

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 September 28, 2025



St. Therese | Littlest Saints

Which flower in Jesus's garden is the best? The most beautiful? St. Therese gives us her "little" answer to these questions.



St. Francis of Assisi: Sign of Contradiction

From 4PM Media and The Ministry of the Wild Goose comes a breathtaking film on the life of St. Francis of Assisi. A fool according to the standards of the world, St. Francis' life was a sign of contradiction, convicting others of the beauty of Christ and his Gospel.



St. Jerome | Catholic Saints

An early Church Father from the 4th century, St. Jerome translated the Bible into Latin with the desire to make Scripture more accessible. St. Jerome is the patron of biblical scholars, translators, and archivists and famously said, "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ."

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

How do parishioners register to use our FORMED subscription?

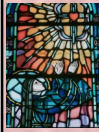
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Go to formed.org/signup:



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.

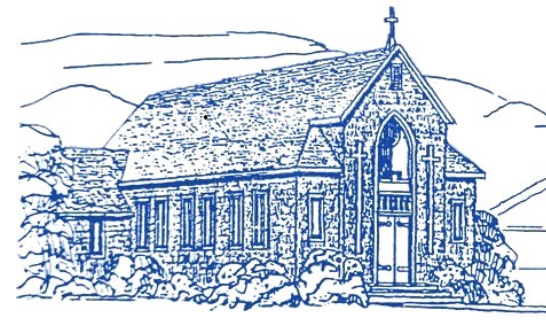
"Lord, help me to make time today to serve you in those who are most in need of encouragement or assistance." ~ St. Vincent de Paul

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 ✦

September 28, 2025

The Twenty-Sixth 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: stmmcfait@gmail.com.

MARRIAGE

An appointment with the Pastor must be scheduled at least *twelve months* before the intended wedding date and the couple must complete all of the Diocesan preparation requirements.

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 or scheduled surgery, please see Father in the confessional after Mass or call the office.



"There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dog even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, ..."
~ Luke 16:19-22

OFFICE HOURS:

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

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 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: stmmcfait@gmail.com.

September 28, 2025

Mass Intentions

Sat	09/27	4:30pm	† John Clyne
Sun	09/28	8:30am	 Pro Populo
		11:00am	 Rev. Christopher Angermeyer
		1:00pm	 Anthony Gomez
Mon	09/29	8:45am	 † William & Grace Turnbach
Tue	09/30	8:45am	 † John McCartney
Wed	10/01	8:45am	 † Kim Rovinski
Thur	10/02	8:45am	 Doris Zichy Grether
Fri	10/03	8:45am	 † Kim Rovinski

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!

Sept 29: 5pm Confirmation with Bishop Martin
Oct 4: 9am Liturgical Minister Training (CH)
Oct 9: 11am St. Vincent de Paul Mtg (PH)
Oct 11: 10am Altar Server Training (PH)

(PH = Parish Hall; CH = Church)

Altar Server Training for current and new servers.



Sat., October 11th at 10am. Lunch will be provided.

Scriptures for the Week

MON Sept 29 Michael, Gabriel, Raphael, Archangels Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14 or Revelation 12: 7-12ab; Ps 138: 1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5; Ps 103: 21; John 1: 47-51
TUE Sept 30 Jerome, Priest, Doctor Zech 8: 20-23; Ps 87: 1b-3, 4-5, 6-7; Mk 10: 45; Lk 9: 51-56
WED Oct 1 Therese of Lisieux, Virgin, Religious, Doctor Nehemiah 2: 1-8; Ps 137: 1-2, 3, 4-5, 6; Philippians 3: 8-9; Luke 9: 57-62
THUR Oct 2 The Guardian Angels Nehemiah 8: 1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Ps 19: 8, 9, 10, 11; Ps 103: 21; Matthew 18: 1-5, 10
FRI Oct 3 Baruch 1: 15-22; Ps 79: 1b-2, 3-5, 8, 9; Ps 95: 8; Luke 10:13-16
SAT Oct 4 Francis of Assisi, Religious Founder Baruch 4: 5-12, 27-29; Ps 69: 33-35, 36-37; Matthew 11: 25; Luke 10: 17-24
SUN Oct 5 Habakkuk 1: 2-3; 2: 2-4; Ps 95: 1-2, 6-7, 8-9; 2 nd Tim 1: 6-8, 13-14; 1 st Peter 1: 25; Luke 17: 5-10

Schedule for the Week

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

Mon Sept 29	8:45am Mass 5pm Confirmation Mass-Bishop Martin 7pm Reunión del grupo masculino (PH)
Tues Sept 30	8:45am Mass
Wed Oct 01	8:45am Mass 6:30pm Knights of Colombus Mtg (PH)
Thur Oct 02	8:45am Mass 9:15am Rosary -Women of StMMC
Fri Oct 03	First Friday Devotions Begin 8:45am Mass
Sat Oct 04	Hospitality Weekend Catherine's House here! 9am Liturgical Minister Training (CH) 4:30pm Mass
Sun Oct 05	Hospitality Weekend Catherine's House here! 8:30am Mass 11:00am Mass 12pm SAN Sacramental Inform. Mtg (PH) 1pm Mass (Español)



Saturday, October 4th

Required Training for Current and New:

Ushers at 9am

Lectors at 10am



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Stewardship

We are happy to announce the appointments of the following parishioners to the Chief Advisory Councils of St. Margaret Mary:

Finance Council

Dulce Schneeberger
Tom Schodorf

Pastoral Council

David Langdon
Marisol Mireles
Brandon Schneeberger

Capital Campaign Cabinet

John Czarnecki
Claudia Graham
Kristy Kimball
Laurie Looney
Anne Pacosa
Mike Rovinski
Tom Schodorf

Please join us Monday, September 29th at 5:00pm for our Confirmation Mass with Bishop Martin. Dessert Reception to follow in the Parish Hall.

The Sacrament of Confirmation

In the Sacrament of Confirmation, the baptized person is "sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit" and is strengthened for service to the Body of Christ.

The prophets of the Old Testament foretold that God's Spirit would rest upon the Messiah to sustain his mission. Their prophecy was fulfilled when Jesus the Messiah was conceived by the Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. The Holy Spirit descended on Jesus on the occasion of his baptism by John. Jesus' entire mission occurred in communion with the Spirit. Before he died, Jesus promised that the Spirit would be given to the Apostles and to the entire Church. After his death, he was raised by the Father in the power of the Spirit.

Confirmation deepens our baptismal life that calls us to be missionary witnesses of Jesus Christ in our families, neighborhoods, society, and the world. . . . We receive the message of faith in a deeper and more intensive manner with great emphasis given to the person of Jesus Christ, who asked the Father to give the Holy Spirit to the Church for building up the community in loving service.

Offertory for the Month and Year to Date

SEPT GOAL	MONTH ACTUAL	% OF GOAL
\$24,000	\$20,135	83.9%

Offertory - Fiscal Yr To Date Jul 1 - Sept 17

GOAL	YTD ACTUAL	% OF GOAL
\$312,000	\$66,730	21.4%

Priest Retirement 2nd Collection - \$3,187
Priest Retirement Goal - \$9,618

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May God bless you for your financial stewardship!



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2025 Goal: \$35,506.00
% of Goal: 83%



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