

## Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 5:30pm  
 Sunday: 8:30 & 11:00am English  
 1:30pm Spanish  
 Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday:  
 8:00am  
 Thursday: 8:00am Communion Service

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 4-5pm and by appointment.

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SEYH St. Eugene Youth House	828 236-1394
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UNC-A	828 226-3809
Asheville Catholic School	828 252-7896
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*Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.*  
 — Luke 2:19

## SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD JANUARY 1, 2012

Remember, Reflect, Respond

This feast has had several names through history, most recently the feast of the Circumcision and then the feast of the Holy Name of Jesus. The Church finally settled on a more ancient title, Mary, the Holy Mother of God. It also has the secondary title of the Octave of Christmas, the secular title of New Year's Day, and an honorary title of World Day of Prayer for Peace. Strangely, the title that is most confusing to non-Catholics is the official one.

When we call Mary the Mother of God, we are not saying that she somehow preceded God or is equal to God. We are simply recognizing that her human son, Jesus, is also the divine Son of God. We honor Mary because God honored her by choosing her to be the mother of Jesus. In her humble response of "Let it be done to me," she agreed to be part of God's plan for our salvation. And so today's Gospel records one simple action of Mary: she kept these things in her heart.

Even in this simple sentence we are given a good example of discipleship. Like Mary, we must both keep, or remember, what God has done, and reflect on what we remember. First, how much do we remember about what God has done for us? How well do we know the stories of salvation found in the scriptures? How well do we know God's actions in church history? And how much do we remember of the personal graces God has given us? Do we recall the prayers God has answered, the guidance given, the love of God that others have shown us, the times God has forgiven us?

Second, how much do we reflect on what God has done? Even if we have many memories of God's goodness to us, we also need to pray over them and ask ourselves how we have changed because of what God has done. Am I more generous to others? Do I forgive hurts more readily? Do I share my faith with my family or friends? Do I support my parish with my time or offerings? Let us ask God's help to imitate Mary by remembering and reflecting.

## WELCOME!!

We are glad you are worshipping with us and would like to help you any way we can. Please call or stop by the Parish Office so we may meet and greet you in a personal way. We encourage you to register with us soon. Registration forms can be obtained from the Parish Office or in the Narthex.

### SACRAMENTS OF BAPTISM AND MARRIAGE

Because of the important community nature of the celebrations of BAPTISM and MARRIAGE in the church, interested parties are expected to make advanced arrangements to allow for appropriate preparation programs to be completed. For Baptism, at least two months and for Marriage, at least six months notice is required. Thank you!

**NOTE: Please be aware that our bulletin is posted on our website; therefore, any information in the bulletin is out there in cyberspace, accessible to anyone. Please let the office know if this is an issue for you.**

#### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21  
 Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28  
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29 -- 3:6; Jn 1:29-34  
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42  
 Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51  
 Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38  
 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]  
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 2:1-11  
 Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### Saturday, December 31

##### NEW YEAR'S EVE

4:00pm Reconciliation - RR  
 5:30pm Mass/*Denise Carroll* †- C  
 7:00pm Hispanic Prayer Group - C

#### Sunday, January 1

##### NEW YEAR'S DAY

8:30am Mass/*People of the Parish* - C  
 11:00am Mass/*People of the Parish* - C  
 1:30pm Mass in Spanish/*For the People of the Parish* -C

#### Monday, January 2

##### OFFICE CLOSED

8:00am Mass/*Bill Chleboun* †- ASC  
 6:00pm St. Vincent de Paul—Rm.2

#### Tuesday, January 3

8:00am Mass/*PFC Matthew Colin* † - ASC  
 9:00am Parent's Morning Out - N  
 7:00pm Hispanic Prayer Group Music -C  
 7:00pm Guadalupe Dancers - SH,K

#### Wednesday, January 4

8:00am Mass/*Sharon Rice* - ASC  
 8:30am Recitation of the Rosary -C  
 9:00am Parent's Morning Out - N  
 7:00pm Bilingual Group - SEYH  
 7:00pm Choir - Rm. 1  
 7:00pm Spanish Choir - C

