



St. Mary, Mother of God, Catholic Church

22 Bartlett Street, Sylva NC, 28779

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**07/02/23-Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Decimotercer Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario**

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

Deacons: Rev. Mr. Matthew Newsome
Rev. Mr. John Szarek (retired)
Rev. Mr. Daniel Pyles

Administrative Assistant: Flor Widmar (Ext 101)
DRE: Luci Castillo (Ext 103)

Liturgical Music: Jonathan Fischer

Bookkeeper: Carla Haire

St. Mary's Book Rack: Mary Ann Kuehl

Office Hours / Horas de Oficina

Monday, Friday & Saturday: 10 to 2; Wednesday 12 to 2
Lunes, Viernes y Sábado: 10 a 2; Miércoles 12 a 2

Appointments with the Pastor

Monday/Lunes: 10:30 to 12:30; Thursday/Jueves: 10 to 2

MASS TIMES at St. Mary Mother of God

Weekend Masses:

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

Daily Masses:

Monday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 9:00 am
Wednesday at 5:30 pm
Last Thursday at 6:30 pm (Spanish)

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 sábado a las 9:00 am
Miércoles a las 5:30 pm
Último jueves a las 18:30 (Español)

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

CONFESION

Sunday: 10:45 until 11:15 am
Wednesdays at 5:00 pm, Friday at 9:30 am
and Saturday at 5:00 pm
Or by appointment

Tiempos de Confesiones

Domingo 10:45 am, Miércoles 5:00 pm
Viernes 9:30 am, Sábado 5:00 pm
O con cita previa

Adoration and Benediction

1st Friday from 9:30am-8:00 pm
1st Saturday Holy Hour after Mass
Last Thursday & Friday 7:00-8:00 pm

Adoración y Bendición

Primer viernes de 9:30 am a 8:00 pm
Primer sábado Hora Santa después de la Misa
Último jueves y viernes 7:00-8:00 pm

Main Line/Reception: 828-586-9496

Sacrament Emergency: 828-631-0576

Email: smmgoffice@stmarymotherofgod.com

Calendar – July 2nd–July 9th

Sunday	8:30 am	Sunday Mass	Linda Tiller+
	10:00 am	Donuts & Dogma	
	11:30 am	Sunday Mass	Darlene Hardin+
Monday:	9:00 am	Daily Mass	Alicia Elias+
	6:30 pm	English Class / Clase de Inglés	
Tuesday:	6:00pm	Fourth of July potluck	
Wednesday:	5:30 pm	Daily Mass	Savannah Finnegan+
Thursday:	9:00 am	Daily Mass	Bubb & Nigrini Families
Friday:	9:00 am	Daily Mass	Johannes Widmar
Saturday:	9:00 am	Daily Mass	Carmen Trevizo
	7:00 pm	Misa en Español	Oliver Castillo
Sunday	8:30 am	Sunday Mass	Paul Conway
	10:00 am	Donuts & Dogma	
	11:30 am	Sunday Mass	William Newsom

To request a Mass Intention: [Email to massintentions@stmarymotherofgod.com](mailto:massintentions@stmarymotherofgod.com)
Or use the envelopes near the women's restroom

Liturgical Minister Schedule – Next Week

Mass/Misa	Extraordinary Ministers	Readers/Lecturas	Servers/Monaguillos
Sábado, Julio 08 7:00pm	Jose Garcia & Azucena Garcia	Benita Bueno	
Sunday, July 09 8:30am	Patty Higgins & Kelly Wingard	Caryn Raming	Brian Raming Todd Wenberg
Sunday, July 09 11:30am	Joe Cerniglia & Sara Freeman	Jonathan Fischer	Alister Gideon Kristen Maddie

From the Pastor's Desk

Generosity of time and resources. Jesus tells us in the Gospel, “Whoever receives a prophet because he is a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward, and whoever receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man will receive a righteous man’s reward. Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple... will surely not lose his reward.”

It is important that we express gratitude to those who pay their tithe to the Church; those who bring various kinds of donations to the Church, to Church missions and establishments for the work of evangelization; those who sponsor the training of seminarians; and those who volunteer for all kinds of mission work and services in the Church and not expecting any material reward in return.

We also pray for governments, churches, organizations, and individuals who give of their time and generously, undertake works of mercy and charity to help and support the needy in our society and our world.

