



# St. Mary's Catholic Church

## Established 1928



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### SUNDAY MASSES PARISH CENTER

English

5:30 PM Sat. Original Church  
8:30 AM Original Church  
11:30 AM

Vietnamese

8:30 AM & 2:30 PM

Spanish

7:00 AM  
10:00 AM  
4:00 PM

### WEEKDAY MASSES Original Church

7:30 AM *Monday*  
7:30 AM *Tuesday- SPANISH*  
7:30 AM *Wed-Fri*  
9:00 AM *Saturdays*  
8:30 PM *Thursdays-VIETNAMESE*  
6:15 PM *Fridays- SPANISH \*\**  
\*\*Parish Center

### EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION Original Church

Last Wednesday of the month  
8:00 AM-6:00 PM  
For Vocations – All Thursdays  
8:00 AM-8:00 PM

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

*Fridays* After the 6:15pm  
Spanish Mass  
*Saturdays* 4:30 PM - ENGLISH  
& by appointment. Contact  
your priest directly.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent

November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2022 - *Isaiah 2:1-5, Romans 13:11-14, Matthew 24:37-44*

### The hope that comes from heaven- *Good News Reflection*

Hope is the theme of the First Sunday of Advent. In the readings for Mass, Isaiah describes a future in which all is well because (1) God is recognized as the highest authority and (2) obeying him is the people's highest priority.

This vision gave great hope to the oppressed Israelites. Today if we look at this as a description of heaven, it gives great hope to us, too. When we die, "terms" will be "imposed" upon us because we did not stay entirely on the paths of God (a good reason for purgatory), but we will be living in the light of the Lord after death and there will be no more wars to battle.

Knowing that this is our future, we can look at our present trials as preparations for heaven. The weapons that we use now to defeat and overcome the powers of darkness can be used as plowshares for enriching our soil (our earthly life), bringing us into new growth and producing a harvest in ministry. Sufferings that are turned into ministries to help others make hardships very valuable.

Although Isaiah was speaking of the coming of the world's Messiah through the Jews, these verses remind us that when we respect God's authority and make imitating Christ our highest priority, all is well for us. Our battles against evil aren't over yet, but Jesus has already won the victory for us. Our hope is not based on a wish for peace; our hope comes from the reality of what Jesus has already done and what he will do. So, "let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord!" (Psalm 122).

The Gospel reading tells us that our hope is realized only if we stay awake and alert to the activities of Christ. What are you despairing about? Despair and worry are merely distractions that make us forget that Christ has already won the battle. If we stay alert to the presence of Christ, recognizing his authority and following his ways, we live in hope -- not wishful thinking, but a hope that's based firmly on reality.

*Thank You, Lord, that through Your Holy Spirit I am able to recognize You. Give me the strength I need to carry out the mission that You have entrusted to me. Amen.*

*Pray*



## PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Ann Abplanalp	Florine Stafford	John Garrett	Rose Simpson
Adelina Castro	Fr. Daniel Kramer C.M.	Joseph Nguyen Anh	Ruth White
Ana Lopez	Gabrielle Parker	Tuan	Shalonda Williams
Ardelia Matthews	Gus Reid	Joyce Penn	Sharon Pauling
Ashley Moore	Gwen Drummer	Luis Carlos Castaño	Sherry Ross
Betty McKinney	Lawrence Harris	Mary Ann Coleman	Stephanie Alcazar
Br. William Stover, C.M.	Lynda McDonald	Mary Scotton	Susana Lopez
Catherine Shaw	Jimmy McDonald	Michael Cel Kmok	Terry Bradshaw
Claude Anderson	Harry McNeill	Niko Castro	Y Blom Marcella
Dcn. Vince Shaw	Isabel Castro	Oscar Lopez	
Edward Butler	Jan M. Antoniewicz	Richard Givens	
	Jeronimo Lopez	Roberta Stover	

