

St. Mary, Mother of God Catholic Church

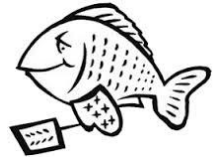


The Danny McMichael Council of the Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring their annual Lenten Fish Fry beginning on February 12th here at church. Everyone is invited to join us for a dinner of Tilapia fish, fries, hush puppies, coleslaw, and a refreshment.

Tickets are \$7.00 for adults, \$3.00 for children under 12.

To honor our emergency services, all uniformed fire fighters, police officers, sheriff deputies and EMS personnel will only pay \$3.00 per plate.

Come and join us on Friday evenings between 4:30 - 6:30PM. The Fish Fry will be followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00PM.



The Knights of Columbus will be conducting a food drive during the month of February for food to be donated to the CERF house in Jackson, Georgia. Food items donated should not be perishable and have not gone by the expiration dates on the items. A collection point will be established in the parish hall. The Knights thank you in advance for your support of this program and all the programs that you supported that our council conducts.

Our council is now sponsoring a seminarian who will be ordained to the priesthood in June of 2016. His name is Rev. Gerado Ceballos Gonzalez and he is enrolled at the Pontifical College Josephinum located in Columbus, Ohio. Rev. Gonzalez is a seminarian of the Archdiocese of Atlanta and expects to be assigned to the archdiocese after his ordination. He will be receiving a monthly stipend from our Knights council. The Pontifical College Josephinum can be located on line at www.pcj.edu. As always, the Knights thank you for your support of our council and our activities.

Upcoming Youth Ministry Events:

Sunday, February 14th. Youth Group Breakfast Fundraiser. The youth group will provide breakfast immediately following mass for everyone. The cost per plates are \$3.00 per child and \$5.00 for adults.



Saturday, February 20th. Picnic Under the Stars Family Dance Party 5 – 8pm. This Event is hosted by the youth ministry program. It is not a dance just for the youth. Everyone is invited to come out and party. We will have food, refreshments, dancing, and a couple of fun surprises. We will have music for the young and young at heart. So bring all your family and friends. This is a youth ministry fundraiser event. All tickets are \$3.00 available at the door. Please come out and support the youth of our parish.

Saturday, March 12th. St Patrick's day party 5-7 pm. Come and share in the luck of the Irish at our St Patty's party. We will have a Irish Potluck competition. Bring your favorite Irish dish. Everyone will eat and vote on their favorite Irish dishes. There will be prizes for 1st and 2nd place. This is an event hosted by the youth ministry program. It is not a fundraiser.



All women are invited to the MAGNIFICAT PRAYER BREAKFAST on Sat., Feb. 20, 2016, from 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. at Holy Cross Church, 3773 Chamblee Tucker Road, Atlanta. The guest speaker will be Arlene Walrath, of Good Shepherd Church, Cumming. Breakfast reservations are \$15 and must be made in advance. Please mail check, payable to Magnificat Joyful Visitation, by Feb. 14 to: Jo Ann Rademacher, 1260 Mountain Ivey Court, Sugar Hill, GA 30518. Check-in is at the door for those with reservations only. For information call Jo Ann Rademacher at 770-831-0693.

Intercessions for Life

For infants not expected to live long after birth:
 May each child's life, no matter how brief,
 be welcomed, protected, and cherished by all;
 We pray to the Lord:



Readings for the Week

Monday:

2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13
 Ps 3:2-7
 Mk 5:1-20

Tuesday:

Mal 3:1-4
 Ps 24:7-10
 Heb 2:14-18
 Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

Wednesday:

2 Sm 24:2, 9-17
 Ps 32:1-2, 5-7
 Mk 6:1-6

Thursday:

1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12
 1 Chr 29:10-12
 Mk 6:7-13

Friday:

Sir 47:2-11
 Ps 18:31, 47, 50-51
 Mk 6:14-29

Saturday:

1 Kgs 3:4-13
 Ps 119:9-14
 Mk 6:30-34

Next Sunday:

Is 6:1-2a, 3-8
 Ps 138:1-5, 7-8
 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11
 Lk 5:1-11



