



# St. Mary's Catholic Church

## Established 1928



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### Sunday Schedule

*All take place in the Parish Center*

**8:00 AM** Eucharist (Eng.)  
**9:00 AM** Faith Formation (Eng.)  
**10:30 AM** Eucharist (Eng.)  
**11:45AM** 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)

### Holy Days of Obligation (English Mass)

**7:15 AM** - Small Church  
**12:00 noon** – 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. (Small  
Church)

### EPIPHANY OF THE LORD (C)

**January 6, 2019**

**Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3: 2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2: 1-12**

The Greek word Epiphany means appearance or manifestation. First, the angels revealed Jesus to the shepherds, then revealed him to the world, represented by the Magi. Later, in the synagogue at Nazareth, Jesus revealed himself as the promised Messiah. These multiple revelations are all suggested by the Feast of the Epiphany. Today's gospel teaches us how Christ enriches those who bring him their hearts. The adoration of the Magi fulfills the prophecy of Isaiah found in the first reading. The prophecy unveiled a time future to Isaiah, when the nations of the world would make their way to the Holy City. They would follow a brilliant light. They would bring gold and incense to contribute to the worship of God. Just as the Magi chose another route to return to their homes, let us choose a better way of life, abstaining from proud and impure thoughts, evil habits and selfish behavior. Let us remove the darkness of the evil around us by radiating Jesus' love by selfless service, unconditional forgiveness and compassionate care. Like the Magi, let us offer Jesus our gift of friendship with God in the form of wholehearted love and devotion, our gift of friendship with others by leading them to Jesus by our exemplary lives of Christian charity in action. Let us offer our gift of reconciliation with God by asking his pardon and forgiveness of our sins and giving unconditional forgiveness to our offenders and our gift of peace by seeking God's peace in our lives through prayer, and daily meditation on the Word of God.

### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

*The prayer this week comes from the Feast Day of Saint Elizabeth Ann Bailey Seton, foundress of the Sisters of Charity and later the Daughters of Charity in the United States. Her Feast day was celebrated on Friday, January 4. Saint Elizabeth Ann in the first native born American to be canonized.*

"O God, you bestowed upon Saint Elizabeth Ann the true gift of faith as she zealously sought to find you. By her example and prayer, grant that we may ever seek you with earnest love and find you by constant faithful service. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever." Amen.

## January 7- January 13

### **Monday, January 7**

*Christmas Weekday*

*Saint Raymond of Penyafort, Priest*

1 John 3:22- 4:6

Matthew 4:12-17, 23-25

### **Tuesday, January 8**

*Christmas Weekday*

1 John 4:7-10

Mark 6:34-44

### **Wednesday, January 9**

*Christmas Weekday*

1 John 4:11-18

Mark 6:45-52

### **Thursday, January 10**

*Christmas Weekday*

1 John 4:19—5:4

Luke 4:14-22a

### **Friday, January 11**

*Christmas Weekday*

1 John 5:5-13

Luke 5:12-16

### **Saturday, January 12**

*Christmas Weekday*

1 John 5:14-21

John 3:22-30

### **Sunday, January 13**

*The Baptism of the Lord*

*Feast*

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7

Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

## 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), Janet Cella, 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, Christine C. Jones (mother of Vivian Porter), Craig Jones, Loretta Jones, Ellen Kerr, Tom Kerr, Michael Cel Kmok, Daniel Kramer, C.M., Essie Laughlin, Brenda MacDonald, Carol McFarland, Betty McKinney, Daniel McMillan, Harry McNeill, Ashley Moore, Kinsley Nellis, H' Ju Nie, Charles Norman, Gabrielle Parker, Cheryl, Billy, Kim, Neal, and Paris Patillo, Sharon Pauling, John Poe, Marianne Polickoski, Halo Rankin, Victor Rice, Pat Roberts, Sherry Ross, Melinda Ruffin, Mary Scotton, Catherine Shaw, Rose Simpson, Rosetta Smith (mother of Laura Scales), Father Robert Stone, C.M., Thomas Scott, Stu Shaw, Joey Shaw, Florine Stafford, Yvonne Stewart, Ana Swauger, Michael Taylor, Sandra Tinnely, Helen Walson, Mandy Weaver, Shalonda Williams, Theresa Womack, the family of Samantha Wright, Deborah Zargham, Greg and Mary, and for Jan M. Antoniewicz.

