



St. Mary's Catholic Church



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Sunday Schedule

All take place in the Parish Center

8:30 AM Eucharist (Eng.)
9:30 AM Faith Formation (Eng.)
11:00 AM Eucharist (Eng.)
12 Noon Faith Formation (Viet.)
1:30 PM Eucharist (Viet.)
4:30 PM Faith Formation (Spa.)
5:00-5:30 PM Sac. Of Recon.
6:15 PM Eucharist (Spa.)

Saturdays

9:00 AM Novena in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal (Small Church)
Eucharist follows
10:00 AM English Charismatic Group (Small Church)
4:30 PM Sac. of Recon.
5:30 PM Eucharist (Small Church)

Daily Eucharist (Mon – Fri)

7:15 AM (Small Church).
Coffee and Morning Prayer follows (Parish Center).

Eucharistic Adoration
10 A.M – 11: 00 A.M. On 1st.
Sunday of the month.
(Small Church)

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 21, 2017

Psalm: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17; 1 Peter 3: 15-18; John 14: 15-21.

Jesus assures his disciples they will not be left as orphans. He promises them awareness of his risen presence - in themselves, each other, in Church, Scripture, Sacraments and in the praying community, through the enlightening presence, teaching and action of the Holy Spirit. We will never have to face any trial alone, even death, if we walk with Jesus. He protects us from the Evil One. His resurrection, in fact, changed the despair of the apostles to hope when they realized beyond doubt that he is the Son of God. "You will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you" (John 14:20). The indwelling Spirit of God nourishes us each time we receive the sacraments, each time we pray and each time we read the Bible.

We need to be open to the Holy Spirit. The purpose of the Holy Spirit is to help us grow towards maturity and wholeness. We all have faults that prevent our growth, faults of sin and imperfection, faults of childhood conflicts, faults due to deeply ingrained personality traits and habits, faults caused by addictions, and faults resulting from bad choices we have made. We all have these faults within us and they keep us from becoming what God wants us to be. God, the Holy Spirit, helps us see the truth about ourselves, to discern the faults that inhibit our growth and to allow him to transform us. Like the good counselor he is, the Spirit enables us to become stronger. The Holy Spirit comes to our aid and gives us the strength to make difficult and painful decisions. If we listen we will hear the voice of the Spirit, counseling and guiding us in the way of truth. Let us open our minds to hear him and to obey his guiding grace.

We, the parishioners of Saint Mary's Catholic Church, are uniquely diverse, both ethnically and culturally, with varied economic, social and spiritual experiences. This uniqueness of diversity strengthens our unified spiritual bond - a common baptism in Jesus Christ. As worshippers seeking to be more Christ-like, we capitalize on the talents and strengths of all to fortify our efforts while serving each other's needs and those of our larger community. To accomplish this goal, we are dedicated to: serving the poor, the forgotten and the unloved; evangelizing ourselves and our neighbors; showing a loving concern for each other; and strengthening our solidarity with the larger community.

May 22 – May 28

Monday, May 22

Saint Rita of Cascia, Religious

Acts 16:11-15

John 15:26-16:4a

Tuesday, May 23

Acts 16:22-34

John 16:5-11

Wednesday, May 24

Acts 17:15,22-18:1

John 16:12-15

Thursday, May 25

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

Acts 1:1-11

Ephesians 1:17-23

Friday, May 26

Saint Philip Neri, Priest

Acts 18:9-18

John 16:20-23

Saturday, May 27

Saint Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

Acts 18:23-28

John 16:23b-28

Sunday, May 28

Acts 1:12-14

1 Peter 4:13-16

John 17:1-11a

PARISH GIFT
\$5,430.00
Thank you!

