

## Parish Stewardship

November 19, 2023

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Good stewards are like the industrious and reliable servants in today's Gospel, prudently using and multiplying the gifts entrusted to them by God.

19 de noviembre de 2023

33 Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

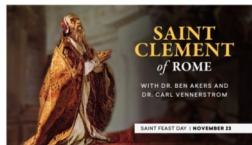
Los buenos mayordomos son como los siervos trabajadores y confiables del Evangelio de hoy, que usan y multiplican con prudencia los dones que Dios les ha confiado.



If you have questions about these and other opportunities or about Stewardship in general, please contact: Jen Puzerewski, Parish Stewardship Coordinator at office@stmmc.com.

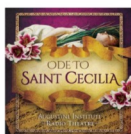
THIS WEEK ON  
**FORMED**

Week of November 19, 2023



St. Clement of Rome | Catholic Saints

Sit down with Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Carl Vennerstrom as they discuss Pope St. Clement of Rome, who was an early Church Father and the third successor to St. Peter.



Ode to Saint Cecilia

The lives of the saints are epic stories and particular expressions of God's grace in humanity. Celebrate St. Cecilia with this audio drama by the Augustine Institute Radio Theatre.



Our Mother Mary

What is Mariology? Learn about this fascinating topic in this interview with Dr. Mark Miravalle, Saint John Paul II Chair of Mariology at Franciscan University of Steubenville.

Our parish has a FORMED subscription.  
Visit [signup.formed.org](http://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](http://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

## Saturday Prayer Vigils

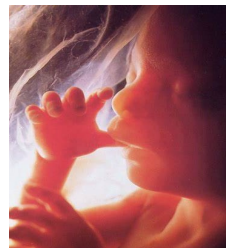
St. Margaret Mary parishioners are participating in a 1-hour prayer vigil on the **fourth** Saturday of each month from 11am to 12pm.

Your presence is needed!

*He who closes his ear to the cry of the helpless will himself cry out and not be heard. Proverbs 21:13*

Pray for the Sanctity of Life!

Nov 25, Dec 23



## Knights of Columbus



### Food for Families

Our Knights of Columbus is conducting a 'Food for Families' drive from now to the 26th to benefit Catholic Charities – Asheville food pantry. During these trying economic times, Catholic Charities needs extra resources to address clients' needs.

Place non-perishable food in the marked barrel on the **front porch of the office building**.

Financial donations can be placed in collection basket or dropped by the office; checks should be made out to 'Knights of Columbus Council 13016' with 'Food Drive' on the memo line.

Thank you for your support in helping the hungry in our community!

### PARISH COUNCIL

Judy Clyne, Chair (5:30pm Mass)	630-212-8522
Phyllis Benbow (5:30pm Mass)	828-273-5818
Tom Schodorf (8:30am Mass)	770-778-8335
Dan Little (8:30am Mass)	828-298-1452
Jesse Boeckermann (11:00am Mass)	605-376-4234
LeAnn Wilson (11:00am Mass)	678-993-6456
Cesar Cueva (1:00pm Mass)	828-424-1690
Salvador Figueroa (1:00pm Mass)	828-424-5085

### PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

Doug Thigpen, Chair	828-713-5785
John Czarnecki	828-767-1916
Dennis Sadelson	828-231-6136



# Saint Margaret Mary Catholic Church

Serving the Swannanoa Valley since 1936

November 19, 2023

Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time / Trigésimo tercero domingo del tiempo ordinario

Most Rev. Peter J. Jugis J.C.D., Bishop  
Rev. W. Christian Cook, Pastor  
Rev. Mr. Dan Hoffert, Deacon  
Rev. Mr. Ralph Eckoff, Deacon (Ret.)

Claudia G. Graham, Office Manager  
Kim MacNeil, Administrative Assistant  
Jennifer Puzerewski, Admin. Assistant & Stewardship Coordinator  
Karen Parsons, Organist

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## Celebration of the Sacraments

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday Vigil (Anticipated Mass):** 5:30pm  
**Sunday:** 8:30am & 11:00am; 1:00pm (Spanish)  
**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday:** 8:30am  
**Holy Days:** 8:30am & 5:30pm  
**First Fridays:** 5:30pm

### CONFESSION

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 8:00am  
Saturday: 4:15pm  
Or by appointment, call office to schedule.

### BAPTISM:

First Sunday of the month. Call the office one month prior to anticipated date for forms and information.

### FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION:

Email: [stmmcfait@gmail.com](mailto:stmmcfait@gmail.com).

