You will find that St. Margaret Mary is a parish where the fullness of the Truth of Jesus Christ is taught and lived, under the protection of our Patroness, St. Margaret Mary.

St. Margaret Mary Councils

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Judy Clyne, Chair 4:30pm Phyllis Benbow 4:30pm Dan Little 8:30am Tom Schodorf 8:30am LeAnn Wilson 11:00am Jesse Boeckermann 11:00am Cesar Cueva 1:00pm Salvador Figueroa 1:00pm

Contact any parish council member with topics you would like discussed at their next meeting. Date: TBA

FINANCE COUNCIL

Doug Thigpen, Chair

John Czarnecki Finance Council meets quarterly. **Ernie Reynolds**

To contact any Council Member, please send an email to: office@saintmmc.com.



This Week on Formed

Week of July 27, 2025



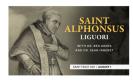
The Violinist: Stories of Solanus Casey

The Violinist is a must-watch documentary that chronicles the inspiring life of impact on those he served. Featuring personal stories from the people who sharing heartwarming anecdotes about his modest lifestyle and passion fo



Ignatius of Loyola

This film brings to life the story of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the ounder of the Jesuits. Often called "The Saint of Second Chances." St. Ignatius was transformed from a self-obsessed sinner to a loyal and passionate soldier-saint.



St. Alphonsus Liguori | Catholic Saints

Born to a noble Italian family and known as the "Prince of Moral Theologian t. Alphonsus Liguori was a great preacher, lawyer, bishop, theologian, and Doctor of the Church. In this episode of Catholic Saints, Augustine Institute professors Dr. Sean Innerst and Dr. Ben Akers discuss this holy man, drawing om from his life and works to aid Catholics today

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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 Peter Graham at 828-989-2505 or email wpgraham912@charter.net.

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

Catholic Charities

Diocese of Charlotte 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.

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



St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church

♦ Serving the Swannanoa Valley since 1936 ♦

July 27, 2025

The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Father John Allen, Pastor **Deacon Dan Hoffert** Deacon Ralph Eckoff, (Ret.)

Claudia G. Graham, Office Manager Jennifer Puzerewski, Admin. Assistant & Stewardship Coordinator Tayler D'Abbraccio, Youth Formation Karen Parsons, Organist

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Celebration of the Sacraments

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil (Anticipated Mass): 4:30pm **Sunday:** 8:30am & 11:00am; 1:00pm (Spanish) Monday - Thursday: 8:45am Holy Days: Check website

CONFESSION

The Sacrament of Confession will be available immediately after every daily Mass and on Saturdays after the 4:30pm Vigil Mass and Sundays after the 8:30am, and 11am Masses.

BAPTISM

Contact the office to obtain the necessary forms. Baptisms will be scheduled once forms are completed and returned to the office.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Email: stmmcfaith@gmail.com.

MARRIAGE

An appointment with a priest or deacon must be scheduled at least twelve 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 0; 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.



"And he said to them: When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us. And do not subject us to the final test.

- Luke 11: 2-4

OFFICE HOURS:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 9:15AM - 3:00PM Friday: Closed

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 EMERGENCY (danger of death):

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 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.

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

VISITS FOR SICK & HOMEBOUND: Call parish office.

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

July 27, 2025

Mass Intentions

07/26	4:30pm	† Bill Blanchard
07/27	8:30am	Pro Populo
	11:00am	† Rev. Carl Kaltreider
	1:00pm	Mario Escobar
07/28	8:45am	Alison Curtain
07/29	8:45am	† William & Lorie Frame
07/30	8:45am	Rev. Nicholas Kramer
07/31	8:45am	Intentions of the Celebrant
08/01		NO MASS
	07/27 07/28 07/29 07/30 07/31	07/27 8:30am 11:00am 1:00pm 07/28 8:45am 07/29 8:45am 07/30 8:45am 07/31 8:45am



Please Pray for...

Those who are sick or have special needs:

Baby Arty Auvil, 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, Dan Little, 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, Andy Zichy.

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 Don & Linda Gurecky. David Woodward, serving in Afghanistan-friend of Samuel Medlin. Captain Christian Kimball, son of Kristy Kimball. Airman Jack Vess, son of Eric & Christine Vess.



