

# SAINT MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

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## SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR February 11, 2018

**Knights of Columbus fish fry** is this Friday, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 pm until 7:30 pm. A complete meal for only \$9.00! Dine-in or take-out.



A “Protecting God’s Children” session will be offered Monday, February 19, 2018 from 6 pm -9 pm in Conference Center. This session is required by the Diocese of Charlotte for anyone who volunteers with children and youth of our Parish. If you need more information, please contact Sara Freeman, [sylvadre@gmail.com](mailto:sylvadre@gmail.com) or (828) 506-7074 and visit [www.virtus.org](http://www.virtus.org) to register. Thank you.

**Please note that we now have a new website**, with the name “StMaryMotherofGod.com”. Please visit us!

### PRO-LIFE NEWS

Many parents want perfect children. Our culture is obsessed with perfection—a superficial perfection. Photos are airbrushed, and social media sites depict seemingly perfect lives. God calls us to seek perfection, too. He does not call us, however, to perfection of appearance or abilities, but to perfection in love.”  
USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities “A Perfect Gift,” [www.usccb.org/perfect-gift](http://www.usccb.org/perfect-gift)

**In preparation for Ash Wednesday, we will burning palms this Sunday after the 11am Mass.**

### **THEOTOKOS Youth Ministry News:**

During the Lenten season our **Parish Family Game Night** will be on hold. Instead we encourage all families to attend Stations of the Cross at 5:30 pm. Parish Family Game Night will return on the **last** Friday of the each month. So mark your calendars for Friday, April 27th. Join us for food, fun and parish family time with a variety of cards/board games. Please no electronic games.

### **SCHEDULES FOR NEXT WEEK**

<b>9:00 am</b>	Readers EMHCs Ushers Altar Servers	Caryn Raming, David Ramsey Debbie Keener, David Ramsey David Karuru, Robert Lamanna David Ramsey
<b>11:00 am</b>	Readers EMHCs Ushers Altar Servers	Jonathan Fischer, Matt Newsome Wayne Haire, Matt Newsome Kathy McFadden, Robin Starrs Matt, Josiah, Malcolm and Alister Newsome

### **PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

Justin Basenese, Jacki Bautista, Susie Bryson, Sheila Coller, Will Crain, Rory Glover, Monica Glover, Barbara Jakiela, Skip Karby, Rita Lamanna, Paul Lormand, Daniella Machado, Karen Matulis, Christine Murzyn, Georgia Newsom, William Newsom, Jr., William Newsom, Sr., William Owen, Cathleen Pilch, Zig Pilch, Cynthia Pitts, Alicia Ramirez, Stuart and Janet Snyder, Jay Thorne, Allen Thurston, Joshua Turner, Lewis Turner, Pauline Watson, Bonnie Welch, Elaine Willkes; Those in Nursing Homes and the Homebound: Phyllis Brogan, Theresa Campbell, Il Whan and Moon Chung, Alicia Elias, Rosemary Finnegan, John Huffman, Anna Morrill, and Lorraine Sclafani; Family and Friends called to active duty: Christian Houston, Courtney Ortengren. Friends in Religious Life: Sr. Catherine, OCD ; and the intentions for all of the prayers written in the parish book of prayers.



***‘Our Lord Jesus Christ desires that we should, for sanctifying ourselves, glorify his all-loving heart; for it was his heart that suffered the most in his sacred humanity.’—Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque***

First Friday Devotion and Adoration February 2 was a success! I pray all who attended Our Lord left their time with him with a peaceful heart and are looking forward to the next First Friday. We will be extending the hours beginning in March and I’ll be asking for committed adorers to fill those hours soon. For the next two weeks, I’ll be covering what the full First Friday and Saturday devotions entail and how to observe them so that anyone wishing to do so (they are *not* required to come Adore), but

aren’t quite sure how, might have a starting point.

Devotion to the Sacred Heart is a centuries old practice, but it was through Saint Margaret it gained popularity and led to Leo XIII ordering all mankind solemnly consecrated to the Sacred Heart. Many choose to adhere to First Friday Devotions as detailed by Our Lord to Saint Margaret in the late 1600s. Our Lord has promised and described to Saint Margaret twelve things to those who observe this devotion:

1. I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.
2. I will give peace in their families.
3. I will console them in all their troubles.
4. I will be their refuge in life and especially in death.
5. I will abundantly bless all their undertakings.
6. Sinners shall find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Tepid souls shall become fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great perfection.
9. I will bless those places wherein the image of my Sacred Heart shall be exposed and venerated.
10. I will give to priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.
11. Persons who propagate this devotion shall have their names eternally written in my Heart.
12. In the excess of the mercy of my heart, I promise you that my all powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the First Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: they will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my Heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour.

The specific conditions to receive the Great Promise (the twelfth promise) of the Sacred Heart of Jesus are:

1. Receive Holy Communion on nine consecutive first Fridays of the month (this assumes that the person is in a state of grace, having made a sacramental confession for any mortal sins prior to receiving communion).

2. Having the intention, at least implicitly, of making reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for all the sinfulness and ingratitude of men.

**ACT OF REPARATION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS**

Sacred Heart of Jesus, animated with a desire to repair the outrages unceasingly offered to Thee, we prostrate before Thy throne of mercy, and in the name of all mankind, pledge our love and fidelity to Thee!

