

# St. Mary, Mother of God Catholic Church



It is the time a year for pumpkins, scarecrows, ghost, and goblins.  
St Mary's Annual Halloween Festival hosted by the teens.  
This year we will gather for a scare on  
Sunday, October 26th, from 6:00 - 8:30 pm.



During the party we will have a Trunks for Treats contest. Everyone from the church is invited to decorate their trunk and enter the contest. You can enter as an individual or enter as a group. So decorate your trunk and fill it with lots of candy. There will be a prize for the trunk with the most Halloween Spirit."

If you would like to volunteer to help set up or clean up after the party just contact Brenda. We will also be collecting candy in the gathering hall, just bring your candy in and drop it in the bin.

We will have prizes, costume contest, thrills, chills, games, candy, tricks and lots of treats for all. So bring your entire family and all your friends and wear your best costume to win prizes.

If you have any questions please contact Brenda Patterson at 404-358-3805



Once one makes the decision to be a disciple of Christ, stewardship is not an option. Christian stewardship gives us a spirituality that we can take home from church, use in the workplace and express through personal involvement in the community and our parish.

The weekend of October 26th please take some time after Mass to visit the Time and Talent Ministry Fair. Learn more about the ministries and organizations available here at St. Mary, Mother of God. Pray about your decision to become an active member of this parish community.

NOVEMBER 1

All Saints  
All Souls

NOVEMBER 2

### Mass schedule for All Saints Day

Saturday, November 1st

Mass 10:00am

### Mass schedule for All Souls Day

Saturday, November 1st

Monday, November 3rd

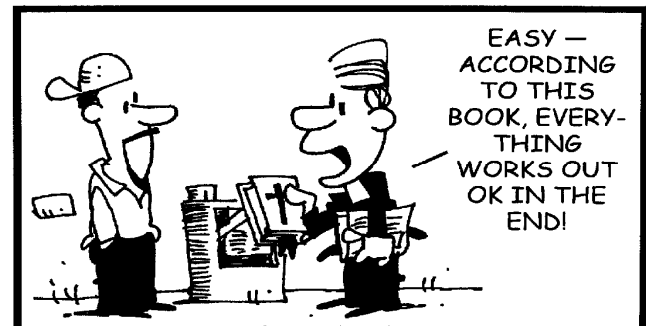
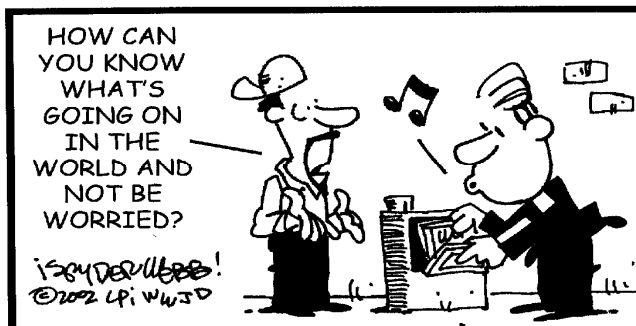
Mass 1:00pm (at Church)

Mass 12:00 noon (Jackson City Cemetery)

Mass celebrated 5:00pm or later on Saturday evening fulfills the Sunday obligation.

If you would like to have a family member or a dear friend remembered on All Souls day please fill out one of the envelopes you can find in the gathering hall and return by November 1, 2014. You can either place your envelope in the basket in the gathering hall or turn it into the office. Thank you and God Bless.

