

# EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

April 5, 2026



**BISHOP OF CHARLOTTE**  
**MOST REV. MICHAEL T. MARTIN, OFM CONV.**  
  
**PASTOR**  
**REV. FRANK J. SEABO JR.**

Date	Mass	Event
Saturday April 4	<b>NO 4:00 PM MASS</b> 8:00 pm <b>EASTER VIGIL</b> <b>For Our Elect</b>	2:30 pm Confessions
Sunday April 5 <i>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord</i>	8:00 am † <b>Joseph Plazerine</b> , requested by <i>Jan Plazerine</i> 10:00 am <b>For the People</b>	
Monday within the Octave April 6	<b>NO MASS</b>	OFFICE CLOSED
Tuesday within the Octave April 7	8:00 am † <b>Maureen Sequeira</b> , requested by <i>John &amp; Molly Sequeira</i>	
Wednesday within the Octave April 8	8:00 am † <b>Ed Voitus</b> , requested by <i>Fr. Seabo</i>	9:00 am Bible Study/OCIA Parish Hall
Thursday within the Octave April 9	8:00 am † <b>Helen Louise Sequeira</b> , requested by <i>John &amp; Molly Sequeira</i>	
Friday within the Octave April 10	8:00 am † <b>John Daly</b> , requested by <i>John &amp; Molly Sequeira</i>	
Saturday within the Octave April 11	8:00 am † <b>Gerald Fringeli</b> , requested by <i>Evelyn &amp; Ronald Fringeli</i> 4:00 pm † <b>Eddie Vigneau</b> , requested by <i>Joan</i> , <i>Spence &amp; Mike Vigneau</i>	2:30 pm Confessions
Sunday April 12 <i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i>	8:00 am <b>For the People</b> 10:00 am † <b>Betty Noy DeLaHunt</b> , requested by <i>David &amp; Carol Peterson</i>	

To request a Mass intention, please visit or call the parish office during normal business hours. Please make bulletin announcement submissions by Wednesday at noon

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 to seek God through the teachings of His Son, Jesus Christ, in Word and Sacrament.

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

<b>WEEKEND MASSES</b>		<b>WEEKDAY MASSES</b>	
Saturday	4:00 PM	Tuesday-Saturday	8:00 AM
Sunday	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  
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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 Father Seabo (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, **April 8<sup>th</sup>** at 9:00 am. We will be meeting in the **Parish Hall**. All are welcome!

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:** Fr. Richard Benonis, Barbara Bruce, Elianna Carter, Lexi Carter, Denise Collins, Fr. Carl Del Giudice, Ernie Fesco, Jr, Marian Halasz, Dick Hamel, Fr. Larry Heiny, Maryellen Hoefler, Willem Huisman, Barbara Jimenez, Cathy Jones, Debbie Kinchloe, Mary Klaus, Lana Kleimon, Emily Lensink, Lynn Loetz, Marjorie Ludlow, Bobbie Matlack, Msgr. John McSweeney, Betty Metzger, Sr. Joan Nolan, OP, Fr. Frank O'Rourke, Jeanne Owens, Pat Palmiere, Suzanne Palmiere, George Pastore, Sharon Petrone, Lilly Rund, Darryl Ryan, Rosemary Seabo, Fr. Jim Solari, Cherry Stone, Jim & Lucille Swinney, Sean Toner, Joanne & Frank Tredici, Kathy Tytla, William Vartuli C2, USNA, Joe Youron, Ted Zacker



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!** On Saturday, **April 18<sup>th</sup>** at 10:00 am The State Council of the **Knights of Columbus** will be at St. Margaret's for a Round Table Meeting. The subject of the meeting is pursuing interest and the process of reactivating our Knights Council. Please bring a friend to this important meeting. Fr. Seabo (PGK 2546). **The sign-up sheet for interest in joining us is in the back of the church.**



**PREPARATIONS FOR A NEW PARISH DIRECTORY**

We are in the process of setting up the mechanism to publish a new directory for our Parish community. So, please take a moment to schedule an appointment to have your picture taken. If you aren't able to sit for us, you can submit a photograph of your own. We would like to include our part time and homebound parishioners. **sign-up sheets are now in the back of the church.**

**WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS**

1. Women's Guild Meeting this Thursday, April 9th at 10 am in the Parish Hall. Our speaker this month is from the Hart Theatre with information about their upcoming shows. All ladies are encouraged to join us.
2. Please join us at church on Friday, April 17th at 11 am as Gail and Victor Quick celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony. Mass with a luncheon reception to follow in the Parish Hall.
3. There will be a Special Collection on Mother's Day weekend, May 9th and 10th, for the benefit of Mountain Area Pregnancy Services. This is our annual fundraiser, please be generous! May God Bless them as they help support women who choose life for their unborn babies.
4. Save the Date! The Women's Guild annual Spring Ladies Luncheon will be held on Thursday, May 14th. More information to follow in future bulletins.

**FROM THE PASTOR**

Alleluia, our Lord Christ Jesus, has been raised from the dead. Today, Easter is our Christian joy, today, Easter, we celebrate our new life in the living Jesus, today Easter, reveals the joy and the peace that God offers each and every one of us.

We come together on this joyous day as a family in faith to praise and thank God this Easter Sunday. Today we celebrate our hope in eternal life, we celebrate the victorious rising from the dead of Jesus of Nazareth, Jesus the Christ. Today, in the Gospel we have just heard, St. John reveals a wonder to us on how belief in God is not rooted in understanding first, but rooted in the love of God. In the passage, we discover a truth in the relationship between our faith and our love. The beloved disciple is the key to our discovery on how faith and love are connected.

St. John provides us a subtle detail in today's Gospel, one of an unsolved mystery, of an unanswered riddle, but there is one thin red thread which leads us to our risen Lord, Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, whom God raised from the dead almost two thousand years ago, alive, glorified and present with us now.

St. Mary Magdalene, who knew the earthly Jesus very well, gets up early to care for Jesus' dead body. When she discovers the stone rolled away, she does not go into the tomb, she assumes that his body has been taken away, but she knows not where. She had been given new life in Jesus before the crucifixion, but the thought of resurrection is nowhere near, in her mind or in her heart. She runs back to the other disciples to tell them.

St. Peter, the disciple of 'action', who had bitterly cried in the Courtyard after denying his Lord three times, runs to the tomb, while almost all the others remain behind. They are not even curious enough to see for themselves. Peter runs to the tomb, but the disciple that Jesus loves is younger and runs faster than Peter, so he reaches the tomb first, yet he does not go in.

St. Peter, the disciple of 'action', goes into the empty tomb immediately when arriving after the beloved disciple. He observes the burial garments neatly folded, there was no ransacking here, no plundering or stealing of a dead body. John tells us that Peter did not yet understand the scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead. Peter returns home, not understanding what he saw. The thought of resurrection is nowhere near, in his mind or in his heart.

But here is the thin red thread, the beloved disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, believed because he saw the empty tomb. He did not believe later, not after pondering the sight for many hours, not after eating and drinking with the Risen Lord, but immediately because he saw the empty tomb. St. John is teaching us that Love of God, not comprehension, is directly related to faith in the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, alive and glorified and present here among us.

Happy Easter everyone!

DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL 2026			
DSA Goal	Paid & Pledges as of March 19th**	Remaining Balance	Families
\$21,814.00	\$6,805.00	\$15,009	12
<small>**Diocesan ledger does not always reflect recent contributions.</small>			

OFFERTORY March 29, 2026		
Offertory*	Votives	Maintenance
\$3,537.75	\$5.00	\$15.00
<small>*Does not include online donations</small>		