry

**H**EALING  
**R**ECOVERY  
**P**REVENTION  
**P**EACE  
Are you or a loved one struggling with substance abuse issues? Please come to one of the weekly meetings in the Lower Meeting

Room in the Elementary School on the Saint Margaret campus.

**Mondays, 7:00 pm** - Families Anonymous  
**Fridays, 7:00 pm** - Alcoholics Anonymous  
**Saturdays, 7:30 pm** - Women for Sobriety  
**Sundays, 6:00 pm** - Narcotics Anonymous  
**Sundays, 7:00 pm** - Alcoholics Anonymous

## Corner

Liturgy



Last week, this column addressed music during the presentation of the gifts, the second of the "big four" hymns that we sing at most Masses. The next hymn or song takes place during the distribution of Holy Communion. During this time, as we approach the Lord's Table, we sing songs that reflect the communal nature of the moment; songs with themes of a banquet, sharing a meal together, and the goodness of the Lord. The theology stresses that, although we receive Our Lord as individuals, this is most definitely a time of great sharing in the great feast of Christ. We celebrate with our gathered community, the living Body of Christ. As you know, this is often the song that the cantor feels as if he or she is singing a solo. Church documents tell us that the song should begin immediately after the people's invitation to Holy Communion ("Lord, I am not worthy...") but this practice is rarely followed, likely because of the most solemn and profound act that is about to occur. If the song is one that has a familiar and easy refrain, it allows people to sing as they prepare to approach the altar. As always, we value your input as we strive to make our liturgies meaningful and prayerful.

## Music Notes

Pete Anderson  
Music Director  
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panderson@stmargaret.org



It's a great time to join our music program. We truly have something for everyone—choirs for all ages, handbells, cantors, our youth ensemble, opportunities for instrumentalists, groupies, whatever your fit. All of our groups are starting new music so there couldn't be a better time to try it out. Please call the parish office or email panderson@stmargaret.org for more information.



## Adult Faith Notes

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Adult Faith Formation  
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**Lenten Opportunity Parish Lenten Bus Trip to Emmitsburg** will be held on **Saturday, March 22**. The bus will leave the Callahan Center at 7:30 am and return at 6:30 pm. The trip includes guided tour of The National Shrine of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, lunch at the Historic Cozy Inn and a visit to the National Shrine Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes which will include time and prayerful reflection as we walk through the Stations of the Cross. The cost is \$50 per person. To reserve your seat please contact Marie Dekowski 410-879-670, ext. 126 or mdewowski@stmargaret.org

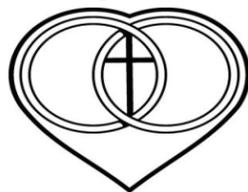
## Marriage Moments



"What's the most romantic trip you can take? Perhaps it's a trip down memory lane. Remember how you met, your first date, your first kiss, your proposal/acceptance, your first night as a married couple... Reminisce together. © Susan Vogt

## Second Annual Newlywed Couples Blessing and Dinner

On **Saturday, February 15**, newlywed couples in the parish are invited to attend this special event. At the 5:30 pm Mass, couples will receive a blessing and then a candle-light dinner will be served in the Adult Education Center following Mass. Please RSVP to Marie Dekowski at 410-879-2670, ext. 126 or mdewowski@stmargaret.org.



**Seventh Annual Marriage Conference** sponsored by Marriage Works of Harford County will be held on **Saturday, February 8**, from 9:00 am to 3:30 pm at the Callahan Center. The cost is \$40 for individuals and \$75 per couple, which includes morning refreshments and lunch. Nationally known speakers Dr. Richard Marks and Richard Albertson will discuss The Power of Us and Adventures in Marriage. For more information or to reg-

## Youth Ministry

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Youth and Young Adult Minister  
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### High School & College Youth Ministry ~ FiRE House



**Dinner & Faith on FiRE – Every Tuesday 6:00-7:00 pm.** We will meet at FiRE House for dinner and faith sharing. We will focus on the readings for the upcoming weekend and discuss any current events happening in the Catholic Church, with a special focus on Pope Francis. All high school and college students are welcome!

**High School Hangout Nights Tuesdays, 7:00 - 9:30 pm**  
Come join us - movies, games, fun!

### College and Young Adult Ministry

Join us **Wednesday nights, 7:00 - 9:00 pm** at FiRE House (329 Wright Street). Social, spiritual and service events. Bring a friend!