God rewarded the Shunamite woman and her husband. They provided for Elisha and his servant. They did this out of their generosity and goodwill and did not expect anything in return. We see in the passage that when she was asked what she needed, she said that she needed nothing; “I have all I need here among my own people.” She did not need any favors from the army commander or the king. Which Elisha was willing to put in a good word for them. She did not even ask for prayer for her to conceive and have a child. It was Elisha’s servant who asked for a child on her behalf. God has a way of rewarding people of goodwill! May God reward all our generous benefactors, benefactresses and volunteers. Psalm 20:3 prays, “May God remember your every offering, and graciously accept your burnt offering.” In Luke 6:38, Jesus promises, “Give and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you.”

The message today challenges our world driven by the selfish and self-interest motivated attitudes of ‘What’s in it for me?’ and ‘string attached mentality.’ Which is also called Judas Mentality. Unfortunately, the age-old sins of ‘What’s in it for me?’ and ‘string attached mentality’ pervade all areas of human existence and have brought so much horror and pain to humanity. Almost every human-made calamity, far and near, is caused by the sin of ‘What’s in it for me?’

Housekeeping:

1. The Parish Pastoral Council voted unanimously to name the Parish Hall: "The Joseph Conway Hall", for his immense dedication and commitment to volunteering his time and resources to the liturgical, Catechetical, and social life of the Parish. May God continue to grant him eternal rest.
2. We are still appealing for anyone who attends weekday Mass and is interested in being a Sacristan that is to help set up for weekday Masses, to get in touch with me, Brian Raming or Gary Bubb.
3. We will celebrate as a Parish on Tuesday 4th of July, starting with set up 5:00 pm on the 4th, followed by 4th of July celebrations in the Parish Hall at 6:00 pm (gathering and dinner) and viewing of the town's fireworks in the parking lot. You are all invited, let us thank God and rejoice together.
4. Out of 30 Baby Bottles taken for Smoky Mountain Pregnancy Crisis Center, only nine have been returned. Please return your baby bottle to an usher as soon as possible.



Desde el Escritorio del Pastor

Generosidad de tiempo y recursos. Jesús nos dice en el Evangelio: "El que recibe a un profeta por ser profeta, recompensa de profeta recibirá; y el que recibe a un justo por ser justo, recompensa de justo recibirá. Cualquiera que dé de beber a uno de estos pequeños solamente un vaso de agua fría porque el pequeño es un discípulo... ciertamente no perderá su recompensa".

Es importante que expresemos gratitud a aquellos que pagan su diezmo a la Iglesia; los que aportan donativos de diversa índole a la Iglesia, a las misiones y establecimientos de la Iglesia para la obra de evangelización; los que patrocinan la formación de seminaristas; y aquellos que se ofrecen como voluntarios para todo tipo de trabajo y servicios misioneros en la Iglesia y no esperan ninguna recompensa material a cambio.

También oramos por los gobiernos, iglesias, organizaciones e individuos que dan de su tiempo y generosamente emprenden obras de misericordia y caridad para ayudar y apoyar a los necesitados en nuestra sociedad y nuestro mundo.

Dios recompensó a la sunamita ya su esposo. Proveyeron para Eliseo y su sirviente. Lo hicieron por su generosidad y buena voluntad y no esperaban nada a cambio. Vemos en el pasaje que cuando le preguntaron qué necesitaba, dijo que no necesitaba nada; "Tengo todo lo que necesito aquí entre mi propia gente". Ella no necesitaba ningún favor del comandante del ejército o del rey. Lo cual Eliseo estaba dispuesto a hablar bien de ellos. Ni siquiera pidió oración para que ella pudiera concebir y tener un hijo. Fue el sirviente de Eliseo quien pidió un hijo en su nombre.

¡Dios tiene una manera de recompensar a las personas de buena voluntad! Que Dios recompense a todos nuestros generosos bienhechores, benefactores y voluntarios. El Salmo 20:3 ora: "Que Dios se acuerde de cada una de tus ofrendas, y acepte con misericordia tu holocausto". En Lucas 6:38, Jesús promete: "Dad, y se os darán dones; una buena medida, bien llena, remecida y rebosante, se derramará en vuestro regazo. Porque la medida con que midáis, os será medida."

El mensaje de hoy desafía a nuestro mundo impulsado por las actitudes egoístas y motivadas por el interés propio de "¿Qué hay para mí?" y "mentalidad atada". Que también se llama mentalidad de Judas. Desafortunadamente, los antiguos pecados de "¿Qué hay para mí?" y la "mentalidad atada a las cuerdas" impregnán todas las áreas de la existencia humana y han traído tanto horror y dolor a la humanidad. Casi todas las calamidades provocadas por el hombre, lejanas y cercanas, son causadas por el pecado de '¿Qué hay para mí?'