### Monday, November 28

*Advent Weekday*  
Is 4:2-6/Mt 8:5-11

### Tuesday, November 29

*Advent Weekday*  
Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24

### Wednesday, November 30

*Saint Andrew, Apostle Feast*  
Rom 10:9-18/Mt 4:18-22

### Thursday, December 1

*Advent Weekday*  
Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27

### Friday, December 2

*Advent Weekday*  
Is 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31

### Saturday, December 3

*Saint Francis Xavier, Priest Memorial*  
Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

### Sunday, December 4

*SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT*  
Is 11:1-10/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

## MASS INTENTIONS

	5:30 PM	
	7:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Sofia Salvador
Sunday, November 27	8:30 AM	
	10:00 AM	For Maricela Vazquez celebrating her birthday. And for Armando Vazquez thankful for another year of life.
	11:30 AM	
	2:30 PM	
	4:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Agustin Cervantes.
Monday, November 28	7:30 AM	
Tuesday, November 29	7:30 AM	
Wednesday, November 30	7:30 AM	
Thursday, December 1	7:30 AM	For priestly vocations.
Friday, December 2	7:30 AM	
	6:15 PM	For the repose of the soul of Farseat Calderon
Saturday, December 3	9:00 AM	

## PARISH WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

December 8, 2022 the office will be closed.

### Mass Schedule for December 8, 2022 Feast of the Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation

7:30am English in the Original Church  
12:15pm Spanish in the Parish Center.  
7:00pm Spanish in the Parish Center  
8:30pm Vietnamese in the Parish Center

### *St. Mary's Social Outreach*

is committed to *help with rent, utilities (electricity, heat, and water), and prescription* areas. This committee is composed of all St. Mary's cultural groups under the direction of Mr. Chris Fombin, please call Ana, our Office Manager at 336-272-8650

from 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. to set up a **confidential appointment**. 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!

### FROM THE OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Hello parishioners. The Outreach Committee is collecting gift cards for Families in the Parish in need. If you would like to brighten a family's Christmas, please donate money or gift cards no later than December 9th. You can leave your donation at the Parish Office or give it to one of the Priests. Thank you for your generosity. Have a hope filled and blessed Advent. The Outreach Committee.



**Goal \$46,969.00**

**Donations \$43,463.33**

*Thank you for your generosity!*

## MARRIAGE ANNULMENTS

We have an Advocate for the Diocese of Charlotte Marriage Tribunal Office, and he is a Parishioner. For help with **MARRIAGE ANNULMENTS**, please contact Huy (Kevin) Le at (336) 848-5433 or [HQL@rcdoc.org](mailto:HQL@rcdoc.org).

## GIVE A BOOK TAKE A BOOK -Children's Books

Do you have a book at home collecting dust? Are you bored reading the same book over and over? We are starting a new library! You can take any book that you want or donate any book that you please and add it to the library. The books will be on a rack in the vestibule/foyer on Sundays.



**HOW TO BECOME A REGISTERED MEMBER OF ST MARY'S?** To all families and to all 21-year-old future members, please stop by the office to fill out the registration/census form. There is no cost to become a member.

## IMPORTANT.... DOCUMENT REQUESTS TO ST. MARY'S

Do you need a Sponsor Certificate/letter for either Baptism or Confirmation, a letter for Immigration, Membership, any type of Recommendation letter, or document? We must have your registration/census ON FILE for at least 2 months prior to your request.

**BAPTISMAL REQUIREMENTS** You can also find the baptismal requirements at <https://stmarysgreensboro.org/sacraments/> (newborns-6 years of age)

1. **REGISTRATION.** The family must be registered -form on file- **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 pastor in order for the child to be baptized here.
2. **PRE-BAPTISMAL TALK.** The Parents and godparents (sponsors) must have attended a pre-baptismal talk before the date of baptism.
3. **SPONSORS.** Sponsors must be registered at a Catholic Parish, be practicing Catholics, and must have received the Sacraments of Baptism, First Holy Communion, and Confirmation. If any of the Sponsors are living together as a couple, he/she must have been married in the Roman Catholic Church.
4. **DOCUMENTS.** Bring COPIES of:
  - Child's Birth Certificate
  - Pre-Baptismal Talk Certificate (Parents & Sponsors)
    - Sponsor's Sacramental Certificates (Baptism, First Communion & Confirmation OR only Marriage in case he/she is living with a significant other)