### 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



**Intercessions for Life**

For those working to promote the sanctity of all human life:  
 May they be strengthened through the grace of Christ;  
 We pray to the Lord:

**Readings for the Week**

**Monday:**  
 Eph 2:1-10  
 Lk 12:13-21

**Tuesday:**  
 Eph 2:12-22  
 Lk 12:35-38

**Wednesday:**  
 Eph 3:2-12  
 Lk 12:39-48

**Thursday:**  
 Eph 3:14-21  
 Lk 12:49-53

**Friday:**  
 Eph 4:1-6  
 Lk 12:54-59

**Saturday:**  
 Eph 4:7-16  
 Lk 13:1-9

**Sunday:**  
 Ex 22:20-26  
 1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40



Collection information for the weekend of 10/5/2014

Offertory \$2,302.00

Maintenance Fund \$842.00

Collection information for the weekend of 10/12/2014

Offertory \$4,435.00

Alms Fund \$507.00

**Mass Intentions:**

**Requested for:**

**Requested By:**

Oct. 18	Saturday	Janice Lueken	Becky Glidewell
Oct. 19	Sunday 9:00am	Our Parishioners	
Oct. 19	Sunday 11:30am	Jami Stark	Stark Family
Oct. 22	Wednesday	Michael Kallay †	Jean Thomas
Oct. 23	Thursday		
Oct. 24	Friday	Bernadette LaFlamme †	LaFlamme Family
Oct. 25	Saturday	Ron Mitchell †	Marie Mitchell
Oct. 26	Sunday 9:00am	Our Parishioners	



**The Flowers on the Altar this weekend**

were generously donated in  
 Loving Memory of Roger Eldred †



**Saturday, October 25, 5:00 PM**

**Lector:** Alma Abbott  
**Extraordinary Ministers:** Jayne Holloway and Teresa Miller  
**Ushers:** Ron Sicina and Tom Matelski

**Liturgical Schedule**

**Sunday, October 26, 9:00 AM**

**Lector:** Jorge Moreno, Sr.  
**Extraordinary Ministers:** Mike Palka, Carlton Turner, Eva White, Bill Hunter, and \*\*John Lueken  
**Altar Servers:** Andrew Chapko and KC Edwards  
**Crucifer:** Sharon Chan  
**Gift Bearers:** Jim and Dottie Lally  
**Ushers:** Dennis Ordyna and Jerry Holland  
**Greeters:** Jim and Dottie Lally

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**Please remember the following people in your prayers:** Joe & Bevley Deptula, Jan Jost, Butch Corcoran, Patricia Tideswell, Loretta Zach, Pat Eldred, Mack Goins, Margarita Rodriguez, Rick Hines, Andrew Payne, Danny Foster, Tech Dipalma, Vanessa Atkinson, Jenn, Julian Myers, Bob Abood, Lucile Gardner, Marianne Beating, Bill Wagner, Pat Zimmerman, Lisa Steele, Alvin Crusan, Edna Kelley Daniels, Christine Horton, Tony Davison, Tommy Glidewell, Margaret Gates, Sue Samp, Yvonne Truett, Diane Davis, Leony Natad, Lucas Holland, Lidia Lower, Ashlynn Geringer, Patsy Burdette, Jeanel Wehner, Bob Lipscomb, Teresa Giambalvo, Cameron Taylor, Strickland Family, Carolyn Wright, **Billy Smith, and Bob Deer.**



If you know of a person whose name should be added or deleted from this prayer list, please let someone in the church office know. If you or a loved one is in need of prayers and/or the Sacrament of the Sick, please call the office at 770-775-4162. If you are unable to reach Fr. Natad, and you are in Griffin/Spalding please call the office of Sacred Heart 770-227-2378. If you are in Henry Co. please call the office of St. James 770-957-5441.

## **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.

**Word of Life**

“Children are really the supreme gift of marriage and contribute very substantially to the welfare of their parents.”

— Second Vatican Council, *Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World (Gaudium et Spes)*, 50

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you.”

— Jeremiah 1:5 (NABRE © 2010 CCD. Used with permission.)

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**EMPTY INK CARTRIDGE?**

We will take it! Please recycle your used computer ink cartridges to the church. The church receives credit for every cartridge that is donated. That money is used for church supplies and materials. There are donation baskets in the armoire in the gathering hall. Thank you everyone who have donated their used cartridges.

