

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 July 26, 2026



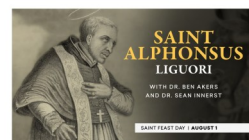
The Violinist: Stories of Solanus Casey

The Violinist is a must-watch documentary that chronicles the inspiring life of a humble Capuchin friar known for his deep faith, simplicity, and profound impact on those he served. Featuring personal stories from the people who knew Bl. Solanus, the film showcases his remarkable ability to inspire others, sharing heartwarming anecdotes about his modest lifestyle and passion for playing the violin.



Ignatius of Loyola

This film brings to life the story of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the founder 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 Theologians", St. 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 wisdom from his life and works to aid Catholics today.

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Visit signup.formed.org and select our parish name.

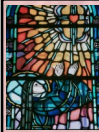
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Women of St. Margaret Mary



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: office@saintmmc.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



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 828-582-7932 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 ✦

July 26, 2026

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Rev. Aaron Z. Huber
Parochial Administrator
frhuber@saintmmc.com

Deacon Dan Hoffert
Deacon Ralph Eckoff, retired

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Celebration of the Sacraments

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30pm

Sunday: 8:30am & 11:00am; 1:00pm (Spanish)

Daily Mass: Monday - Thursday 8:45am

Holy Days: Check website

CONFESSION

Monday-Thursday 8am-8:30am
Saturday 3pm-4pm or by appointment

BAPTISM

Please contact the office to arrange preparation and to complete the required forms. Baptisms will be scheduled once all requirements are met.

FIRST COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

Please email to register: stmmcfath@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.**



We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.
~ Matthew 8:28

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 información en español oprima 9

FAX: 828-686-8832

E-MAIL: office@saintmmc.com

SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCIES FOR THE DYING:

For sacramental emergencies where there may be danger of death requiring a priest, call 828-686-8833 and 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.

CHOIR: Email Claudia: cggraham@saintmmc.com.

VISITS FOR SICK & HOMEBOUND: Call parish office.

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

July 26, 2026

Mass Intentions					
Sat	07/25	4:30pm		Max & Faith Puzerewski	
Sun	07/26	8:30am		John Hellstern	
		11:00am		† Bernard Berkowitz	
		1:00pm		Pro Populo	
Mon	07/27	8:45am		Sarah Heron	
Tue	07/28	8:45am		† Rev. Fred Nijem	
Wed	07/29	8:45am		Gary Francis	
Thur	07/30	8:45am		† Kim Kaytor Murphy	
Fri	07/31			No Mass	

 Please Pray for...

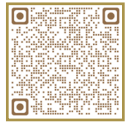
Those who are sick or have special needs:
Marian Bogdanowicz, Shaun Benbow, Susan Blanchard, Donna Collins, Jack Crowley, Carolyn Dickenson, Bernie Hyland, Allison Hoefling, Dorothy Kelly, Don & Priscilla Kuffel, Jim Lauer, Cecelia Meredith, Margaret Morrow, Sally Schoen, Marellen Struhar, Vivienne Joy, Vicki Wright, Sandy Yacovelli.

All Serving in Our Military, Especially Our Parish Family Members:
Captain Christian Kimball, son of Kristy Kimball.
Airman Jack Vess, son of Eric & Christine Vess.

Diocese of Charlotte
Wedding Anniversary Mass
25th AND 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

If you were married during 1976 or 2001, you are invited to the annual Diocesan Anniversary Mass on Sunday, October 11, 2026 2:00pm at St. Patrick Catholic Church.

Followed by a reception. Limit of 2 guests per couple. Please register at
<https://charlottediocese.org/form-wedding-anniversary-mass/>





Congratulations to parishioner Kristy Kimball.

Kristy married Dan Fugazzi on July 14th at St. Margaret Mary!



Scriptures for the Week	
MON July 27	Jer 13: 1-11; Deut 32: 18-19, 20, 21; Jas 1: 18; Matt 13: 31-35
TUE July 28	Jeremiah 14: 17-22; Ps 79: 8, 9, 11 and 13; Matthew 13: 36-43
WED July 29 Martha, Disciple of the Lord	Jeremiah 15: 10, 16-21; Ps 59: 2-3, 4, 10-11, 17, 18; John 8: 12; John 11: 19-27 or Luke 10: 38-42
THUR July 30 Peter Chrysologus, Bishop, Doctor	Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6ab; Acts 16:14b; Matt 13:47-53
FRI July 31 Ignatius of Loyola, Priest, Religious Founder	Jer 26: 1-9; Ps 69: 5, 8-10, 14; 1 st Peter 1: 25; Matt 13: 54-58
SAT Aug 1 Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop, Religious Founder	Jer 26: 11-16, 24; Ps 69: 15-16, 30-31, 33-34; Matthew 5: 10; Matthew 14: 1-12
SUN Aug 2	Isaiah 55: 1-3; Ps 145: 8-9, 15-16, 17-18; Romans 8: 35, 37-39; Matthew 4: 4b; Matthew 14: 13-21

Schedule for the Week		
Office open Monday - Thursday 9:15am-3:00pm The church is open for prayer during office hours.		
Mon July 27	8-8:30am	Confession; 8:45am Mass
Tues July 28	8-8:30am	Confession; 8:45am Mass
Wed July 29	8-8:30am	Confession; 8:45am Mass Rosary following Mass (Español)
Thur July 30	8-8:30am	Confession; 8:45am Mass Rosary following Mass (English)
Fri July 31	Office & Church Closed	
Sat Aug 1	Hospitality Weekend 3:00pm-4pm Confession 4:30pm Mass (Anticipated)	
Sun Aug 2	8:30am	Mass 11:00am Mass 1pm Mass (Español)

IMPORTANT DATES

Aug 1: Hospitality After All Masses (PH)
Aug 5: 6:30pm Knights of Columbus Mtg (PH)
Aug 8: 9:30am Women of StMMC Mtg (PH)
Aug 15: Feast of the Assumption
Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year
(PH = Parish Hall; CH = Church)

Altar Flowers

 **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.



Our prayers are being answered! In the last several weeks, we have had phenomenal growth, thanks to the generosity of many.

We are approaching our 90th parish anniversary this fall. Let's do all we can to continue this trajectory and reach our ground breaking goals!

St. Margaret Mary, pray for us!



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JULY GOAL	JULY ACTUAL	% OF GOAL
\$24,462	\$17,114	70%
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Donate online at saintmmc.com or here 		
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TENDING the VINEYARD

2026 DSA Collected: \$17,679.00
2026 Goal: \$31,948
% of Goal: 55%



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Mass Intentions

What is a Mass Intention?
How do you get one?

See the bulletin insert for the answers to these questions and many more!

Call the office during regular office hours to schedule a Mass Intention