

The Church of

# St. Margaret Mary



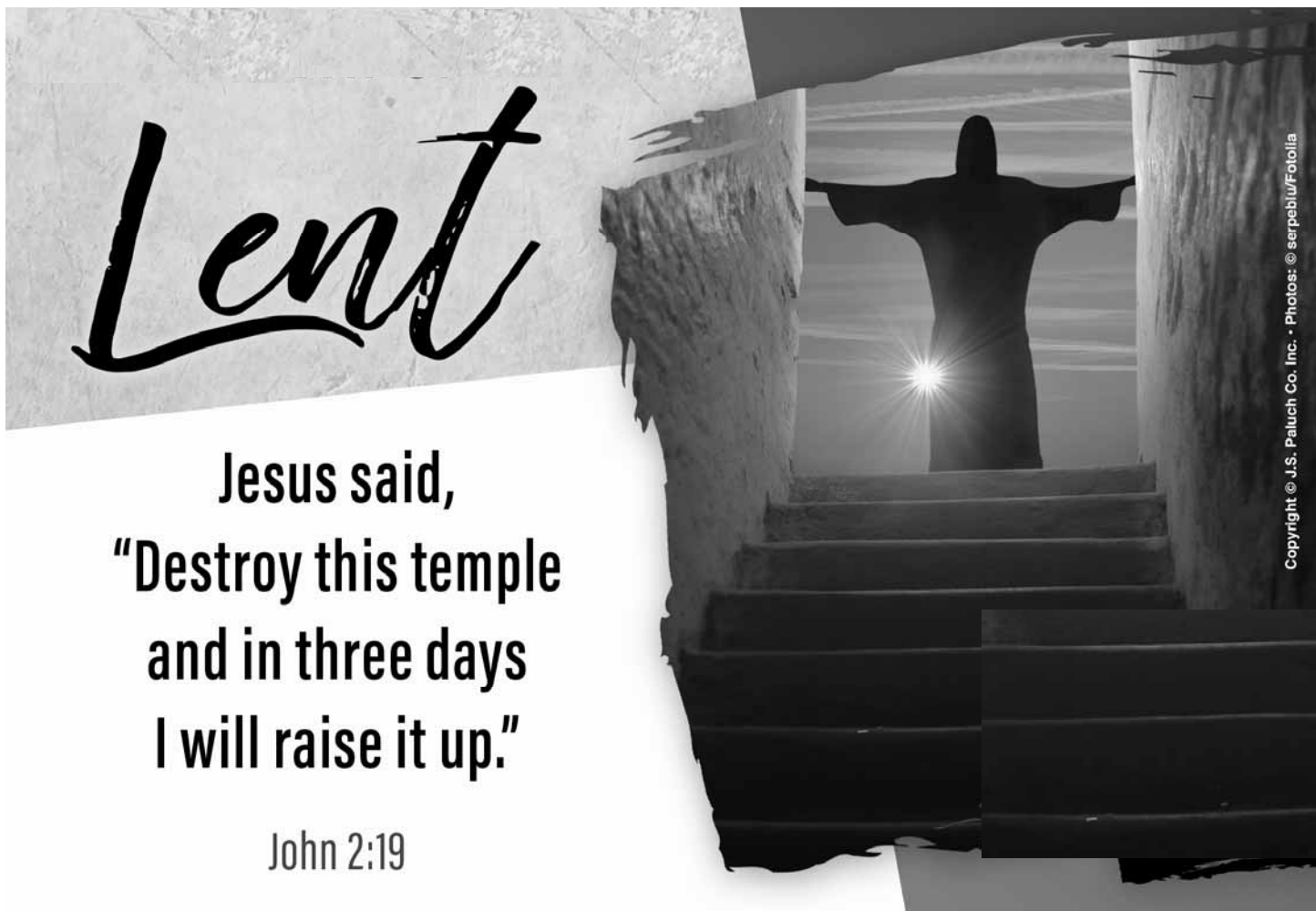
March 4, 2018

Third Sunday of Lent

# Lent

Jesus said,  
"Destroy this temple  
and in three days  
I will raise it up."

John 2:19



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## You Are Welcome Here!

We're glad you're here.  
Wherever you are  
on your journey of faith,  
you have a home  
with us.

### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Mass 4:30 pm  
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*with Children's Liturgy of the Word*

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6:30 pm Mass  
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Thursday: 8:00 am  
Friday: no Mass

## Experiencing the Heart of Christ, we

### Know Jesus

in Word and Worship.

### Live Jesus

in a vibrant, welcoming  
Catholic community.

