

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church is a welcoming parish of disciples inviting all to grow in holiness through the reverent celebration of the Eucharist and Sacraments while reaching out to those in need and sharing our Catholic faith with all.

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This Week on Formed

Week of October 12, 2025



St. Luke the Artist

In this episode of Sacred Art, Taylor Kemp and Dr. Ben Akers discuss Rogier van der Weyden's painting, "Saint Luke Drawing the Virgin," artistry and what it reveals about St. Luke the Evangelist.



St. Teresa of Avila

A powerful epic mini-series shot on location in Spain that tells the story of one of the most amazing women in history, St. Teresa of Avila. With meticulous attention to detail and historical accuracy, this acclaimed major film production is the definitive film on the life of this great saint.



St. Ignatius of Antioch

Learn about St. Ignatius of Antioch, a remarkable saint who died a martyr for his fidelity to Christ in this episode of Catholic Saints with Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp.

Our parish has a Formed subscription.
Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

How do parishioners register to use our FORMED subscription?

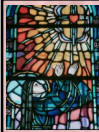
Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:
Go to formed.org/signup:



1. Select our Parish by name;
2. Register with your name and email address;
3. Check your email account for a link to begin using FORMED;
4. Scan the QR Code to download the FORMED app.

It's free! Download books, watch great

Women of St. Margaret Mary



OUR MISSION

Our women's group is a service organization created to support the mission of our parish and our pastor's initiatives, and to promote individual spiritual growth through prayers, reflection, and action.

BECOME A MEMBER!

Catholic women 18 years and older are invited to join. Our group gives women the opportunity to fully live their Catholic faith by sharing their gifts and talents with our parish, the community, and each other.
Questions? Email LeAnn at stmargaretmary1936@gmail.com.

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus is a global Catholic fraternal order founded by Fr. Michael J. McGivney in 1882 to assist families upon the death of the main income earner. The organization has grown to become the world's largest Catholic fraternal service organization. Knights support vocations, charitable outreach, professional insurance programs and more. Knights are dedicated to the principles of unity, charity, fraternity, and patriotism. Membership is open to practical Catholic men, aged 18 years or older. Learn more about the Knights of Columbus, by contacting Jesse Boeckermann at 605-376-4234 or email jessebach7@gmail.com.



St. Vincent de Paul Society



In 2024 we helped 306 Swannanoa Valley families with rent, utility bills, auto repairs and other essential needs (many are hurricane victims). Thank you for your generous gifts and prayers to support our ministry. Most folks just need some help through a rough patch in their lives. If you can help us financially, SVdP poor boxes are in the church vestibule and in the overflow seating entrance. Donations may also be mailed to PO Box 4, Swannanoa, NC 28778 or given on the parish website saintmmc.com by choosing the fund St. Vincent de Paul Society. If you would like to make an honor or memorial gift, contact Terry at 919-522-9892 or email terry.f.foley@gmail.com.

If you or someone you know is experiencing financial difficulties, please remember that SVdP is here to help. Call 800-862-1633 on Mondays 6am – noon, all calls are held in strictest confidence.

"Lord, help me to make time today to serve you in those who are most in need of encouragement or assistance." ~ St. Vincent de Paul

Catholic Charities Asheville

Catholic Charities serves the poor and vulnerable regardless of race, ethnicity, or religion. We offer financial help, burial assistance, bilingual licensed clinical mental health counseling, elder ministry, immigration services, and a food pantry at our Asheville office.

We couldn't do what we do without our caring, dedicated volunteers and your generous donations.

Donate at www.ccdoc.org/give
Join our volunteer team by contacting Hilary Kalisch at HRKalisch@rdoc.org.



St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church

✦ Serving the Swannanoa Valley since 1936 ✦

October 12, 2025

The Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time

Father John Allen, Pastor
Deacon Dan Hoffert
Deacon Ralph Eckoff, retired

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Pastoral Associate
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Celebration of the Sacraments

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil: 4:30pm

Sunday: 8:30am & 11:00am; 1:00pm (Spanish)

Monday - Thursday: 8:45am

Holy Days: Check website

CONFESSION

Confession is available immediately following each daily Mass and on Saturdays immediately following the 4:30pm Mass and Sundays immediately following the 8:30am, and 11am Masses.

BAPTISM

Please contact the office to arrange preparation and to complete the required registrations and forms. Baptisms will be scheduled once these requirements are met.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Please email to register: stmmcfait@gmail.com.