Limpieza interna:

1. El Consejo Pastoral Parroquial votó por unanimidad para nombrar el Salón Parroquial: "El Salón Joseph Conway", por su inmensa dedicación y compromiso de ofrecer su tiempo y recursos como voluntario para la liturgia, catequesis, y vida social de la Parroquia. Que Dios le siga dando el descanso eterno.
2. Todavía estamos apelando a cualquiera que asista a misa entre semana y esté interesado en ser un sacristán que ayude a organizar las misas entre semana, que se comunique conmigo, Brian Raming o Gary Bubb.
3. Celebraremos como parroquia el martes 4 de julio, comenzando con la instalación 5:00 p. m. el 4, seguido de las celebraciones del 4 de julio en el salón parroquial a las 6:00 p. m. (reunión y cena) y ver los fuegos artificiales de la ciudad en el estacionamiento. Están todos invitados, demos gracias a Dios y regocijémonos juntos.
4. De los 30 biberones que se llevaron al Centro de crisis de embarazos de Smoky Mountain, solo se devolvieron nueve. Devuelva su biberón a un ujier lo antes posible.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Catholic Charities serves the poor and vulnerable among us regardless of religious affiliation. Through programs including but not limited to burial assistance, bilingual licensed clinical mental health counseling, case management, refugee resettlement, elder ministry, and immigration services as well as our food & diaper pantry here in Asheville, *we seek to strengthen families, build communities, and reduce poverty.* **Need confidential assistance?** If you need help navigating family or health issues or just making ends meet please contact us at 828-255-0146.

Able to donate? Find us at www.ccdoc.org/give or mail a check to 50 Orange Street, Asheville, NC 28801 made out to Catholic Charities (memo line "food pantry")—a great way to stretch your dollars or if you don't have time to shop. If you prefer to donate specific items, please go to ccdoc.org/donate-grocery-items. Your donations stay local in the 12 westernmost counties of North Carolina!

Want to volunteer? We couldn't do what we do without our caring and dedicated volunteers! If you'd like to learn more about our current need for help with office reception or would like to learn more about possible future opportunities, please reach out to our Volunteer Coordinator, Hilary, at HRKALISH@ccdoc.org.

Caridades Católicas sirve a los pobres y vulnerables entre nosotros, independientemente de su afiliación religiosa. A través de programas que incluyen, entre otros, asistencia funeraria, asesoramiento clínico bilingüe autorizado sobre salud mental, gestión de casos, reasentamiento de refugiados, ministerio de ancianos y servicios de inmigración, así como nuestra despensa de alimentos y pañales aquí en Asheville, buscamos fortalecer familias, construir comunidades, y reducir la pobreza.

¿Necesita asistencia confidencial? Si necesita ayuda para resolver problemas familiares o de salud o simplemente para llegar a fin de mes, comuníquese con nosotros al 828-255-0146. Capaz de donar? Encuéntrenos en www.ccdoc.org/give o envíe un cheque por correo a 50 Orange Street, Asheville, NC 28801 a nombre de Caridades Católicas (línea de memo "despensa de alimentos"): una excelente manera de estirar su dinero o si no tener tiempo para ir de compras. Si prefiere donar artículos específicos, visite ccdoc.org/donate-grocery-items. ¡Sus donaciones se mantienen locales en los 12 condados más al oeste de Carolina del Norte!

¿Quieres ser voluntario? ¡No podríamos hacer lo que hacemos sin nuestros voluntarios cariñosos y dedicados! Si desea obtener más información sobre nuestra necesidad actual de ayuda con la recepción de la oficina o si desea obtener más información sobre posibles oportunidades futuras, comuníquese con nuestra Coordinadora de Voluntarios, Hilary, en HRKALISH@ccdoc.org.

Volunteers Needed

Please volunteer to become an altar server, extraordinary minister, lecturer, choir member, catechist, parish life volunteers, yard sale volunteers, member of commissions.

Se necesitan voluntarios

Ofrézcase como voluntario para convertirse en monaguillo, ministro extraordinario, conferenciante, miembro del coro, catequista, voluntario de la vida parroquial, voluntario de la venta de garaje, miembro de comisiones

Protecting God's Children

Anyone who volunteers with children and youth must attend a PGC session. If you have already attended a session, please stay active by reading the monthly bulletins at www.virtusonline.org.