#### Thursday, January 5

8:00am Communion Service -ASC  
 9:00am Parent's Morning Out - N  
 6:30pm Hispanic Marriage Ministry - P  
 7:00pm Curcillitos—Rm.2

#### Friday, January 6

8:00am Mass/*Jenny Crook* † - ASC  
 10:00am Asheville Catholic School Mass/ - C  
 6:30pm Hispanic Young Adults -SEYH  
 7:00pm Hispanic Youth Group -Rm. 2  
 7:00pm Taize Prayer Service - ASC

#### Saturday, January 7

4:00pm Reconciliation -RR  
 5:30pm Mass/*Judy Shillcock* †- C  
 7:00pm Hispanic Prayer Group -C

ACS-Asheville Catholic School ASC-All Saints Chapel  
 C-Church CC-Children's Chapel CR-Conference Room  
 ESL-English as a Second Language GP-Gathering Plaza  
 GS-Gathering Space K-Kitchen SEY-St. Eugene Youth  
 SEYH-St. Eugene Youth House N-Nursery P-Parlor  
 RR-Reconciliation Room SH-Social Hall

Dear Parishioners,

Happy New Year! It is my prayer that this year of 2012 be full of God's Blessings on our community.

I am so thankful for all who made last weekend a success. I appreciate all of the hard work our awesome staff put in setting everything up. I am thankful for all of the volunteers who put in many hours making sure all went smoothly. Our ushers, ministers, and readers all did a great job! Last but not least, thank you to all of the musicians who put together 5 beautiful Christmas celebrations. A special thank you to Santa who took time out of his busy schedule to pray with us at the 4:00 Children's Mass before his big night of visiting all over the world!

The coming year 2012 will indeed be a blessing to so many. Thank you for making St. Eugene a place of worship and welcome to all people.

Fr. Pat

**2012 FLOWER LIST**

If you wish to provide the flowers in the church in memory of or in honor of a loved one or a special event; please call the office. The office will send out a bill at the appropriate time.

**CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP CENTER**

**Developing disciples through Christian educational opportunities that are: spiritually relevant, intellectually stimulating and personally challenging.**

This is an ecumenical group of six area churches-First Presbyterian, Grace Episcopal, St. Eugene Catholic, St. Mark's Lutheran, St. Mary's Episcopal, and St. Paul's Methodist. CDC offered four courses in 2011 and set to meet on Thursday, January 19th at 7pm to consider future offerings. Fr. Pat is asking for a volunteer to attend these meetings as a representative of St. Eugene. If you are interested, please contact Mechelle Kobar in the parish office for further details.

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

For several years now, women in our parish have been providing prayer shawls for our shut-ins. Each stitch is a prayer for the one who is wrapped in the prayer shawl. It's awesome to witness to the person of prayer that brings warmth, peace and the awareness of God's healing presence to those who receive the gift from our Prayer Shawl Ministers. May God bless them abundantly. Please call the office at 254-5193 if you know someone who would like a prayer shawl.

**TITHING**

Our Parish is a tithing community. We give 10% of our offertory every week to qualified organizations in our area. Our tithe last week went to The Rathbun Center for \$1,200.29. Our tithe next week will go to Children First of Buncombe County.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Tonya Argueillo, Rosemarie Ball, Althea Berdyski, Debra Braun, Ray Browne, Nathan and Sandy Buchanan, Mike Bucher, Mary Bunner, Lee and Gail Burkhardt, Kaitlin Christian, Kay Christian, Rita Clark, Julio Clarke, Virginia Cochrane, Gary Collins, Kathie Coltellino, Donald F. Decker, Nick Derchak, Jennifer Faulstich, Austen Faulstich, Michael Fleming, Bernice Fowler, Pat Hagarty, Patty Holiday, Kathy Jarrett, Allison Kobar, Donna Ledford, Peter and Judith Marko, Brigid McCarthy, Allen Moore, Brad Owens, Brandon Pruitt, Rick Raube, Joette Reid, Ashliegh Riddle, John Riddle, Jonathon Riddle, Sara Riddle, Kevin Roberts, Maxine Sandefur, Brenna Schiffhauer, Sr. Anita Sheerin, Allen Sipes, Fred Spuhler, Erna Steigerwald, Emily Student, Jeanne Werth, Deacon Ron Walker.



