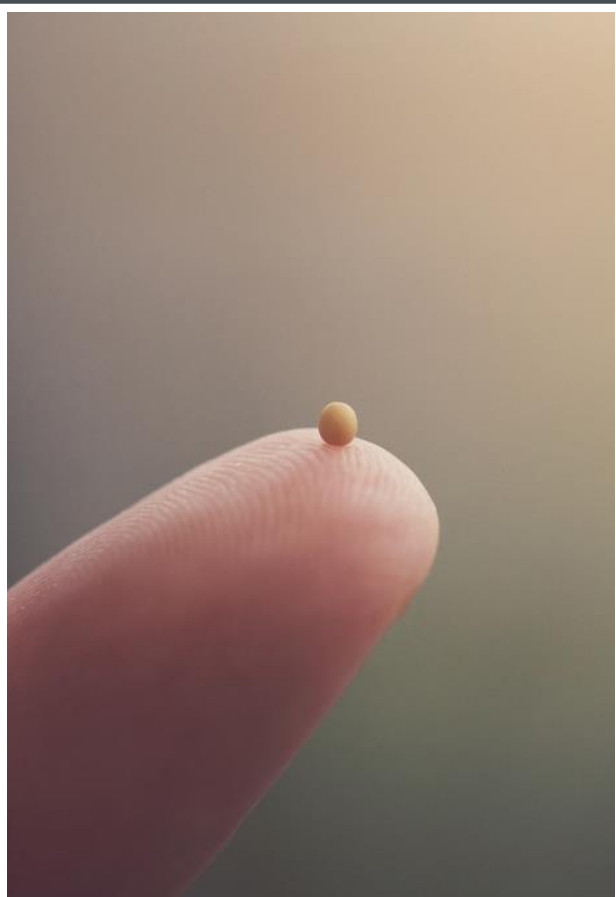


St. Mary, Mother of God, Catholic Church

22 Bartlett Street, Sylva NC, 28779

Office: 828-586-9496 Fax: 828-586-2167

10/02/22 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time
XXVII Domingo en el Tiempo Ordinario



*“If you have faith the size
of a mustard seed...”*

Pastor: Rev. Paul Asoh, MSP (Ext 102)

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

Administrative Assistant to the Pastor / DRC:

Luci Castillo (Ext 101/103)

Receptionist / Office Assistant: Sarah Brown (Ext 100)

Liturgical Music: Joe Conway (Ext 104)

Bookkeeper: Carla Haire

St. Mary's Book Rack: Mary Ann Kuehl

Receptionist: Beth Fields

Office Hours / Horas de Oficina

Monday & Thursday: 10 to 2; Friday: 9 to 2; Saturday: 10 to 1
Lunes y Jueves: 10 to 2; Viernes: 9 to 2 Sabado: 10 to 1

MASS TIMES at St. Mary Mother of God

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 am & 11:30 am

Misas diarias:

Lunes, jueves, viernes y sábados a las 9:00 am
Miércoles a las 5:30 pm

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

CONFESSION/CONFESIONES

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 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm
1st Friday from 9:30 am -8:00 pm
1st Saturday Holy Hour after Mass

Adoración y Bendición

Todos los viernes de 6:00 a 8:00 pm
Primer viernes de 9:30 am a 8:00 pm
Primer sábado Hora Santa después de la Misa

Main Line/Reception: 828-586-9496

Sacrament Emergency: 828-631-0576

Email: smmgooffice@stmarymotherofgod.com

Calendar – October 2nd to 9th

Sunday	8:30 am	Sunday Mass
	10:00 am	Extreme Mercy – Fr. Donald Calloway – Session 3
	11:30 am	Sunday Mass William Newsom+
	4:00 pm	Sunday Mass (at WCU)
Monday:	9:00 am	NO MASS
	7:00 pm	Hispanic Ministry Meeting
	7:00 pm	No Greater Love Movie – Ruby Cinemas
Tuesday:	7:00 pm	No Greater Love Movie – Ruby Cinemas
Wednesday:	5:30 pm	NO MASS
	6:30 pm	Faith Formation Classes
Thursday:	9:00 am	NO MASS
Friday:	9:00 am	Communion Service
	10:00 am	First Friday Adoration (until 8:00 pm)
	2:00 pm	Men’s Retreat Begins – Catholic Conference Center, Hickory NC
	12:15 pm	NO MASS (at WCU)
Saturday:	9:00 am	Daily Mass Mincio Family
	9:30 am	Knights of Columbus 4 th Degree Meeting
	7:00 pm	Misa en Español
Sunday	8:30 am	Sunday Mass Jim Alexander+
	10:00 am	Extreme Mercy – Fr. Donald Calloway – Session 4
	11:30 am	Sunday Mass Reiter Family
	4:00 pm	Sunday Mass (at WCU)