Offertory
 Archdiocesan Hispanic Ministries

\$3,864.00
 \$ 415.00

Mass Intentions:

Requested for:

Requested By:

Jan. 30	Saturday	Leony Natad †	Hofmann Family
Jan. 31	Sunday	Our Parishioners	
Feb. 3	Wednesday		
Feb. 4	Thursday		
Feb. 5	Friday	Hugh and Marcella Glidewell †	
Feb. 6	Saturday	Kristopher Stark †	Hofmann Family
Feb. 7	Sunday	Our Parishioners	

The Flowers on the Altar this weekend

were generously donated in
 Loving Memory of Marcella Glidewell †



On the First Friday of each month the schedule is Rosary 10:15am, Reconciliation 11:00am, Adoration 10:30-11:45am, and Mass at 12:00 noon.

The remaining Friday's during the month we will say the Rosary at 10:45, Adoration 11:00, followed by Mass at 12:00 noon.

Saturday, February 6, 4:00 PM

Lectors: Billy Glidewell
Extraordinary Ministers: Eva White and Richard McPhee
Altar Servers: Any Available
Ushers: Tom Matelski and Ron Sicina

Sunday, February 7, 9:00 AM

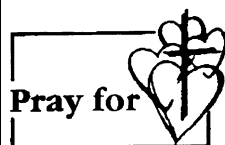
Lector: Craig Breyne
Extraordinary Ministers: Kathy Abood, Teresa Miller, Dennis Ordyna, Mike Palka, **John Lueken
Altar Servers: Andrew Chapko and Miranda Salinas
Crucifer: Chloe Patterson
Gift Bearers: Usher choose a family
Ushers: Jerry Holland and Tim Chapko
Greeters: John and Janice Lueken

Liturgical Schedule

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Please remember the following people in your prayers:

Jan Jost, Sue Samp, Jeanel Wehner, John Potat III, Tommy Glidewell, Gage Van Dyck, Jon Peters, Patsy Burdette, Ashlynn Geringer, Barbara Lynch, Lu Davis-Moore, Rebecca Geringer, Robert Dube, Frank Fross, Gary Bennett, Tripp Kelly, Bill Nelson, Steven Mitchell, Bill Bush, Matt Brown, George Roberts, John Gardino, and Julie Rattray .



It has been decided by our Pastoral Council that names, like always, can be placed on our Prayer List for a period of approximately three months. At that time, if you wish to keep the name of you or your loved one on the Prayer List please call the office. If you or a loved one are in need of prayers and/or the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the office at 770-775-4162.

Membership and Registration

Welcome to St. Mary, Mother of God, Church. We would be delighted to have you join our Parish Family. Please complete a registration form available in the Parish Hall in the Armoire.



Please do not take for granted that you are registered in the parish just because you attend Mass here or that you were registered as a child with your parents. When you become an adult, you should register under your own name. If not, it could become quite embarrassing to us, or to you or your family, if someone wants to make wedding plans, have a baby baptized, or if you have been asked to act as a sponsor for Baptism or Confirmation which requires a letter from us stating that you are a practicing Catholic. To do this, we should have a record of your membership and attendance. Please take a moment to register. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 am and 3:00 pm. Thank you.

Remember, the following parishes provide the Catholic chaplains for these hospitals:

- Sylvan Grove Hospital - St. Mary, Mother of God, Jackson 770-775-4162
- Spalding Regional Hospital - Sacred Heart, Griffin 770-227-2378
- Henry Medical Center - St. James, McDonough 770-957-5441
- Southern Regional Hospital - St. Philip Benizi, Jonesboro 770-478-0178
- Piedmont Hospital - Christ the King Cathedral, Atlanta 404-233-2145
- Crawford Long Hospital - Sacred Heart, Atlanta 404-522-6800
- Emory Hospital - St. Thomas More, Decatur 404-378-4588
- Newton General Hospital - St. Augustine's, Covington 770-787-1064

If someone in your family is admitted to one of these hospitals, the parish responsible for that hospital should be notified as well as notifying St. Mary, Mother of God, Church. They will have people serving that hospital on a regular basis and are closest in an emergency situation.

