

## Make a Commitment

You are invited to make a commitment to serve in one or more ministries in the parish. We know that once you accept this challenge to share your gifts, you will grow, your blessings will grow and the parish will benefit from the service and talents that are uniquely yours. (If you are already serving in a ministry, it is not necessary to sign up again. This is for new ministries, new commitments.)

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City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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“Happy Days!”

For more information on any of the ministries or organizations you may be interested in, contact the parish office or visit our web site at [www.stmargaretcatholicchurch.com](http://www.stmargaretcatholicchurch.com).

Thank you for accepting the challenge!

## Ministry Covenant

*Dear gracious  
and ever loving Father,  
I thank you with humble gratitude  
for the many gifts  
you have bestowed upon me.*

*Your goodness overwhelms me.  
Your generosity to me has  
instilled deep within me a  
burning desire to serve others with  
the same spirit of generosity  
that you have shown me.*

*Therefore, I am making  
a covenant with you to use my  
gifts and talents  
to serve your people  
here on earth and within  
my faith community.*

*I will, in a spirit of good faith  
and as a sign of my gratitude,  
sign a commitment card  
to volunteer my talents to be put to  
service in my parish  
and community for your glory.*

*Amen*

Clip this covenant and place it in your family bible as a tangible sign that you are committed to a closer relationship with the Lord through ministry.



## STEWARDS OF GOD'S GRACE

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(God is glorified through our service to others. Prayerfully reflect on the many ways you can be a steward of God's grace.)

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

(Special training provides men and women for these liturgical ministries.)

**Lector** ~ Proclaims Sacred Scripture during the Liturgy of the Word on Sundays or other liturgical celebrations.

**Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist** Assists the priest with distributing Holy Communion at Mass and for special Eucharistic celebrations. Brings Holy Communion to those unable to worship with us because of illness or infirmity.

**Ministers of Hospitality** ~ Greet and welcome visitors and parishioners coming to St. Margaret church for worship.

**Usher** ~ Assists with the seating, the collection and the procession of gifts, and attends to the needs of the assembly gathered.

**Music** ~ Cantors, song leaders, choir members, pianists, organists, and instrumentalists enhance the liturgical celebrations.

**Altar Servers** ~ Students in fifth through twelfth grades, who have celebrated First Eucharist, prepare what is needed for Mass and assist the priest during Mass.

**Decor** ~ Assists with church environment for the Christmas and Easter Seasons of the liturgical year.

**Wedding Rehearsalist** ~ Offers assistance to the priest and wedding party at rehearsals and wedding liturgies.

## PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

**Altar Society** ~ Cleaning and preparing the church for all liturgical seasonal services.

**Catholic Daughters** ~ The largest national organization of Catholic women. They donate to charities, administer scholarship programs and strive "to be helping hands where there is pain, poverty, sorrow or sickness."

**Knights of Columbus** ~ National service organization of Catholic men involved in various areas of church life on the local, diocesan

### ST. MARGARET'S

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*"Thus should one regard us:  
as servants of Christ and stewards of the  
mysteries of God." 1 Cor. 4:1*

## PARISH MINISTRIES

**"Little Lambs"** ~ Welcomes our newest little parishioners to the church and provides a meal to the family.

**Saint Vincent de Paul Society** ~ Assists the poor and less fortunate of the area. Food is distributed through the Oak Park Food Pantry.

**Homebound Ministry** ~ Serves those who are unable to participate in liturgical celebrations at the church, due to illness or age. This involves making regular visits to shut-in parishioners and bringing them Holy Communion.

**Hospital/Nursing Home Ministry** ~ Holy Communion is brought to those parishioners in the hospital and nursing home facilities.

**Rosary Group** ~ Leads the Rosary at funeral vigils with families and friends of deceased loved ones from our parish.

**Bereavement Ministry** ~ Contacts families from the parish for a period of time following the death of a loved one.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** ~ Sharing the Gospel with children from kindergarten through second grade who are dismissed during 10 AM Mass and return for the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

**Religious Education** ~ Teaching and sharing your faith with the youth of St. Margaret Parish who are enrolled in our religious education program.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults** ~ Sponsor persons who desire to be fully initiated into the Catholic faith.