



MAKING ROOM

for more to know the love of Jesus

Frequently Asked Questions:

How is Making Room – for More to Know the Love of Jesus Challenge different from the Diocesan Support Appeal (DSA)?

Making Room is different from the Diocesan Support Appeal in both purpose and scope. DSA provides annual support for the day-to-day operations of the Diocese, including ministries, programs and services that serve parishes each year. MAKING ROOM is a special, time-limited initiative that focuses on larger needs across the diocese and our churches, including parish improvements, expanded outreach through Catholic Charities and long-term investments, such as endowments.

Parishioners will be asked to **continue their regular support of DSA** while also considering a five-year pledge to this challenge.

With many generous pledges, St. Margaret of Scotland is doing well. We are over 95% of our Challenge Goal. Please meet with Fr. Seabo to fill out your pledge card. Talk to him after Mass, during the week, calling the office or by email.

Every parish and mission will benefit from this diocese-wide effort, with parishes keeping 50% of the funds they raise for local capital projects, ministry needs and endowments. Parishes that hit certain stretch goals (for St. Margaret of Scotland \$420,000) will also retain 100% of the additional funds.

This year, as we gather for the **Priests' Retirement Benefits Collection**, our theme is “**Honoring Our Faithful Shepherds.**” It is an opportunity for us to express our gratitude in a tangible way by caring for those who have spent their lives caring for us.

SO FAR, WE HAVE COLLECTED \$5600 TOWARDS OUR ASSESSMENT OF \$6800

Other ways you can give:

• **Mail:** Diocese of Charlotte, Attn: Priests' Retirement Benefits Collection, 1123 S. Church St., Charlotte, NC 28203-4003. Please mark on your check “St. Margaret of Scotland.”

• **Online:** Make a secure donation online using this QR code:



Let's get over the top. Thank you for supporting the priests who faithfully serve our parish and diocese.



BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS October 3, 2026 at 10:00 am Parish Hall Grounds

A special Thank You to the following businesses for their generous contributions to our raffle baskets.

Ace Hardware
Aunt Bees Blessing Shop
Biltmore Estate
Bosu's Wine Shop
Caffeine and Chaos
Creeside Grill
Dunkin Donuts
Fantasy Golf
J.Arthurs Restaurant
Joey's Pancakes

Loretta's Pet Grooming
Maggie's Best Shop
Maggie's Gift Shop
Maggie Mountaineer
Maggie Valley Biker Wear
Main Street Diner
Motorcycle Museum (Wheels Through Time)
Organic Bean Coffee
Pops Place Restaurant

Salty Dogs
Scotsman Public House
Seven Silver Seas (The Purple Shop)
Skis and Tees
Smokey Shadows Restaurant
Soul Sisters
Sunshine and Sugar Bakery
Organic Bean Coffee
Twisted Spoke Restaurant
Waynesville Tire



Proceeds benefit both *The Friends of Haywood County Animal Shelter*, a non-profit 501c3, and St. Margaret Church.

Raffle tickets available after weekend masses. **Tickets 1 for \$5 or 3 for \$10**
Winner need not be present at The Blessing to win!



KNIGHTS CORNER

Screens can wait. Childhood can't.

SCREEN TIME ABUSE

Presented by Peter Ryan USBN (ret) of Screenstrong.org, a non-profit organization that **EMPOWERS** families to prevent and reverse childhood screen addiction with parent-proven **SOLUTIONS** grounded in child development science and medical research.

Location: ST. MARY MOTHER OF GOD CATHOLIC CHURCH

22 Bartlett St, Sylva, NC

Date: October 7, 2026

Time: 7:00 pm

Knights Round Table Contacts:

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