To request a Mass Intention:

Email to massintentions@stmarymotherofgod.com

Or use the envelopes near the women’s bathroom

Liturgical Minister Schedule – Next Week

Mass / Misa	Ushers / Hospitalidad	Readers / Lecturas	Servers / Monaguillos
Sabado Oct 8 7:00 pm	Familia Perez	Martha Espinoza	
Sunday Oct 9 8:30am	Mike Ensley Don Pierce	Caryn Raming	Brian Raming
Sunday Oct 9 11:30am	Robin Starrs Joe Cerniglia	Jonathan Fischer	Alister, Gideon, Kristen, Maddie, Malcolm

From the Pastor's Desk

Angels: Our Allies in Heaven and on Earth

Angels are spirits without bodies, who possess superior intelligence, gigantic strength and surpassing holiness. The name angel pertains more to their duties as messengers of God's will than a description of their person. They enjoy an intimate relationship with God as His special adopted children, contemplating, loving and praising Him in heaven. Some of them are frequently sent as messengers to humans from on high. These are the archangels. Archangel means "chief messenger". angel means "messenger". We celebrated the feast of the Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael last Thursday and the memorial of our guardian angels falls on Sunday this year, but the solemnity of the Lord's Day takes precedence. So last week and this week we celebrate the archangels and our guardians angels and continue to ask for their prayers and protection.

Michael means "Who is like God?" There is no one who can do what God can do, or claim to be God as the devil tried to do in pride. He is the archangel who defend God's friends against Satan and all his evil spirits. Holy Scripture describes St. Michael as "one of the chief princes", and as leader of the forces of heaven in their triumph over the powers of hell (Revelation 12:7-9). He has been especially honoured and invoked as patron and protector by the Church from the time of the apostles.

Gabriel means "power of God". He is God's secretary. A secretary, in the original meaning of the word, is one to whom secrets are entrusted. There was a secret hidden in the heart of God from eternity. It was God's secret to repair sin through the sacrificial death of His Son. This secret is now entrusted to the archangel Gabriel, who in turn is to reveal it to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Finally, he announced to Mary that she would bear a Son who would be conceived of the Holy Spirit, Son of the Most High and the Saviour of the world (Luke 1:26). He was also the angel who appeared to Zechariah to announce the birth of John the Baptist (Luke 1:11).

Raphael means "the healing of God". He first appeared in the book of Tobit. He acts as a guide to young Tobias on his journey to Rages, a city in the country of the Medes, east of Nineveh, to collect a debt owed his father. He binds the demon Asmodeus, helps Tobias to find a wife, recovers the debt, and heals Tobit from his blindness. He then reveals his identity. "I am Raphael, one of the seven angels who stand ready and enter before the glory of the Lord" (Tobit 12:14-15).

Angels continually intervene to protect us from danger, call us away from sin and the traps of evil and the evil one/ones. That is the role of our guardian angels and other angels. We are encouraged to listen to them. We celebrate the work they have done on our behalf and strive to follow their example of quick obedience and love for God. History is full of many stories of angelic intervention even within our modern culture. Bishop Barron talks about one of his favorite ones: "A man who was flying a single-engine plane during a severe storm. At one point, his communication system failed, and he found himself without a means to make it to the airport. Just as he was about to give up hope, a strong voice came through the radio. It gave directions to an airport the pilot knew nothing about. The voice guided him to the runway of a small airport. When he landed, he realized that the airport was abandoned. No personnel were on the ground or in the tower."

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

Housekeeping:

1. The annual Priests Retreat of the Diocese of Charlotte starts from the evening of Sunday October 2nd until Friday October 7th. There will not be any morning Mass in the Parish from October 3rd through October 7th. But there will be a Communion Service on Friday at 9 am followed by First Friday Adoration starting at 9:30 am.
2. DIOCESAN ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION - If you are celebrating your Silver or Golden Wedding Anniversary this year (married in 1972 or 1997), you and your family are invited to the annual Diocesan Anniversary Mass on Sunday, October 23rd at St. Ann Catholic Church. Mass begins at 2:30 p.m. and will be followed by a reception. Please register at <https://charlottediocese.org/bishops-yearly-anniversary-mass-for-couples/>.
3. We welcome Ms. Carla Haire who will be assuming the bookkeeping role for St. Mary Mother of God Parish. We thank her for her generosity of time and commitment..
4. Since the Executive Assistant to the Pastor will be out on leave **from October 17th to November 11th**, office hours during this time will be: Wednesday 2pm – 4pm; Friday 9am – 2pm; Saturday 10am – 1pm.