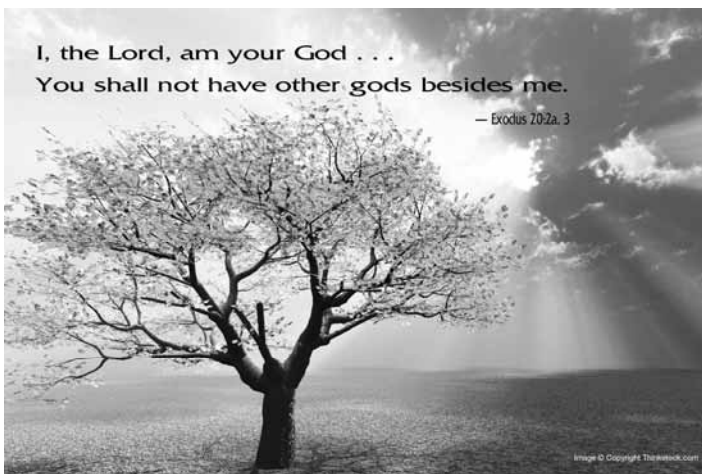
### Serve Jesus

in outreach and justice.

## Reflection on Today's Readings

I, the Lord, am your God . . .  
You shall not have other gods besides me.

— Exodus 20:2a, 3



### Our Faith is rooted in Jesus Christ

Life might be easier if there were just a list of rules that we could follow. There is such a list in Exodus. Rules offer the false sense of security that if we follow them then we will have done enough. Our Christian faith, however, is rooted not in rules, but in Jesus Christ, while life, death and resurrection defy all the rules. Jesus knew that strength is born of weakness and wisdom born of foolishness. Jesus' life embodies that paradox. What Jesus knew when he went up to Jerusalem and entered the temple area was that his Father's house had been made a marketplace, a place of commerce, transactions, and exchange of goods for money. What the temple represents, who Jesus is, is a relationship, an ongoing relationship of one soul to another, of our souls to God.

Rise in Relationship - Rules are the most basic and primitive way to shape our behavior in accordance with larger principles and truths that go beyond rules. The rule says "You shall not kill," but the truth is that all life is sacred and must be protected and safeguarded. The rule is the least you can do. Jesus lived as if he were required to do not the least but the most. He lived as if he must not just protect and safeguard the lives before him. He lived as if he must sacrifice his own life for the lives of others. Jesus understood that the rules were not just about avoiding certain acts but were also about embracing certain truths. Not only must one not kill, one must have the strength to give one's own life for others if that is required. One must not lie but must speak the truth even when to do so seems foolish. These rules outline for us the beginning of our understanding of strength born to weakness, wisdom born to foolishness. Jesus shows us how much is really required.

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### FORGIVENESS

If a bad person wrongs you, forgive the person, lest there be two bad people.

—Anonymous

## Lenten Season

### Stations of the Cross



Noon on Fridays (Mar 2 - Mar 23)

If you are able to help with one of the services, contact Josh at [jdiaz@smm-gv.org](mailto:jdiaz@smm-gv.org)

### Weekday Mass

Tuesday - Mass at 6:30 pm (Adoration at 5:30 pm)  
Wednesday and Thursday - Mass at 8:00 am

### reconciliation Service

Wednesday, March 21

7:00 pm

Join in communal prayer asking God's forgiveness for all that separates us from His love and from one another. There will be two priests available for confession using Form 2 with individual absolution.

### Lenten Almsgiving

#### Action Plan for Lent

The Social Ministry Commission asks your participation to help fund these resources. Please bring these items to church.

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| Mar 3/4   | Hygiene Items for PRISM                             |
| Mar 10/11 | Juice Boxes and Granola Bars for Visitation Sisters |
| Mar 17/18 | Food for PRISM                                      |

### Join the Music Ministry for Holy Week

The Music Ministry could use your help for the upcoming Holy Week and Easter Season. If you sing or play an instrument, consider joining the choir. Rehearsals are on Wednesdays at 7pm in the Church. If you have questions and/or play an instrument, please contact Josh Diaz at 763-588-9466 or by email [jdiaz@smm-gv.org](mailto:jdiaz@smm-gv.org)

### Easter Memorials

Remember a loved one, living or deceased, with a donation to the Easter church environment. Please enclose your contribution in a 'memorial gift' envelope, print the name of your loved one being remembered on the envelope and return it in the collection at Mass. Memorial names will be listed in the bulletin after Easter.



## March 3 ~ March 11

### Saturday, Mar 3

4:00 pm Confessions

4:30 pm Mass ..... † Chet Huntley

### Sunday, Mar 4 Third Sunday of Lent

10:00 am Mass..... \*People of St Margaret Mary  
Lenten Study Groups

### Monday, Mar 5

### Tuesday, Mar 6

5:30 pm Adoration

6:30 pm Mass

### Wednesday, Mar 7

8:00 am Mass

10:00 am Lenten Study Group

6:00 pm Children's Choir

6:30 pm Faith Formation

7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, Mar 8

8:00 am Mass

### Friday, Mar 9

Noon Stations of the Cross

### Saturday, Mar 10

4:00 pm Confessions

4:30 pm Mass..... \*People of St Margaret Mary

5:30 pm Italian Dinner

### Sunday, Mar 11 Fourth Sunday of Lent

10:00 am Mass  
Hospitality by CCW  
Lenten Study Group

† deceased \* living

## Italian Dinner



### Sixth Annual Italian Dinner Saturday, March 10 Visitation Hall

The Italian Dinner is open to all SMM Parishioners and their friends, young and old, Italian background or not! Serving begins at 5:30 pm.