SACRAMENTAL GUIDELINES

Baptisms- In order to have a child baptized in this parish: (a) at least one parent must be a practicing Catholic and a registered member of this parish for at least 3 months, and (b) the parents must take the Baptism Class unless they have taken the class within the last 3 years.

First Holy Communion –In order to receive First Holy Communion, a child must: (a) be at least 7 years old and a registered member of this parish, (b) be able to demonstrate sufficient understanding of the sacrament, and (c) have been in the Faith Formation program for at least one year prior to the taking the First Holy Communion program.

Confirmation-- In order to be Confirmed, a youth must (a) be a baptized and practicing Catholic, (b) a registered member of this parish, (c) at least 15 years old or a sophomore in high school, and (d) have been in the Faith Formation program for at least 2 years immediately prior to the Confirmation program. (Adults and those in OCIA follow different guidelines.)

Marriage – A couple wishing to be married at St. Mary, Mother of God must fulfill these requirements: (a) at least one of them must be a practicing Catholic and registered in this parish (a former member of the parish or others must have a letter of permission from their current pastor authorizing them to marry outside of that parish); (b) they must have indicated to the priest or deacon of this parish their desire to be married here at least 6 months prior to the projected date of their marriage; and (c) have completed the required Marriage Preparation program. No arrangements for a reception should be made until the date for the projected marriage has been confirmed by the Parish Office.

Catholic Schools Week

An open letter to Catholic School Students:

Do you know why you are going to a Catholic school? Permit me to give you a little bit of background.



Your parents and grandparents are the ones who built the Catholic school educational system in your city, state, and nation. Your parents and grandparents saw the importance of a great education and saw the connection between their faith in God and his Church and education to assist the greater community in becoming more than just an average citizen of society and believer in Christ.

A Catholic school education is now more expensive than it used to be. In previous decades, religious sisters and brothers who worked for next to nothing staffed our Catholic schools. They spent long hours to make sure the teachings of the Church and the education of the next generation was excellent. Now our teachers are mostly lay-women and men. And they deserve a living wage and to provide for their own families.

As Catholic Schools Week 2016 approaches, let us remember where our Catholic schools were, and where they are going.

Let us pray...

God of knowledge and faith, thank you for the opportunity to go to a Catholic school.

When I go to Mass, I hear that knowledge is so important.

Thank you for my parents and grandparents who have built our school and supported it throughout the years.

Help me to be a good student and to become a good supporter of my parish, city, and country.

Please bless all those men and women who have spent their lives teaching in our Catholic schools.

Please bless my friends and teachers I learn with every day. I ask for all these blessings in the name of God's Son, Jesus.

Amen.

Discernment Masses:

Men and women seeking to discern their vocation are invited to join Fr. Tim Hepburn the first Saturday of each month, February through May, for 10:00 a.m. Mass followed by a light brunch and a talk on discernment. This event will be held at the St. Charles Borromeo House, 813 Dalrymple Road, Atlanta, GA 30328. For more information, please contact the Office of Vocations at 404-920-7460.

Evangelization Committee:

Please pray for the efforts of our parish. Those desiring to participate in any way to help spread the catholic faith, especially through prayer, as we discern a plan, should contact Turner Duffey: 678-508-2745 or turnerduffey@hotmail.com

Prayer & Study Group:

St. Mary, Mother of God, Catholic Church, Thursdays, at 1:15pm. Come join us for fellowship, knowledge, and prayer. During the next session we will be studying "The Transformative Power of Faith" Author: Grayson Warren Brown. For more information please call the facilitator LaDonna O'Bryon at (706)468-8905 or Rita Zinner at (770)775-1888.



Archdiocesan Abuse Reporting Hotline
1-888-437-0764
(24 hours a day)

If you wish to have an item placed into the weekly church bulletin. It must be to the church office no later than 12 noon on Monday (**at least 2 weeks before your scheduled event**). It must be in writing, there are forms in the church office or you can email it to stmarysinjackson@bellsouth.net.

PATH: If you need help in healing from an abortion. Brochures can be found in the Armoire. Please call Mary Ann McNeil at 404-896-6521.

