

Our Lady of the Mountains

Catholic Church

Highlands, North Carolina



The Roman Catholic Diocese of Charlotte

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.
(May 25-Oct 26, 2024)

Sunday Mass: 11:00 a.m.

Thursday: English Mass 9:30 a.m.
For Latin Mass information, please call the office.

CONFESSION

Tuesday 9:10 a.m. - 9:25 a.m.

Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

Sunday 10:30 a.m.—10:50 a.m.
(Sunday may vary due to travel time)

ADORATION/BENEDICTION

Thursday: 8:30-9:30 a.m.

MORNING PRAYERS/LAUDS

Tuesday 9:10 a.m. - 9:25 a.m.

Thursday 9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday
8:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

SACRAMENTAL EMERGENCY

(828) 634-1377

April 21, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Easter



Sunday, April 21, 2024 Readings

Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12

1 John 3:1-2

John 10:11-8

Mission Staff

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Fourth Sunday of Easter April 21, 2024

Our vision is to become a beacon of Catholic faith on the plateau by giving due glory to God and greater love to our neighbors.

Our mission is to walk humbly in God's presence through prayer and service as a loving Catholic community dedicated to the redemptive work of Jesus Christ.

Liturgical Schedule

Date	Mass	Intention/Requested
4/21/24	Sung English Mass	Deacon & Mrs. Gene Brady+ By Scott and Joan Love
4/23/24	Low Latin Mass	Patricia Pittari+ By the Pittari Family
4/25/24	Low English Mass	Mary Pittari+ By the Pittari Family
4/28/24	Sung English Mass	Steven Fox+ By Sharon Fox
4/30/24	Low Latin Mass	Garrell Stevens+ By Sharon Fox
5/2/24	Low English Mass	Floyd Stevens+ By Sharon Fox

Mass Key

Low Mass: little/no singing and no incense.

Sung Mass: hymns and moderate chanting and may have incense.

Solemn Mass: hymns, extensive chanting, and incense.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN NUTS AND BOLTS

Thank you to everyone for making payments to your pledge. Reminders will be sent via mail or email but, you may make a payment at anytime. Payments can be made via mail, or by dropping it off in the offertory basket or at the office. Notate capital campaign on the memo line. You may also pay online by using your Parish Soft Offering account or create an account by going to our website : www.olmhighlands.com

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of CATHOLIC FAITH
OUR LADY OF THE MOUNTAINS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

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You may still make a pledge to *Building a Beacon of Catholic Faith* capital campaign either by dropping your commitment card in the offertory basket or at the office. You may also pledge online on our website or at this www.olmhighlands.com.

PARISH CALENDAR

Friday, April 19

Office and Church Closed

Saturday, April 20

Office and Church Closed

Sunday, April 21

Rosary @ 10:40am

Confession 10:45am

Mass @ 11:00am

Food and Fellowship 12:00

Monday, April 22

Office and Church Closed

Tuesday, April 23

Office and Church Open 8:00am-2:00pm

Confession 9:10am-9:25am

Morning Prayer/Lauds 9:10am

Mass @ 9:30am

Finance Council Meeting @ 1:00pm

Wednesday, April 24

Office and Church Open 8:00am-2:00pm

Thursday, April 25

Office and Church Open 8:00am-2:00pm

Holy Hour 8:30am-9:30am

Confession 9:00am-9:15am

Morning Prayer/Lauds 9:00am

Benediction 9:15am

Mass @ 9:30am

Pastoral Council Meeting @ 10:00am

Friday, April 26

Office and Church Closed

Saturday, April 27

Office and Church Closed

Sunday, April 28

Rosary @ 10:40am

Confession 10:45am

Mass @ 11:00am

Food and Fellowship 12:00

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Father Barone's Column

Father Michael T. Martin to Become Fifth Bishop of Charlotte
From the Catholic News Herald

The Diocese of Charlotte today announced that longtime Bishop Peter J. Jugis, 67, is retiring due to health limitations, and that Pope Francis has appointed Father Michael T. Martin, OFM Conv., of Atlanta, as his successor to lead the growing diocese.

Bishop Jugis submitted his request for retirement to Rome last June, saying a chronic but non-life-threatening kidney condition made it difficult for him to preside over lengthy liturgies and travel across the 46 counties of the expansive diocese. Bishop Jugis recently celebrated his 20th anniversary as bishop and 40th anniversary as a priest. He will serve as administrator of the diocese until May when Bishop-Elect Martin is installed, then will continue to assist the diocese as Bishop Emeritus.

Bishop-Elect Martin, 62, is a priest of the Order of Friars Minor Conventual and serves as pastor of St. Philip Benizi Parish in Jonesboro, Georgia. He has deep roots in Catholic education – having served as a teacher, coach and school administrator in Baltimore, New York and Durham – and arrives at a time of record enrollment in the Diocese of Charlotte's 20 schools.

