

## **ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH RECTORS DURING USE OF 1928 BCP**



**The Rev. R. Cleon Cowling (1871-1947)**

St. Margaret's Church Rector 1918-1942

Mr. Cowling is buried with his wife Elizabeth Thompson Cowling and his son Philip Cowling in the churchyard of St. Margaret's Church. While Mr. Cowling resigned in 1942, the Cowlings continued to live in the then-rectory until 1944. Mr. Cowling's grave marker incorrectly states he was rector until 1944. Mrs. Cowling was church organist from 1918 to 1944. He was rector at the time St. Margaret's Church ceased using the 1892 PB in favor of the 1928 BCP.



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AVAILABLE**

**The Rev. Henry Powers (1915-1998)**

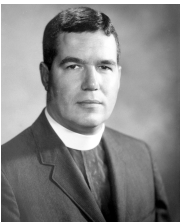
St. Margaret's Church Rector 1944-1946



**The Rev. G. (George) Albert Cooper (1905-1972)**

St. Margaret's Church Rector 1946-1963

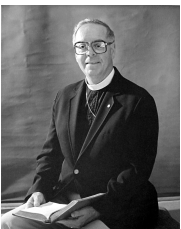
Mr. Cooper engaged in repair of long-neglected church building and repainted nave and pews a controversial light color that lasted from 1952-1986. Built and later sold two Pleasant Plains Road rental houses. Built Sunday School Building 1958 and replaced then-rectory with a new rectory (2016 administration building) in 1961.



**The Rev. Robert Downes Schenkel, Jr. (1930- )**

Rector 1963-1968

Mr. Schenkel was first rector to hire full-time youth minister. In 2012 oral history Mr. Schenkel explained that despite the turbulence of the 1960s his role as rector was pastoral rather than prophetic. The parish was moving from rural to suburban.



**The Rev. Forrest Laverne Farris (1928-1997)**

Rector 1968-1990

Father Farris is buried in the churchyard of St. Margaret's Church. He was rector at the time St. Margaret's Church ceased using the 1928 BCP in favor of the 1979 BCP. He is apparently the only rector to ever favor use of the appellation *Father*. Built parish hall in 1970.

*St. Margaret's Church History & Archives Project can complete its detailed history of Rector's from Mr. Topp in 1696 to the Rev. Peter Mayer in 2016 with a volunteer dedicated to this research and reporting. A unique opportunity to look into the 325 year history of this parish. Resources readily available and work can be done anywhere.*

# GIFTS GIVEN TO ST. MARGARET'S CHURCH 1928-1979 STILL IN USE 2016



## Baptismal Shell

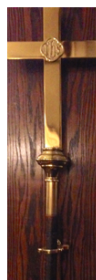


1948 ca.

**Given Mr. & Mrs. George Norris in memory of their son Major Robert Byrd Norris (1912-1944) U.S. Army killed WW II invasion of France. A.M.D.G. (All for the Greater Glory of God).**



## Processional Cross



1948 ca.



**Given by Mrs. John Byrd Norris in memory of her grandson Captain Robert Byrd Norris (1912-1944), U.S. Army killed WW II invasion of France.**

## Brass Candelabra (2)



**Given by Mr. J. Frederick Panetti (vestryman and treasurer) in memory of his parents Jacob F. Panetti, Sr. (1860-1931) & Anna R. Panetti 1869-1940.**

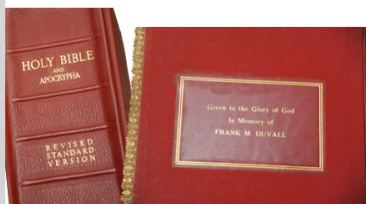
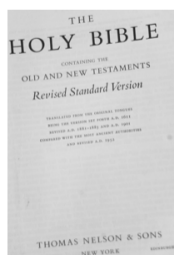
## Brass Altar Flower Vases



1949

**Given by Mr. Frank Corner.**

## RSV Lectern Bible



Published 1952

**Given to the Glory of God  
In Memory of Frank M. Duvall by  
his daughter Lillian Duvall Orville.  
Remains in use even after publication of NRSV.**

## Icon St. Margaret of Antioch



1965

**Given by the Rev. Robert Schenkel, rector, 1963-1968, who commissioned and gave this icon to St. Margaret's Church, honoring its patron — who is also patron of namesake St. Margaret's Church, Westminster Abbey.**