	Mass	Event
Saturday December 13 Saint Lucy	8:00 am † Father Jude T. DeAngelo OFM Conv, requested by Father Seabo 4:00 pm † Ray Hoefer, requested by Joan, Spence & Mike Vigneau	2:30 pm Confessions
Sunday December 14 Third Sunday of Advent	8:00 † Bob Brantly, requested by Chris & Joe Zalewski 10:00 am For the People	
Monday December 15	NO MASS	
Tuesday December 16	8:00 am † All Saints, Souls & God, requested by Maria Unda	
Wednesday December 17	8:00 am † Jack Lynch, requested by Father Seabo	9:00 am Bible Study - OCIA Parish Hall
Thursday December 18	8:00 am † Msgr. Jerry Lewis, requested by Father Seabo	6:30 pm Penance Service St. John the Evangelist, Waynesville
Friday December 19	8:00 am Pam Renshaw, requested by Father Seabo	
Saturday December 20	8:00 am † Harry Curley, requested by Father Seabo 4:00 pm † Carl Eberhard, requested by Joe & James Lee	2:30 pm Confessions
Sunday December 21 Fourth Sunday of Advent	8:00 am For the People 10:00 am † Michael & June Naydock, requested by Bernie & Lisa Bernreuther	

Notify parish office to arrange for Communion for the ill or the homebound, or for the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 14, 2025



BISHOP OF CHARLOTTE

MOST REV. MICHAEL T. MARTIN, OFM CONV.

PASTOR

REV. FRANK J. SEABO JR.

Welcome in the name of Jesus!

St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church is a parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Charlotte, located in Maggie Valley, North Carolina. It has been a place of peace and contemplation for over fifty years, where area residents and visitors alike are invited to find fellowship and seek God through the teachings of His Son, Jesus Christ, in Word and Sacrament.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

WEEKEND MASSES

WEEKDAY MASSES

8:00 AM

Tuesday-Saturday

Saturday Sunday

4:00 PM 8:00 AM

10:00 AM

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 2:30 - 3:30 PM or by appointment

OFFICE HOURS

Tues – Fri: 8:30 AM – 1:00 PM Saturday, Sunday & Monday: Closed 37 Murphy Dr, PO Box 1359, Maggie Valley, NC 28751

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MEMBERSHIP: Welcome to St. Margaret of Scotland Catholic Church! We are grateful for your worshipping with us. If you regularly attend Mass here in Maggie Valley, you are encouraged to register in the parish at the office during the week.

BECOMING CATHOLIC: If you are interested in becoming a Catholic, whether or not you have already been baptized in another non-Catholic church, please get in touch with the pastor (e-mail is best) or the parish office. We welcome you and look forward to sharing our faith.

BIBLE STUDY/OCIA: We will continue our studies on Wednesday, December 17th at 9:00 am. Please note that we will be meeting in the **Parish Hall.** All are welcome!

SAVE THE DATE! Join us Sunday, December 21st at 5 pm for our **CHRISTMAS POTLUCK DINNER** in the Parish Hall. Bring your favorite holiday side dish or dessert to share! We will provide the main dish. Sign-up sheet will be in the Vestibule Starting December 6th.

WOMEN'S GUILD ANNOUNCEMENTS

- * We will be holding a **Personal Care Item/Diaper drive** for Catholic Charities on the weekend of Dec 13th-14th The following items are needed: Bars of Soap (Sensitive Skin), Toothpaste, Shampoo, Deodorant, SMALL packets of personal wipes, Laundry Pods or SMALL bottles of detergent, Diapers Size 5 and Size 6. Please drop off your donations in the vestibule.
- * Our Parish was able to brighten Christmas for 34 children, seniors and disabled neighbors through the Salvation Army Angel Tree program this year! Thank you to all those who donated and God Bless you for your generosity!



Contributions for **CHRISTMAS FLOWERS** may be made through Friday, December 19th. Envelopes are available in the pews.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 24
Mass, Advent Weekday 8:00 am
Vigil Mass, Christmas 4:00 pm

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25
Mass at Dawn, Christmas 8:00 am
Mass during the Day, Christmas 10:00 am

FROM THE PASTOR

The rose vestments that the Priest wears and the rose candle, reflect the inner joy that we should know, now that we are halfway through the Advent Season.

How well have we prepared ourselves so far for Christmas? Indeed, this is a time for writing cards, decorating the house and buying that last special present. It is difficult to maintain a spirit of meditation and anticipation. Considering the stress and strain of ordinary living and adding in the preparations for the holidays, we return to our original question,

How well have we prepared ourselves for Christmas? the birth of our savior, now that Advent is half over.

Through our advent prayer and preparation we want to come to know our Lord Jesus more intimately. We are called to take part in salvation history, to be messengers, to be heralds, to prepare the way of the Lord.

Everyone wants to surround themselves with the beautiful things of Christmas, which is normal and good. Yet the important thing this Advent is not how nice the decorations of the house are, but how nice are the decorations and trimmings of our souls.

In this special season of preparation, anticipation and hope, let us stop just for a moment, decorate our own souls and light up our lives with Christ's living presence for Christmas. For my brothers and sisters, we are the poor mentioned in Isaiah's prophecies, saved by God our Father in Jesus Christ the Lord.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Fr. Richard Benonis, Fr. Jim Byer, Patty Carter, Denise Collins, Joe Gatlin, Marian Halasz, Fr. Larry Heiny, Maryellen Hoefer, Larry & Kathy Jones, Lana Kleimon, Marjorie Ludlow, Bobbie Matlack, Msgr. John McSweeney, Fr. Frank O'Rourke, Pat Palmiere, Suzanne Palmiere, George Pastore, Sharon Petrone, Rick Pohland, Rosemary Seabo, Fr. Jim Solari, Sean Toner, William Vartuli C2, USNA, Joe Youron, Ted Zacker

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of former parishioner Francesca Hunt Condolences go out to her husband Ronnie. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

There will be a Penance Service at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church in Waynesville on Thursday, December 18th beginning at 6:30 PM.

There is a special collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious today. THEY GAVE THEIR LIFE IN SERVICE-NOW THEY NEED YOUR HELP. "Thanks to your generosity, we can provide the very best care to the sisters in our community," says Sister M. Stephanie Belgari, 73, a member of St. Francis of the Martyr St. George in Alton, Illinois. Donations to the Retirement Fund for Religious provide housing, medical assistance, and essential support for thousands of aging religious. Please consider giving today.

OFFERTORY – December 7, 2025			
Offertory*	Votives	Maintenance	
\$3,432.00 *Does not include online donations	\$9.00	\$101.00	