### MILITARY PRAYER LIST

Let us pray for all those who serve our country in the military at home and abroad; and their families; especially:

Capt. Michael E. Korte, Army JAGC, Korea  
 Sgt. Anthony G. Gambardella, Westover AFB  
 Spc. Aric Fuller, Combat Medic, AK  
 Spc. Dietrich Rolfe, Bamberg, Germany  
 Col. Rebecca Tomsyck, Afghanistan  
 SFC Joe Quigley, USA  
 M/Sgt Bryan Greenlee, Camp Lejeune, NC  
 PFC Parker Greenlee, Beaufort, SC  
 Army SPC Jeremy Mulloy, USA  
 Navy S.R. Casey Mulloy, USA  
 Shawn Sinclair, Afghanistan  
 Dr. LTC Parnell Mattison, USA  
 Dr. CMDR Timothy Mattison, USA



### WEATHER ALERT

Will there be Mass? What about the weather? The weekend Mass schedule will always be the same no matter what. The daily Mass schedule will depend on the school. If Asheville Catholic School is cancelled because of weather then there will be No Mass held at the Church. Please use your own good judgment and stay safe.

### SUPPORT GROUP FOR SEPARATED AND DIVORCED CATHOLICS Basilica of St. Lawrence

**WHEN:** Beginning Saturday, January 7, 2012 from 6:30-8pm, then every other Saturday thereafter.

**WHERE:** Fireplace Room 3rd floor of the Parish Office.

We will be using the book *Divorce & Beyond*. It is a program for people who have made the decision to divorce and are involved in the process or those who have already divorced. Through reflection, reading and exercises, *Divorce and Beyond* offers healing and growth.

If interested please contact Maureen Houston at [catholicanddivorced@gmail.com](mailto:catholicanddivorced@gmail.com) or call 828-298-8975.

### FATHER JOHN RAUSCH COMING TO THE PARISH OF ST. EUGENE

The Education Commission is pleased to announce that Glenmary Father John S. Rausch will present a program on Catholic social justice issues on Friday, January 20th at 7:00 p.m. in the Social Hall. Fr. Rausch's talk will be followed by workshops on Saturday, January 21st. Named the 2007 Teacher of Peace by Pax Christi, Fr. Rausch is a prolific writer and dynamic speaker on issues of peace and justice. Bishop Ronald Gainer of Lexington, KY, who nominated Fr. Rausch for the award, wrote: "Father John is a man who is truly concerned for the welfare and justice of others, especially the people of Appalachia." Father John currently holds the position of Coordinator of the Commission for Justice and Peace for the Diocese of Lexington and is the director of the Catholic Committee of Appalachia. He is also a thought-provoking homilist, as well as a gourmet cook. In Fr. John's own words: "I fully believe that God is alive to people and I fully believe that God hears the cry of the poor. I think we in the Church have to look around to the sufferings and struggles of the people and nature and take action. God has empowered us. We can't let God take the bum rap for why things aren't done."

**THANK YOU!!**

On behalf of the Chaplaincy Service, staff, and especially the inmates at Buncombe Correctional Center, I want to thank you for your support of the Christmas Cheer Project. We were able to fill all 200 treat bags with the generous donations from the parish. Thank you to all who baked homemade goodies and contributed cards, candy, sodas, nuts, gum, etc., as well as cash donations to fill in what was lacking. Particular thanks go to Fr. Pat, Deacon Mike, Tracy Jedd and the Pastoral Council for their support, and the Faith Formation students, who decorated the bags, the Youth Ministry students and adult volunteers who packed the bags. I could not have done this without you.

