



St. Mary, Mother of God, Catholic Church

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10/10/21 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time

XXVIII Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Pastor: Rev. Paul Asoh, MSP

Deacons: Rev. Mr. Matthew Newsome
Rev. Mr. John Szarek
Rev. Mr. Daniel Pyles

Staff:

Director of Religious Education: Luci Castillo

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Bookkeeper: Ellen Miller

Music Director: Joe Conway

St. Mary's Book Rack: Mary Ann Kuehl

Receptionists: Sheila Painschab & Beth Fields

Office Assistant: Courtney McLaughlin

MASS TIMES at St. Mary's

Weekend Masses:

Saturday Vigil at 7:00 pm (Español)
Sunday at 8:30 am 11:30 am

Daily Masses:

Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturdays at
9:00 am; Wednesday at 5:30 pm

Misas de fin de semana:

Vigilia del sábado a las 7:00 pm (Español)
Domingo a las 8:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m.

Misas diarias:

Lunes, jueves, viernes y sábados a las 9:00 a.m.
Miércoles a las 5:30 p.m.

Mass Times at WCU: Catholic Campus Ministry
(during the academic school year) Sunday: 4:00 pm
Friday Daily Mass: 12:15 pm

CONFESSION/CONFESIONES at St. Mary's

Sunday: 10:45 until 11:15 am

Wednesdays at 4:45 pm, Friday at 9:30 am
and Saturday at 5:00 pm
Or by appointment

Tiempos de confesiones

Miércoles de 4:45-5:15 pm
Viernes 9:30-10:30 am durante la Adoración
Sábado 5:00-6:00 pm
O con cita previa

Adoration and Benediction

Every Friday following Mass until 10:30 am
1st Friday from 9:30 am -10:00 pm
1st Saturday Holy Hour after Mass

Adoración y Bendición

Todos los viernes después de la misa hasta las 10:30
a.m. 1er viernes de 9:30 a.m. a 10:00 p.m.
1er sábado hora santa después de la misa

Main Line/Reception: 828-586-9496 Sacrament Emergency: 828-631-0576

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Calendar –October 10th to 17th

Sunday	8:30 am	Sunday Mass	Richard Beauchemin+
	11:30 am	Sunday Mass	Pro Populo
	4:00 pm	Sunday Mass (at WCU)	
Monday:	9:00 am	Daily Mass	Harvey Alexander+
Tuesday:	6:00 pm	RCIA	Parish Hall
Wednesday:	5:30 pm	Daily Mass	Fr. Paul Asoh
Thursday:	9:00 am	Daily Mass	
Friday:	9:00 am	Daily Mass	Fr. Matt Strickenberger
Saturday:	9:00 am	Daily Mass	
	7:00 pm	Vigil Mass (Spanish):	
Sunday	8:30 am	Sunday Mass	Jim Alexander+
	11:30 am	Sunday Mass	Pro Populo
	4:00 pm	Sunday Mass (at WCU)	

October is Respect Life Month and the Month of Mary!

Let us all *pray the Rosary* for the protection of the unborn,
and for wisdom in the US Supreme Court
as they take up a landmark pro-life case in December.

From the Pastor's Desk

My Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Jesus's Invitation to Wisdom and Stewardship

Today, we are advised, "Get wisdom, get understanding! ... Do not forsake her, and she will preserve you; love her, and she will safeguard you" (Proverbs 4:5-6). For by [wisdom] your days will be multiplied and the years of your life increased (Proverbs 9:10-11). Despite his wealth, the young king, Solomon, prayed for wisdom: "Give your servant, therefore, a listening heart to judge your people and to distinguish between good and evil" (1 King 3:9). This passage comes to mind in my prayers and the many decisions I have made and have to make. May God grant us discernment which is one of the gifts of the wisdom of God.

The second reading says, "Indeed, the word of God is living and effective, sharper than any two-edged sword, penetrating even between soul and spirit, joints and marrow, and able to discern reflections and thoughts of the heart" (Hebrews 4:12-13). This means that if we rely on the word of God, we will gain the wisdom that will always guide us to discern properly and to judge wisely. We must always refer to the word of God for our decisions and actions.

In the gospel, the young man tried to live right by keeping the commandments. "You shall not kill; you shall not commit adultery; you shall not steal; you shall not bear false witness; you shall not defraud; honor your father and your mother" (Mark 10:19) were also civil laws. But they were the minimum of every Jew or Christian and not extraordinary, and he himself could sense it, that was why he came to Jesus saying, "What more must I do?"

