



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.

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

April 1, 2018

Psalm: This is the day that the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad.

Acts 10:34, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20: 1-9

Easter, the Feast of the Resurrection, gives the joyful message that we are a “resurrection people.” This means that we are not supposed to lie buried in the tomb of our sins, evil habits and dangerous addictions. The Good News is that no tomb can hold us down anymore - not despair, discouragement, doubt nor death. Instead, we are expected to live a joyful and peaceful life, constantly experiencing the real presence of the resurrected Lord in all the events of our lives. “This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.”

The living presence of the resurrected Lord gives us lasting peace and celestial joy to carry us through the boredom, suffering, pain and tensions of our day-to-day life. “Peace be with you” was His salutation to His disciples at all post-resurrection appearances. We are called to be straightforward Christians, showing others through our love, mercy and compassion, and through our spirit of self-sacrificing service, that the risen Jesus is living in our hearts and is an integral part of our lives. The awareness of the presence of the risen Lord in and around us, and the strong conviction of our own resurrection, help us control our thoughts, desires, words and behavior. These thoughts inspire us to honor our bodies, keeping them holy, pure and free from evil habits and addictions. Our conviction about the presence of the risen Lord in our neighbors, and in all those with whom we come into contact, should encourage us to respect them, and to render them loving, humble and selfless service.

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.

April 2 – April 8

Monday, April 2

Acts 2:14,22-33
Matthew 28:8-15

Tuesday, April 3

Acts 2:36-41
John 20:11-18

Wednesday, April 4

Acts 3:1-10
Luke 24:13-35

Thursday, April 5

Acts 3:11-26
Luke 24:35-48

Friday, April 6

Acts 4:1-12
John 21:1-14

Saturday, April 7

Acts 4:13-21
Mark 16:9-15

Sunday, April 1

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
(OR SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)
Acts 4:32-35
I John 5:1-6
John 20:19-31

***PARISH GIFT - \$8,174.00
THANK YOU!***

PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Y'Blum Adrong, Paul Adup, Claude Anderson, Carl and Barbara Brady, Terry Bradshaw, Mickey Burchfield, Maria Castillo (mother of Victor Castillo), Mary Ann Coleman, Anita Davis, Peggy Daye, Celeste Donohue, Chuck Dupuis, Gwen Drummer, Heather Emper, John Garrett, John Harris, Emily and Joan Harrison, Therese Hatch, Ashley Henry, Marie Isley, 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, Deacon Vincent Shaw, Rose Simpson, Rosetta Smith (mother of Laura Scales), Thomas Scott, Florine Stafford, Ana Swauger, Michael Taylor, Sandra Tinnely, Helen Walson, Mandy Weaver, the family of Samantha Wright and Deborah Zargham.

MASS INTENTIONS

5:00 P.M. - For the Intentions of Maria Nguyen Thi Hong

8:30 AM - In Thanksgiving for Blessings and a Successful Surgery

11:30 AM - 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 - April 7 – April 8

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Musician
5:30 P.M.	Sarah Olenick	Ardelia Matthews	Pat King
8:30 AM	Lorna Lineberry	Brut K'Briuh – Nhu Nguyen Albert Baxter – Patricia Baxter	Carol Soter
11:00 AM	Anthony Nsiah	Mozetta Crouch – Frances Crouch Quyen Cil – Y Ang Hmok	Carol Soter

Parish Calendar

WITH SYMPATHY

We would like to extend our condolences to Mrs. Dorothy Smith; she recently lost her husband, Mr. Walter Smith. Please remember Mrs. Smith and her family in your prayers.

EASTER EGG HUNT

Please note that St. Mary's Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring the Easter Egg Hunt this year. The hunt will take place following each Mass today, Easter Sunday.

SEMINARIANS AND PRIESTS' CONTINUING EDUCATION – SECOND COLLECTION TODAY

Please support our seminarians. The seminarian education program is primarily funded through the DSA, the seminarian education major gifts campaign, and today's second collection. Your generosity to this collection is an important part of educating our 27 seminarians. This collection also funds diocesan sponsored workshops and programs that help keep our priests informed of developments in theology and pastoral practices, thereby enabling them to better serve the faithful.

ENGLISH-LANGUAGE FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

English-language faith formation will not meet on Easter Sunday (April 1.) We will be back in session on Sunday, April 8. Have a Blessed Easter!

PARISH OFFICE AND PARISH CENTER CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF EASTER

Both the Parish Office and Parish Center will be closed on Monday, April 2. There will be no activities in the Parish Center on this date. Normal business hours will resume on Tuesday, April 3.

MASS ON MONDAY, APRIL 2

Please note that the daily Mass on Monday, April 2 will be at 9:00 AM, not 7:30 AM.

SOCIAL MINISTRIES COMMITTEE MEETING

The Social Ministries Committee will meet at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, April 3 in the Parish Center.

MONTAGNARD MASS

St. Mary's next Montagnard Mass will be held on Sunday, April 8 at 8:00 AM in the small church.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on Tuesday, April 10 from 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM on the Parish Center.

R.S.V.P.

Retired Senior Volunteer Program meeting and luncheon will be on Wednesday, April 11 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!

BIBLE STUDY

Beginning on Wednesday, April 11 and continuing for 5 more weeks, English-language Bible Study will once again begin. We will be studying the *Parables of the Kingdom*. The sessions will be held in the morning (10:00AM - 12:00 noon) and again at night (7:00 PM - 9:00 PM.) For more information or to register, please contact Susan Fullam at (336) 681.2376 or susan_fullam@yahoo.com.