I never cease to be in awe of the generosity of our parish and am grateful for your willingness to share some Christmas cheer with those in prison.

With Sincere Gratitude,  
 Carol Jordan  
 Pastoral Council Chair

**LANDINGS**

If someone you know has been away from the Church and would like to return, please have them contact Joe Wansong at 828 628-9163 or the Parish Office at 828 254-5193 to learn about LANDINGS, a program that was designed specifically for those who are interested in returning to the Church and the sacraments.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the following who were baptized this past week:

- Liliana Tellez
- Dulce Maria Garcia
- Ana Paola Santos Lopez
- Juan Jose Argueta Aguirre
- Jarcet Paez Valdez

Our **HEARTFELT SYMPATHY** goes out to the family and friends of Bill Brittain who passed away recently.

**EPIPHANY TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE**

Taizé is meditative prayer, a mixture of song, silence, and scripture. Gathered in the presence of Christ, we sing uncomplicated repetitive songs, uncluttered by too many words...allowing the mystery of God to become tangible through the beauty of simplicity. Join us at the Parish of St. Eugene as we gather **January 6th** and every 1st Friday of the month from 7:00 - 8:00pm in the All Saint's Chapel. Call Megan, 285-0838 or Janet, 251-5513 for more details.

**ARTS & ENVIRONMENT COMMISSION**

There is a **URGENT NEED** for creative people to join this important Ministry. Are you creative, energetic and looking for a way to be more active in our parish? We need you! Please contact the church office for more information.



**As we celebrate the Christmas season we give thanks to all of those who generously remembered or honored loved ones with donations toward our holiday environment.**



**In Memory of or In Honor of:**

- Tom Scharf
- My grandparents William & Dominica Barosi and Thomas & Ida Boylen
- Erner & Steigerwald Families
- Jack, Viv, Mike & Mary
- Alfred I. Thomas
- Irma Tremblay
- Virginia Kleinsmith
- Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Stanlan & Mr. & Mrs. Norman Decker
- Lloyd & Shirley Delatte
- Beeson Lenderman
- Elizabeth Holmes & Jack Hoffmeister
- Kiefer & Corless Families
- Dorothy A. Noonan

**By:**

- Elizabeth Scharf
- Donna Grice
- Mr. & Mrs. John Steigerwald
- Mr. & Mrs. David Martin
- Helen J. Thomas
- Larry Tremblay
- Mr. & Mrs. Ward Scott
- Donald & Michelle Decker
- The Roberts Family
- Rita Lenderman
- Elaine H. Marten
- Martha Kiefer
- Kathleen O'Mara & Kristen Howle

**Donations by:**

- Mr. & Mrs. Victor Luna Camacho
- Mr. & Mrs. Charles Rice

### ST. VINCENT de PAUL

Please remember the poor in your giving. 100% of your donations go to the needy. You'll find envelopes for St. Vincent de Paul donations in the Gathering Space and the Poor Box on the wall just outside the Sanctuary.



### RETRouvaille PROGRAM

**Stress in Your Marriage?** Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness and simply shut down. Others experience conflict and arguments in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples. For confidential information or to register for the next program beginning with a weekend on March 9 - 11, 2012 call 800-470-2230 or 434-793-0242 or visit the web site at [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org).

### Reception Volunteer Opportunity

The Asheville Office of Catholic Social Services is seeking volunteers to welcome clients and direct phone calls at the Reception Desk. You can choose your schedule; whenever possible we would prefer that the shift last 3 to 4 hours long. This Receptionist position is located at 50 Orange Street, Asheville, 28801. If you have any questions about this position or other volunteer opportunities with Catholic Social Services please contact:

Alisa Bowman, Volunteer Coordinator at  
255-0146 ext. 28 or

email her at [ambowman@charlottediocese.org](mailto:ambowman@charlottediocese.org) or  
visit the Volunteer Tab at [www.cssnc.org](http://www.cssnc.org)  
for more information.