PRAYER REQUESTS

We ask the charity of your prayers for the following members and friends of our parish who are ill:

Y'Blim Adrong, Paul Adup, Claude Anderson, Darrell Barnes, Carl and Barbara Brady, Terry Bradshaw, Mickey Burchfield, Maria Castillo (mother of Victor Castillo), Vincent Cella, Mary Ann Coleman, Ronald Coleman, Anita Davis, Peggy Daye, Celeste Donohue, Chuck Dupuis, Gwen Drummer, Alma England-Little, John Garrett, Bonnie Goodenbaur, Debra Harris, John Harris, Lawrence Harris, Emily and Joan Harrison, Marie Isley, Craig Jones, Loretta Jones, Ellen Kerr, Tom Kerr, Nina Lathe, Essie Laughlin, Brenda MacDonald, Carol McFarland, Mary Mattke, Betty McKinney, Harry McNeill, Kinsley Nellis, H' Ju Nie, Charles Norman, Melvin Ohlendorf, Gabrielle Parker, Cheryl, Billy, Kim, Neal, and Paris Patillo, Marianne Polickoski, Fr. John Prager, C.M., Fr. Robert J. Prior, C.M., Halo Rankin, Pat Roberts, Sherry Ross, Mary Scotton, Rose Simpson, Thomas Scott, Florine Stafford, Ana Swauger, Michael Taylor, Sandra Tinnely, Helen Walson, Paulette Young Soares, and Deborah Zargham.

MASS INTENTIONS

5:30 P.M. For the Intentions of Maria Nguyen Thi Hong
 For the Repose of the Soul of Eliza Ann Belle-Dixon, requested by Sarah Olenick

8:30 A.M. For the Repose of the Soul of Geneveive Bowe, requested by Mary, Larry & Mikey Nelson

11:00 A.M. For the Repose of the Soul of Anthony Akoto, requested by Helen Inedu
 For the Health & Well-Being of Marie Isley, requested by the Ladies Auxiliary

PRAYER TO CARE FOR CREATION (OUR COMMON HOME)

Father of all, Creator and ruler of the universe, you entrusted your world to us as a gift. Help us to care for it and all people, that we may live in right relationship-- with You, with ourselves, with one another, and with creation. Christ our Lord, both divine and human, you lived among us and died for our sins. Help us to imitate your love for the human family by recognizing that we are all connected—to our brothers and sisters around the world, to those in poverty impacted by environmental devastation, and to future generations. Holy Spirit, giver of wisdom and love, you breathe life in us and guide us. Help us to live according to your vision, stirring to action the hearts of all— individuals and families, communities of faith, and civil and political leaders. Triune God, help us to hear the cry of those in poverty, and the cry of the earth, so that we may together care for our common home. Amen.

Liturgical Ministers, May 27 – May 28

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Musician
5:30 P.M.	Sarah Olenick	Genevieve Weech	Patricia King
8:30 A.M.	Catherine Shaw	Michael Daye – Gloria Bauman Bem K – Bom Ka	Thomas Swenson
11:00 A.M.	Michael Diamond	Joanna Zieglar – Dayle Stephens Duon Krajan – Je Panting	Thomas Swenson

Parish News

STANDING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The life and the teachings of Saint Vincent de Paul impact our lives as individuals and as a faith community in "Sharing God's Good News with the Poor". In this year of 2017, we join with other members of the worldwide Vincentian Family in celebration of the 400th anniversary of the birth of the Vincentian charism "To Share God's Good News with the Poor". The theme for this year's celebration is: "Welcoming the Stranger". Let us ask ourselves: Who are the strangers in our midst? How are we welcoming them?" Then let us move forward together TO IDENTIFY who are the strangers in our midst AND TO WELCOME the strangers in our midst--so that WE are no longer strangers to each other."

FATHER CHARLIE AWAY

Please note that Father Charlie will be away beginning on the afternoon of Monday, May 22 – Friday, May 26. He will be on a Vincentian retreat in Marriottsville, Maryland. Please refer ALL matters to either Father Peter or Father Abel during this time.

SCHEDULING ACTIVITIES AT THE PARISH CENTER

ALL ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS in the Parish Center must be scheduled with Anita Lane, the parish secretary. She will put these activities (including the recurring ones!) on the Google Calendar in the Parish Secretary's Office. Please call or email Anita Lane directly. Her phone number and email are on the front page of the parish bulletin. Her office hours are 8:00 AM to 4:30PM Monday through Friday.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please send all announcements for weekend bulletins to Anita Lane (anitalane-stmarysrccgbo@outlook.com) by no later than Wednesday afternoon at 4:00PM. This will enable us to place your announcement in that particular weekend's bulletin.