MARRIAGE

An appointment with the Pastor must be scheduled at least *twelve months* before the intended wedding date and to begin preparation.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please call the parish office during office hours to arrange anointing for parishioners of St. Margaret Mary. Anointing should take place immediately following diagnosis of any serious illness or before major surgery. **Please do not wait until death is imminent to receive this sacrament.** May also be requested during scheduled confession times.



And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

~ Luke 17:15-19

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9:15AM - 3:00PM
Closed Fridays, Holy Days and Holidays

OFFICE: 828-686-8833, press 0 for Front Desk
Por información en español oprima 9

FAX: 828-686-8832

E-MAIL: office@saintmmc.com

SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES FOR THE DYING: A family member of a St. Margaret Mary parishioner should call 828-686-8833, after business hours press 2

WANT TO BECOME CATHOLIC? Join O.C.I.A.

OCIA is Order of Christian Initiation of Adults. We welcome those who desire to learn more about our Catholic faith, those who wish to become Catholic, and those who wish to return to the practice of their faith. For more information, please email Deacon Dan and Linda Hoffert at hofferts@bellsouth.net.

ADULT CHOIR/SCHOLA: Call the office at 828-686-8833.

VISITS FOR SICK & HOMEBOUND: Call parish office.

CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION: Contact the Catholic Formation Team at: stmmcfait@gmail.com.

October 12, 2025

Mass Intentions				
Sat	10/11	4:30pm	† John Clyne	
Sun	10/12	8:30am	 † Marsiano Galdamez	
		11:00am	 Margarito Anaya	
		1:00pm	 Pro Populo	
Mon	10/13	8:45am	 † Darlene Godwin	
Tue	10/14	8:45am	 † Susan Bickel	
Wed	10/15	8:45am	 Caroline Zielinski	
Thur	10/16	6:00pm	 Priscilla Kuffel	
Fri	10/17		NO MASS	



Please Pray for...

Those who are sick or have special needs:
Shaun Benbow, Susan Blanchard, Kate Bogush, Dana Breeding, Joseph Buttera, Donna Collins, Barry Cook, Jack Crowley, Carolyn Dickenson, Maureen Flannigan, Patricia Grace, Baby Elizabeth Heimer, Bernie Hyland, Allison Hoefling, Don & Priscilla Kuffel, Jim Lauer, Lane Lehman, Janet Linda, Meghan McGinnis, Cecelia Meredith, Lori Owensby, Lindsey & Jordan Owensby, Marilyn Rebholz, Rhonda Rivera, Linda Robinson, Roger Salten, Sally Schoen, Marellen Struhar, Betty Testa, Arlene Turner, Vickie Wright, Toddler Vivienne Joy, Sandy Yacovelli.

Homebound or in Assisted Living:
Marian Bogdanowicz, Dorothy Kelly, Margaret Morrow

Our Family Members Serving in the Military:
Chief Petty Officer Chris Balot, son of Randy Balot
Staff Sgt. Jordan Owensby, grandson of Linda Gurecky.
Captain Christian Kimball, son of Kristy Kimball.
Airman Jack Vess, son of Eric & Christine Vess.

IMPORTANT DATES!

Oct 16: 6pm Feast of St. Margaret Mary Mass
Oct 18-19: World Mission Sunday-Second Collection
Oct 18-19: WoSTMM Toiletry Drive for Catholic Charites
Oct 19: KOC Pancake Breakfast (PH)
Oct 20-24: Father Allen away-No Daily Mass
(PH = Parish Hall; CH = Church)



**Feast Day of our Patroness
St. Margaret Mary Alacoque
October 16th**

*“ Nothing unites us so closely
to the Sacred Heart of our
Lord Jesus Christ as the cross
which is the most precious
pledge of His love”.*