## MASS INTENTIONS

5:30 PM – Fr. Robert J. Prior C.M and John Gallagher, requested by The Knights of Columbus.

8:00 AM – For the Repose of the Soul of Margaret Bauman, requested by Jim and Marie Dolweck.

10:30 AM - For the Repose of the Soul of Anthony Akoto, requested by Helen Inedu.

## ST. RAYMOND OF PENAFORT

*January 7 (1175-1275)*

Saint Raymond of Penafort was a Spanish Dominican and confessor of Pope Gregory IX. He systematized and coded the canon laws that were in effect until 1917. He served as the second master general of the Dominican order in 1238, following the death of St. Dominic himself. He was canonized on January 7, 1601 and is the patron of canonists and lawyers.

## *Parish Weekly Events*

### \*NOTICES FOR ALL LANGUAGE COMMUNITIES

#### **HOMEBOUND/SICK?**

If you know of anyone who is homebound, ailing, hospitalized and in need of a pastoral care, please advise one of our priests.

#### **2019 DONATION ENVELOPES**

Your 2019 donation envelopes will be available for pickup in the parish center kitchen counter.

### \*EVENTS IN THE ENGLISH-SPEAKING COMMUNITY

#### **ENGLISH LANGUAGE FAITH FORMATION TIME CHANGE**

Beginning on January 6, 2019, English language faith formation will resume at 9 am following the 8 am Mass.

#### **CHOIR PRACTICE**

Choir practice for the 11:00 AM Mass is held each Tuesday night at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center.

#### **ENGLISH-LANGUAGE CHARISMATIC GROUP**

Please be advised that the English-language Charismatic Group meets each Saturday from 10:00 AM – 12:00 noon in the small church.

#### **BLACK CATHOLICS MEETING**

The Black Catholics Group of St. Mary's will have their monthly meeting on Friday, January 18 at 11:00 AM in the Parish Center, Classroom 7. Black Catholics interested in attending or joining this group are invited to come.

#### **BINGO BY ST. MARY'S KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

St. Mary's Knights of Columbus will have an afternoon Bingo on Friday, January 11, at 2:00 PM in the parish center. The

cost is \$5 for one card and \$15 for four cards. Snacks and drinks will be available for purchase. For more information, call Bernie McHale at 336-292-1118.

#### **RSVP LUNCHEON**

On January 9<sup>th</sup> from 12-2PM we'll have our RSVP Luncheon at the Parish Center.

#### **IGBO MASS**

January 27<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon in the Small Church. All are welcome.

#### **BLACK HISTORY MONTH CELEBRATION**

At the 10:30AM Mass with talks and refreshments following on February 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### **\*EVENTS IN THE VIETNAMESE-SPEAKING COMMUNITY**

##### **FAITH FORMATION**

Beginning on January 6, 2019, Vietnamese-Language Faith Formation will have new hours from 11:45 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

##### **VIETNAMESE LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION**

On February 10<sup>th</sup> from 2PM-6PM we'll have our Vietnamese Lunar New Year Celebration in the Parish Center. All are welcome to come.

##### **TNTT VOLUNTEER WORK SCHEDULE**

TNTT is scheduled to come to The Urban Ministry on Friday, 1/18/19 from 5pm-8pm to prepare food & serve dinner to the homeless.

##### **WEEKLY YOUTH GROUP MEETING**

The Vietnamese Youth Group meets every Friday night at 8:30 PM in the Parish Center.