Therefore, Jesus challenged him to step out of his comfort zone and begin to live a more radical life of self-giving, charity and self-sacrifice that are beyond keeping to the letter of the law. "'You are lacking in one thing. Go, sell what you have, and give to the poor ... , then come and follow me.' At the statement his face fell, and he went away sad, for he had many possessions" (Mark 10:21-22). His major problem is not that he had many possessions, but he lacked the spirit of self-giving and self-sacrifice.

Some persons have the special calling which makes them able to, practically, give up their material possessions. Some persons are able to give up family and property in order to serve God and humanity. Many people are not called that way. But in one way or another, everyone is invited to a life of self-giving and self-sacrifice. This is what Stewardship is all about. How much of our hours, talents and treasures do we share with God or the things of God? If we come to Church a few times in a year, Jesus invites us to a deeper commitment. If we come once a week on Sunday, He invites us to engage more: Join a ministry, commission or Bible or Book study. If already doing so, ask the Lord in prayer and meditation, what more can I do? We can respond positively to Jesus' invitation. Or, we can give excuses and go away sad. Our unwillingness to live life of the Stewardship of self-giving and self-sacrifice are the "many possessions." Therefore, to think that Jesus' words refer only to those having material possessions is to misunderstand the message. God bless you all for your generosity of time, talents and treasures.

Sincerely in Christ, Pastor, Fr. Paul Asoh, MSP

Housekeeping:

1. The Catholic Daughters of America will be speaking to us for two or three minutes after Communion about their Society and what they do and how they help the Church and Parishes. They are inviting new and old members from St. Mary's to their meeting in the Conference center on Thursday October 14 by 6:00 pm.
2. The Parish Fall festival is coming up on Friday October 29.



Desde el Escritorio del Pastor

Mis queridos hermanos y hermanas:

La invitación de Jesús a la sabiduría y la mayordomía

Hoy, se nos aconseja: “¡Obtén sabiduría, obtén entendimiento! ... No la abandones, y ella te preservará; ámala, y ella te protegerá ”(Proverbios 4: 5-6). Porque con [sabiduría] se multiplicarán tus días y se aumentarán los años de tu vida (Proverbios 9: 10-11). A pesar de su riqueza, el joven rey Salomón oró pidiendo sabiduría: “Da, pues, a tu siervo un corazón atento para juzgar a tu pueblo y para distinguir entre el bien y el mal” (1 Rey 3: 9). Este pasaje me viene a la mente en mis oraciones y en las muchas decisiones que he tomado y debo tomar. Que Dios nos conceda el discernimiento, que es uno de los dones de la sabiduría de Dios.

La segunda lectura dice: "En verdad, la palabra de Dios es viva y eficaz, más cortante que cualquier espada de dos filos, penetra incluso entre el alma y el espíritu, las coyunturas y la médula, y es capaz de discernir los reflejos y los pensamientos del corazón" (Hebreos 4 : 12-13). Esto significa que si confiamos en la palabra de Dios, obtendremos la sabiduría que siempre nos guiará para discernir correctamente y juzgar sabiamente. Siempre debemos referirnos a la palabra de Dios para nuestras decisiones y acciones.

En el evangelio, el joven trató de vivir correctamente guardando los mandamientos. “No matarás; No cometerás adulterio; no robarás; no darás falso testimonio; no defraudarás; honra a tu padre ya tu madre ”(Marcos 10:19) también eran leyes civiles. Pero eran lo mínimo de todo judío o cristiano y no extraordinarios, y él mismo podía sentirlo, por eso se acercó a Jesús diciendo: "¿Qué más debo hacer?"

Por lo tanto, Jesús lo desafió a salir de su zona de confort y comenzar a vivir una vida más radical de entrega, caridad y autosacrificio que van más allá de cumplir con la letra de la ley. "Te falta una cosa. Ve, vende lo que tienes y dáselo a los pobres ... y luego ven y sígueme '. Al oír la declaración, su rostro se encogió y se fue triste, porque tenía muchas posesiones ”(Marcos 10: 21-22). Su mayor problema no es que tuviera muchas posesiones, sino que carecía del espíritu de entrega y sacrificio de sí mismo.