The more Thy mysteries are blasphemed, the more firmly we shall believe them, O Sacred Heart of Jesus!

The more impiety endeavors to extinguish our hopes of immortality, the more we shall trust in Thy Heart, sole hope of mankind!

The more hearts resist Thy Divine attractions, the more we shall love Thee, O infinitely amiable Heart of Jesus!

The more unbelief attacks Thy Divinity, the more humbly and profoundly we shall adore It, O Divine Heart of Jesus!

The more Thy holy laws are transgressed and ignored, the more we shall delight to observe them, O most holy Heart of Jesus!

The more Thy Sacraments are despised and abandoned, the more frequently we shall receive them with love and reverence, O most liberal Heart of Jesus!

The more the imitation of Thy virtues is neglected and forgotten, the more we shall endeavor to practice them, O Heart of Jesus, model of every virtue!

The more the devil labors to destroy souls, the more we shall be inflamed with desire to save them, O Heart of Jesus, zealous Lover of souls!

The more sin and impurity destroy the image of God in man, the more we shall try by purity of life to be a living temple of the Holy Spirit, O Heart of Jesus!

The more Thy Holy Church is despised, the more we shall endeavor to be her faithful children, O Sweet Heart of Jesus!

The more Thy Vicar on earth is persecuted, the more we will honor him as the infallible head of Thy Holy Church, show our fidelity and pray for him, O kingly Heart of Jesus!

O Sacred Heart, through Thy powerful grace, may we become Thy apostles in the midst of a corrupted world, and be Thy crown in the kingdom of heaven. **Amen.**

If you have any questions on the devotions or would like to discuss committing to a set hour of your choosing to attend Our Lord each month, please don’t hesitate to contact me via call, text, or email.

Thank you and God bless,  
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**FOOD PANTRY NEWS**

At this time we are asking for **Masa corn meal and canola oil**. Thank you for your support. We served 58 people last weekend!

**LITURGICAL AID**

Proper (Cycle B-II)	Mass Readings		Psalms
<b>Sunday</b> <i>SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</i>	Leviticus 13:1-2,44-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1; Mark 1:40-45		<b>SUN II</b>
<b>Monday</b>	James 1:1-11; Mark 8:11-13		<b>Mon II</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	James 1:12-18; Mark 8:14-21		<b>Tue II</b>
<b>Wednesday</b> <i>ASH WEDNESDAY</i>	Joel 2:12-18; 2 Corinthians 5:20-6:2; Matthew 6:1-6,16-18		<b>Fri III</b>
<b>Thursday</b> <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Luke 9:22-25		<b>Thu IV</b>
<b>Friday</b> <i>Lenten Weekday</i>	Isaiah 58:1-9a; Matthew 9:14-15		<b>Fri IV</b>
<b>Saturday</b> <i>Lenten Weekday; Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order</i>	Isaiah 58:9b-14; Luke 5:27-32		<b>Sat IV</b>
<b>Sunday</b> <i>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT</i>	Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15		<b>SUN I</b>

**CHURCH EVENT SCHEDULE – February 11, 2018**

Sunday	8:15 am 9:00 am  10:30 am 11:00 am After Mass 4:00 pm	Confessions <b>SUNDAY MASS:</b> <i>Deceased Members of the Grenier Family†</i> Confessions <b>SUNDAY MASS: Pro Populo</b> Burning of Palms for Ash Wednesday <b>SUNDAY MASS</b> at WCU Student Center
Monday	9:00 am 9:30 am 7:00 pm	<b>WEEKDAY MASS: Scott Reitz†</b> Morning Prayer Latino Apologetics in the Conference Center
Tuesday	9:00 am 9:30 am	<b>WEEKDAY MASS: Georgia Newsom</b> Morning Prayer
Wednesday	9:00 am 12:30 pm 4:45 pm 5:30 pm 7:00 pm	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY MASS: Bill Kennedy†</b> Distribution of Ashes at WCU Student Center Confessions until 5:20 pm <b>ASH WEEKDAY BI-LINGUAL MASS: Phil Stack (Birthday)</b> Latino Readers' Practice in the Church
Thursday	9:00 am 9:30 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:30 pm	<b>WEEKDAY MASS: Anthony Camerote†</b> Morning Prayer Knights of Columbus Meeting in the Conference Center RCIA Latino Choir Practice in the Church Latino <i>Familias Pastoral</i> in the Conference Center
Friday	9:00 am After Mass 9:30 am 5:00 pm 5:30 pm	<b>WEEKDAY MASS: Darren Balkey</b> Confessions Adoration and Benediction until 10:30 am Knights of Columbus' FISH FRY until 7:30 pm STATIONS OF THE CROSS in the Church
Saturday	9:00 am 9:30 am 5:45 pm 7:00 pm	<b>WEEKDAY MASS: Anna Morrill (Birthday)</b> Morning Prayer Confessions until 6:45 pm <b>MISA EN ESPANOL: Ana Jimena (Birthday)</b>
Sunday	8:15 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 11:00 am 1:00 pm 3:00 pm 4:00 pm	Confessions <b>SUNDAY MASS: Pro Populo</b> Confessions <b>SUNDAY MASS: Fedora Goffinet†</b> Lay Carmelite Community Meeting in the Conference Center Meeting of THE MEN at George Knauer's <b>SUNDAY MASS</b> at WCU Student Center