

# St. Margaret's Episcopal Church

## A Center of Grace



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### SEPTEMBER NEWS

On **Sunday, September 12,**

we will have our traditional fall start for the Sunday School and Youth programs.

All children, Preschool age through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to participate in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Sunday School program, and all Middle and Upper School youth are encouraged to meet each Sunday morning with Fr. Earl in the church conference room.

On **Sunday, September 26, we will have our Fall Rally Sunday Celebration** following the 9:30 AM service, with representatives and information about every group and ministry opportunity available in the courtyard, as well as a fabulous coffee hour prepared by Ed Babic. We welcome you to take a stroll through the courtyard, enjoying Ed's desserts and pastries, and learning more about all that St. Margaret's has to offer.

There IS something for everyone at St. Margaret's!

And also on **September 26 following coffee hour,** everyone's welcome to walk over to the Gateway Field behind Sillers Hall to participate in the **Homefront America Great Western Grub Fest and Chili Cook-off,** which will be held from 11 AM-5 PM. The Grub Fest is organized by Homefront America, which is an all-volunteer program that provides outreach and support to military families.

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Fr. Earl is coordinating a team of volunteers who can help “man” the church’s booth during the afternoon and also to help clean up at the end of the event. Look for the sign-up sheet in the courtyard, or see Fr. Earl for more information.



### **FRIENDSHIP DINNER GROUP**

The Friendship Dinner Group (aka Foyers Group) invites all former members and anyone interested in joining the group to a Pot Luck Dinner on Saturday, September 18, at 6 pm, at the home of Pat and Ron Mosher [54 Coronado Pointe, Laguna Niguel]. Members are divided into groups of 8 – 10 [couples and singles] who get together 4 to 5 times each year for dinner, brunch, lunch, picnics, etc. The hosts rotate and the venue is the choice of the host. This is a very congenial and low-key way to become better acquainted with your pew-mates! For more information please call Margaret Austin [949-831-1667], or if you can attend on the 18<sup>th</sup>, please contact Pat Mosher (949-363-0047 or pamosher@cox.net).

## Youth Events



### **FR. EARL INVITES THE YOUTH AND THEIR FAMILIES TO JOIN HIM AT EPISCOPAL NIGHT AT DODGER STADIUM:**

Fr. Earl has eight tickets available for any Middle School or Upper School Youth who would like to join him for Episcopal Night at Dodger Stadium on September 17, when the Dodgers will play the Colorado Rockies.

The cost is \$20.00 per person.

The sign up and payment deadline is Sunday, September 5

The sign up and payment deadline is Sunday, September 3  
(cash or checks [made payable to St. Margaret's Church]).  
We'll leave at 4:30 PM from the church parking lot and return about 10:30-11 PM.  
Plan to bring extra money for some Dodger Dogs and peanuts!

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**  
**ALL YOUTH BEACH EUCHARIST; SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3**



**Sunday, October 3, all youth are welcome to the All Youth Group Beach Eucharist.  
Friends are welcome, too!**

We'll leave the church at 9:30 AM and return to the church at 3 PM.  
Bring your friends, lunch, snacks to share, towel and lots o' sunscreen!  
Any youth not going to the beach should plan to worship with their families.

**RSVP to Fr. Earl ([frearl@stmarg.org](mailto:frearl@stmarg.org) or 323-770-6940).**

## Sunday Morning Youth Group

All Middle School and Upper School youth will meet with Fr. Earl in the church conference room. They will be assisting the Sunday School Level 2 and 3 atriums with special play-day activities.



**DO YOU LIKE TO SING? IF SO, THE ST. MARGARET'S CHOIRS WANT YOU!**

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The St. Margaret's choir programs offer something for every age. Rehearsals will resume on Sunday, September 12, and YOU are welcome to join in!

The Adult Chancel Choir will meet at 11 AM each Sunday, in room 524, the corner room on the second floor of the Campaigne gym (elevator access is available).

All elementary-age children are welcome to participate in the Children's Choir, which will meet with Mrs. Remsberg and Mrs. Hawkins in the church immediately following the 9:30 AM service.

This year, we will also have a Youth Choir for Middle and Upper School youth. The meeting time for this choir will be determined soon.

For more information, please contact Susan Remsberg or Diane Hawkins. Everybody's welcome to join in and "make a joyful noise unto the Lord!"



#### **WE WELCOME YOU TO BE AN ACOLYTE:**

Acolytes play a vital role in the Sunday services, assisting the priests with various parts of the service. Acolytes serve as part of a team for one full month, and then 1-2 Sundays in the summer. They are led by their "verger" who provides training and guidance for the various acolyte duties. We welcome any youngster, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up, who would like to participate. Acolyte teams will be established on September 11, with the first acolyte team serving the month of October. If your child would like to participate, please sign-up in the courtyard, or contact Linda in the church office (661-0110 or [linda.morales@stmarg.org](mailto:linda.morales@stmarg.org)). If your child is a current acolyte please do sign up to confirm your child's continued participation.

For more information, please contact Rocky Parker, the Master of Acolytes ([rparker@smes.org](mailto:rparker@smes.org) or 661-3294).

The deadline to sign up is this Sunday, September 5.



### **PRIMETIMERS—IT'S TIME FOR LUNCH!**

Mark your calendars for lunch at Bad to the Bone (in the Ortega Business Center off Rancho Viejo Road) at 1 PM on Friday, September 24. We'll enjoy great food and begin discussing plans for the October wine-tasting trip in Temecula!



### **ST. MARGARET'S PRAYER QUILT MINISTRY**

Volunteer quilters meet monthly to hand-sew quilts for those in need of comfort and special prayers, and who can benefit from being "covered in prayer".

If you know of someone from the parish for whom you'd like to request a quilt, please contact Susanna Openshaw ([svd@cox.net](mailto:svd@cox.net) or 496-6670) or Linda in the church office ([linda.morales@stmarg.org](mailto:linda.morales@stmarg.org) or 661-0110).

**If you happen to miss a Sunday at church, you can still "check in" and listen to a sermon from the St. Margaret's sermon library: go to [www.stmarg.org](http://www.stmarg.org) and click on "Sermons" in the upper right-hand corner of the web page.**



**Faith is a journey  
Not a guilt trip.  
(Seen on a church sign)**

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