Anyone who volunteers in the Parish ministries but does not work with minors must still complete a background check. You can do this through www.Virtusonline.org

For questions contact Sara Freeman.

Email: Sara.freeman1@gmail.com or (828)506-7074.
You can also learn more about Safe Environment guidelines at charlottediococese.org

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, Fran Berry, 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 Jakielo, Souhair Kwaham, Rita Lamanna, Daniella Machado, Tim Mann, Sam Matthews, Karen Matulis, Paula McCafferty & McCafferty Family, Peter Namotka, Georgia Newsom, William Newsom, Jr., 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, Kathy Starr, Teresa Starrs, 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.*

SMPCC BABY BOTTLES

Out of 30 Baby Bottles taken for Smoky Mountain Pregnancy Crisis Center, only nine have been returned. PLEASE BE SURE TO BRING BACK YOUR TAKEN BABY BOTTLE. This important life-giving ministry needs our support. Please return your baby bottle to an usher as soon as possible!

Thank you!



De los 30 biberones tomados para el Centro de crisis de embarazo de Smoky Mountain, solo nueve han sido devueltos. POR FAVOR, ASEGÚRESE DE DEVOLVER EL BIBERÓN QUE LE LLEVARON. Este importante ministerio dador de vida necesita nuestro apoyo. ¡Devuelva su biberón a un ujier lo antes posible! ¡Gracias!

FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Family game night will now be on the 2nd Friday of the month. The next family game night hosted by the Knights of Columbus will be at 6:00pm on Friday, July 14. Come and have fun playing non-electronic games with other Parish members!

La noche de juegos familiares ahora será el segundo viernes del mes. La próxima noche de juegos familiares organizada por Caballeros de Colón será a las 6:00 p. m. el viernes 14 de julio. ¡Venga y diviértase jugando juegos no electrónicos con otros miembros de la parroquia!



Stewardship

Offertory last weekend: \$2,578/ Budget: \$3,292

June month to date: \$13,257/ Budget: \$16,460

DSA Actual: \$13,132 / Actual + Pledged \$4,184 = \$17,316 (88% of target of \$19,623)

Ofertorio último fin de semana: \$ 2,578 / Presupuesto: \$3,292

Mes de Junio a la fecha: \$13,257/ Presupuesto: \$16,460

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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: Linda Gray

- 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

Liturgy Commission

Chair: Jonathan Fischer

- Altar Guild: Sue Szarek

Hispanic Community Commission

Chair: Juan Carlos y Deisi Villegas

Parish Life Commission

Chair: Lucinda and Victor O'Brien

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

Stewardship Committee

Chair: Brian Raming

WCU Campus Ministry

Campus Minister: Deacon Matt Newsome

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Social Media:

facebook.com/stmarysylva

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youtube.com/c/StMaryMotherofGod

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To contact any Commission with ideas or to volunteer, contact Brian Raming at pcchair@stmarymotherofgod.com

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.

FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION

Our Fourth of July celebration will be this Tuesday.

There will be a potluck in the Parish Hall at 6:00pm
then viewing of the town fireworks in the parking lot.

Volunteers interested in assisting with set up should arrive by 5pm.



FIRST FRIDAY ADORATION

We will have First Friday Adoration on July 7th from 10AM-8PM

"The Catechism quotes Pope John Paul II: "The Church and the world have a great need for Eucharistic worship. Jesus awaits us in this sacrament of love. Let us not refuse the time to go to meet him in adoration, in contemplation full of faith, and open to making amends for the serious offenses and crimes of the world.

Let our adoration never cease." (CCC, 1380)

Tendremos la adoración del primer viernes el 7 de julio de 10 a. m. a 8 p. m.

El Catecismo cita al Papa Juan Pablo II: "La Iglesia y el mundo tienen una gran necesidad del culto eucarístico. Jesús nos espera en este sacramento del amor. No rehusemos el tiempo de ir a su encuentro en adoración, en contemplación llena de fe y abierta a la reparación de las graves ofensas y crímenes del mundo. Que nunca cese nuestra adoración." (CIC, 1380)

If you are interested in signing up to cover a holy hour of adoration,
please contact Samantha Frontauria-Greene at samanthafgreene@gmail.com

Si está interesado en inscribirse para cubrir una hora santa de adoración,
póngase en contacto con Samantha Frontauria-Greene en samanthafgreene@gmail.com