



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 – 12:00 Noon English

Charismatic Group (Small

Church)

4:30 PM Sac. of Recon.

5:30 PM Eucharist (Small

Church)

Daily Eucharist (Mon – Fri)

7:30 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.

THE THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

November 5, 2017

Psalm: In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

Malachi 1:14 - 2:2, 8 - 10; I Thessalonians 2: 7 - 9, 13; Matthew 23: 1-12

The Church is a servant community in which those who hunger are to be filled; the ignorant are to be taught; the homeless to receive shelter; the sick to be cared for; the distressed, consoled; and the oppressed, set free. Therefore, leaders should have a spirit of humble service in thought, word and deed. "The measure of a true Christian is not how many servants he has, but how many men he serves." We need to live the faith we profess. We are often like the Pharisees, laying heavy loads on other people's shoulders without lifting a finger to help them. Instead of judging the poor, we should be serving them both by helping to meet their needs and by working for and practicing economic justice. Instead of criticizing those of other races, we should value them for their gifts, treat them as our brothers and sisters, and promote racial justice by our attitudes and in our speech. Instead of ignoring the homeless, we should be serving them through efforts to supply them with adequate housing. Our faith tells us that we are all brothers and sisters, children of the same heavenly Father. The way to live this faith is to help build a human community of love and justice, one deed at a time. The first step in doing this is to acknowledge our failings and ask God for his help. It is easy to read today's Gospel and start pointing fingers at others but it's important that we see how this applies in our own lives. The Gospel is addressed to us. How touchy are we about the way people treat us, especially if we have some title or responsibility, even if it is just that of a parent or teacher? Respect cannot be demanded - it must be earned.

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.

November 6 – November 12

Monday, November 6

Romans 11:29-36
Luke 14:12-14

Tuesday, November 7

Romans 12:5-16b
Luke 14:15-24

Wednesday, November 8

Romans: 13:8-10
Luke: 14:25-33

Thursday, November 9

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
Ezekiel 47:1-2,8-9,12
1 Corinthians 3:9c-11,16-17
John 2:13-22

Friday, November 10

Saint Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church
Romans 15:14-21
Luke 16:1-8

Saturday, November 11

Saint Martin of Tours, Bishop
Romans 16:3-9,16,22-27
Luke 16:1,9-15

Sunday, November 12

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME
Wisdom 6:12-16
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
Matthew 25:1-13

***PARISH GIFT - \$6,000.00
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, Carl and Barbara Brady, Terry Bradshaw, Mickey Burchfield, Maria Castillo (mother of Victor Castillo), Mary Ann Coleman, Ronald Coleman, Anita Davis, Peggy Daye, Celeste Donohue, Chuck Dupuis, Gwen Drummer, Heather Emper, Alma England-Little, John Garrett, John Harris, Emily and Joan Harrison, Ashley Henry, Marie Isley, Christine Jones, Craig Jones, Loretta Jones, Ellen Kerr, Tom Kerr, Fr. Daniel Kramer, C.M., Essie Laughlin, Brenda MacDonald, Carol McFarland, Betty McKinney, Harry McNeill, Ashley Moore, Kinsley Nellis, H' Ju Nie, Charles Norman, Gabrielle Parker, Cheryl, Billy, Kim, Neal, and Paris Patillo, Marianne Polickoski, Fr. Robert J. Prior, C.M., Halo Rankin, Pat Roberts, Sherry Ross, Melinda Ruffin, Mary Scotton, Rose Simpson, Thomas Scott, Florine Stafford, Ana Swauger, Michael Taylor, Sandra Tinnely, Helen Walson, and Deborah Zargham.

MASS INTENTIONS

5:30 P.M. For the Intentions of Maria Nguyen Thi Hong

8:30 A.M. For Our Parish Community

11:00 A.M For the Repose of the Soul of Anthony Akoto, requested by Helen Inedu

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, November 11 – November 12

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Musician
5:30 P.M.	Ralph Shaw	Vivian Teachey	Pat King
8:30 A.M.	Catherine Shaw	Anthony Walson – Sheila Magee Tu Dagout – Chris Fombim	Carol Soter
11:00 A.M.	Michael Diamond	Trin Krajan – Edith Walson Joseph Kakhu – Mercy Kakhu	Carol Soter

Parish Calendar

PARISH WEBSITE

Please be sure to visit the Parish Website and its new section on Vincentian Family news and the new link, cmeast.org. St. Mary's website address is stmarysgreensboro.org.