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Diocese of Charlotte **Eucharistic Congress** September 5 & 6, 2025



Rediscover hope. Renew your spirit. Walk with Christ. Don't miss the 2025 Eucharistic Congress Friday-Saturday, Sept 5 & 6, at the Charlotte Convention Center as we come together as Pilgrims of Hope with fellow Catholics from across the Diocese of Charlotte! Be inspired by dynamic Catholic speakers and uplifting music, experience one of the largest Eucharistic processions in the U.S., and find renewed hope in Christ through the Eucharist. Drop in for an hour or come both days – it's totally free and flexible! Details at

www.YouBelong2025.com

Scriptures for the Week

MON July 28 Exodus 32: 15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23; James 1: 18; Matthew 13: 31-35

TUE July 29 Martha, Disciple of the LordExodus 33: 7-11; 34: 5b-9, 28; Ps 103: 6-7, 8-9, 10-11, 12-13;
John 8: 12; John 11: 19-27 or Luke 10: 38-42

WED July 30 Peter Chrysologus, Bishop, Doctor

Ex 34: 29-35; Ps 99: 5, 6, 7, 9; John 15: 15b; Matthew 13: 44-46

THUR July 31 Ignatius of Loyola, Priest, Religious Founder Ex 40: 16-21, 34-38; Ps 84: 3, 4, 5-6a and 8a, 11; Acts 16: 14b; Matthew 13: 47-53

FRI Aug 01 Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop, Rel. Founder Leviticus 23: 1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81: 3-4, 5-6, 10-11ab; First Peter 1: 25; Matthew 13: 54-58

SAT Aug 02 Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop

Leviticus 25: 1, 8-17; Ps 67: 2-3, 5, 7-8; Matt 5:10; Matt 14:1-12

SUN Aug 03

Ecclesiastes 1: 2; 2: 21-23; Ps 90: 3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17; Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11; Matthew 5: 3; Luke 12: 13-21

Schedule for the Week

Office hours Monday-Thursday 9:15am-3pm

The church is open for prayer during office hours.

Mon July 28 8:45am Mass

12pm Funeral Ann Bridgman

7pm Reunión del grupo masculine (PH)

Tues July 29 8:45am Mass

Wed July 30 8:45am Mass

Thur July 31 8:45am Mass

Rosary following Mass

Fri Aug 01 Church and Office Closed

Hospitality Weekend

Sat Aug 02 4:30pm Mass

Sun Aug 03 8:30am Mass*

11:00am Mass

1pm Mass Español*

* Incense at Mass

IMPORTANT DATES!

July 28: 12noon Ann Bridgman Funeral (CH)

Aug 5: 6:35pm Parish Life: Asheville Tourists Baseball

Game at McCormick Field

Aug 16 & 17: Operation L.A.M.B.

Sept 5-6: Diocese of Charlotte Eucharistic Congress

(PH = Parish Hall; CH = Church)



Don't Forget!

Asheville Tourist vs. **Greensboro Grasshoppers** August 5th at 6:35pm

Stewardship

Stewardship Reflection

Stewardship
A way of living

July 27, 2025 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus is describing God's immeasurable generosity when He says in today's Gospel, "Whomever asks, receives; whomever seeks, finds; whomever knocks, is admitted." But it should also be the description of us as Christian stewards - those seeking to follow Christ by using our gifts in service to others.

Attention Families...



SAINTS

School At Nazareth...

"Forming Future Saints"

Enrollment August 17th at 12pm

Families, enrollment for the our Faith Formation program, the School At Nazareth, will be on Sunday, August 17th. Please plan to stop by and fill out an enrollment form for your family in the parish hall at 12pm Noon after the 11am Mass.

It will take no more than 5 minutes to fill out the form and turn it in. If you have questions please email Tayler D'Abbraccio at tcdabbraccio@rcdoc.org.

Our Faith Formation program, School At Nazareth (SAN), is in need of volunteers for the upcoming school year. Volunteer opportunities include small group leaders and translators. If you are interested in volunteering with the School At Nazareth there will be an informational meeting on September 7th at 12:15pm in the Parish Hall (after the 11am Mass). This meeting will last about 30 minutes. If you have questions, please contact Tayler D'Abbraccio at tcdabbraccio@rcdoc.org.

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25th Carolina **Men's Emmaus**

ATTENTION MEN!!! Are you looking

for a chance to learn more about yourself, your faith and your role in today's society?

Come spend the weekend, August 22-24, 2025 with other men, just like you, and have an authentic, purposeful, life changing weekend.

See any of the men in an Emmaus shirt, contact Quint Zuhlke at (702) 271-7855, visit www.emmausofthecarolinas.org





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 \$50.00.