Algunas personas tienen una vocación especial que les permite, prácticamente, renunciar a sus posesiones materiales. Algunas personas pueden renunciar a su familia y sus propiedades para servir a Dios y a la humanidad. Mucha gente no se llama así. Pero de una forma u otra, todo el mundo está invitado a una vida de entrega y sacrificio personal. De esto se trata la corresponsabilidad. ¿Cuánto de nuestras horas, talentos y tesoros compartimos con Dios o con las cosas de Dios? Si vamos a la Iglesia algunas veces al año, Jesús nos invita a un compromiso más profundo. Si venimos una vez a la semana el domingo, Él nos invita a participar más: Unirnos a un ministerio, comisión o estudio de la Biblia o del Libro. Si ya lo está haciendo, pregúntele al Señor en oración y meditación, ¿qué más puedo hacer? Podemos responder positivamente a la invitación de Jesús. O podemos dar excusas y marcharnos tristes. Nuestra falta de voluntad para vivir la mayordomía de la entrega y el sacrificio de uno mismo son las "muchas posesiones". Por lo tanto, pensar que las palabras de Jesús se refieren solo a quienes tienen posesiones materiales es malinterpretar el mensaje. Dios los bendiga a todos por su generosidad de tiempo, talentos y tesoros.

Sinceramente en Cristo, Pastor, P. Paul Asoh, MSP

Noticias:

1. Las Hijas Católicas de América nos hablarán durante dos o tres minutos después de la Comunión sobre su Sociedad y lo que hacen y cómo ayudan a la Iglesia y las parroquias. Están invitando a miembros nuevos y antiguos de St. Mary's a su reunión en el centro de conferencias el jueves 14 de octubre a las 6:00 pm.
2. El festival Parroquial de Otoño se acerca el viernes 29 de octubre.



Religious Education

Faith Formation Classes are Wednesday October 20th, at 6:30pm

Will begin with Adoration with a community meeting afterwards.
Remember you will get screened at the entrance.

If you are interested in volunteering please come and talk to Luci. We appreciate your help!

Las clases de formación de fe son el miércoles 20 de octubre a las 6:30 pm

Comenzará con la Adoración con una reunión comunitaria después.
Recuerde que le checaran la temperatura en la entrada.

Si está interesado en ser voluntario, venga y hable con Luci. ¡Apreciamos su ayuda!

Stewardship

The offertory collection last weekend was \$3,217; Month to date: \$3,217
Priests Retirement: \$4,255 has been collected toward our goal of \$4,611

La recaudación del ofertorio el semana pasado fue de \$3,217; Mes: \$3,217
Jubilación de sacerdotes: Se han recaudado \$4,255 para nuestra meta de \$4,611

WCU Campus Ministry

RAFFLE

Raffle tickets for the 2021 campus ministry fundraising raffle will be available after the Masses on **Sunday, Oct. 9**, for Homecoming weekend. Tickets are \$5 each, or a **book of five tickets for \$20**. The raffle is for **two cash prizes of \$1000 each**, meaning each ticket gives you two chances to win. All proceeds go to support campus ministry in our diocese, including our ministry at Western Carolina University.

The **drawing will be on December 16**, so if you miss your chance to purchase tickets on Oct. 9, please see Deacon Matt before the drawing to get tickets, or **email ccm@wcucatholic.org**. You do not need to be present to win. Thank you for supporting Catholic Campus Ministry!



2021 MINISTRY FAIR

After All Masses
NOV 6th AND 7th

Location: Parish Hall
Sponsored by the Stewardship Committee

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS - POR FAVOR GUARDE EN SUS ORACIONES:

Mary Ann Asbury, Justin Basenese, Jacki Bautista, Michael Burke, Moon Chung, Jim Clark, Sheila Coller, Will Crain, Diane Glover, Jim Glover, Rory Glover, Monica Glover, Debbie Hentschel, Barbara Jakiela, Skip Karby, Souhair Kwaham, Rita Lamanna, Daniella Machado, Tim Mann, Karen Matulis, Peter Namotka, Georgia Newsom, William Newsom, Jr., William Newsom, Sr., William Owen, Cathleen Pilch, Stephen Pilch, Zig Pilch, Cynthia Pitts, Alicia Ramirez, Stuart and Janet Snyder, Jay Thorne, Allen Thurston, Joshua Turner, Lewis Turner, Joe Waters, Pauline Watson, Bonnie Welch, Elaine Wilkes

Those Called to Active Duty: Luke Turner

Serving a Vocation: Sr. Catherine, OCD and Fr. Joseph Wasswa (Diocese of Charlotte)

and for all the prayers written in our parish book of prayers.

