

You will find that St. Margaret Mary's 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 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) 828-573-4141

#### PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL

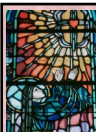
Doug Thigpen, Chair 828-713-5785

### 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](mailto:wpgraham912@charter.net).



### Women of St. Margaret Mary



#### OUR MISSION

Women of St. Margaret Mary is a service organization created to support the mission of our parish and our pastor's initiatives, and to promote individual spiritual growth through prayer, 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](mailto:stmargaretmary1936@gmail.com).

### 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 aim to strengthen families, build communities, and reduce poverty.

**SAVE THE DATE!!!**  
 ~ Spirit of Hope ~  
 Dinner and Program  
 Thursday, May 9, 2024  
 at 5:30pm

If you would like to attend, please email Jesse Boeckermann at [jdboeckermann@ccdoc.org](mailto:jdboeckermann@ccdoc.org)



### St. Vincent de Paul Society



The St. Vincent de Paul Society helps families and neighbors in crisis with rent, utility bills, auto repairs and other essential needs.

Thank you for your generous gifts and prayers to support our ministry. If you would like to help us continue our mission of serving our neighbors, the 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 online through the parish website [saintmmc.com](http://saintmmc.com) by choosing the fund St. Vincent de Paul Society.

"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



# Saint Margaret Mary Catholic Church

Serving the Swannanoa Valley since 1936

April 14, 2024

## Third Sunday of Easter

**Bishop-Elect, Rev. Michael T. Martin, OFM Conv.**

**Rev. W. Christian Cook, Pastor**

**Rev. Mr. Dan Hoffert, Deacon**

**Rev. Mr. Ralph Eckoff, Deacon (Ret.)**

**Claudia G. Graham, Office Manager**  
**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

#### 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:** 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 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.



*And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning [within us] while he spoke to us on the way and opened the scriptures to us?"*  
 ~ Luke 24:30-32

#### 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@saintmmc.com](mailto:office@saintmmc.com)

**SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCY (danger of death):**  
 828-686-8833, after business hours 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 the office at 828-686-8833.

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

**CHILDREN'S FAITH FORMATION:** Contact the Faith Formation Team at: [stmmcfait@gmail.com](mailto:stmmcfait@gmail.com).

April 14, 2024

## THIS WEEK ON FORMED

Week of April 14, 2024



#### God Is with Us

What does it mean to say that God is with us in the Eucharist? What is the Eucharist? Watch Episode 1 of Presence today!



#### St. Bernadette of Lourdes

"St. Bernadette of Lourdes" is a beautiful and faithful retelling of the familiar story of one of the world's most beloved saints. Humorous, moving, and reverent, this unique, award-winning, independent film has been seen by millions worldwide and has sold tens of thousands of copies since its release in 2009.



#### Joan of Arc

Cultivate a devotion to St. Joan of Arc, the young saint who died a martyr at the age of nineteen, by watching this powerful film. Her story comes to life in this movie and will doubtless leave you inspired by her faith in God.

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 movies, podcasts, and more!**



# St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church - Diocese of Charlotte

## Mass Intentions

Sat 04/13	8:30am	..... † Lilian Klein
Sun 04/14	5:30pm	..... Michael Puzerewski
	11:00am	.. Ana Gloria & Dayana Jimenez
	1:00pm	..... Pro Populo
Mon 04/15	8:30am	..... † Dorothy Boyd
Tue 04/16	8:30am	..... † GERALYN TALIARRO
Wed 04/17	8:30am	.... † Mildred & Albert Vondenbosch
Thur 04/18	8:30am	..... Alex Puzerewski

 Please Pray for...

### Those who are sick or have special needs:


Shaun Benbow, Susan Blanchard, Dana Breeding, Brother Cassian (Jeff Delgarn), Ann Bridgman, 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, Allison Hoefling, Michael Hayduk, Jim Lauer, Jamie Lauren, Lane Lehman, Janet Linda, Bea Madden, Meghan McGinnis, Cecelia Meredith, Lori Owensby, Lindsey & Jordan Owensby, Beverly Penland, Marilyn Rebholz, Rhonda Rivera, Kim Rovinski, Deb Rummell, Roger Salten, Sally Schoen, Larry Scott, Marellen Struhar, Betty Testa, Arlene Turner, John F. White, Vickie Wright, Toddler Vivienne Joy, Sandy Yacovelli, Fran Yoli.

### Homebound or in Assisted Living:

Marian Bogdanowicz, 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. **Airman Jack Vess**, son of Eric & Christine Vess.

 Thank you for all those who donated to the 40 Cans for Lent. We collected 743 pounds of food and \$80.00 to benefit the clients of Catholic Charities of Western NC.