Desde el Escritorio del Pastor

Ángeles: Nuestros Aliados en el Cielo y en la Tierra

Los ángeles son espíritus sin cuerpo, que poseen una inteligencia superior, una fuerza gigantesca y una santidad incomparable. El nombre ángel se relaciona más con sus deberes como mensajeros de la voluntad de Dios que con una descripción de su persona. Disfrutan de una relación íntima con Dios como sus hijos adoptivos especiales, contemplándolo, amándolo y alabándolo en el cielo. Algunos de ellos son enviados con frecuencia como mensajeros a los humanos desde lo alto. Estos son los arcángeles. Arcángel significa "mensajero principal". Ángel significa "mensajero". Celebramos la fiesta de los Arcángeles Miguel, Gabriel y Rafael el pasado jueves y el memorial de nuestros ángeles custodios cae este año en domingo, pero prima la solemnidad del día del Señor. Así que la semana pasada y esta semana celebramos a los arcángeles y a nuestros ángeles de la guarda y seguimos pidiendo sus oraciones y protección.

Michael significa "¿Quién es como Dios?" No hay nadie que pueda hacer lo que Dios puede hacer, o pretender ser Dios como el diablo trató de hacer en su orgullo. Es el arcángel que defiende a los amigos de Dios contra Satanás y todos sus malos espíritus. La Sagrada Escritura describe a San Miguel como "uno de los principales príncipes", y como líder de las fuerzas del cielo en su triunfo sobre los poderes del infierno (Apocalipsis 12:7-9). Ha sido especialmente honrado e invocado como patrón y protector por la Iglesia desde la época de los apóstoles.

Gabriel significa "poder de Dios". Es el secretario de Dios. Un secretario, en el sentido original de la palabra, es alguien a quien se le confían secretos. Había un secreto escondido en el corazón de Dios desde la eternidad. Era el secreto de Dios reparar el pecado a través de la muerte sacrificial de Su Hijo. Este secreto está ahora confiado al arcángel Gabriel, quien a su vez lo revelará a la Santísima Virgen María. Finalmente, anunció a María que daría a luz un Hijo que sería concebido por obra del Espíritu Santo, Hijo del Altísimo y Salvador del mundo (Lc 1,26). También fue el ángel que se apareció a Zacarías para anunciar el nacimiento de Juan el Bautista (Lucas 1:11).

Rafael significa "la curación de Dios". Apareció por primera vez en el libro de Tobías. Actúa como guía del joven Tobías en su viaje a Rages, una ciudad en el país de los medos, al este de Nínive, para cobrar una deuda con su padre. Ata al demonio Asmodeo, ayuda a Tobías a encontrar esposa, recupera la deuda y cura a Tobías de su ceguera. Luego revela su identidad. "Yo soy Rafael, uno de los siete ángeles que están listos y entran ante la gloria del Señor" (Tobías 12, 14-15).

Los ángeles intervienen continuamente para protegernos del peligro, alejarnos del pecado y de las trampas del mal y de los malvados. Ese es el papel de nuestros ángeles guardianes y otros ángeles. Nos animamos a escucharlos. Celebramos el trabajo que han hecho por nosotros y nos esforzamos por seguir su ejemplo de rápida obediencia y amor a Dios. La historia está llena de muchas historias de intervención angelical incluso dentro de nuestra cultura moderna. El obispo Barron habla de uno de sus favoritos: "Un hombre que volaba un avión monomotor durante una fuerte tormenta. En un momento, su sistema de comunicación falló y se encontró sin medios para llegar al aeropuerto. Justo cuando estaba a punto de perder la esperanza, una voz fuerte llegó a través de la radio. Daba indicaciones para llegar a un aeropuerto del que el piloto no sabía nada. La voz lo guió hasta la pista de un pequeño aeropuerto. Cuando aterrizó, se dio cuenta de que el aeropuerto estaba abandonado. No había personal en tierra ni en la torre".