*If you know of someone to be added to the prayer list
or is homebound that would like a visit
please email or call the office.*

Ministry Fair – November 6 & 7 – Feria del Ministerio

Come and see all the COMMISSIONS and COMMITTEES to join or volunteer!

Liturgy Commission

- Assist the Pastor with the planning and coordination of all liturgical, para-liturgical, and celebrations of the faith.
- Oversee and coordinate the expression of faithful worship.
- Schedule liturgical ministers that assist with sacramental celebrations (Mass servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Readers, Ushers, Musicians, Choir).
- With the Altar Guild, monitor liturgical supplies such as candles, vestments, altar cloths, and vessels, ordering replacements as necessary.
- Oversee the distribution of Holy Communion to the home bound and those in assisted living facilities.

Buildings & Grounds Commission

- Plan, build, repair, and maintain all parish buildings and land assets.
- Ensure that our Catholic family and visitors worship in a safe and beautiful environment.

Watch the bulletin to learn about all of our Commissions and Committees at St. Mary Mother of God

¡Ven y conoce todas las COMISIONES y COMITÉS para unirte o ser voluntario!

Comisión de Liturgia

- Ayudar al pastor con planes y coordinación de todas las celebraciones litúrgicas y de la fe.
- Supervisar la expresión de la adoración fiel.
- Programar ministros litúrgicos que ayuden con las celebraciones sacramentales monagillos, ministros extraordinarios de la Sagrada Comunión, lectores, ujieres, músicos, coro).
- Con el Altar Guild, supervise los suministros litúrgicos incluyendo velas, vestimentas, manteles de altar y vasijas, solicitando reemplazos según sea necesario.
- Supervisar la distribución de la Sagrada Comunión a las personas confinadas en el hogar y las que se encuentran en instalaciones de vida asistida..

Comisión de Edificios y Terrenos

- Planificar, construir, reparar y mantener todos los edificios y terrenos de la parroquia.
- Asegurarse de que nuestra familia católica y los visitantes adoren en un entorno seguro y hermoso..

Mire el boletín para conocer todas nuestras comisiones y comités en Santa María Madre de Dios

Parish Organizations

Parish Council

Chair: Brian Raming

Secretary: Sue Szarek

Parish Finance Council

Chair: Robin Starrs

Buildings & Grounds Commission

Chair: Don Pierce

Communications & Evangelization Commission

Chair: Mike Ensley

- Online & Social Media Resources:
Deacon. Matt and Steve Kuehl

Community Outreach Commission

Chair: Elaina Quijada

- Food Pantry: Yenny Sanchez
- Respect Life: Sue Szarek
- Prison Ministry: Steve Kuehl

Faith Education & Formation Commission

DRE: Luci Castillo

- Sacramental Preparation: Bonny Dodge
 - RCIA Coordinator: Mike Ensley
- Small Group Bible Studies: Tom Asbury

Liturgical Commission

Chair: Joe Conway

- Altar Guild: Sue Szarek

Hispanic Community Commission

Chair: Javier and Marta Espinoza

Parish Life Commission

Chair: Beth Fields

- Deputy Chair: Bonny Dodge
- Knights of Columbus: Jonathan Fischer
- Lay Carmelites: Director: Jean Burton

Stewardship Committee

Chair: Brian Raming

WCU Campus Ministry

Campus Minister: Deacon Matt Newsome

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New to the parish?

Please stop by the Welcome Desk in the Hall and complete a registration form.

**If interested in volunteer opportunities please call the office
and we will help you share your time and talents within the parish.**

¿Nuevo en la parroquia?

Pase por el mostrador de bienvenida en el salón y complete un formulario de registro.

**Si está interesado en oportunidades de voluntariado, llame a la oficina
y veremos cómo compartir su tiempo y talentos dentro de la parroquia.**



FALL FESTIVAL

AT ST.MARY'S

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29TH
AT 5:00PM

ACTIVITIES

CAR DECORATIONS
SOCCER CHALLENGE
COOK BOOK RECIPE DINNER
NEIGHBORHOOD TRICK-OR-TREATING
SMASH PIE
SILENT AUCTION
COSTUME CONTEST

DRESS
YOUR
CHILD AS
A SAINT.
BEST
COSTUME
WINS!

Sign up on the sheet in
the hall to show off
your favorite recipe!

Bring your favorite recipe or national dish