BINGO IN THE AFTERNOON

St. Mary's Knights of Columbus will have Afternoon Bingo on Friday, April 13 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 News

BATHROOMS IN THE PARISH CENTER

The backflow preventer that is designed to keep sewerage from backing up into the Parish Center from the combined sanitary/storm sewer at the street failed. It is a one-way valve with a flapper that seals against flow into the building. This unit's hinge broke and was acting as a dam in the wrong direction, causing backup into the building.

SHARE AND CARE – PLEASE READ

Parish secretary's office: I wish to remind everybody that the parish secretary's office is also the parish reception area. As a result, there are many people and many papers in the same area at the same time around the same desk and the same cabinet. Please respect and leave in place anything that belongs only in the parish secretary's office, because materials have gotten displaced and misplaced that are exclusively for the parish secretary's use.

The parish secretary's office is also used for meetings with parishioners. Please respect their privacy and keep all traffic in this area to a minimum.

In addition, the area outside the sacristy is used for vesting for the priests, deacons and altar servers. Please keep this area clear so they can prepare for Mass.

Father Charlie

NEED FOR A PIANIST

St. Mary's is looking for a pianist to play for the 11:00 AM Sunday Mass. If interested, please contact Al Baxter at 240.274.0345.

ST. MARY'S WEEKLY DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL (DSA) REPORT

Target amount - \$40,979.00

Amount collected - \$15,255.15

Pledge balance - \$ 6,728.28

Total balance - \$18,995.57

PARISH NURSE

If anyone has recommendations for parish nurse or is willing and able to be a parish nurse in the Congregational Nursing Program, please contact Father Charlie.

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. Please note that both the Diocesan Support Appeal video is on the parish website in English and in Spanish.

ST. MARY'S PASTORAL PLAN

JANUARY 1, 2018 – JANUARY 6, 2019

INTRODUCTION: We as a culturally diverse faith community stand under the influence of the life and the teachings of St. Vincent de Paul in his charism of "Sharing God's Good News with the Poor". We join with other members of the worldwide Vincentian Family in celebration of the 400th anniversary of the birth of this Vincentian charism in "Welcoming the Neighbor".

We are asking ourselves: Who are our neighbors among us? How are we welcoming each other? Our vision is to move forward together TO IDENTIFY who are our neighbors among us AND TO WELCOME our neighbors among us --- so that WE ARE NEIGHBORS TO EACH OTHER.

GOAL: To celebrate WHO WE ARE and WHOSE WE ARE on the occasion of our 90th anniversary as St. Mary's Parish as a culturally diverse faith community standing under the influence of St. Vincent de Paul.

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 directly. Her phone number and email are on the front page of the parish bulletin. Her office hours are 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please send all announcements for weekend bulletins to Anita Lane (anitalane-stmarysrcgbo@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.

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

CULTURE OF LIFE – A PRO-LIFE CORNER

I am now called a "blastocyst." I have hundreds of cells inside a protective covering called the "zona pellucida," which begins to attach to the inside of my mother's womb. After I attach myself to my mother's womb, I will be called an "embryo." My body is making a protective hormone so that my body and my mother's body can live together even though our bodies have different chromosomes and genes.

STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Stewardship of time, talent and treasure is chiefly a way to deepen our spiritual life, not a way to increase our giving, although living out stewardship results in both.

FAITH BOOK

From today's Gospel reading:

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb.

Reflection:

What and where are the empty tombs for us? Relationships that have died or dried up? Pursuits and ambitions that have proven vain and wasted? Misplaced confidences in what was shallow and fruitless? Nostalgic attempts to re-create the warm and good feelings we had when we were children coming to church on Easter Sunday?

So we ask ourselves:

- 1) Does the empty tomb remind us of the places and situations in our lives which have proven to be lifeless and left us empty inside?
- 2) Do I believe Christ is alive and with me as I peer into the empty tomb?

Community News

EVENT AT OUT LADY OF GRACE

The All Night First Friday-First Saturday Vigil will take place on April 6 and 7 at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church. It begins with the First Friday Holy Mass at 6:30 PM on April 6 and ends with Holy Mass on Saturday, April 7, at 8:00 AM. The sacrament of reconciliation will be available after the First Friday Holy Mass from 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM. This night of love will include the scriptural rosaries, the Nine Offices of the Sacred Heart, silent adoration, Saturday Office Readings for the Immaculate Heart, Divine Mercy Chaplet and more. Join us for part or all of this beautiful evening in honor and in reparation to the Two Hearts of Jesus and Mary. Families are encouraged to come. Bring blankets and pillows for the little ones to sleep in the pews. For more information, contact Geri Breeding @ [336.420.1430](tel:336.420.1430) or OLG @ [336.274.6520](tel:336.274.6520).


COME AND JOIN US EVERY TUESDAY @ 6:30PM



JOIN THE CHOIR

ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN AND
THOSE WHO CAN PLAY AN
INSTRUMENT ARE ENCOURAGED TO
JOIN US FOR THE 11:00 SERVICE.

Lift up
your
Hearts
in
Praise!

A black silhouette of a person with their arms raised in a gesture of praise or worship. A white heart is positioned on the person's chest. The silhouette is positioned to the right of the text 'Lift up your Hearts in Praise!'.

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