He will be ordained and installed as the fifth Bishop of Charlotte on May 29 at St. Mark Catholic Church in Huntersville.

"I am amazed and humbled that the Holy Father has faith in me to call me to serve the people of Western North Carolina," Bishop-Elect Martin said. "I am excited to get to know you and to listen to the ways in which together we can respond to the call of the Holy Spirit to be disciples of Jesus."

Bishop Jugis introduced Bishop-Elect Martin at a news conference Tuesday morning. Cardinal Christophe Pierre, the Vatican's apostolic nuncio (ambassador) to the United States, publicized the appointment early Tuesday in Washington, D.C. Bishop-Elect Martin answered a variety of questions about his new role leading the diocese, from aiding the poor and marginalized, to future goals of continuing to shepherd growth among parishes and schools. "To the faithful Catholics spread across 92 parishes and missions, I can't wait to come to be with you, to listen to your story of discipleship, and to know how best I can serve you," Bishop-Elect Martin said during the news conference. "To the many priests, deacons and religious who walk with their lay brothers and sisters on the journey, I pledge my heart to you."



A CALL TO SHARE

April 14th Collection

Cash/Check Offertory*.....\$1,113.00

Parish Automated Giving\$2,151.80

*Includes Sunday offertory collection and mailed in donations.

Mass Attendance: 98



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Suzette Oleksyk, Denise Cook, Bishop Gregory, Maureen Pierce, Marianne Mahaffey
Zan Smith, Mary Beth Brody, John Wilding, Paul Schmitt, Carolyn Bruce, John Turner

MILITARY/DEPLOYED

Please pray for all the men and women serving the United States in the military and contract workers deployed in dangerous areas.

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SOULS OF OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Jim and Thelma Petrone, Jef Kotzan, Adele Hopkins, Fred Wooldridge, Dorice Pulte, James Urbanski,
Pat Pittari, Clara Lewicki, Fr. Ubald Rugirangoga, Scott Peek, Sr., Stewart Austin, Ron Simmons, Harry Vaughn, Lucille
Devane, Carolyn Neupauer, James and Laure Walsh, Joan Hatch, Steve Fox, Lee Smith, Sue Schulte, Marilyn Riva,
George Schmitt, Frank Neely, Patricia Bollinger

OLM CARES

RESOURCE NUMBERS

SMOKY MOUNTAIN PREGNANCY CARE CENTER: 877-349-3200

CATHOLIC CHARITIES: 704-370-3262

COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTER (MACON): 828-349-0211

VICTIMS OF ABUSE: 828-369-5544

AMERICAN RED CROSS: 866-438-4636

MENTAL HEALTH/SUBSTANCE ABUSE: 888-757-5726

SENIOR SERVICES (MACON): 828-349-2058

NC GUARDIAN AD LITEM: 800-982-4041

**Saint Fidelis of Sigmaringen – April 24
Patron Saint of lawyers**



If a poor man needed some clothing, Fidelis would often give the man the clothes right off his back. Complete generosity to others characterized this saint's life.

Born in 1577, Mark Rey became a lawyer who constantly upheld the causes of the poor and oppressed people. Nicknamed "the poor man's lawyer," Rey soon grew disgusted with the corruption and injustice he saw among his colleagues. He left his law career to become a priest, joining his brother George as a member of the Capuchin Order. Fidelis was his religious name. His wealth was divided between needy seminarians and the poor.

As a follower of Saint Francis of Assisi, Fidelis continued his devotion to the weak and needy. During a severe epidemic in a city where he was guardian of a friary, Fidelis cared for and cured many sick soldiers.

He was appointed head of a group of Capuchins sent to preach against the Calvinists and Zwinglians in Switzerland. Almost certain violence threatened. Those who observed the mission felt that success was more attributable to the prayer of Fidelis during the night than to his sermons and instructions.

He was accused of opposing the peasants' national aspirations for independence from Austria. While he was preaching at Seewis, to which he had gone against the advice of his friends, a gun was fired at him, but he escaped unharmed. A Protestant offered to shelter Fidelis, but he declined, saying his life was in God's hands. On the road back, he was set upon by a group of armed men and killed.

Fidelis was canonized in 1746. Fifteen years later he was recognized as a martyr.

~Franciscan Media

OLM Men's and Women's Club Meeting

May 21st @ 5:00pm

All are welcome to join. If you are new, call the office to RSVP.



Fr. Barone's door is always open.
If you'd like to schedule an appointment, please call John Paul at 828-526-2418 or email him at ExecAsstOLMSTJ@gmail.com

Are you in need of catching up on your sacraments? Have you not yet received baptism, first Holy Communion, confirmation? Do you need to have your marriage regularized in the Catholic Church?

Please contact the office.

We would like to help.



Protect Your Family

Making a will isn't expensive, but not having one may cost your family a great deal. Please be a good steward of your resources by using wisely the Lord's gifts given to you. Make a will or revise the one you have if you haven't done so in the last five years.

Pray your rosary!