### IMPORTANT DATES!

**Apr 25: 11am St. Vincent de Paul Mtg (PH)  
 4pm Parish Council Mtg (PH)**  
**Apr 27: 11am Prayer Vigil at Planned Parenthood AVL**  
**May 3: 5:30pm Sacrament of Confirmation Mass (Youth)**  
 (PH = Parish Hall; CH = Church)

## Scriptures for the Week

**MON April 15**  
 Acts 6: 8-15; Ps 119: 23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Mt 4: 4b; Jn 6: 22-29

**TUE April 16**  
 Acts 7: 51-60; Ps 31: 3cd-4, 6 and 7b and 8a, 17 and 21ab;  
 Jn 6: 35ab; Jn 6: 30-35

**WED April 17**  
 Acts 8: 1b-8; Ps 66: 1-3a, 4-5, 6-7a; John 6: 40; Jn 6: 35-40

**THU April 18**  
 Acts 8: 26-40; Ps 66: 8-9, 16-17, 20; John 6: 51; John 6: 44-51

**FRI April 19**  
 Acts 9: 1-20; Ps 117: 1, 2; John 6: 56; John 6: 52-59

**SAT April 20**  
 Acts 9: 31-42; Ps 116: 12-13, 14-15, 16-17; Jn 6: 63c, 68c;  
 John 6: 60-69

**SUN April 21 Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
 Acts 4: 8-12; Ps 118: 1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29; First John 3: 1-2;  
 John 10: 14; John 10: 11-18

Our sincere apologies... Thank you to Rosa & Jerry Hoffart for their Easter Flower donation. The bulletin staff regrets that it was omitted from the last two publications.



IT IS JESUS IN FACT THAT YOU SEEK WHEN YOU DREAM OF HAPPINESS...  
POPE SAINT JOHN PAUL II

COME AND SEE

*Talitha Kum*

A DAY RETREAT FOR YOUNG WOMEN AGES 12-15

JUNE 24, 2024  
 BELMONT ABBEY COLLEGE

*Duc in Altum*

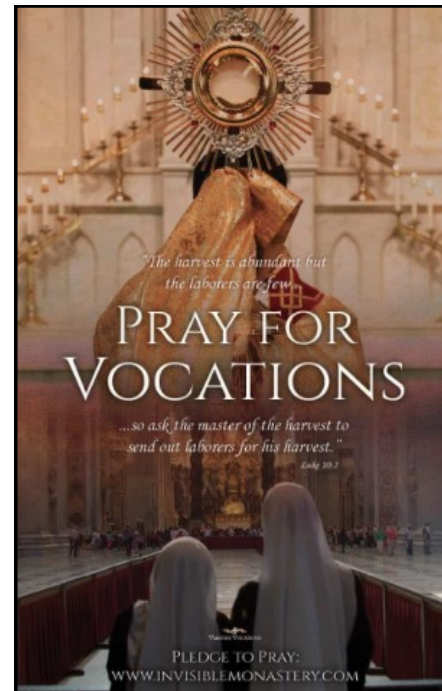
A WEEKLONG RETREAT FOR YOUNG WOMEN AGES 16-19

JUNE 24-28, 2024  
 BELMONT ABBEY COLLEGE

## Stewardship

 Stewardship Reflection  
 April 14, 2024  
 3rd Sunday of Easter

The disciples in today's Gospel came to know Jesus in the breaking of the bread. When we share what we have with those who are in need, we, too, will discover Jesus in our midst.




April 21st World Day of Prayer for Vocations has been celebrated by the Church since 1964, when the visionary Pope Paul VI recognized a decline in priestly vocations and called all Catholics to intercede for an increase in vocations.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations is the Fourth Sunday of Easter, also called Good Shepherd Sunday because of the Gospel readings.

Explore your vocation at this discernment camp and retreat for young men ages 15-19 | June 10-14, 2024 | BELMONT ABBEY COLLEGE | Scan QR code: Learn more and pre-register online.

Offertory for the Month of April		
APR GOAL	MONTH ACTUAL	% OF GOAL
\$24,151	\$6,769	28%

Offertory Fiscal Yr To Date Jul 1 - Apr 10		
GOAL	ACTUAL	% OF GOAL
\$320,000	\$257,750	80.5%

Donate online at [saintmmc.com](http://saintmmc.com) or here   
 Seminarian Education Collection 3-31-24 \$3,633

Thank you!  
 May God bless you for your generosity.

**DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL 2024** **ONE Body in CHRIST**

2024 DSA Collected: \$27,201.00  
 2024 Goal: \$36,717.00; % of Goal: 74%



### Schedule for the Week

- Mon Apr 15** 8am Confession; 8:30am Mass  
 9am-3pm Office & Church Open
- Tues Apr 16** 8am Confession; 8:30am Mass  
 9am-3pm Office & Church Open
- Wed Apr 17** 8am Confession; 8:30am Mass  
 9am-3pm Office & Church Open  
 4pm-6pm Atrium Classes  
 6:30pm-7:45pm Faith Formation Classes  
 6:45pm-7:30pm Fireside Chat (CH)
- Thur Apr 18** 8am Confession; 8:30am Mass  
 9am Rosary (CH)  
 9am-3pm Office & Church Open
- Fri Apr 19** **Church and Office Closed**  
**No Confession or Mass**  
 7pm Reunión del grupo masculino (PH)
- Sat Apr 20** 2:15pm DYAC Meeting (PH)  
 4:15pm-5:00pm Confession  
 5:30pm Mass
- Sun Apr 21** 8:30am Mass (Incense)  
 9:45am-10:45am RCIA Mtg (PH)  
 11:00am Mass  
 1pm Mass Español (Incense)

St. Margaret Mary parishioners are participating in a **1-hour prayer vigil on the fourth Saturday each month at 11am** at Planned Parenthood in Asheville.



**Your presence is needed on April 27th!**