### Confirmation Class #6

**Sunday, February 9**, Candidates should meet in the Callahan Center at 6:45 p.m. Class will end at 8:30 pm



### High School Ski Trip to Roundtop

**Monday, February 17.** Depart Saint Mary Magdalen at 6:30 a.m. and return at 6:45 p.m. Several packages are available: bus only; lift ticket + bus (you supply your own skis/snowboard); or ski/snowboard rental + lift ticket + bus (includes lesson). Call Kristin in the parish office for more information or to register.



### Altar Server Training

Altar Server training for any student in 4th grade and above is now being scheduled. It is going to be a little different this time around. There are going to be 6 training sessions with 3 slots each, which means 3 children will be able to be trained each session. Each child will need to attend only one session. Contact Maureen Yantz at mmyantz@gmail.com with questions. Go to the following link to sign up: [tinyurl.com/lafo6sc](http://tinyurl.com/lafo6sc)



# Education Notes ...

## Faith Formation

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### Preschool and Elementary

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### Middle and High School

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## Classes This Week...

**Sunday Classes:** February 2 and 9

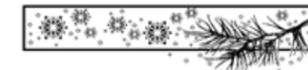
**Elementary Wednesday Classes:**

February 5 – Please make sure you have returned your child's Family Life Workbook to his/her teacher.

**Middle/High School Programs:**

Tuesday, February 4 and Wednesday, February 5  
**Calendar Change:** The Large Group Sessions originally scheduled for February 11 and 12 have been rescheduled for February 25 and 26. Regular classes will now be held on February 11 and 12.

**Make-Up Class:** A make-up class has been scheduled for Tuesday, March 4.



## Join us for Family Snow Day

On **Saturday, February 22** we will hold another Family Fun Night! Join us for the 4:00 pm Mass and then head over to the parish hall from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm for pizza, salad, and tons of snow-themed crafts for the children.

## First Eucharist Parents

If your child is eligible to receive the Sacrament of First Eucharist in May 2014, and you missed the required parent meetings, please contact Keri Geibler as soon as possible!

## Wednesday Elementary Faith Family Life Unit Starts

This week, during Wednesday Elementary Classes, the Family Life Unit will begin. By now, you should have returned your child's Family Life workbook to his/her teacher. If you have not done so, please send it with your child to class this week!

## K-5 Home Study Large Group This Week

Our next Large Group Session for K-5 Home Study students and their parents will be held on **Monday, February 3** at 7:00 pm in the Callahan Center. We will be learning about the rosary with a very special activity planned.

## Prayer 101!

Drop in anytime to brush up on your prayer life, or just to learn more about the power of prayer! This week's sessions will be held on **Tuesday, February 4 and Wednesday, February 5** in Room 201 of the Saint Margaret Middle School at 7:00 pm. Coffee and cookies will be served.

## Escape2Catholicism

This week we will be showing Episode 9, "The Fire of His Love," in Father Robert Barron's Catholicism DVD series. Please join us on **Tuesday, Feb. 4 or Wednesday, Feb. 5** in Room 102 of the Saint Margaret Middle School at 7:00 pm. All are invited.

*Scripture of the month: Matthew 22:37 "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind."*

## Saint Margaret School

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## Important Dates For January

**Feb 3** Band

New family applications 7:30 am - 3:30 pm  
MS Tutor Club 3:00 - 3:50 pm

**Feb 4** Hot Lunch

HSA Executive Board Mtg POWR, 7:00 pm

New Family Applications 7:30 am-3:30 pm

**Feb 5** Mass

New family applications 7:30 am-3:30 pm

**Feb 6** Hot Lunch

**Feb 8** HSA Corn Toss Tournament

**ACRE Testing:** Gr. 5 (Testing Week)

## Saint Margaret Lego Club

The Saint Margaret Lego Club has almost 40 members from grades 4 through 6 organized into four teams. They have been meet-

ing once a week since this summer on a First Lego League project called "Nature's Fury." They have been working on four things: building missions and robot attachments out of Legos; designing programs to make a robot perform in various ways to accomplish over 20 tasks; researching about strong weather events and impacts on communities; and trying to come up with an improvement or innovation to help communities deal with the impacts.

Our four teams from Saint Margaret joined over a dozen other teams at Aberdeen Proving Ground for a qualifier event to demonstrate what has been accomplished.

## Knott Scholarship Funds

**Knott Scholarship Funds** announce the availability of four-year, full-tuition scholarships for the 2014/2015 academic year. These scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic achievement. Catholic students

now in grade 4 or grade 8, living in Baltimore City, Anne Arundel, Baltimore, Carroll, Frederick, Harford or Howard Counties may apply. Scholarships may be used to attend a Catholic parish elementary school or a Catholic high school within these geographic areas of the Archdiocese of Baltimore.

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