PARISH NURSE

If you need to contact our parish nurse, Havy McIntosh, please call 336.272.8650.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: HOLY FAMILY DEVOTION/HOLY HOUR ADORATION

The Knights of Columbus of St. Mary's Council 8684 will have Rosary recitation, petitions, prayers and consecrations to the Holy Family during their monthly First Sunday Holy Hour Adoration today, November 5, in the small church – immediately after the 8:30 AM Holy Mass. The Icon of the Holy Family will be displayed at all Masses, and many holy prayer pictures will be available. Please join the Knights to consecrate your own family to the Holy Family – Vivat Jesus.

SOCIAL MINSTRIES COMMITTEE MEETING

The Social Ministries Committee will meet on Tuesday, November 7 at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center.

R.S.V.P.

Retired Senior Volunteer Program meeting and luncheon will be on Wednesday, November 8 from 12:00 noon to 2:00 P.M. All parish seniors and friends are invited. A donation of \$2.00 is requested, if possible, to help defray the cost of lunch. Please come and bring a friend!

BINGO IN THE AFTERNOON

St. Mary's Knights of Columbus will have Afternoon Bingo on Friday, November 10 from 2:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. in the parish center. The cost is \$5 for one card and \$15 for four cards. Snacks and soft drinks will be available for purchase. For more information, call Bernie McHale at 336.292.1118.

PARISH CLEAN-UP DAY!

Parish Clean-Up Day will be Saturday, November 11. Volunteers are needed! The clean-up will begin at 9:00 AM. There will be no 9:00 AM Mass on this date. In addition, please note that there will be no activities in the Parish Center or in the church until the regularly scheduled activities that take place in late afternoon.

RAFFLE TICKETS!

At all of our Masses during the weekend of November 11 & 12, Father Marcel and students from Thea House will be selling the annual Diocesan raffle tickets for campus ministry at our parish. The cost of the ticket is \$5 per ticket or a pack of 5 tickets for \$20. This year, there will be two winners who will each receive \$1,500.00, just in time for Christmas. You could be one of the lucky ones this time! Even if you do not win the money, be assured of winning souls for Christ, as proceeds from these sales go towards making Christ present to all our college students through support programs, confessions, counseling, retreats, Adorations, Masses, and meals. Feel free to also give donations to this ministry today or anytime. Checks are made payable to "Catholic Campus Ministry". For further details, please contact; Fr. Marcel Amadi- 336.897.1090 or via email: amadimc@wfu.edu. Thank you in advance for your donations and support.

BLACK CATHOLIC HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION

St. Mary's will have its first Black Catholic History celebration at the 11:00 Mass on Sunday, November 12. This Mass will honor Sister Thea Bowman. Father Marcel Amadi of Catholic Ministries of Greensboro and Winston-Salem will be the celebrant. This event will also include students from A&T State University/Thea House. A catered reception will immediately follow Mass. The reception will feature a showing of the *60 Minutes* interview from 1987 of Sister Thea with Mike Wallace in classrooms 7 and 8 of the parish center. DVDs of this interview can be purchased after the showing for \$5.00. Proceeds will assist St. Mary's Black Catholic Group and St. Mary's church with future activities.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Tuesday, November 14 from 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM on the Parish Center.

IGBO MASS

The next Igbo Catholic Mass in the Diocese of Charlotte will take place on Sunday, November 19, 2017 here at St. Mary's. Mass will begin promptly at 12:00 noon. Please park in the Windsor Center parking lot. For more information, please call 336.707.3625.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FRUIT SALE!

Saint Mary's Council #8684 of the Knights of Columbus is once again conducting its annual fruit sale. Oranges, grapefruit, apples, avocados and cheeses, among other items, are available for purchase. Checks should be made payable to "Knights of Columbus." Delivery will be on the first or second Saturday in December. Please contact a Knight before Sunday, November 19 to place your order. Knights will be available following Masses on Saturday (Bernie McHale) and Sunday (8:30 AM – Daryl Bauman; 11:00 AM – Chris Walson.) If you have any questions, please ask any Knight or contact Daryl Bauman at 336.621.7968.

Parish News

KERMES FUNDRAISER TOTAL

The total amount of money raised for the parish by the Kermes was \$6,199.50. Thank you!

STANDING UNDER THE INFLUENCE ON 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."

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.

DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL 2017 (DSA)

Target amount -\$45,268.00.
Amount collected - \$57,620.31
Pledge balance - \$2,433.00

SHARE AND CARE!

Please keep all areas of the parish in a clean and orderly condition; namely, the Parish Center and its storage rooms and sacristy, the grounds, the Small Church (church and basement), the shed, the garage, and the rectory storage rooms. Thank you.

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. 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 Father Charlie.

Features

FAITH BOOK

From today's Gospel reading:

Jesus spoke to the crowds and to His disciples, saying... "Whoever exalts self will be humbled, but whoever humbles self will be exalted."