##### **WEEKLY VIETNAMESE SENIORS' LUNCHEON AND MASS**

Please be advised that each Tuesday from 10:00 AM – 12:00 noon, there is a Vietnamese-language luncheon in the Parish Center followed by Mass in the small church. All are welcome to come.

##### **WEEKLY VIETNAMESE-LANGUAGE EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND MASS**

Is held each Thursday at 8:00 PM in the small church. All are welcome to come.

#### **\*EVENTS IN THE SPANISH-SPEAKING COMMUNITY**

##### **PRE-BAPTISMAL TALK**

The next pre-baptismal talk will take place on Sunday, January 13 in the Parish Center following Spanish Mass.

##### **SPANISH-LANGUAGE BAPTISMS**

The next Spanish-language baptisms will be held on January 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM in the Parish Center.

##### **BAPTISM REQUIREMENTS**

1. Children (newborns-6 years of age) can be baptized and do not need to attend Catechism classes.

2. The family must live in Greensboro. If they do not attend St. Mary's, they must present permission from their own parish priest in order for the child to be baptized at St. Mary's
3. Parents and godparents (sponsors) must have attended the pre-baptismal talk before the date of baptism.
4. Sponsors must be practicing Catholics and must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation. Bring copies of certificates.
5. If the Sponsors are married, they must be married in the Roman Catholic Church
6. Sponsors must attend mass regularly.

##### **SPANISH-LANGUAGE CHARISMATIC GROUP**

The Spanish-language Charismatic Group meets each Friday evening from 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM in the small church.

##### **SPANISH-LANUGUAGE RCIA**

Please note that each Monday at 7:00 PM Spanish language RCIA is held in the Parish Center.

##### **SPANISH-LANGUAGE ROSARY**

To honor our Blessed Virgin Mary, the Holy Rosary is recited in Spanish each Sunday afternoon at 5:15 PM in the small church.

##### **SPANISH-LANGUAGE BIBLE STUDY**

Spanish-language Bible Study is held each Thursday night in the classroom 2 of the Parish Center. It begins at 7:00 PM.

##### **CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH CHOIR PRACTICE**

The Spanish-language children's and youth choir practices are both held each Friday night at 6:00 PM in the Parish Center.

##### **ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE**

The Spanish-language adult choir practices meet each Friday night at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center.

##### **ACTIVITIES TO HELP AND COOPERATE FOR OUR PARISH.**

We are trying to organize food sales every Sunday after mass to raise funds for our upcoming kermess, we invite everyone to support these activities. If interested, please contact Deacon Enedino Aquino (336) 963-3704 or Paloma Segura (336) 303-2578. Thank you!

## *Parish Doings*

##### **WHO WE ARE AT ST. MARY'S**

We have long known that St. Mary's is multi-cultural and multi-lingual parish. Our parish estimates show the proof of the richness and the complexity of who we are. St. Mary's has drawn together such a diverse group of Catholic Christians and continue to do so with recent refugees from several war torn African countries, a large extended family from Vietnam and other immigrants. I like to believe that St. Mary's serves as a beacon of sure faith, a light of hope and a place where Christ's love dwells. From the very beginning the people of St. Mary's have endured many forms of hardship whether for their race or religious beliefs. Many still bear the scars and wounds that prejudice, racism and mean-spiritedness have inflicted, and