NOTICE REGARDING PARISH PHONES ON TUESDAY, MAY 23

Please note that on Tuesday, May 23, we will be switching over to a new service provider. This was originally scheduled to happen on Tuesday, May 9, but to due unforeseen circumstances, the switch had to be postponed. Therefore, there may be interruptions in our service between 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM. We ask that you please be patient with us during this time. If you are unable to reach us and you have an emergency, please contact us using the cell numbers located in this bulletin. Thank you.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Our children will receive First Holy Communion on Sunday, May 21 at the 11:00 AM Mass. Please keep them in your prayers.

ATTENTION, GRADUATES!

If you have graduated in the past month or will be graduating in May or June, please send your name to the parish secretary so that we may recognize you in our parish bulletin.

DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL 2017 (DSA)

As we approach the end of the school year, let us give thanks for the wonderful catechists who have shared their faith with our children. Your Diocesan Support Appeal gifts help provide training and certification for our parish catechists. If you have not yet made a gift to the DSA this year, please give prayerful consideration to determine an amount that you are proud to give. As of May 12, St. Mary's has collected \$41,901.51 and our pledge balance is \$6,978.70. Our goal is \$45,268.00. Thank you for all of your efforts!

FAITH BOOK

From today's Gospel reading:

Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope, but do it with gentleness and reverence.

Reflection:

Peter urges Christians to live the kind of exemplary lives that would move someone to ask about our faith - the presumption being that our lives are distinctive and appealing enough to raise interest. When asked about our beliefs, Peter urges us to respond with a gentle respect for the person who asks.

So we ask ourselves:

- 1) Have you ever aroused interest in someone about your faith?
- 2) Did your response lead to a personal sharing of your faith with them?
- 3) Have you prayed for them since that discussion?

PROJECT LIFE: A CULTURE OF LIFE CORNER

Week 9: I'm two months old now. My eyelids are starting to move. I can squint! I can also frown or pucker my brow.

BIBLE STUDY

As a follow-up to the Year of Mercy, we will be studying "Mercy: God's Nature, Our Challenge." This is another 3-week study which will begin Wednesday, June 7, and go through to June 21. There will be 2 sessions each Wednesday, 10 AM to 12 noon, and again at 7 PM to 9PM. If possible, please pick up a booklet from the parish office before the 7th. Please read chapter 1 prior to the first session on June 7. For more information, please contact Susan Fullam at (336) 681.2376 or susan_fullam@yahoo.com.

NATIONAL BLACK CATHOLIC CONGRESS

Location: Orlando, Florida

Date: July 6-July 9, 2017

Cost: \$120 per person (non-refundable)

Final payment due date: May 19, 2017

To register, please visit: <https://www.nbccongress.org/>

To register for transportation, please visit:

<https://www.regonline.com/congressxiibustrip>

Please make checks for transportation payable to: African American Affairs Ministry (AAFAM)

Please mail checks to: Diocese of Charlotte

Attn: AAFM Congress XII Transportation

1123 S. Church St

Charlotte NC 28203

NO SOLICITING

Please do not accept any solicitations on Parish Grounds unless they are parish-sponsored.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

All of us are called to be good stewards of our time, but to different causes or activities according to God's specific call. What is God's call to me?

SHARE AND CARE!

1) Please keep the Parish Center, the small church and the grounds clean and orderly.

2) Storage Rooms: All materials must be in the cabinets. No materials are to be left on top of the cabinets or on the floor.

LET'S USE THE WINDSOR CENTER PARKING LOT

To cut down on the overcrowding in the parish parking lot, Windsor Center has given us 52 parking spaces EVERY SUNDAY. Now that it is Daylight Saving Time until November, we ask you to use Windsor Center Parking Lot. Thank you.

DRIVING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Refugee Ministry at St. Mary's Parish needs volunteers (with reliable vehicles) who will help to transport refugees to Mass every Sunday. Most of the families live about 2 miles from St. Mary's Church, at "Legacy Crossing" off Franklyn Boulevard in Greensboro. For details contact Chris Walson at (336) 383.0795, or Chris Fombin at (336) 339.7251. If you are willing and able to drive parishioners to Mass on Sundays, please see Fr. Charlie.

