



St. Margaret's Episcopal Church

...a center of grace.

WELCOME TO ST. MARGARET'S!



WELCOME! WE BELIEVE THAT ANYONE WHO WALKS THROUGH OUR DOORS HAS BEEN SENT BY CHRIST. THEREFORE, THE GOALS OF ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH ARE TO BE A CENTER OF GRACE, FOR ALL OF OUR RELATED MINISTRIES TO BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH GOD THROUGH CHRIST, AND TO BUILD RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE PEOPLE CHRIST HAS SENT TO US. WE KNOW THAT THE GREATEST GIFT WE CAN OFFER INDIVIDUALS IS THE KNOWLEDGE THAT THEY ARE LOVED BY GOD, THROUGH JESUS CHRIST.

WE WELCOME YOU TO JOIN US FOR WORSHIP.

SUNDAY MORNINGS: 8 AM,

9:30 AM (WITH SUNDAY SCHOOL, CHILDCARE, YOUTH GROUP AND CHOIR) AND 11:15 AM

FOR MORE INFORMATION, FEEL FREE TO CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE:

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One of our primary goals is to meet the spiritual and emotional needs of children in all age groups by offering a nurturing and spiritual environment which introduces them to the love and grace of Jesus Christ.

Infants and Toddlers: For the youngest members of our Church family, infants and toddlers to age 3, St. Margaret's offers nursery services every Sunday and during the majority of other special services and events. Loving childcare is provided by paid, trained and dedicated staff, many of whom have worked in our nursery for several years. The children are cared for in a fully equipped pre-school area and are brought to the church at communion time so they are able to join their family for a blessing during communion.



Sunday School-Catechesis of the Good Shepherd:

St. Margaret's provides a wonderful program of religious education for children from age 3 through 5th grade. We teach the "Catechesis of the Good Shepherd," a world-renowned program based on the premise that God has established a pre-existing relationship with each child. Instructors help each child explore and deepen this intimate relationship with God in a prepared environment. Our 4th and 5th graders are introduced to "Living the Good News," a program that explores our Sunday readings and allows them to participate more fully in the larger church community.

Worship Service Opportunities:

St. Margaret's Children's Choir provides regular opportunities for our youth to sing during the 9:30 AM services. Children and Youth are welcome to participate in the Acolyte program, serving as part of the worship team under the guidance of the priests.

Vacation Bible School Summer Program:

St. Margaret's Vacation Bible School (VBS) offers a one-week, ½ day program for children preschool age through 5th grade. Each day is filled with Bible Stories, art, music, special activities, snacks, and a closing family event at the end of the week.



Youth Programs (6th through 12th grades):

For parish youth, 6th grade through 12th grade, St. Margaret's Youth Group offers a safe and sacred environment for youth to encounter, develop and experience their relationship with Christ. Through a wide range of experiences, including Bible Studies, social events and community outreach programs, youth group members, guided by both ordained and lay youth ministers, are encouraged to ask questions, challenge concepts and share ideas and beliefs about God.

St. Margaret's Episcopal Church is a Christ-centered, grace-based, biblical-oriented, sacramental church in which all persons are invited to worship.



Inquirer's Course: The Inquirer's/Confirmation class held yearly and is open to any teenagers or adults who would like to learn more about the Episcopal faith along with the option of participating in the rite of Confirmation.

Weekly Women's Bible Study: Fr. Edwards leads a lively weekly Bible Study open to all women. The class is usually held from 9-10 AM each Wednesday morning during the school year.

Daughters of the King:

The Daughters of the King is a chapter of the national organization of the Daughters of the King whose emphasis is leading lives of fellowship, service and prayer. All women are welcome to join the group as they seek to walk with God and spread Christ's Kingdom here on earth.



Men's Breakfast Group:

The Men's Thursday Fellowship Breakfast Group meets every Thursday at 8:00 AM at Paul's Pantry, 27409 Bellogente Street in Mission Viejo (Bellogente and Crown Valley Parkway, near Chili's). No RSVP is necessary—come join us for food and fellowship.

Friendship Diner's Group:

The Friendship Diner's Group welcomes everyone! 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!



Prayer Quilt Ministry:

The **Prayer Quilt Ministry** at St. Margaret's Church is a gathering of church members who meet regularly to make simple quilts for parishioners who are experiencing a difficult time in their life. The quilts are handmade by the ministry and upon completion each yarn piece is knotted and tied while a prayer is said for the recipient.



Altar Guild:

The Altar Guild is an intergenerational group of dedicated volunteers who assist the clergy in preparing for the many services for both St. Margaret's Church and School.

ST. MARGARET'S OUTREACH MINISTRIES

SAN CLEMENTE MILITARY FAMILY OUTREACH: The SCMFO provides emergency assistance to the Marine families who reside in North Camp Pendleton. This ministry offers groceries, gas, diapers, school supplies, gift cards, and financial help with bills. Volunteers and community support are always welcome. For more information, you may visit their website: www.militaryfamilyoutreach.com.

EPISCOPAL RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT: Episcopal Relief and Development (ERD) is the National Church's International Relief Agency that provides on-the-ground relief and assistance to communities affected by disasters around the world by partnering with local groups within communities in affected areas. For more information, visit their website: www.er-d.org.

CORAZON HOUSEBUILD MINISTRY: Volunteers join together to change the lives of one family in Mexico by building them their own home in one day. Corazon's "Build a House in a Day" program takes a group of 40-50 volunteers into the marginalized communities of Tijuana and Tecate and builds an eligible family a home in a day. If you would like to participate or are interested in more information, please contact Gary Goodman, ggoodman@passco.net or call 949-249-1420.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON MEAL OUTREACH PROGRAM: Every three weeks on Saturday afternoons at 4:30 PM, St. Margaret's volunteers provide a simple afternoon meal to approximately 50-60 homeless and working poor individuals and families in the Doheny Beach area. We welcome any volunteers who would like to prepare various parts of the meal: meat dish, rice, pasta, or potatoes, vegetable dish, and dessert as well as to help serve the meal at the distribution site. If you like to shop and would rather not cook, donations of food and water are always appreciated. To help, please contact Steve O'Leary: soleary@adagency.com or 714-343-0031.

PADRES UNIDOS: Through its program in 11 Orange County sites (San Juan Capistrano in particular), Padres Unidos works with 3.5 to 5 -year-old disadvantaged Hispanic children who are often less likely to receive this critical educational preparation. At weekly sessions, children are exposed to early literacy and motor skills and creativity through art activities while learning how to separate from parents, work in groups, and make decisions. Greater parent participation results in increased involvement in their children's education and improved school readiness. For more information, please contact Sam Corliss at sam@capeandover.com or 949-212-1823.

FAMILY ASSISTANCE MINISTRIES: Family Assistance Ministries (FAM) is a faith-based charitable non-profit organization assisting those in need in Southern Orange County with resources for food, shelter, and personalized support counselling and aid, helping clients to bridge the gap from dependency to self-sufficiency.

HEAD START: The organization of the Christmas Adopt-a-Family effort is an annual gift-giving of Christmas items for Head Start families. The names of these families are supplied by the San Juan Capistrano Head Start Organization. St. Margaret's Church's parishioners and the school's preschool and lower and middle levels traditionally provide toys, clothing, and gift cards to grocery stores for these families.



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