



# St. Mary's Catholic Church

## Established 1928



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SERVING ST. MARY'S SINCE 1939

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### SUNDAY MASSES

PARISH CENTER

Max. 87 people

Following CDC Guidelines

English

5:30 PM -Saturday -

8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

Vietnamese

9:15 AM & 2:00 PM

Spanish

4:00 PM & 6:15 PM

*Communion will be offered  
to those outside at the same  
time as inside.*

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Parish Center

Max. 25 people

English

7:30 AM *Daily* (Mon - Fri)

9:00 AM Saturdays

Vietnamese

8:30 PM *Thursdays*

Spanish

6:15 PM *Fridays*

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

No Eucharistic Adoration this  
month.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

*By appointment only.*  
Contact one of your Parish  
Priests directly.

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 3, 2021- *Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12*

### Gifts of new birth- *Good News Reflection*

Epiphany is a celebration of the adoration of magi from the East who sought and found Christ the newborn king.

The Greek word "magi" meant oriental scientists. Also called astrologers, their worship of Jesus does not validate astrology, which assigns power over us to stars and planets; rather, it validates that Jesus was born to bring salvation to all, Gentiles as well as Jews. Their arrival at the manger demonstrates that Jesus was born for the sake of all who recognize that only God should have power over us. Jesus was born to free us from sin and all other forces that control us.

The magi also demonstrate that gift-giving is a normal part of worship. Their gift of gold honored Jesus as king. Their gift of incense honored Jesus as God. And their gift of myrrh honored the gift that Jesus would eventually give to us: his death. He was born to sacrifice his life for us. He took to the cross our sins, and then his resurrection destroyed the power of sin and the power of demons who tempt us to sin.

The gifts of the magi become gifts that we all give to Jesus: Gold represents our righteousness, which Christ's kingship over our lives makes possible so that we become more and more saintly each day. Incense represents our prayers going up to God - prayers that involve giving God the gift of our trust. And myrrh is the gift of suffering for Christ: the sacrifices we make for the sake of his ongoing mission of transforming our world.

The word "epiphany" means a moment of discovery, a revelation that changes our lives. Did the magi have an epiphany about Jesus when they came into his presence? Did they realize that they were looking at the Savior of the world? Did they want this little baby to save them from their own sins?

We can safely assume that they never forgot about their trip to Bethlehem. Surely, they kept their ears open for news about him as the years went by. Probably they heard about the King of the Jews who was crucified.

We know that they in fact became very saintly Christians; their relics still exist and have been venerated since very early times.

What about you and me? Will we remember Jesus in some new way this year? Will our worship of him transform us? Will the power of sin be defeated by our faith in Christ when we face temptations?

Hopefully, we have been changed this Advent and Christmas Season by a new rebirth of Jesus into our lives and - through our lives - out into the world.

*Pray*

*Thank You, my God, for revealing Yourself to me in so many ways! You are  
always looking for occasions to let Yourself be seen so that my joy is  
complete. Praised be You, Lord! Amen.*

## Monday, January 4

USA: Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton,  
Religious, Memorial  
1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

## Tuesday, January 5

USA: Saint John Neumann, Bishop  
Memorial  
1 Jn 4:7-10/Mk 6:34-44

## Wednesday, January 6

Christmas Weekday  
[USA: Saint André Bessette,  
Religious]  
1 Jn 4:11-18/Mk 6:45-52

## Thursday, January 7

Christmas Weekday  
[Saint Raymond of Penyafort, Priest]  
1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Lk 4:14-22a

## Friday, January 8

Christmas Weekday  
1 Jn 5:5-13/Lk 5:12-16

## Saturday, January 9

Christmas Weekday  
1 Jn 5:14-21/Jn 3:22-30

## Sunday, January 10

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD,  
Feast  
Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-  
11 or, in Year B, Is 55:1-11/1 Jn 5:1-  
9/Mk 1:7-11

## PRAYER REQUESTS

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



Joyce Penn, Dcn. Vince Shaw, Catherine Shaw, Joseph Nguyen Anh Tuan, Sadie McConnell, Jan M. Antoniewicz, Gus Reid, Ardelia Matthews, Ann Abplanalp, Ashley Moore, Marie Isley, John Garrett, Janet Garrett, Claude Anderson, Terry Bradshaw, Mary Ann Coleman, Peggy Daye, Gwen Drummer, Therese Hatch, Michael Cel Kmok, Daniel Kramer, C.M., Harry McNeill, Betty McKinney, Sherry Ross, Mary Scotton, Rose Simpson, Florine Stafford, Y Blom Marcella, Gabrielle Parker, Sharon Pauling, Shalonda Williams, Tom Kerr, Roberta Stover and Brother William Stover, C.M.