Community News



EUCARHISTIC CONGRESS 2017

Saint John Paul II called the Eucharist the "Source and Summit" of Catholic life. Plan to spend a day in special worship during the Eucharistic Congress of the Diocese of Charlotte, September 8 & 9, 2017 at the Charlotte Convention Center. Visit www.GoEucharist.com for more information.

GREENSBORO COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN EVENT

Author, Susan Swicegood Boswell, will be the guest speaker at the Spring Luncheon of the Greensboro Council of Catholic Women on Wednesday, May 24, 2017, at 11:30 AM, at the Greensboro Country Club. Golf Carts will be available from the parking lots. Susan is a native North Carolinian and a graduate of UNC Greensboro. Susan's book, "The Long Way Home" features stories of "The Girl from Goat Pasture Road" that are humorous, nostalgic and filled with warmth. She will be selling her book following her presentation. The cost is \$15 for one, two for \$25; Cash or check only!

Please send your reservation check made out to the GCCW in the amount of **\$21.00** to: Carol Cook, 1119 Summer Place, Greensboro, NC 27410. **CHECKS MUST BE RECEIVED by: WEDNESDAY, MAY 17, 2017 - NO EXCEPTIONS**

If received after that date your name will be placed on a waiting list. **Please let Carol Cook know of any dietary restrictions.** There will be a raffle! Come early to buy your tickets! Remember non-perishable food items for the needy. Questions, please call Carol at 336.852.9345.

JOB OPENING

Handy Mike, a local business that specializes in small remodeling jobs and home maintenance, has an open position. Some requirements for this position include previous experience with small hand tools and power equipment, a high school diploma or the equivalent, and a valid driver's license. For additional information, please contact the business owner, Mike Gesell, at mike@handymikenc.com.

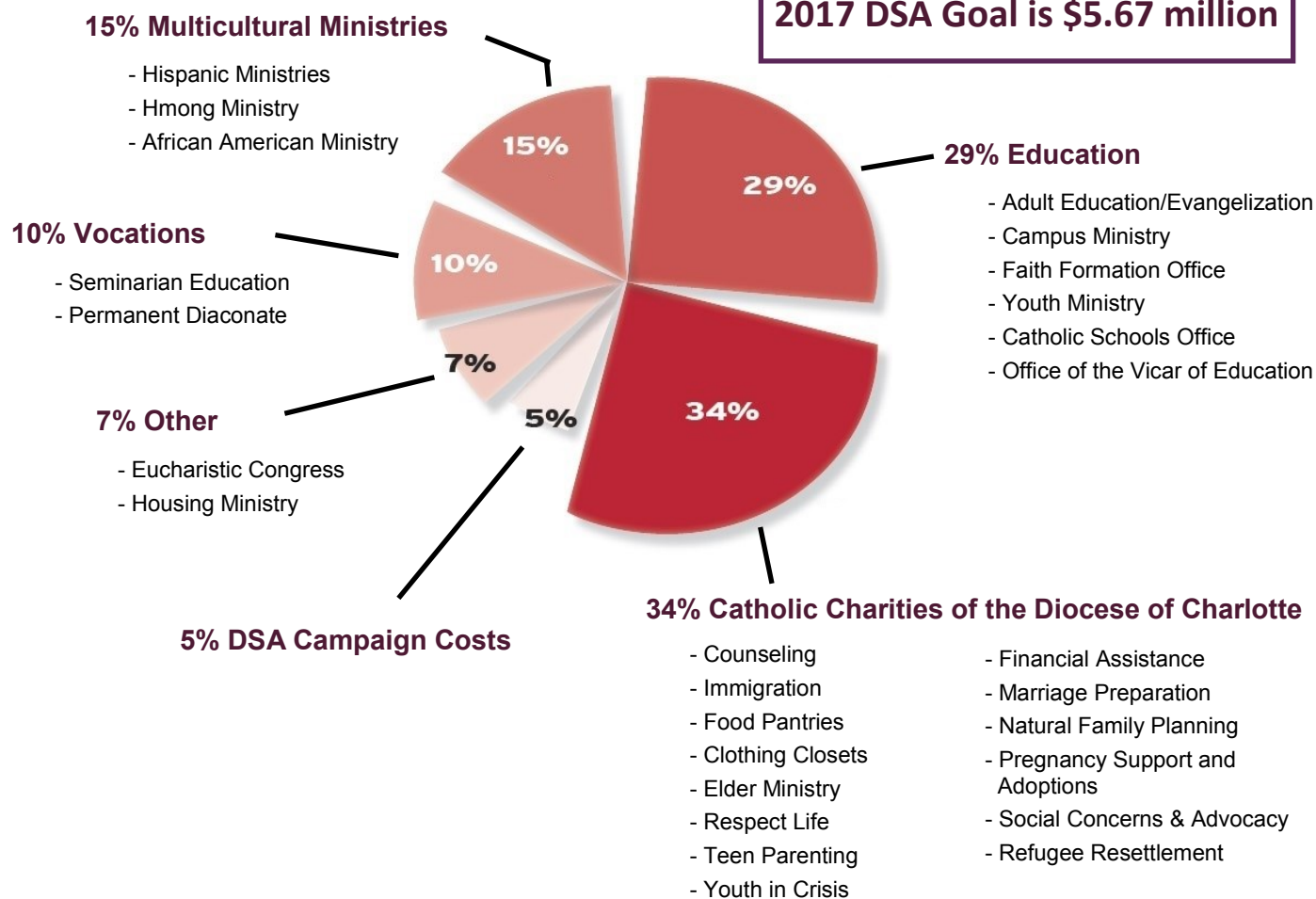
DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL 2017