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

Noticias:

1. El Retiro Anual de Sacerdotes de la Diócesis de Charlotte comienza desde la noche del domingo 2 de octubre hasta el viernes 7 de octubre. No habrá misa matutina en la parroquia del 3 al 7 de octubre. Pero habrá un Servicio de Comunión el viernes a las 9 am seguido de la Adoración del Primer Viernes a partir de las 9:30 am.
2. CELEBRACIÓN DEL ANIVERSARIO DIOCESANO - Si está celebrando su Aniversario de Bodas de Plata o de Oro este año (casado en 1972 o 1997), usted y su familia están invitados a la Misa anual de Aniversario Diocesano el domingo 23 de octubre en la Iglesia Católica St. Ann. La misa comienza a las 2:30 p.m. y será seguido por una recepción. Regístrese en <https://charlottediocese.org/bishops-yearly-anniversary-mass-for-couples/>.
3. Damos la bienvenida a la Sra. Carla Haire, quien asumirá la función de contabilidad de la Parroquia de Santa María Madre de Dios. Le agradecemos su generosidad de tiempo y compromiso..
4. Dado que el Asistente Ejecutivo del Párroco estará de **licencia del 17 de octubre al 11 de noviembre**, el horario de oficina durante este tiempo será: miércoles de 2 p. m. a 4 p. m.; viernes 9am – 2pm; Sábado 10am – 1pm.



Religious Education

Faith Formation has begun.
Classes for the new school year will be held in-person every week.

La formación en la fe ha comenzado. Las clases para el nuevo año escolar se llevarán a cabo en persona todas las semanas.



Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

Adults who desire to become Catholic attend OCIA, which includes study, prayer and rites at Mass. Participants in OCIA are called catechumens. They undergo a process of conversion as they study the Gospel, profess faith in Jesus and the Catholic Church, and receive the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Eucharist, usually at Easter.

For more information contact Mike Ensley or the office

Stewardship

Offertory last weekend: \$2,597 / September to date: \$12,723

Priests Retirement 2022: \$4,012 collected toward a goal of \$5,213

With deepest gratitude, we thank Ellen Miller for years of selfless service as our bookkeeper, and welcome Carla Haire as our new bookkeeper. Thank you!

Ofertorio último fin de semana: \$2,597 / Septiembre a la fecha: \$12,723

Retiro de sacerdotes 2022: \$4,012 recaudados para una meta de \$5,213

Con la más profunda gratitud, agradecemos a Ellen Miller por años de servicio desinteresado como nuestra contadora, y damos la bienvenida a Carla Haire como nuestra nueva contadora. ¡Gracias!

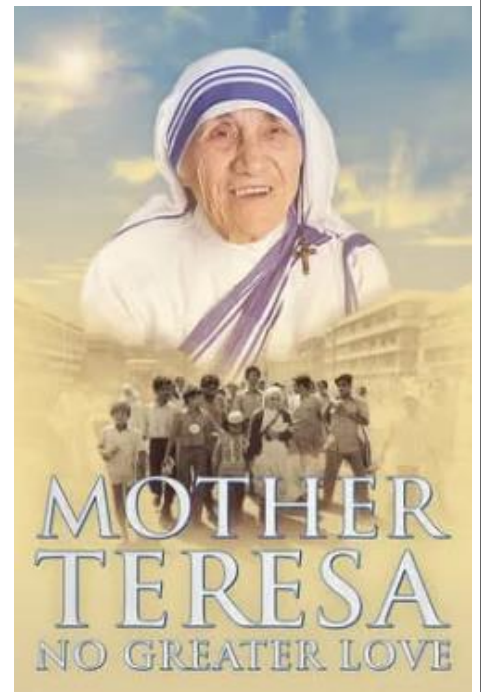
"No Greater Love" Movie / Película "No Hay Amor Más Grande"

25 years have passed since the death of Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Filmed on 5 continents, this film reveals not just who Mother Teresa was, but how her singular vision to serve Christ in the poor continues to be realized today. A soaring tribute to a spiritual icon, a powerful witness of authentic Christian charity, and a guidepost for all who seek hope in our turbulent times.

7:00pm only on October 1 and 2

Ruby Cinema – Franklin, NC

Han pasado 25 años desde la muerte de la Madre Teresa de Calcuta. Filmada en los 5 continentes, esta película revela no solo quién era la Madre Teresa, sino también cómo su singular visión de servir a Cristo en los pobres continúa realizándose hoy. Un elevado tributo a un ícono espiritual, un poderoso testimonio de auténtica caridad cristiana y una guía para todos los que buscan esperanza en nuestros tiempos turbulentos.