Join us for Mass at 6:00pm
and Light Reception in
Parish Hall following Mass

Scriptures for the Week	
MON Oct 13	Romans 1: 1-7; Ps 98: 1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Ps 95: 8; Luke 11: 29-32
TUE Oct 14 Callistus I, Pope, Martyr	Romans 1: 16-25; Ps 19: 2-3, 4-5; Heb 4: 12; Luke 11: 37-41
WED Oct 15 Teresa pf Avila, Virgin, Religious, Doctor	Romans 2: 1-11; Ps 62: 2-3, 6-7, 9; John 10: 27; Luke 11: 42-46
THUR Oct 16 Margaret Mary Alacoque, Virgin	Rom 3: 21-30; Ps 130: 1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Jn 14: 6; Lk 11: 47-54
FRI Oct 17 Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr	Romans 4: 1-8; Ps 32: 1b-2, 5, 11; Ps 33: 22; Luke 12: 1-7
SAT Oct 18 Luke, Evangelist	2 nd Tim 4: 10-17b; Ps 145: 10-11, 12-13, 17-18; John 15: 16; Luke 10: 1-9
SUN Oct 19	Exodus 17: 8-13; Ps 121: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8; 2 nd Tim 3: 14 - 4: 2; Hebrews 4: 12; Luke 18: 1-8

Schedule for the Week	
Office hours Tuesday-Thursday 9:15am-3pm The church is open for prayer during office hours.	
Mon Oct 13	8:45am Mass Office Closed-Diocesan Holiday 7pm Reunión del grupo masculino (PH)
Tues Oct 14	8:45am Mass
Wed Oct 15	8:45am Mass
Thur Oct 16	Feast of St. Margaret Mary 6pm Mass (Bilingual) Reception in Parish Hall following Mass
Fri Oct 17	Office Closed
Sat Oct 18	World Mission Sunday 2nd Collection 4:30pm Mass
Sun Oct 19	8:30am Mass 9:30am KofC Pancake Breakfast (PH) 9:30am OCIA Mtg (St. Teresa Rm) 11:00am Mass 12pm KoC Pancake Breakfast (PH) 1pm Mass (Español)



Thanks to your generosity, our Knights of Columbus council 13016 recently presented checks to the Black Mountain Neuro-Medical Center Foundation, and the Majorie McCune Memorial Center in the amount of \$786.25 each. Your support of the Intellectual Disabilities program makes a difference to many who are assisted by these outstanding organizations within our community. Thank you!

Stewardship



Stewardship
A way of living

Stewardship Reflection
October 12, 2025
28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus healed ten lepers in today's Gospel. Only one (10%) came back to say thank you. I, too, have received many blessings from the Lord - indeed all I am and all I have is gift! How and how often have I remembered to thank Him?



RESPECT LIFE MONTH

October 2025
respectlife.org/celebrate



TOGETHER IN HOLINESSSM
CONFERENCE SERIES



ST. JOHN PAUL II
FOUNDATION

**DISCOVER GOD'S PLAN
FOR YOUR FAMILY**

NOVEMBER 22, 2025
8:00 AM - 3:15 PM
ARDEN | CHARLOTTE

Couple \$64
Childcare \$5/child
Register by October 13 to grab
an Early Bird discount

 **REGISTER
HERE!**

For more information, please visit
togetherinholiness.org/doc

PRESENTED BY  **DIocese of CHARLOTTE**
Francis Love Diocese



**Knights of Columbus
Pancake and Sausage Breakfast**
Sunday, October 19th after the
8:30am & 11am Masses



Donations are appreciated to help support the Knight's charitable outreach.



Offertory for the Month and Year to Date

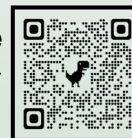
OCT GOAL	MONTH ACTUAL	% OF GOAL
\$24,000	\$7,174	30%

Offertory - Fiscal Yr To Date Jul 1 - Oct 8

GOAL	YTD ACTUAL	% OF GOAL
\$312,000	\$77,864	24.9%

Priest Retirement 2nd Collection - \$4,007
Priest Retirement Goal - \$9,618
Donate online at saintmmc.com or here

*May God bless you for
your financial stewardship!*





Reflecting God's Light

2025 DSA Collected: \$29,523.62
2025 Goal: \$35,506.00
% of Goal: 83%





The Women of St. Margaret Mary
are hosting a Toiletry Drive
for Catholic Charities
Weekend of October 18-19

Supplies needed: Shampoo & Conditioner, toothpaste,
lotion, Bar soap (please select soaps for sensitive skin),
deodorant male/female, laundry pods & shaving supplies.



**MISSIONARIES
OF HOPE**
among the Peoples

**World Mission
Sunday 2025
October 19th**

SHARE:
GIVE NOW

**YOUR GIFT
HELPS
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 62,498 Seminarians	 8,749 Shelters and Orphanages	 11,992 Health Centers	 843,785 Catechists	 258,540 Religious sisters
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