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 November 09, 2025



St. Leo the Great | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Carl Vennerstrom as they discuss St. Leo the Great, who served as pope during the tumultuous time of the Council of Chalcedon.



Foretold

From the beginning, God had a plan to save man from sin. With Jesus, that plan was fulfilled. But he also has a specific plan for you. Watch Foretold to rediscover God's providential love for you



St. Frances Cabrini

No one would have assumed that a sickly girl from Italy would be accepted into a convent nor travel far from home. Yet, St. Frances went on to prove both assumptions incorrect, becoming a nun and missionary who would establish schools, orphanages and hospitals all across America.

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 <u>formed.org/signup</u>:

- 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 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.

OUR MISSION

BECOME A MEMBER!

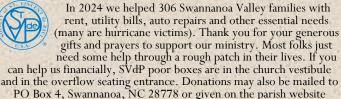
Catholic women 18 years and older are invited to join. Our group gives women the opportunity to fully live their Catholic faith by sharing their gifts and talents with our parish, the community, and each other.

Questions? Email: 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



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.

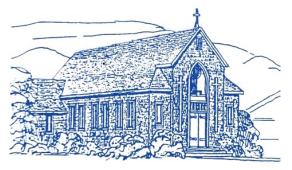
"Lord, help me to make time today to serve you in those who are most in need of encouragement or assistance." ~ St. Vincent de Paul

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/giveJoin our volunteer team by contacting
Hilary Kalisch at HRKalisch@rcdoc.org.



St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church

♦ Serving the Swannanoa Valley since 1936 ♦

November 9, 2025

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Father John Allen, *Pastor*Deacon Dan Hoffert
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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: stmmcfaith@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.



He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money-changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money-changers and overturned their tables, and t those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace."

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 informatión 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: stmmcfaith@gmail.com.

November 9, 2025

Mass Intentions

Sat	11/08	4:30pm	† Josef Riegger
Sun	11/09	8:30am	Pro Populo
		11:00am	† Robert Gannon
		1:00pm	† Pedro Molina
Mon	11/10	8:45am	† Michael McLane
Tue	11/11	8:45am	Collen Blevins
Wed	11/12	8:45am	† John Teague
Thur	11/13	8:45am	The Zichy Family
Fri	11/14	8:45am	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.



Sponsoring Altar Flowers

is a beautiful way to remember a loved one or to honor a special birthday or anniversary! Call the office to sponsor flowers.



The Angel Tree Arrives November 15th!

In partnership with Catholic Charities, our angel tree program provides Christmas gifts for parishioners & local families in need. Stay tuned!



Scriptures for the Week

MON Nov 10 Leo the Great, Pope, Doctor

Wis 1: 1-7; Ps 139: 1b-3, 4-6, 7-8, 9-10; Philippians 2: 15d, 16a; Luke 17: 1-6

TUE Nov 11 Martin of Tours, Bishop

Wisdom 2: 23 - 3: 9; Ps 34: 2-3, 16-17, 18-19; John 14: 23; Luke 17: 7-10

WED Nov 12 Josaphat, Bishop, Religious, Martyr

Wis 6: 1-11; Ps 82: 3-4, 6-7; 1st Thess 5: 18; Luke 17: 11-19

THUR Nov 13 Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin, Religious

Wisdom 7: 22b - 8: 1: Ps 119: 89. 90. 91. 130. 135. 175: John 15: 5; Luke 17: 20-25

FRI Nov 14

Wis 13: 1-9; Ps 19: 2-3, 4-5ab; Luke 21: 28; Luke 17: 26-37

SAT Nov 15 Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Wisdom 18: 14-16; 19: 6-9; Ps 105: 2-3, 36-37, 42-43; 2nd Thessalonians 2: 14; Luke 18: 1-8

SUN Nov 16

Malachi 4: 1-2a; Ps 98: 5-6, 7-8, 9; 2nd Thessalonians 3: 7-12; Luke 21: 28; Luke 21: 5-19



Schedule for the Week

Office hours Monday-Thursday 9:15am-3pm The church is open for prayer during office hours.

Mon Nov 10 8:45am Mass

7pm Reunión del grupo masculine (PH)

Tues Nov 11 8:45am Mass

Office Closed-Diocesan Holiday

Wed Nov 12 8:45am Mass

Thur Nov 13 8:45am Mass

Rosary following Mass

11am St. Vincent de Paul Mtg (PH)

Fri Nov 14 Office Closed

Sat Nov 15 4:30pm Mass

Sun Nov 16 8:30am Mass 9:30am OCIA Mtg (PH)

11:00am Mass

1pm Mass (Español)



IMPORTANT DATES!

Nov 22: 11am Prayer Vigil at Planned Parenthood Nov 23: 12pm School At Nazareth Mtg (PH) Dec 8: Holy Day of Obligation-Immaculate Conception

(PH = Parish Hall: CH = Church)



Our Plans

Our plans intend to:

- Preserve the charm and appearance of our existing
- Improve safety by adding side aisles and an additional exit
- Increase seating so all can worship together in the
- Add a priest's sacristy and improve the working
- Relocate the confessional to the back of the nave
- Enlarge the narthex to allow for a public restroom and a Baptistry
- **Enhance seating access for the disabled**
- Add a choir loft accessible from the narthex
- Enhance the church entrance with a portico and patio
- Allow for future improvements to the plaza and grounds

For more information contact Bells of Hope at 828-747-7261

Stewardship



MONTH ACTUAL \$13.425

Offertory - Fiscal Yr To Date Jul 1 - Nov 5 GOAL \$312,000 YTD ACTUAL % OF GOAL \$105,399

Seminarian Education - \$1,690

Donate online at saintmmc.com or here

May God bless you for your financial stewardship!





Reflecting God's Light

2025 DSA Collected: \$30,523.62 2025 Goal: \$35,506.00 % of Goal: 86%





Priest Retirement Collected - \$4,847 Priest Retirement Goal - \$9.618

Stewardship Reflection

Stewardship A way of living

November 9, 2025 Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

In today's second reading St. Paul reminds us that each of us is a living stone in God's building, with Christ as the only true foundation. Our lives, our talents, and our resources are not our own—they are entrusted to us to help strengthen the Church. As stewards, we are called to build carefully, honoring the holiness of God's dwelling within us. When we give generously of our time, talent, and treasure, we are not just maintaining a structure—we are helping God's Spirit shine forth in His holy people.

Have you heard about Online Giving?

As a parish, we strive to be good stewards of our resources. Many families have moved away from envelopes and are now using ParishSOFT eGiving to fulfill their generous stewardship commitments to our parish and the wider church through electronic donations. We have also found that many are not using their envelopes that we mail out. Help us to reduce our envelope and postage expense and at the same time support St. Margaret Mary in a secure and convenient way by giving through ParishSOFT.

Simply scan the QR code, text "Give" to 828-457-7725 or visit our website at saintmmc.com. If you have any questions or need any support, you can call 866-930-4774 or email donorsupport@parishsoft.com.

May God bless your stewardship to our parish community!



Fr. John Allen