



# St. Mary's Catholic Church



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Parish Office Hours – Monday – Friday 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

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## Building Manager

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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 1<sup>st</sup>.

Sunday of the month.

## THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

June 24, 2018

**Psalm: I praise You for I am wonderfully made.**

**Isaiah 49: 1-6; Acts 13: 22-26; Luke 1: 57-66, 80**

*Today's gospel describes the birth of John the Baptist, his circumcision and naming ceremony on the eighth day after his birth. In the presence of friends and relatives, Zechariah miraculously regains his power speech after declaring in writing, "John is his name." The name John means "God is gracious." The remaining part of the first chapter in St. Luke's gospel describes records Zechariah's prophecy in the role his son is to take in the history of salvation. As Catholic Christians, we have the ability to proclaim the presence of Jesus in our world by our actions. We should not take our small misfortunes as big tragedies. We should imitate Zechariah who remained optimistic, continuing in prayer and service. We need to pray for our parents and be thankful to them for the gift of life, the training they have given us and the love and affection they have lavished on us. Let us ask God's pardon if we are, or were, ungrateful to them, did not take proper care of them in their illness or old age or ever inflicted pain on them. We need to remember and pray for our parents and godparents who, by baptism, made us children of God, brothers and sisters of Jesus, heirs of heaven and members of the Church. We need to have the courage of our Christian convictions, as John the Baptist did, and we need to become heralds of Christ, as John was, by our transparent Christian lives.*

**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.**

**June 25 – July 1**

**Monday, June 25**

2 Kings 17:5-8,13-15a,18  
Matthew 7:1-5

**Tuesday, June 26**

2 Kings 19:9b-11, 14-21,31-35a,36  
Matthew 7:6,12-14

**Wednesday, June 27**

*Saint Cyril of Alexandria, Bishop and  
Doctor of the Church*  
2 Kings 22:8-1; 23:1-3  
Matthew 7:15-20

**Thursday, June 28**

Saint Irenaeus, Bishop and Martyr  
2 Kings 24:8-17  
Matthew 7:21-29

**Friday, June 29**

SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES  
Acts 12:1-11  
2 Timothy 4:6-8,17-18  
Matthew 16:13-19

**Saturday, June 30**

*Blessed Virgin Mary  
The First Martyrs of the Holy Roman  
Church*  
Lamentations 2:2,10-14,18-19  
Matthew 8:5-17

**Sunday, July 1**

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME  
Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24  
2 Corinthians 8:7,9,13-15  
Mark 5:21-43

**PARISH GIFT - \$5,414.00  
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, 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., Susie Lane, Essie Laughlin, Brenda MacDonald, Carol McFarland, Betty McKinney, Harry McNeill, Ashley Moore, Kinsley Nellis, H' Ju Nie, Charles Norman, Patricia Nunley, Gabrielle Parker, Cheryl, Billy, Kim, Neal, and Paris Patillo, Sharon Pauling, John Poe, Marianne Polickoski, Fr. Robert J. Prior, C.M., Halo Rankin, Victor Rice, Pat Roberts, Sherry Ross, Melinda Ruffin, Mary Scotton, Deacon Vincent Shaw, Rose Simpson, Rosetta Smith (mother of Laura Scales), Thomas Scott, Stu Shaw, Joey Shaw, Florine Stafford, Ana Swauger, Michael Taylor, Sandra Tinnely, Helen Walson, Mandy Weaver, Theresa Womack, the family of Samantha Wright and Deborah Zargham.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

5:00 PM - For the Intentions of Maria Nguyen Thi Hong

8:30 AM – For the Well-Being and Recovery of Susie Lane

11:00 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 - June 30 – July 1**

**Mass**

**Readers**

**Eucharistic Ministers**

**Musician**

5:30 P.M.