**MARRIAGE:** To schedule, call office at least *six months* before the intended wedding date.

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** If a Catholic is in danger of death needing the Anointing of the Sick call the office during regular hours (828-686-8833) and press 4; **after** hours, press 2. If there has been a terminal diagnosis, please call the office as soon as possible to schedule an anointing early in the illness.

### CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION:

Contact the Faith Formation Team at: [stmmcfait@gmail.com](mailto:stmmcfait@gmail.com).



*Blessed are you who fear the LORD, who walk in his ways!  
For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork;  
blessed shall you be, and favored.  
Ps 128:1-2*

### OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9:00AM - 3:00PM  
Friday: Closed

**OFFICE:** 828-686-8833, press 4 for Front Desk  
Por información en español oprima 3

**FAX:** 828-686-8832

**E-MAIL:** [office@saintnmmc.com](mailto:office@saintnmmc.com)

**SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCY (danger of death):**  
828-686-8833, press 2

**WANT TO BECOME CATHOLIC? Join R.C.I.A.!** RCIA is Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults. We welcome those who desire to learn more about the Catholic faith, who desire to become Catholic, or who have been away from the church and would like to return. If you want to know more, please email Deacon Dan and Linda Hoffert at [hofferts@bellsouth.net](mailto:hofferts@bellsouth.net).

**ADULT CHOIR/SCHOLA:** Call Karen Parsons 828-275-4977.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** For information, call Peter Graham at 828-669-7730.

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY:** Call 800-862-1633 for information or assistance with food, finances, etc.

**VISITS FOR SICK & HOMEBOUND:** Call parish office.

**WOMEN OF ST. MARGARET MARY:** Women 18+ yrs. Contact the Parish Office for more information on our Women's Group.

November 19, 2023



St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church - Diocese of Charlotte

Mass Intentions

Sat 11/18 5:30pm.....† Charlye Christy  
Sun 11/19 8:30am..... Pro Populo  
11:00am..... † Joe & Helena Estacio  
1:00pm .....Figueredo & Zibold Families  
Mon 11/20 8:30am ..... Pro Populo  
Tue 11/21 8:30am..... † Gabriel Fiore  
Wed 11/22 8:30am.....Anna Malsbary  
Thu 11/23 8:30am.....† Antonio Batista Silva



Please Pray for...

Those who are ill or have special needs:

Shaun Benbow, Susan Blanchard, Dana Breeding, Ann Bridgman, Dianna Bryant, Joseph Buttera, Donna Collins, Barry Cook, Sister Pat Coyle, Jack Crowley, Carolyn Dickenson, Mike Fitzgerald, Maureen Flannigan, George Frazier, Allison Geraghty, Patricia Grace, Jackie Gunn, Eleanor Harker, Larry Hauser, Allison Hoefling, Michael Hayduk, Jim Lauer, Jamie Lauren, Lane Lehman, Janet Linda, Meghan McGinnis, Cecelia Meredith, Lori Owensby, Lindsey & Jordan Owensby, Kathy Quarles, Marilyn Rebholz, Rhonda Rivera, Kim Rovinski, Sally Schoen, Larry Scott, Marellen Struhar, Betty Testa, Patricia Thompson, Arlene Turner, Vickie Wright, Toddler Vivienne Joy, Sandy Yacovelli, Fran Yoli.

Homebound or in Assisted Living:

Marian Bogdanowicz, Norma Brandin, Julie Howachyn, Dorothy Kelly, Margaret Morrow, and Anne Papay.

Our Family Members Serving in the Military:

**Chief Petty Officer Chris Balot**, son of Randy Balot  
**Staff Sgt. Jordan Owensby**, grandson of Don & Linda Gurecky. **David Woodward**, serving in Afghanistan-friend of Samuel Medlin. **SPC Alex Czarnecki**, son of Maureen & John Czarnecki. **First Lieutenant Christian Kimball**, son of Kristy Kimball.



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. Recommended donation is \$45.00. November 26th is still available for sponsoring the flowers.

IMPORTANT DATES!

**Nov 23:** 8:30am Thanksgiving Day Mass (no Confession) Office Closed  
**Nov 25:** 11am-12noon Prayer Vigil Planned Parenthood  
**Nov 28:** 10am Liturgical Minister Training (CH)  
**Dec 2:** 10am-11:30am Altar Server Training  
**Dec 17:** Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast after the 8:30am & 11am masses  
(PH = Parish Hall; CH = Church)

Scriptures for the Week

MON Nov 20

1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Jn 8:12; Lk 18:35-43

TUE Nov 21: Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3:2-7; 1 Jn 4:10b; Lk 19:1-10

WED Nov 22: Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr

2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15; Jn 15:16; Lk 19:11-28

THU Nov 23: Thanksgiving Day/Clement I, Pope, Martyr/ Columban, Abbot, Missionary/ Blessed Miguel Augustin, Martyr

