

DATE	MASS INTENTIONS	SPECIAL EVENTS	DAILY READINGS
SUNDAY 07/23/2017	8:00 AM — Mass Mary Ellen Hoefler by Gloria & Roseanne 10:00 AM — Mass	RCIA after 10:00 Mass	Wis 12:13, 16-19 Ps 86:5-6, 9-10, 15-16 Rom 8:26-27 Mt 13:24-43
Monday 07/24/2017	NO MASS		Ex 14:5-18 (Ps) Ex 15:1b-6 Mt 12:38-42
Tuesday 07/25/2017	4:00 PM — Mass Charles & Ro Boyle (25th Anniversary) by Joe & Jan	(Bible Study: Cancelled July—August)	Cor 4:7-15 Ps 126:1b-6 Mt 20:20-28
Wednesday 07/26/2017	8:00 AM — Mass ☩ Fred Benonis by Lee Hiatt Pro-Life Rosary after Service.	1:00 PM — Book of Psalms in Parish Hall 7:00 PM — Holy Spirit Prayer Group	Ex 16:1-5, 9-15 Ps 78:18-19, 23-28 Mt 13:1-9
Thursday 07/27/2017	8:00 AM — Mass ☩ Special Intention by N. Hoang		Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b Dn 3:52-56 Mt 13:10-17
Friday 07/28/2017	8:00 AM — Mass ☩ Alex Metzger by John & Mary Hess		Ex 20:1-17 Ps 19:8-11 Mt 13:18-23
Saturday 07/29/2017	8:00 AM — Mass ☩ Special Intention by N. Hoang 4:00 PM — Mass ☩ Frances P. Dexter by Marian & Dick Hamel	3:15-3:45 PM — Reconciliation	Ex 24:3-8 Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15 Jn 11:19-27
SUNDAY 07/30/2017	8:00 AM — Mass ☩ John Homlish by Jones & Homlish Families 10:00 AM — Mass	RCIA after 10:00 Mass	Kgs 3:5, 7-12 Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130 Rom 8:28-30 Mt 13:44-52

JULY 23, 2017

“For everything is from you, and we only give you what we already have received from you.”
(1 Chronicles 29:14-16)

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Our Mission Statement: To Fulfill Fr. Michael Murphy's dream to be a welcoming community
*To grow in the love of the Lord
*To follow the teachings of the Church
*To serve one another and the community.



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Office Hours: 9:30 AM—5:00 PM Monday—Friday
Office located next to the Church. (Closed on all Holy Days and Holidays)

MASSES — *Tues. 4:00 PM—Wednesday thru Saturday 8:00 AM
RECONCILIATION: Saturday: 3:15—3:45 PM (or by appointment)
BAPTISMS & MARRIAGES: By appointment

HOLY DAY MASSES: Vigil 6:30 PM, 8:00 AM & 6:30 PM
**see calendar on back for possible time changes*

SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULES

***WINTER:** Nov. 1ST to the last Sunday before Memorial Day

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 10:00 AM

***WINTER SNOW DAYS**—SUNDAY MASS WILL BE AT 2:00 PM

SUMMER: Memorial Day Weekend until October 31ST
Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL—2017

"Your Every Act should be done with Love"



<u>Assessed Goal</u>	<u>Amt. Paid</u>	<u>Pledge Bal.</u>	<u>Over/Under</u>
12,265.	10,866.40	3,236.10	1,837.50

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Please designate it for: *St. Margaret of Scotland #085.*

ST. MARGARET'S TRIPLE HEADER

Don't forget to mark your calendar for the *Annual Yard Sale, Car Show and Barbecue on August 19th !*



FAITH FORMATION



Faith Formation is looking for teachers. Teachers are in pairs so you will never be alone while teaching. Please contact **Nicki** at : (607) 239-8178 or the church office to volunteer or if you have any questions.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Just a small mustard seed can become a large and elaborate bush, discover how a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend can encourage your marriage to blossom and provide a lifetime of joy. The next weekends are: **Nov. 10-12, 2017 in Atlantic Beach, NC and Oct. 13—15, 2017 in Myrtle Beach, SC.**



Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://NC Marriage Discovery.org> or contact **Joe & Karen Grasso** at 828-631-3693.



Thank you with all my heart to everyone for all your prayers. Your prayers have been answered as I now have very little pain. Thank you all, and I will continue to pray for everyone in our parish.

Maryellen Hoefler



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

R.Allan, Tom Beyer, Ginny Condren, Jeanne Devlin, Thomas Dexter, Elliot Dowdell, Norma Esbenshade, Maryellen & Ray Hoefler, Josh Ketchum, Kimberly Krisan, Matt Loetz, G.Lydia, R.Mas, Kathleen Mercogliano, Robert Missana, Jeanne Mitchel, Pam Naplen, Joseph Orvos, Suzanne Palmiere, Pat & George Pastore, Sue Quick, Olivia Triollo, Barb & Bob Williams, Bella Grace Yarrington, Bruce Yarrington, David Yarrington- **AND ALL THOSE IN NEED OF PRAYER. NAMES WILL REMAIN FOR ONE MONTH, UNLESS NOTIFIED OTHERWISE.**

STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION

Today's readings remind us of the fact that it is God who guides us, and it is God who influences our decisions through the Holy Spirit. Today's Gospel is again a series of parables shared by our Lord Jesus to teach us and to explain Holy Scripture.



Jesus tells the Parable of the Weeds and the Wheat, which is relatively clear to us in terms of the facts. However, there is an important point within it that we must acknowledge. When the decision is made to allow the weeds to grow with the wheat, it is clear the separation will occur later, not at that moment. When the decision is made as to what will be harvested and kept and what will be destroyed, that is a decision made by God.

It is somewhat a reflection of another point made in scripture. Today's Gospel comes to us from the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 13; however, in just a few chapters prior to that (Chapter 7) we are told "Stop judging, that you may not be judged...for as you judge, so will you be judged." There is no question that there are "weeds" among the flock, but it is not our place to identify them and sort them out. That is the work of God.

As Catholics and Christians we must take care not to be self righteous and judgmental. Before we call into question someone else's walk with God, we need to scrutinize and take care of our own. Stewardship is what we do, not what we necessarily think others should do.

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