

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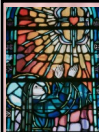
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To contact any Council Member, please send an email to: office@saintmmc.com.

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.



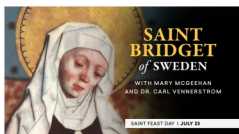
This Week on Formed

Week of July 19, 2026



St. James the Greater | Catholic Saints

On this episode of Catholic Saints, join Dr. Ben Akers and Mary McGeehan as they discuss the life of one of Jesus' inner circle disciples, St. James the Greater.



St. Bridget of Sweden | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Carl Vennerstrom and Mary McGeehan as they dive into the life of this medieval saint: St. Bridget of Sweden. A wife, mother, and visionary, St. Bridget was an evangelist both inside and outside the home. St. Bridget's visions of Christ's Nativity have greatly influenced its depiction in Christian art. Watch to find out more!



Saint Mary Magdalene | Catholic Saints

Join Dr. Ben Akers and Taylor Kemp for a discussion on the life and witness of St. Mary Magdalene. Who was she, and why is she a saint? Find out in this conversation.

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St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church

✦ Serving the Swannanoa Valley since 1936 ✦

July 19, 2026

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



"The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that a person took and sowed in a field. It is the smallest of all the seeds, yet when full-grown it is the largest of plants. It becomes a large bush, and the 'birds of the sky come and dwell in its branches.'" ~ Matthew 13: 31-32

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: stmmcfaith@gmail.com.

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Celebration of the Sacraments

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30pm

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

Daily Mass and 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: stmmcfaith@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.**

Mass Intentions				
Sat	07/18	4:30pm	Cecelia Meredith	
Sun	07/19	8:30am	† Bobby Hale	
		11:00am	† Ashley Hyland	
		1:00pm	Pro Populo	
Mon	07/20	8:45am	† Doris Thibodeau	
Tue	07/21	8:45am	James E. Graham IV	
Wed	07/22	8:45am	† Eva & Anthony Lorenzetti	
Thur	07/23	8:45am	† Dino Lorenzetti	
Fri	07/24		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.

More Than Just A Weekend



Retrouvaille
A Lifeline for Married Couples

www.HelpOurMarriage.org

Marriage Help
“Retrouvaille” (pronounced retro-vi) has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment or misery in their marriages.

For confidential information about the program or to register for the upcoming Oct 2nd-4th weekend in Charlotte area, call Bill and Lyn Folsom at 727-343-6701 or email:
bill-lyn@helpourmarriage.org

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.

Scriptures for the Week	
MON July 20 Apollinarius, Bishop, Martyr	Micah 6: 1-4, 6-8; Ps 50: 5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Ps 95: 8; Matthew 12: 38-42
TUE July 21 Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest, Religious	Micah 7: 14-15, 18-20; Ps 85: 2-4, 5-6, 7-8; John 14: 23; Matthew 12: 46-50
WED July 22 Feast of St. Mary Magdalene	2 nd Cor 5: 14-17; Ps 63: 2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; John 20: 1-2, 11-18
THUR July 23 Bridget of Sweden, Married Woman	Jeremiah 2: 1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 36: 6-7ab, 8-9, 10-11; Matthew 11: 25; Matthew 13: 10-17
FRI July 24 Sharbel Makhluf, Priest	Jer 3:14-17; Jer 31:10, 11-12abcd, 13; Lk 8:15; Matt 13:18-23
SAT July 25 James, Apostle Feast	2 nd Cor 4: 7-15; Ps 126: 1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6; John 15: 16; Matthew 20: 20-28
SUN July 26	1 st Kings 3: 5, 7-12; Ps 119: 57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130; Romans 8: 28-30; Matthew 11: 25; Matthew 13: 44-52

Schedule for the Week	
Office open Monday - Thursday 9:15am-3:00pm The church is open for prayer during office hours.	
Mon July 20	8-8:30am Confession; 8:45am Mass
Tues July 21	8-8:30am Confession; 8:45am Mass
Wed July 22	8-8:30am Confession; 8:45am Mass
Thur July 23	8-8:30am Confession; 8:45am Mass Rosary following Mass 11am St. Vincent de Paul Mtg (PH)
Fri July 24	Office & Church Closed Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 3:00pm-4pm Confession 4:30pm Mass (Anticipated)
Sun July 26	8:30am Mass 11:00am Mass 1pm Mass (Español)

IMPORTANT DATES	
Jul 18:	9am StMMC Cantor Workshop (CH)
Jul 25:	11am 4th Saturday Prayer for Sanctity of Life, Planned Parenthood, Asheville
Aug 1:	Hospitality After All Masses (PH)
(PH = Parish Hall; CH = Church)	

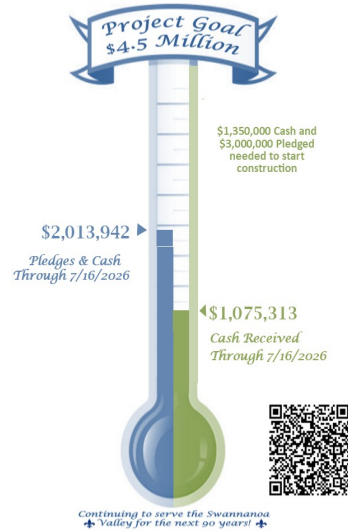
This Weekend!

 **CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES**

Support Venezuela Disaster Relief



Bells of Hope Capital Campaign



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!



Use this QR Code to donate today

Bells of Hope Prayer

Heavenly Father, we come before You in gratitude for the blessings You bestow upon us. May we, as a parish community of faith, never lose sight of the love You have given us through Your Son. Unite us with a single vision and purpose to preserve and beautify our church during this “Bells of Hope” initiative. May every endeavor of ours magnify Your glory, for we understand that without the Lord’s hand in the building, our labor is in vain.

Stewardship

 **Offertory for Month & Fiscal Year to Date**

JULY GOAL	JULY ACTUAL	% OF GOAL
\$24,462	\$13,662	55 %

Offertory - Fiscal Yr To Date Jul 1 - July 15

GOAL	FYTD ACTUAL	% OF GOAL
\$318,000	\$13,662	4.25%

Donate online at saintmmc.com or here 

May God bless you for your financial stewardship!

TENDING the VINEYARD

2026 DSA Collected: \$17,679.00
2026 Goal: \$31,948
% of Goal: 51%



 **27th 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, **Aug 7th to Aug 9th, 2026** with other men, just like you, and have an authentic, intentional, life changing weekend.

See any of the men in an Emmaus shirt, contact **John Cetone (864)764-0676**, visit www.emmausofthecarolinas.org



Holy Spirit, may charity govern our partnership as the body of Christ, and may Your wisdom guide our labor to make us good stewards of the many gifts You share with us.

Holy Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.
St. Margaret Mary, pray for us.
Amen.