# OUR FAITH COMMUNITIES

## ENGLISH-SPEAKING COMMUNITY

*\*Schedule subject to change, please contact your coordinator directly*

- MONDAYS** Youth Group, 5:30 PM -7:30 PM, Parish Center, classroom 6.
- TUESDAYS** Faith Formation, 6:00 PM -7:30 PM, Parish Center, classrooms 1-8.
- THURSDAYS** Youth Group, 5:30 PM -7:30 PM, Parish Center, classroom 6.

## VIETNAMESE COMMUNITY

*\*Schedule subject to change, please contact your coordinator directly*

- MONDAYS** Bible Sharing: Living the Good News, 8:30 PM - 10:00 PM, Parish Center, classrooms 3 & 4.
- TUESDAYS** Vietnamese Seniors' Luncheon, 9:00 AM, Parish Center, classrooms 7 & 8. With Celebration of Mass in the Original Church at around 11:30 AM.
- SUNDAYS** Faith Formation, 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM, Parish Center, classrooms 1-8.

### READERS & ALTAR SERVERS – Children

Parents who would like to have their children become:

- Readers, please contact Hai Tran
- Altar Servers, please contact Tien Pham

You may also contact the catechists, or youth leaders to sign up for training.

## LATINO COMMUNITY

*\*Schedule subject to change, please contact your coordinator directly*

- MONDAYS** Altar Servers, 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM, Parish Center, classroom 7 & 8. *Second and fourth Mondays of the month.*
- WEDNESDAYS** Rosa Mística, 6:00 – 7:45pm, Original Church, *Second Wednesday of the month.*

### THURSDAYS

Faith Formation, 6:30 – 8:00pm, Parish Center, Classrooms 1-8.

Bible Study, 7:00-9:00PM, Parish Center, Cry Room.

Adult Choir Practice, 7:30-9:00PM, Parish Center, Classroom 7.

### FRIDAYS

Hispanic Young-Adults' Group, 7:00 – 9:00pm, Parish Center, Classroom 7.

Charismatic Group, 7:15 – 9:00pm, Original Church.

### SATURDAYS

Faith Formation, 11:00am – 12:30pm, Parish Center, classrooms 1-8

**PRE-BAPTISMAL TALK** St. Mary's (free) pre-baptismal talk in Spanish will take place on **Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>, after the 4:00 p.m. Mass.** in the Parish Center. Pick up a packet with all the information requested to celebrate the sacrament at St. Mary's. *For more information, please call Raul and Esmeralda Andrade at 336-482-6169.*

### CELEBRATION OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The group of the consecrated invites them to participate in the hour of grace. On Thursday, December 8, beginning with the holy rosary at 11:30 a.m. Followed by the Holy Eucharist at 12:15 p.m. in celebration of the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

### ADVENT RETREAT

Our annual Advent Retreat will be on December 3 from 8am to 4pm. Open preaching, confessions, Eucharistic adoration, Holy Mass. The withdrawal is free. This retreat is preparation to celebrate Christmas. We will wait for you!

### COMMUNITY WEDDINGS

Our Community Weddings will be celebrated on April 15<sup>th</sup> 2023 in the Parish Center. *For more information, please contact Dcn. Enedino Aquino at 336-963-3704*

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY Blessings!