### SHARING SUNDAY

Sharing Sunday is the weekend of January 7 & 8. Our recipients will be the Chaplaincy Service at Craggy and Buncombe Correctional Centers. They would greatly appreciate the following men's items: shampoo, conditioner, gel type shaving cream, solid, gel or roll-on deodorant (no aerosol cans), disposable razors, toothpaste, toothbrushes, body lotion, bar soap, body wash. NO mouthwash or cologne/aftershave lotion please. Thank you for your generous giving.



### THE SYMBOLISM OF COLOR AT MASS

The liturgical year begins with Advent. Down the centuries, the use of color at Mass signifies the various purposes for which the Mass is offered and indicates the dispositions which we try to observe.

**WHITE**, the color of light, is the symbol of joy, purity, and innocence (absolute or restored). It is used on feasts of the Holy Trinity, Our Divine Lord, Our Blessed Lady, the Angels, confessors, holy women not martyrs, and on the Sundays after Easter. It is used in the administration of the sacraments, except Reconciliation/Penance.

**RED**, the language of fire and blood, is a symbol of love and of the sacrifice of martyrs. It is also a reminder of Christ's Passion and of the blood which He shed upon the cross. Red is prescribed for Pentecost Sunday, the Mass of the Holy Spirit, the feasts of Our Lord Passion (Cross), and for feasts of Apostles and Martyrs.

**GREEN**, the symbol of hope, is the color of sprouting seed and arouses in the faithful the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious resurrection. It is used after Epiphany and Pentecost.

This time in the liturgical calendar is called Ordinary Times and represents the time of our pilgrimage to heaven during which we hope for our eternal reward.

**ROSE**, a joyful color, is used in some Catholic churches on the Third Sunday of Advent and the Fourth Sunday of Lent. The Mass of these two Sundays opens with the word "rejoice," and it is midway in the penitential season.

### EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TO THE HOMEBOUND

Parish members are available to visit parishioners who are hospitalized, in nursing homes, or not able to attend church due to injury or illness. Please call the office at 254-5193, to arrange for a visit.

## 2<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE

***Sons, Fathers, Husbands, Brothers, Men!*** – Join us for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Catholic Men's Conference, *Being a True Catholic Man*. The conference will be on *Saturday, February 18, 2012, at St. Matthew Catholic Church from 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM*. Mass will be celebrated by *Most Reverend Bishop Peter J. Jugis*, and a *dynamic line-up of speakers is scheduled, including Jesse Romero, nationally renown speaker, evangelist, kick boxer, and former police officer. Fr. James Farfaglia, author of Man to Man, and Fr. Glenn Sudano of the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal will speak as well.* Advance ticket price is \$35 for adults, with discounts available for seniors and students. Price includes breakfast and lunch. For registration please visit our website at [www.cltcmc.org](http://www.cltcmc.org) or contact Dan Trapini at [daniel\\_trapini@bellsouth.net](mailto:daniel_trapini@bellsouth.net).



## SIXTH ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE- CHARLOTTE January 13, 2012

[Mass at 9:00am](#)

St. Peter Catholic Church, 507 S. Tryon St.  
Charlotte, NC 28202

[March begins at 12:00pm](#)

Across from the Diocese of Charlotte Pastoral Center (corner of W. Palmer and S. Church St.)

Be a witness for the sanctity of human life and march for an act of reparation for an end to abortion.

**See website for details including parking for Mass and the march:**

**[www.marchforlifecharlotte.org](http://www.marchforlifecharlotte.org).**

**Bus Available:** St. Barnabas has a bus going to Charlotte. It leaves at 6am from St. Barnabas and returns around 5:30pm. Donation accepted. Please RSVP to St. Barnabas by January 9th.