When we make our annual contribution to the DSA, we join with all our sisters and brothers in Christ throughout the diocese to do the Lord's work - merciful works that no one individual or parish can do alone. Thank you!

We Support...

Seminarians.....	24
Permanent Deacons.....	121
Catholic High Schools in Diocese/number of students enrolled.....	3/1,884
Catholic Middle Schools and Elementary Schools/number of students enrolled.....	16/5,322
College Campus Ministry Programs/number of students supported.....	9/3,500
Young People Participating in Youth Ministry Programs.....	6,700
Children and Adults Enrolled in Faith Formation Programs.....	46,187
People Served by Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Charlotte.....	20,200

2017 DSA Goal is \$5.67 million



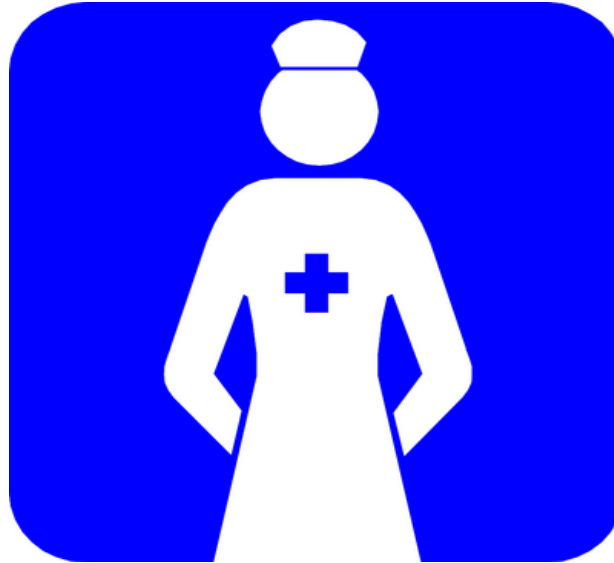
You can make a donation to the DSA at your parish or online at www.charlottediocese.org/dsa

Havy McIntosh, RN

St. Mary's Catholic Church Congregational/Parish Nurse

Office Hours (*St. Mary's Parish center*): Thursday 10:00 am – 2:00 pm

Phone # 336-272-8650



Parish Nurse Services

- **Personal Health Counseling**
 - Discuss new or chronic disease
 - Discuss life style changes to improve well being
 - Review medications
- **Health Education**
 - Promote an understanding of the relationship between lifestyle, attitudes, faith and well-being
 - Development of educational programs
- **Referrals**
 - Provide resources and referrals to healthcare providers and community agencies
 - Assist with access to care for those without healthcare resources
- **Blood Pressure Checks**
 - Provide basic health screenings (no 'hands on' nursing provided such as wound care, dressings changes, medication injections, etc.)
- **Nurse Visits**
 - Nursing homes or hospital visits with prayers.

Sponsored by Cone Health Congregational Nurse Program