Trecia Bass

Charles Bostic

Pat King

8:30 AM

Irene Essien-Akpan

Anthony Walson – Sheila Magee  
Tu Dagout – Chris Fombin

Carol Soter

11:00 AM

Patricia Baxter

Mozetta Crouch – Frances Crouch  
Quyten Cil – Y Ang Hmok

Al Baxter

## Parish Calendar

### MISSION APPEAL SECOND COLLECTION: NEXT WEEKEND

Please note that next weekend there will be a second collection to benefit the Mission Appeal. Brother Kurt from the Glenmary Missionaries will speak at all Masses on June 30 and July 1. Please be generous toward this appeal of the Glenmary Missionaries.

### REMINDER!

On Sunday, September 16, St. Mary's will hold the Parish Multilingual Mass and Picnic from 11:00 AM to 6:00 PM. We will be observing St. Mary's 90<sup>th</sup> Anniversary!



### GET READY FOR ST. MARY'S 90<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!

*Buy a raffle ticket!*

Starting the weekend of June 30, we will sell raffle tickets for \$1.00 each. The raffle tickets will be sold each Sunday in July. Money prizes will be awarded in August. This is part of our 90th Anniversary activity. Please be prepared!

*Buy a t-shirt!*

As part of our 90th Anniversary celebration, we will sell T-SHIRTS starting June 30. We are asking you to give us the following information in advance: the number of shirts, sizes, and payment. Someone will be present after each Mass during July to both take your order and give you a receipt. T - Shirts will be available in September! The cost of each t-shirt will be provided by June 23.

### PARISH OFFICE – JUNE 25 – JUNE 29, 2018

1. Anita Lane, the parish secretary, is on vacation this week.
2. Father Charlie is on retreat this week. He leaves on Monday afternoon, June 25 and will return during the afternoon on June 29.
3. Father Joseph leaves for Vietnam on Wednesday evening, June 27 and will return on Thursday, July 26. Father Dominic will be substituting for Father Joseph; he arrives on Friday, July 6 and departs on Thursday, August 2.
4. Father Abel will be here throughout this coming week. Please feel free to contact him directly.

### THE 4<sup>TH</sup> OF JULY

Please note that both the Parish Center and the Parish Office will be closed on Wednesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> in observance of Independence Day. Normal business hours and activities will resume on Thursday, July 5<sup>th</sup>.

### DAILY MASS ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>

Please note that daily Mass on Wednesday, July 4<sup>th</sup> will be held at 9:00 AM, not 7:30 AM.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS)

Vacation Bible School will take place July 9-14, 2018 from 5:30 PM – 8:15 PM. VBS is for kindergarten through grade 6. If

you plan for your child(ren) to attend VBS, please complete a registration form, including grade, allergy and contact information. Also complete the 'Use of Photo Permission Form' located on the back of the registration form. Place the form in the middle pocket of the VBS folder. The folder will be located on the hymnal stand in the parish center. If you have a child younger than kindergarten age, a room will be provided and a parent or guardian will be required to stay with the child at all times. Thank you for your cooperation.

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL (VBS) YOUTH ASSISTANTS

If you are interested in volunteering with VBS, please call Miss G – 336.272.7138 and give your name and telephone number. Only those who have submitted their names and numbers will be able to work with VBS. We need staff for the following jobs: 1) registration/check-in 2) food service 3) classroom assistance 4) game set-up/game play and 5) housekeeping.

## Parish News

### SHARE AND CARE

#### Trash Cans and Dumpster

Please put all refuse in the trash cans and dumpster – **not behind, on the sides, in front or on top. Please put all food trash in a bag that has been tied to keep animals and rodents away.** If you have an item that is too large for the dumpster, please cut it down to fit. Items must be no larger than 3' x 3'. The following are not allowed in the dumpster: liquids, chemicals-paints, cleaners (empty dry containers are ok), yard debris, concrete, dirt, pallets, electronic waste, appliances, light bulbs, hazardous material, tires, furniture and heavy construction debris. **Do not overload the dumpster.** Load it to the rim only and keep the lid shut. Thank you for your cooperation.