1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Ps 95:8; Lk 19:41-44

FRI Nov 24: Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions, Martyrs

1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10-12; Jn 10:27; Lk 19:45-48

SAT Nov 25: Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr

1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; 2 Tim 1:10; Lk 20:27-40

SUN Nov 26: Christ the King Solemnity (Thirty-Fourth and Last Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Ez 34:11-12, 15-17; Ps 23:1-3, 5-6; 1 Cor 15:20-26, 28; Mk 11:9-10; Mt 25:31-46

Priests Retirement & Benefits Collection



Every parish has until December 31st to reach their goal. Our parish goal this year is \$9,778.00.

Goal \$9,778 ~ Actual \$7,096.00 ~ 72.6% of Goal

The theme this year is “Shepherds for Life.”

The Priests’ Retirement and Benefits Collection helps provide for the future retirement of those priests who are currently working, ensuring the funds will be available when a priest becomes eligible for retirement benefits.

Make checks payable to St. Margaret Mary with “Priest’s Retirement” in memo section. Online giving is also available. Your generosity is deeply appreciated.

Church Parking

Due to limited parking spaces, if you use the parking lot across the street from the church, out of courtesy for your fellow parishioners, PLEASE pull all the way forward. This will allow



us to accommodate all of our parishioners and visitors.

Thank You!

St. Vincent de Paul Society



Volunteers Needed!

Did you know that in the first 6 months of 2023 we helped our neighbors with over \$35,000 in financial assistance? Most folks just need some help through a rough patch in their lives. We need volunteers to continue this work. Please call Mike at 828-777-0881 if you are interested in serving.

If you or someone you know is experiencing financial difficulties, please remember that SVdP is here to help. For years we have assisted our neighbors with rent, utility bills, auto repairs, medical bills and other needs. Call 800-862-1633 to leave a message for our volunteer team; all calls are held in strictest confidence. Thank you for your generous gifts and prayers that support our ministry. SVdP poor boxes are in the church vestibule and in the overflow seating entrance.



COURAGE INTERNATIONAL

A Catholic apostolate for men and women who experience same-sex attractions and for the family members and loved ones of those who identify as LGBTQ+.

Whether you experience same-sex attractions and are committed to following the Church’s teaching on chastity (Courage), or you have a family member or loved one who identifies as LGBTQ+ (EnCourage), you are not alone.

Join the Courage and EnCourage family and discover an apostolate that provides confidential support for living chastity, growing in holiness, and keeping family bonds intact. To learn more, visit Courage International at [Couragerc.org](http://Couragerc.org). Inquire about our local Courage chapter at [courage@rcdoc.org](mailto:courage@rcdoc.org) and our local EnCourage chapter at [encourage@rcdoc.org](mailto:encourage@rcdoc.org).

Stewardship



Offertory for the Month of November

GOAL \$24,615 ACTUAL \$14,882.54 % OF GOAL 60%

Offertory Fiscal YrToDate Jul 1 - Nov 12

GOAL \$320,000 ACTUAL \$120,790 % OF GOAL 37.7%

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DSA - Jan 1 - Nov 6, 2023

GOAL \$35,444.73 PAID \$41,277.89 PLEDGES DUE \$3,442.24

Thank you! May God bless you for your generosity.

Schedule for the Week

**Mon Nov 20** No Confession or Mass  
9am-3pm Office & Church Open  
**Tues Nov 21** 8am Confession; 8:30am Mass  
9am-3pm Office & Church Open  
**Wed Nov 22** 8am Confession; 8:30am Mass  
9am-3pm Office & Church Open  
No Faith Formation Classes  
**Thu Nov 23** Thanksgiving Day  
8:30am Mass - No Confession  
Office & Church Closed  
**Fri Nov 24** Church and Office Closed  
7pm Reunión del grupo masculine (PH)  
**Sat Nov 25** 11am Prayer Vigil at Planned Parenthood  
4:15pm-5pm Confession  
5:30pm Mass  
**Sun Nov 26** 8:30am Mass (Incense)  
9:45am-10:45am RCIA Mtg (PH)  
11:00am Mass  
1pm Mass Español (Incense)



Regional Respect Life Meeting Saturday December 9th from 2:00 - 3:30pm at St. Barnabas Parish in Arden (109 Crescent Hill Drive, Arden) in the St. John XXIII Room for anyone interested in becoming more involved in pro-life work. For more information or to sign up for e-mail updates, please contact [ashevilleprolifecatholics@gmail.com](mailto:ashevilleprolifecatholics@gmail.com).