**Menu** includes: Lettuce Salad, Bread Mastaccioli with Tomato Sauce and Meatballs, Ice Cream and Beverages. A free-will offering will be accepted.

**Please RSVP** - In order to prepare the correct amount of food, please sign up in the vestibule of church or call the parish office 763-588-9466 prior to March 5th.

## Faith Formation

Faith Formation Classes . . . . . Wednesday, March 7

## Social Ministry



March is Food Share Month  
PRISM is eligible for food/money matches based on donations received during the month of March. Please be generous.

### Empty Bowls Event

**Tuesday, March 6 4 - 7:00 pm**  
**Robbinsdale Cooper High School**

- Eat soup and bread from various restaurants
- Take home a bowl
- Free will donation accepted
- Benefits PRISM and NEAR

## St Margaret Mary Parishioner Update

### Rest in Peace

Sandra Dempsey ..... 2-23-18

## Readings for the Week

Monday: Dn 9:4b-10; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday: Is 1:10, 16-20; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23;  
Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday: Jer 18:18-20; Ps 31:5-6, 14-16; Mt 20:17-28

Thursday: Jer 17:5-10; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 16:19-31

Friday: Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a; 17b-28a; Ps 105:16-21;  
Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturda: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 103:1-4, 9-12;  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 [1-3, 7-8, 12-17]; Ps 19:8-11;  
1 Cor 1:22-25; Jn 2:13-25

## Stewardship

### Global Solidarity Next Weekend

Reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters around the world, letting our light shine for those who still hunger and thirst for God's mercy, love and healing. The Global Solidarity collection supports the four global priorities of the U.S. Catholic Bishops: Africa, Latin America, Central and Eastern Europe, as well as humanitarian activities of Catholic Relief Services. Please be as generous as you are able and support your brothers and sisters overseas. Envelopes are available in the back of church. Thank you.

## Upcoming Parish Events

- March 10 Italian Dinner ~ All are Welcome  
Come and Enjoy a Taste of Italy  
Serving begins at 5:30 pm
- March 21 7 pm Communal Reconciliation Service
- March 25 Palm Sunday
- Holy Thursday: 7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
- Good Friday: 2:00 pm Stations of the Cross  
7:00 pm Passion of the Lord
- Holy Saturday: 8:00 pm Easter Vigil
- Easter Sunday: 10:00 am Mass of Resurrection
- Sunday, April 15: This is the actual date of Father Tom's Ordination; 25 years ago. The Parish will celebrate with Father Tom that day. More details will follow.
- Saturday, May 5 10 am Confirmation at the Basilica

## Neighboring Events

**Operation Andrew Dinner** will be held Tues, March 6 from 6 – 8:00 pm at the Chancery. Archbishop Hebda, invites men ages 16 – 50 who are discerning the priesthood to attend. Dinner and conversation with vocations testimonials will follow. Register: [stpaulvocations@10000vocations.org](mailto:stpaulvocations@10000vocations.org).

## Catholic Schools

### Catholic Schools Affiliated with St. Margaret Mary

<b>Good Shepherd (K-6)</b> 763-545-4285 145 Jersey Ave S. Golden Valley www.gsgvschool.org	<b>Sacred Heart (PreK-8)</b> 763-537-1329 4050 Hubbard Ave N. Robbinsdale www.sacredheartrobbinsdale.org
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## Spiritual Life

### Anointing of the Sick

If you, or someone you know of, is ill, elderly or facing surgery, please call the Parish Office.

### Baptism

Please call the Parish Center **early** in your pregnancy or adoption process to register for a Baptism Preparation Session.

### Marriage

Please call the parish office six months in advance.

### RCIA, First Eucharist, Confirmation

Please call the Parish Center.

**The Church of St. Margaret Mary**  
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**Parish Center Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday 8 - 3:30 pm, Friday 8 - noon

763-588-9466 Fax: 763-588-0040

Web: [www.smm-gv.org](http://www.smm-gv.org)  
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**Pastoral Team**

<b>Pastor</b>	Father Thomas Rayar <a href="mailto:frtom@smm-gv.org">frtom@smm-gv.org</a>
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<b>Parish Business Administrator</b>	Diane Mareck <a href="mailto:dmareck@smm-gv.org">dmareck@smm-gv.org</a>

Pastoral Emergencies and Anointing of the Sick  
call Father Tom at 763-515-2005

**Parish Leadership**

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Jennie Schlumberger..... 763-546-5088