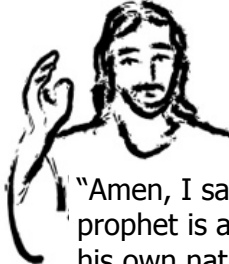
Thank you.



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Only a Carpenter's Son



"Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own native place."
Luke: 4:24

WORDS	YOURSELF	SCRIPTURE	PROPHET	HOMETOWN
TOWN	SYNAGOGUE	AMAZED	HILL	ACCEPTED
PEOPLE	PHYSICIAN	CROWD	HEAL	TRUTH
FULFILLED	JOSEPH	PROVERB	FURIOUS	CLIFF

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"When the people in the synagogue heard this, they were all filled with fury." Why were these folks furious? Because they didn't like what Jesus told them. They took offense at his teaching that "no prophet is accepted in his own native place." Jesus was implying that his fellow Nazarenes in the synagogue were blind to who he really was. And this made them mad. They didn't like being told that they were wrong. But Jesus told them anyway. He knew that these people needed to hear the truth, even if it meant that he would be unpopular. In fact, he spoke the truth even at risk of his own life. "They rose up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town had been built, to hurl him down headlong."

It can be tempting to confuse Jesus' kindness and goodness with passivity, mistakenly imagining him as a person who would never ruffle any feathers because he was so concerned about being "nice." This one-sided image of Jesus can lead us to excuse our own passivity about the falsehood and evil that surrounds us. We can justify our silence or inaction by convincing ourselves that we shouldn't upset anyone. But the fact is that Jesus upset people on a regular basis. That wasn't his goal, of course, but he was willing to deal with resistance for the sake of truth and justice. And we should be willing to do the same.

Our world is growing more and more hostile to the message of the Gospel. When we simply live our faith authentically, it makes some people angry. But we should not recoil from this reality. Jesus' witness made people furious too. But when they got mad, he didn't cave in. Whether people like it or not, the truth does not change.

Women's Guild upcoming events:

- 2/12-3/18 On the Friday's during LENT, The Women's Guild will be providing desserts for a donation at the KOC FISH FRY!
- 2/6 The Women's Guild will be hosting the Archdiocese of Atlanta Council of Catholic Women's Southeast District Meeting on February 6th from 8:00am until 12:00pm Noon
Guest Speaker-Diana Alourdas
Breakfast & Lunch will be provided. \$10 suggested donation
- 2/13 The Women's Guild will be having our 2nd Saturday Winter Games - BUNCO
February 13th from 5:00-8:00pm
\$5 is the suggested donation to participate Please Bring Snack Items - Pizza will be provided.
- 2/14 The Women's Guild will be having a Couples Candlelight Spaghetti Dinner
on Valentine's Day - February 14th from 6:00pm until 10:00pm
Cost \$14/couple \$8/singles

St. Mary, Mother of God Mission Statement

The mission of St. Mary, Mother of God Catholic Church is given by Christ's command to go out into the whole world and preach the Gospel to all the people. This is done in union with , and subject to our Holy Father Pope Francis and the Archbishop of Atlanta, Wilton Gregory. We answer God's call to enter his Mystical Body, known through his visible Church on earth. Striving to be his holy people, we avail ourselves of God's means of grace, especially the frequent reception of the sacraments, fervent prayer and our connection to the teachings and traditions of the Roman Catholic Church.

Upcoming events here at St. Mary, Mother of God for the week of Feb. 1 – Feb. 7

Monday, February 1

Tuesday, February 2

Wednesday, February 3	Novena Mass	6:15pm 6:30pm
Thursday, February 4	Reconciliation Rosary Mass Prayer Group	11:00am 11:35am 12:00 noon 1:15pm
Friday, February 5	Rosary Eucharistic Adoration Reconciliation Mass	10:15am 10:30-11:45am 11:00am 12:00 noon
Saturday, February 6	Women's Guild AACCW Breakfast & Luncheon Mass	8:00-3:00pm 4:00pm
Sunday, February 7	Choir Rosary Mass Knights of Columbus Breakfast Faith Formation classes	8:20-8:50am 8:30-8:45am 9:00am