## MASS INTENTIONS

	5:30 PM	For the Parishioners of St. Mary's.
January 3	8:00 AM	For the repose of the Soul of Dominic Khiu, requested by Khanh Kichi K'Briuh.
	10:30 AM	For the Parishioners of St. Mary's.
Monday, January 4	7:30 AM	For Thanksgiving, God's Guidance and Protection and our own intentions.
Tuesday, January 5	7:30 AM	For Thanksgiving, God's Guidance and Protection and our own intentions.
Wednesday, January 6	7:30 AM	For Thanksgiving, God's Guidance and Protection and our own intentions.
Thursday, January 7	7:30 AM	For Thanksgiving, God's Guidance and Protection and our own intentions.
Friday, January 8	7:30 AM	For Thanksgiving, God's Guidance and Protection and our own intentions.
Saturday, January 9	9:00 AM	For Thanksgiving, God's Guidance and Protection and our own intentions.

# PARISH WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

## MASS WITH ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

Mass can be celebrated with Spiritual Communion. You can employ the option of viewing Mass on EWTN's tv network or any of the following live-stream sites.

<https://www.youtube.com/user/DioceseOfCharlotte>  
<https://www.stmarknc.org/livestream>  
<http://www.catholicstv.org/masses/national-shrine-mass>  
<https://saintpatrickscathedral.org/live>  
<http://www.catholicstv.org/masses>  
<https://www.ewtn.com/tv/watch-live>

## FIND US ONLINE

[www.stmarysgreensboro.org/](http://www.stmarysgreensboro.org/)  
[www.facebook.com/StMarysGreensboro/](https://www.facebook.com/StMarysGreensboro/)  
[27www.youtube.com/channel/UCYAhxynzQNqSeKgrL7-qbgA](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYAhxynzQNqSeKgrL7-qbgA)

## St. Mary's Social Outreach Committee



composed of all the cultural groups under the direction of Mr. Chris Fombin, is committed to *helping with rent*,

*utilities (electricity, heat, and water), and prescription medicines.* If you or someone you know needs assistance in these areas please call Ana, our Office Manager at 336-272-8650 from 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. to set up a **confidential appointment** with a Committee member to meet on a Sunday.

If you wish to make a donation to this program, please write a check to: "The Congregation of the Mission of St. Vincent de Paul in Germantown" Donations are always needed!



**BAPTISMAL REQUIREMENTS** You can also find the baptismal requirements at

<https://stmarysgreensboro.org/sacraments/>

(newborns-6 years of age)

- REGISTRATION.** The family must be registered **-form on file-** in St. Mary's **for no less than 2 months** before the Baptism takes place.
  - If parents are registered somewhere else, they must present a Letter of Permission from their parish priest in order for the child to be baptized here.
- PRE-BAPTISMAL TALK.** The Parents and godparents (sponsors) must have attended the pre-baptismal talk before the date of baptism.

3. **SPONSORS.** Sponsors must be registered at a Parish, be practicing Catholics, and must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation. If any of the Sponsors are married, he/she must have been married in the Roman Catholic Church.
4. **DOCUMENTS.** Bring COPIES of:
  - Child's Birth Certificate
  - Sponsor's Sacramental Certificates
    - Baptism / First Communion / Confirmation (& Marriage in case he/she is married)



**NATIONAL VINCENTIAN VOCATION WEBSITE**

Please go to [menonamission.net](http://menonamission.net) to get information about our news and activities. This project was undertaken as a collaborative effort of the Eastern and Western Provinces. "Men on a Mission" presents a contemporary picture of our young men in formation, along with information on the ministries and local communities of our provinces. It also provides resources on discernment and other related matters.

# OUR FAITH COMMUNITIES

## LATINO COMMUNITY

**PRE-BAPTISMAL TALK** Our next pre-baptismal talk will take place on **Sunday, January 10, after the 6:15 p.m. Mass.** in the Parish Center.  
*Reserve your seat by calling the office at 336-272-8650 Monday-Friday, 8:00a.m.-3:00p.m. Seats are limited!*

## The Epiphany



Until recent years the Epiphany always fell on January 6. A few years ago, the feast was changed to the Sunday following New Year's due to its importance. It marks the end of the Christmas Season and the Church wanted to celebrate it in a special way. Rather than make it a Holy Day that would often fall on a weekday, it was given a fixed Sunday so all people could celebrate the feast.

*Celebrating the Epiphany in a special manner helps us remember that Christmas is a season and not just a day.*

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY Blessings!

