

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 26, 2026

Date	Mass	Event
Saturday April 25 Saint Mark	8:00 am † Fr. Thomas Norris, OSFS, <i>requested by Fr. Frank Seabo</i> 4:00 pm † Annie Heise, <i>requested by</i> <i>Rita & David Leopard</i>	
Sunday April 26 Fourth Sunday of Easter	8:00 am For the People 10:00 am † Michael & June Naydock, <i>requested by Bernie & Lisa Bernreuther</i>	
Monday April 27	NO MASS	OFFICE CLOSED
Tuesday April 28 Saint Peter Chanel	NO MASS	
Wednesday April 29 Saint Catherine of Siena	NO MASS	
Thursday April 30 Saint Pius V	NO MASS	
Friday May 1 Saint Joseph, the Worker	NO MASS	
Saturday May 2 Saint Athanasius	8:00 am NO MASS 4:00 pm † Eddie Vigneau, <i>requested by</i> <i>Joan, Spence & Mike Vigneau</i>	2:30 pm Confessions
Sunday May 3 Fifth Sunday of Easter	8:00 am † Gene Masters, <i>requested by</i> <i>Sister Mary Ruth</i> 10:00 am For the People	

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

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Father Seabo will be out of town until May 4th. Our regular weekend Masses (4 pm Saturday, 8 am & 10 am Sunday) will be celebrated by Father Pagel. All daily 8 am Weekday & Saturday Masses are cancelled.



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

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

WEEKEND MASSES		WEEKDAY MASSES	
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
Daily readings can be found at <https://bible.usccb.org/>

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/O CIA: We will continue our studies on Wednesday, **May 6th** at 9:00 am. We will be meeting in the **Parish Hall**. All are welcome!

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Fr. Richard Benonis, Diane Bradley, 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, Maryann Lustigman, Bobbie Matlack, Msgr. John McSweeney, Betty Metzger, Fr. Frank O'Rourke, Jeanne Owens, Pat Palmiere, George Pastore, Sharon Petrone, Patty Pohland, Lilly Rund, Darryl Ryan, Rosemary Seabo, Family of Bill Sneed, Fr. Jim Solari, Sean Toner, Joanne & Frank Tredici, Kathy Tytla, William Vartuli C2, USNA, Joe Youron, Ted Zacker

In Sympathy

*We offer our condolences to Joe & Chris Zalewski on the passing of their son,
Jason Paul on 3/27/26.*

May his soul and the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace.

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS

- There will be a Special Collection on Mother's Day weekend, May 9th and 10th, for the benefit of Mountain Area Pregnancy. This is our annual fundraiser, please be generous! May God Bless them as they help support women who choose life for their unborn babies.
- The Women's Guild annual Spring Ladies Luncheon will be held on Thursday, May 14th at 11 am at the Twisted Spoke, 6490 Soco Road in Maggie Valley. Their entire menu will be available, pay for your own lunch. Please sign up in the vestibule after all Masses. All ladies of the Parish are encouraged to attend!!
- Save the Date! Our annual Yard and Bake Sale will take place on Saturday, July 25th from 8 am to 2 pm in the Parish Hall. More details to follow in future bulletins!

THANK YOU to all our members who helped make the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony ceremony luncheon for Gail & Victor Quick a big success. It was beautiful and a good time was had by all!

Date	Lector	Eucharistic Ministers
Saturday, 5/2, 4:00 pm	Carol Delaney	Margaret Williams
Sunday, 5/3, 8:00 am	Joanita Nellenbach	Donald & Theresa Washabaugh
Sunday, 5/4, 10:00 am	Sherry Piurowski	Cherry & Clark Stone, Patty Carter

FROM THE PASTOR

In the waters of Baptism, we die with the Lord Jesus to rise with him in the final resurrection. Our baptism is a gift from God, the gift of the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth, the Spirit of Patience, the Spirit of Wisdom indwelling in our hearts, praying for us when we do not have the words to pray with ourselves. The words we heard St. Peter utter in the first reading are important to the Jewish people who were about to repent and convert themselves to the New Way, they are important to us. "For the promise made to you and to your children and to all those far off, whomever the Lord our God will call." Jesus is the fulfillment of God's promise.

St. Peter proclaims his Easter message in the synagogue that Jesus suffered for us, though he committed no sin. Fully human, Jesus endured the temptations each and everyone of us face, but unlike us poor and weak sinners, he was completely obedient to his heavenly Father unto death, death on the cross. St. Peter boldly told the people "In his own body he brought your sins to the cross, so that all of us, dead to sin, could live in accord with God's will. By his wounds you were healed." It is in our sorrow for our own sinfulness that Jesus forgives us and strengthens us with his grace, that is his gift to continue to persevere in our human lives. Confession is about our own sinfulness, it is not 'Bless me Father, for my neighbor has no clue.'

To do good is not to commit sin. Not to heed to deceit, not to join the crowd just because everyone else is doing it. We can do nothing at all without the grace and the presence of Jesus in our lives everyday, every moment. When we remain close to God in the Risen Jesus, no matter what the persecution or struggle, we will discover a sense of peace and profound joy in him, the one who lives. Resurrection joy. For us, to die to sin, may mean careful soul-searching, to overcome sinful behavior that is not simply a bad habit, but freely chosen decisions. With Christ, our God, all things are possible; Without him, we face eternal death from our personal sinfulness, our disobedience to God's will.

How do we recognize the risen Jesus in our lives? In our generosity, in his Word, in the Eucharist. How do we invite him into the center of our lives? Help our neighbors, come to Church, spend quiet time with him in prayer. If we do not take out time in our busy lives for Jesus, when we blindly rush from one appointment to another, why are we surprised that we do not know the living one?

St. Peter says we were ransomed from our futile conduct, our sinful conduct, because we were astray like sheep, but we, by the grace of our baptism, have returned to the shepherd and guardian of our souls. We have returned through the gate, we have returned to the lush meadows of God's life, protected by the good shepherd Christ, alive and glorified, present here among us. Jesus us feeds us in Holy Communion with his Body & Blood, the first time and all the days of our lives.

OFFERTORY April 19, 2026		
Offertory*	Votives	Maintenance
\$2,994.00	\$8.00	\$0.00

*Does not include online donations

DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL 2026			
DSA Goal	Paid & Pledges as of April 23rd**	Remaining Balance	Families
\$21,814.00	\$15,555.00	\$6,259.00	37

**Diocesan ledger does not always reflect recent contributions.