We would like to acknowledge all birthdays for this coming week November 28 – December 4

Rigoberto Rodriguez Reyes	Jaqueline Aguilar Soto	Leandro Gonzalez	Diana Fernandez
Gabriela Medina	Dulce Maria Lopez Alvarez	Lisany Cardoza Vazquez	Alexander Trejo Sanchez
Aracely Espitia Perez	Raul Jesus Valdez-Rangel	Anna K Touneh	Delma Clarissa Ramirez Rios
Nancy Azucena Mejia	Ariadna Sosa	Daniel Garcia Hernandez	Fidel Cortes Campos
Walson Natasha	Maria Bui	Sahory Guiselle Minjagos	Barbara Vazquez
Juan Diego Rodriguez Aguilar	Ricardo Dominguez	Teran	Marely Suarez-Garcia
Lilyana Lopez	Tyson Ka	Ethan Valenzuela	Daniella Ene Agebe
Andrew Bradshaw	Angela Malaika Wanza	Bryan Daniel Pacheco Espitia	Daniel Vasquez-Cruz
Kip Poubry	Jowith Thomas	Andrea Sanchez Esquivel	Bao Son Tran
Cesar Sanchez	Roberta Sarmiento	Ngo K	Esteban Castellanos Ortega
Melito Sanchez-Garnica	Juan Carlos Galo	Feliza Toledo	Marlen Mondragon
Nhan Le	Jorge M. Prieto Baltazar	Lizbeth Aquino Grijalva	Noelle Mukoma
Wendy Romero	Brandon Santos	Miguel Angel Prieto Aguilera	Egboche Unobe
Anna Tran	Carolina Sanchez	Maria Guadalupe Tello-Banda	Maria-Teresa Nguyen
Jairo Lopez	Amy Camila Loayza Caldas	Jasmin Hernandez	Janetzi Cruz Ruiz
Aracely Rodriguez Lopez	Joselin Aburto Mondragon	Henry Thamh-Vinh Nguyen	Emily Angeline Dagout
Lucas Aguilera	Alexander Ortiz	Yeshun Salvador Tolentino	Alex Jovany Montes Carlon
Daleyza Lopez	Tuan Anh Luu	Hernandez	Daelleen Varela-Rodriguez
Lia Jessabelle Salazar	Can Thanh Nguyen	Aytana Muñoz Ortiz	Miracle Guadalupe Solano
Joseph Le	Moses Poston	Maria B. Herrera	Cristopher Amilcar Chilel
Bao Son Bui	Juan Garcia Perez	Irina Campos	Lopez
Zamuel Colmillo	Sonia Sanchez Marquez	Samuel Castro-Sanchez	Alma Nicole Pacheco Espitia
Andrea Mota	Sui Za Len	Candelaria Garcia	Gracia Meza Ramirez
Juan Carlos Zambrano	Yostin Diaz Aguilar	Nelcy Alvarez-Altamirano	
Calderon	Jose Enrique Garcia Sosa	Felipe Ornelas Rodriguez	
Bianca Hernandez	Jahaira Reyes	Carlos Luis-Ojeda	

## 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. Please remember to help your parish by continuing your offerings with your envelopes or by mailing in a check.*

MAIN \$9,841.00



**Thank you for your generosity at this time!**

WEEKLY EXPENSES \$7,500.00

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

## SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Black Catholic History Month

Figures in History (Taken from the Josephites 2022 Calendar)

Mother Mary Lange, OSP – 1829, Foundress of the Oblate Sisters of Providence in Baltimore, Maryland, 1st Religious Order for Women of Color in the United States,

Father Augustus Tolton – first recognized African American Priest, Ordained April 24, 1886,

Sister Thea Bowman, FSPA – 1989, first African American Woman to address the

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops where she challenged them on racism in the Catholic Church.

“The story of African American Catholicism is the story of a people who obstinately clung to a faith that gave them sustenance, even when it did not always make them welcome. It is now clear that they can be identified, that their presence has made an impact, and that their contributions have made Catholicism a unique and stronger religious body.” (The History of Black Catholics in the United States, by Cyprian Davis, page 259)

**Schedule for 2023 for Igbo Mass at St. Mary's (11:30am-1:00pm in the Original Church):**

January 15, March 5, May 14, July 23, September 17, and November 19 We look forward to your participation.