Reflection:

Whatever the form our ministry and leadership in the Christian community takes, we carry within us and repeat frequently, the mantra of service to Jesus has given us: "Whoever exalts self will be humbled, but whoever humbles self will be exalted."

So we ask ourselves:

- 1) How do I serve others as a disciple of Jesus?
- 2) What teaching of Jesus guides my service?

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

It is important to measure our generosity not by what we give, but by what we have left.

SOCIAL MINISTRIES CORNER

The Poor and Vulnerable:

With special care and compassion, God loves people who are disadvantaged or suffering. A basic moral test is how our most vulnerable members, of both Church and society, are faring. Social policies based on Christian principles should reflect this same preference for people in need.

"The obligation to provide justice for all means that the poor have the single most urgent economic claim on the conscience of the nation." (Economic Justice for All, USCCB)

"Open your mouth, decree what is just, defend the needy and the poor." (Proverbs 31:9)

Current issue: When voting, how often do we take into account a candidate's stand on the society's responsibilities to the poor and vulnerable?

PROJECT LIFE: A CULTURE OF LIFE CORNER

Week 33 (about 8 months) – I used to swim and do somersaults in here, but I cannot move any more. I'm too big! I weigh about four pounds and I am about 15 inches long.

Community News

BE AN ANGEL - DONATE A KIDNEY

Robin Van Pelt, parishioner of Immaculate Heart of Mary and daughter George & Roberta of St. Benedict's, is in urgent need of a living kidney transplant. If you can help, please contact George or Roberta at 336.621.2525 or gvanpelt@triad.rr.com or Colleen Sheehan, Living Donor Coordinator at Wake: 336.713.5675, Fax 336.713.5677.



SAINT PIUS X CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE PRE-K – FIRST GRADE

Prospective pre-kindergarten through first grade parents are invited to join us for an Open House on Wednesday, November 8 from 9:30 am-11:00 am. The Open House will begin with guided tours in the DeJoy Primary Education

Center. Parents will have an opportunity to meet administrators, teachers, students, and parents and see our classrooms in action. RSVP's are appreciated but not required. Please contact Jean Navarro, Admissions Coordinator at jnavarro@spxschool.com or 336-273-9865. Private tours for all grades are also available by appointment. We look forward to meeting you!

SECURING WEALTH WORKSHOP

Sigma Kappa Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated invites you to our 3rd Annual Securing Wealth by Building Financial Independence event on Saturday, November 11, 2017 at Guilford Child Development (1200 Arlington Street) from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. The event is FREE and features presenters from Housing Consultants Group, Family Services of the Piedmont, Legal Aid of North Carolina and Bank of America. To register for the event, go to: <http://sigmakappaomega.org/> or register on-site.



SAINT PIUS X CATHOLIC SCHOOL PART-TIME AFTER SCHOOL CARE STAFF POSITIONS AVAILABLE

Catholic School is seeking staff members for the After-School Care program. After School Care (ASC) provides supervised recreation, homework assistance, and fun for Pre-K through middle school aged Saint Pius X School students from dismissal time (3:15 PM)

until 6:00 P.M. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age, have a high school diploma or equivalent, and enjoy working with children. This is a good opportunity for college students; education majors are encouraged to apply. Qualified and interested candidates should send an electronic letter of interest with resume attached to Mrs. Ann Flynt, Principal, at aflynt@spxschool.com or Mr. Chris Kloesz, Assistant Principal, at ckloesz@spxschool.com.

READY TO BECOME A US CITIZEN?

Catholic Charities will offer a FREE Naturalization Workshop on Saturday, December 9, 2017 at 1612 14th Street NE, Winston-Salem, NC 27105. Pre-registration & eligibility screening required. For more information, please call Maritza Solano at 336.714.3212.

Black Catholic History Month Celebration

The Legacy of Sister Thea Bowman

Sunday, November 12, 2017



SISTER THEA BOWMAN:

*Born December 29, 1937

*Converted to Catholicism and later joined the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration

*Educator to elementary, high school and college-level students

*Published author; made contributions the catholic hymnal *Lead Me, Guide Me: The African-American Catholic Hymnal*

*Evangelist and minister to her fellow African- Americans

*Appeared on the news show *60 Minutes* with Mike Wallace

*Awarded Honorary Doctorate in Religion by Boston College

*Died of cancer at age 52 on March 30, 1990

*Granted the cause for Canonization by The Congregation for the Cause of Saints

11: 00 AM - Celebration of The Eucharist

**followed by reception/showing of Sister Thea's *60 Minutes* interview
with Mike Wallace**