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

Charlotte Alexander, Alonso Family, Ángel Esteban Arrua, Rodolfo Martin Arruabarrena, Mary Ann Asbury, Justin Basenese, Jacki Bautista, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Luz Alejandra Bringas, Michael Burke, Cáceres Family, Moon Chung, Verónica Natalia Chávez, Jim Clark, Will Crain, Rebecca & Russell Ensley, Diane Glover, Jim Glover, Rory Glover, Monica Glover, Rita Goffinet, Marisa Graham, Miles Harris, Debbie Hentschel, Barbara Jakiela,, Souhair Kwaham, Rita Lamanna, Daniella Machado, Tim Mann, Sam Matthews, Karen Matulis, Paula McCafferty & McCafferty Family, Peter Namotka, Georgia Newsom, William Newsom, Jr., Linwood Newsome, Tom Nicoletti & Nicoletti Family, William Owen, Carolina Silvia Brizuela Pérez, Cathleen Pilch, Stephen Pilch, Zig Pilch, Cynthia Pitts, Alicia Ramirez, Rios Family, Verónica Rodríguez, SantaCruz Family, Stuart and Janet Snyder, María Sol Montel, 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.*

Extreme Mercy – Fr. Donald Calloway

Would you believe the story of someone who...

- Dropped out of High School...
- Ran away from home at age 15...
- Joined the Japanese mafia...
- Was deported from Japan handcuffed to a military transport...
- Followed the Grateful Dead across America...
- Nearly died from drug overdose...
- Was sent to a locked-down psychiatric institution...
- Met Jesus through Mary and became a priest!

Come hear the amazing conversion story of Fr. Donald Calloway which he tells with unmistakable zeal for the priesthood and devotion to Our Lady. Discover why Divine Mercy is for all of us at all times, especially in the most difficult situations.

Come hear the story at:

Donuts & Dogma

Continuing through
Sunday, October 9
at 10:00am

in the Fellowship Hall



You Are Invited / Estas Invitados

Happy 20th Anniversary to Father Paul!

The image is an invitation card for the 20th anniversary of the priestly ordination of Fr. Paul Asoh, MSP. On the right side, there is a photograph of Fr. Paul Asoh, a Black man with glasses, wearing white and gold vestments, with his hands clasped in prayer. On the left side, there is a smaller photograph of a red car parked in front of a building. The text on the card reads: 'You are invited TO THE 20TH ANNIVERSARY OF PRIESTLY ORDINATION OF FR. PAUL ASOH, MSP On Saturday October 22, 2022 Mass @ 10:30am St. Mary Mother of God Church, Sylva, NC 28779. RSVP: 828-586-9496'. There is a decorative flourish below the text.

¡Feliz 20 Aniversario al Padre Paul!

Eucharistic Revival / Avivamiento Eucarístico

Eucharistic Revival isn't only about our faith in the Eucharist, it is also how God heals and revives our fragmented world. Receiving the Eucharist is meant to **introduce a radical change within a person**, giving each of us the capacity for unmeasured self-giving love. And such love heals and renews, not only persons, **but cultures too**. Of course, merely adoring or receiving the Blessed Sacrament doesn't automatically create this kind of change. **Each of us must intentionally allow this encounter to influence us**. The world needs an **army of real disciples** who actually know Jesus intimately and how to live in a deep union with him. Great things then become possible.



El Avivamiento Eucarístico no se trata solo de nuestra fe en la Eucaristía, sino también de cómo Dios sana y revive nuestro mundo fragmentado. Recibir la Eucaristía está destinado a **introducir un cambio radical dentro de una persona**, dándonos la capacidad de un amor de entrega desmedido. Y tal amor sana y renueva, no sólo a las personas, **sino también a las culturas**. Por supuesto, simplemente adorar o recibir el Santísimo Sacramento no crea automáticamente este tipo de cambio. **Cada uno de nosotros debe permitir intencionalmente que este encuentro nos influya**. El mundo necesita **un ejército de verdaderos discípulos** que conozcan íntimamente a Jesús y sepan vivir en una profunda unión con él. Grandes cosas entonces se vuelven posibles.

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 Linda Gray

Community Outreach Commission

Chair: Elaina Quijada

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

Faith Education & Formation Commission

Chair: Bonnie Dodge

DRE: Luci Castillo

- OCIA Coordinator: Mike Ensley
- Contact Luci for sacramental needs

Liturgical Commission

Chair: Joe Conway

- Altar Guild: Sue Szarek

Hispanic Community Commission

Chair: Juan Carlos y Deisi Villegas

Parish Life Commission

Chair: Javier & Analise Comacho

- Knights of Columbus: Joe Cerniglia
- Lay Carmelites Director: Jean Burton

Stewardship Committee

Chair: Brian Raming

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youtube.com/c/StMaryMotherofGod

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New to the parish?

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

Want to volunteer? 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.

¿Quieres ser voluntario? Llame a la oficina y lo ayudaremos a compartir su tiempo y talentos dentro de la parroquia.

50th Anniversary Celebration / Celebración del 50 Aniversario