those in more recent times they bear the marks of violent conflicts, extreme poverty, religious and economic oppression. It is little wonder that people choose to come to St. Mary's seeking some safety harbor, a place to remember how they celebrated their faith before in their own home countries, and a refuge from all the outside pressures of language and cultural barriers that are encountered on a daily basis. In short, it is good that we continue the Lord's work here, offering a welcome to the stranger, caring for the physical and spiritual needs of all of God's people and insuring that all here have a place at the Lord's table. Today, St. Mary's is known in church circles as a "Shared Parish." A Shared Parish basically means that we have small enclosed parishes within the parish, all using the same resources and space, while contributing to the upkeep of the overall parish buildings and supplies. A Shared Parish provides a unified association for people, claiming St. Mary's as their 'church', while simultaneously having their own leadership team sharing within the larger Pastoral Council. They have their own language Mass, with all ministers trained by their own people. They each have their own faith formation under the supervision of the Pastoral Assistant. Each group offers their own special liturgical celebrations woven into the fabric of St. Mary's such as the Black Catholic Mass in November, the Igbo Mass 4X a year, Our Lady of Guadeloupe celebrations and the Vietnamese Christmas Plays and Tet in their New Year. Interspersed are common celebrations celebrated in the three major language groups. Together we share in one Lord, one faith, and one baptism. In next week's bulletin, the strengths, and challenges for a Shared Parish will be presented along with some beginning strategies to help build up the Faith Community here amidst the richness of our diversity.

**PLEASE NOTE...**

**The Parish Office has new office hours: Monday thru Friday 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

**Beginning on January 6<sup>th</sup>,** the *Sunday English Mass* times will change. The 8:30 a.m. Mass will become the 8:00 a.m.; and the 11:00 a.m. will become the 10:30 a.m. The English-Speaking Faith Formation program will begin at 9:00 a.m.

**NEW TRAFFICE PATTERNS  
ENTRANCE (ONLY) off DUKE STREET and EXIT  
(ONLY) off GORRELL STREET.**

Please be mindful that we have traffic monitors to direct you. Thank you for your cooperation.

***Invitations to Celebrate Our Faith***

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

Stewardship is an important concept for our spiritual growth as Catholics. It is a way of thanking God for all His blessings by returning to Him a portion of the time, talent and treasure we have received.

**PARISH GIFT**

December 23<sup>rd</sup> \$7,361.00  
 Christmas \$10,434.00  
 December 30<sup>th</sup> \$7,422.50

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**



***Community News***

**ANNUAL POT LUCK LUNCHEON BY GCCW**

The Greensboro Area Council of Catholic Women will hold its Annual Pot Luck Luncheon Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at 11:30 a.m. at Saint Paul the Apostle Catholic Church. Please bring your favorite dish to share. There is no charge for this event, but a HEAD COUNT is needed. There will be a raffle at the luncheon to benefit our charitable causes. Also, please remember to bring non-perishable food items for the needy. Please RSVP to: Carol Cook at 336-852-9345 or e-mail: ccook54@triad.rr.com by Friday, January 25, 2019.

**GOING BEYOND DATE NIGHT**

**A 25 HOUR MARRIAGE GETAWAY, February 9-10 in Hickory, NC**

Leave your kids and all the household chores behind and take off on a 25-hour marriage retreat with your spouse, February 9-10 in the beautiful mountains of Hickory, North Carolina. Whether you are newlyweds or have been married for decades, take some time to relax and renew your connection with each other. Marriage is a lifelong adventure of growing together through every age and stage of life. The happiest couples are those who commit to learning skills that help them weather difficult seasons and deal confidently with relationship challenges. The 25-hour marriage retreat will include reflections on marriage by Catholic couples with opportunities for reconciliation, spiritual dialogue, Mass, and adoration with a Legion of Christ priest. The retreat has been designed to be a quiet and reflective time for couples to focus on God and each other. The cost is \$315/per couple. Accommodations, meals & materials are provided. For more information and to register, go to [www.rcgreatercharlotte.com](http://www.rcgreatercharlotte.com).

**NORTH CAROLINA RIGHT OF LIFE**

North Carolina Right to Life will be having their annual Prayer Breakfast on Saturday January 12 at 9:00 a.m. The annual March for Life will be held at 1:30 p.m. all in Raleigh, our State Capital. For more information, call Bernie McHale at 336-292-1118.