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

Target amount -\$40,979.00  
Amount collected - \$45,672.10  
Pledge balance - \$5,682.53  
Amount over - \$10,345.93

### 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 400<sup>th</sup> 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 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary as St. Mary's Parish as a culturally diverse faith community standing under the influence of St. Vincent de Paul.

## 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

**Week 14** - Except for the back and top of my head, all of my skin is sensitive to pain.

#### WANT TO HELP SAVE LIVES?

\*NC Right to Life will hold their annual "Camp Joshua" in the month of July. They are planning an informative and fun-filled, two-day camp for high school students. This year they will have two camps; one at Antioch Body of Christ Ministries in Morganton, NC (July 19-21) and one at Camp Dixie in Fayetteville, NC (July 26-28). Cost is \$95 and includes room, meals, snacks, materials and a T- shirt. Scholarships available for those in need from St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Council 8684. For more information call Bernie or Elaine McHale at 336.292.1118 or visit NCRTL WEB SITE: [campjoshuanc.org](http://campjoshuanc.org). \*

### FAITH BOOK

#### From today's Gospel reading:

They were going to call the child Zechariah, after his father, but his mother said in reply, "No. He will be called John."

#### Reflection:

Biblical names have significance and help us interpret what is happening. John means "God is gracious." Elizabeth means "oath of God." God is fulfilling the promises of old. Zechariah means "the Lord remembers." Israel is in a low point of its history, but God has not forgotten her.

#### So we ask ourselves:

- 1) What ways do I experience a "gracious God" in my community of faith and in my life in the world?
- 2) What "promise" do I hear from these Scriptures?
- 3) Do I trust that God will "remember" me and not leave me to face anything on my own?

### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

"With each contribution, show a cheerful countenance, and pay your tithes in a spirit of joy." (Sirach 35:8)

## Community News

### ANNOUNCEMENT FROM OUR LADY OF GRACE

The All Night First Friday-First Saturday Vigil will be held on Friday, July 6 & Saturday, July 7 at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in Greensboro. It begins with the First Friday Mass at 6:30 PM on July 6 and ends with the First Saturday Mass at 8:00 AM

on July 7. Confessions are available after the First Friday Mass from 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM. This night of love will include scriptural rosaries, Nine Offices of the Sacred Heart, silent adoration, Saturday Office Readings for the Immaculate Heart, Divine Mercy Chaplet and more. For more information, contact Geri Breeding @ [336.420.1430](tel:336.420.1430).

### INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PERMANENT DEACON?

Have you thought God might be calling you to serve the Church as a deacon? Would you like to know more about the process involved in becoming a permanent deacon? The office of the permanent diaconate continuously collects names of men who are inquiring into the diaconate. If interested in finding out more, please call Deacon Scott D. Gilfillan at 828.327.7441 or email him at [sdgilfillan@catholicconference.org](mailto:sdgilfillan@catholicconference.org). The diocese starts a new formation class every four years. An important cut-off is approaching. Before being selected for diaconate formation, a man has to complete the two-year Lay Ecclesial Ministry program offered by the diocese. Lay Ministry Program classes will begin this Fall-2018 with applications currently being accepted. These details and more on this program can be found at: <https://charlottediocese.org/ev/adult-education/>.

### ANNOUNCEMENT FROM BISHOP MCGUINNESS

Bishop McGuinness Catholic High School is looking for an Assistant Principal (12 month). All inquiries, please send resume via email to Tracy Shaw, Principal at [tshaw@bmhs.us](mailto:tshaw@bmhs.us).

### EVENT SPONSORED BY THE NATIONAL BLACK SISTERS' CONFERENCE

#### Grace-Filled Black Catholic Women: Standing on the Promise

4th National Black Catholic Women's Gathering  
Sponsored by: National Black Sisters' Conference  
Friday, July 27 — Sunday, July 29, 2018

New Orleans Marriott Hotel  
859 Convention Center Blvd.  
New Orleans, LA 70130

The African American Affairs Ministry will be chartering a bus to attend the conference

Contact: Rosheene Adams

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### FROM TODAY'S GOSPEL READING