*We would like to acknowledge all birthdays for this coming week \* January 2- 9*

Adelyn Edith Lopez-Vargas	Brandon Gregory	Jasmine Mendoza	Magdalena Rodriguez	Patricia Esquivel
Alejandro Villanueva Castro	Britney Altamirano-Rios	Jennifer Quiterio Sanchez	Manuel Salazar	Phillip Vo
Alexa Mosqueda Cortes	Brizeyda Altamirano-Rios	Jorge Maldonado Sanchez	Margarito Mexicano	Phu Vo
Alondra Avila	Bryan Vazquez	Jose Antonio De Leon	Mijangos	Rafael Morales Perez
Amado Jarquin-Ventura	Cameron Nay Kdam	Banda	Maria Acosta	Ramirez Maria Dolores
Anahi Zepeda	Christian Altamirano-Rios	Jose Fernando Arellano	Maria Dominguez Torres	Raquel Rodriguez
Anahy Palacio	Christian Macias	Ayala	Maria Guadalupe Marquez	Reyna Yanet Lucas Lopez
Analia Chinas	Christina Nguyen	Jose Godinez	Trejo	Reynaldo Ramirez
Angela Parada Martinez	Darryl Bauman	Josselyn Reyes	Maria Soledad Ramirez	Rigoberto Garcia Jimenez
Angelica Castro Hilario	David Cao	Juan Emmanuel Azcon	Sarabia	Thalia Sanchez Sarmiento
Antonio Sanchez	Davis Rodriguez Espinosa	Bravo	Mateo Escobedo	Thi Xuan Nguyen Nguyen
Antonio Vazquez Leon	Emmanuel Garcia	Kaiden Jefferson	Nadia Eban	Tomas Domingo
Apolinar Martinez	Ethan Thuan Vu	McCutchen	Natalia O. Aguilera-Toledo	Dominguez Lopez
Ayari Briones Miranda	Fernando Herrera Mendez	Khien Tran	Natalia Olguin	Victor Komba Kizumina
Ayari Briones-Miranda	H Hami Ksor	Krim Ka	Nathalie Martinez	Virginia A. Smith
Brandon E. Juarez	Hao Phan	Linh Nguyen	Nelia K Touneh	Yolanda Garcia Ramirez
Fernandez	H'Pon Nay	Luis Angel Madrigal	Nora Morales	
	Iris Mendez	Serrano	Pang K	

# MESSAGE FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

As we enter into a New Year under the patronage, protection, and intercession of the Blessed Mother we have the opportunities to know through her that our God is born, our God is near, our God sends the Holy Spirit, our God redeems and saves. As we look forward to the long road for the pandemic to lessen its deadly grip and perhaps a more stable economy as a result, we can also look forward to the unfolding of our faith commitments, our resolutions to be more hopeful and loving as the followers of Christ. As a parish, may the New Year start with some good news: Under the direction of the new **St. Mary's Outreach Program** for the Poor we've been able to assist 14 families or 46 people with various needs. Re-establishing our outreach programming was one of the levels for the strategic plan of the parish. Other pieces of future planning under the guidance and wisdom of the Lord and his Mother see us engaged in fundraising specifically for the construction of a new parish center and classroom building. Again, I ask that if you have not put your loved one's name or your family on the new **Memorial Wall** please inquire with Ana how this can be done in the purchase of a brick or two. Not only can we enhance the Shrine area for prayer and reflection, we can also prepare for a future that will go beyond ourselves while reminding future generations of St. Mary's parishioners that many have gone before them and that they do not walk their faith alone.

**Think what new beginnings can bring when we allow the Lord to guide us.** Think what hope we can engage for a future that can unfold with light and goodness. Think what love embraces and sustains us when we allow the Lord to touch all the thoughts, prayers, plans, meetings, outreach, and faith formation programming at the parish. Think what grace can be visited upon us through our presence, service, and support for each other within the community. May we plan at St. Mary's for the Lord's justice and peace to prevail in our interactions with one another and be a sign to our neighborhood of welcome and assistance. May the grace of our lord Jesus Christ strengthen you, and prevail within you in this New Year! May you know the Lord's Blessings and walk with them to others who need good news. May the Lord's Mother always intercede for you and the parish in time of uncertainty, doubt and anxiety and that Saint Vincent de Paul and Louise de Marillac pray for us who seek to know the reflection of Christ, and be it for one another.

***A Blessed and Healthy New Year to All!***

*Frs. Bill, Orlando, and Joseph.*

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## CELEBRATE OUR FAITH

### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

*Stewardship 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*



THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY AT THIS TIME!  
WEEKLY EXPENSES \$7,500.

*For utilities, programing, salaries, Diocesan Assessments, and supplies.*