**Jackson-Butts Co. Lions Club**

They need your help in collecting used eye glasses, hearing aids, regular sunglasses, old cell phones. A collection bucket is in the armoire in the gathering hall of the church. Thank you all for your continued support.



**Around the Parish Recognize Someone Special by Sponsoring the Altar Flowers**

St. Mary, Mother of God is accepting sponsors for the weekly altar flowers. Both the sponsor’s name and the person being honored will be printed in the Sunday bulletin on the weekend the flowers appear on the altar.

The cost of sponsorship is \$48.15. You can give suggestions for the color of the arrangement. The arrangements will remain on the Altar for the following week. If you are interested in placing flowers please call the church office. 770-775-4162

**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.

**Prayer & Study Group**

St. Mary, Mother of God, Catholic Church, Thursdays, at 1:15pm. Come join us for fellowship, knowledge, and prayer. For more information please call the facilitator LaDonna O’Byron at (706)468-8905 or Rita Zinner at (770)775-1888.



**SAFE ENVIRONMENT REPORTING**  
**1-888-437-0764 (24 hours a day) or**  
**404-888-7804**

**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.

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.

Thank you.



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## **Paying Taxes to Caesar**

Then he said to them, "Give to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."

Matthew 22:21 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 22:15-22(NIV)

GOD	WORDS	DISCIPLES	OPINION
CAESAR	TAXES	AMAZED	REPLIED
WAY	PLANS	GIVE	TRAP
PHARISEES	TEACHER	INTEGRITY	TRUTH

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Then repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." Jesus had a brilliant way of navigating tricky situations. In today's Gospel, the Pharisees "plotted how they might entrap Jesus in speech." But he outwitted them, as usual. They wanted to catch him being a political rebel; they expected him to suggest that paying taxes to Caesar was unnecessary or even unjust. But instead, he shifted the focus. He emphasized the importance of fulfilling our civic responsibilities but also the necessity of giving to God what we owe him.

So, how do we know what we should "repay" to God? Well, Jesus' response to the Pharisees gives us our answer. He looked at the Roman coin that bore the image of Caesar on it. Then he concluded that the coin belonged to Caesar because it was made in his likeness. Now, what bears the image of God? What is made in his likeness? We are! "God created man in his image; in the divine image he created him; male and female he created them" (Gn 1:27). If the coin belonged to Caesar, we belong to God. We repay God by giving him ourselves!

This self-giving is what the Second Vatican Council called "the obedience of faith." Through this spiritual obedience, we freely commit ourselves to God, "offering the full submission of intellect and will to God" (Dei Verbum #5). Jesus is calling us today to use our will to choose to follow God. Indeed, the one thing we can give God in return for the gift of life is our will. He gave us the freedom to love him or not. And while the choice is always ours, today Jesus encourages us to make the right decision by giving God what is really his: ourselves!

**GRACE Scholars' Pre-Registration is in Full Swing!**

GRACE Scholars' Early Bird pre-registration for 2015 for education tax credits is in full swing. The response has been terrific!

GRACE has also introduced a new online pre-registration form. The form has reduced two forms to one. It is simple, easy, and takes about three minutes to complete, sign, and submit – all done online with no paper. Make sure your browser is up to date! You can access the online form on the home page of the GRACE website. For those who prefer it, a paper form is also available on the website by clicking on the For Donors menu and selecting Contribution Process.

For more information, please contact: GRACE Scholars at [gracescholars@archatl.com](mailto:gracescholars@archatl.com) or 404-920-7900 [www.gracescholars.org](http://www.gracescholars.org)



The annual Mass for the deceased bishops, priests, and deacons will take place on Monday, November 3, 2014 at 10:30AM in the priest section at Arlington Memorial Park. The Mass will be celebrated by Most Reverend Wilton D. Gregory, Archbishop of Atlanta.

The Way for Men is a 3-day retreat for adult male survivors of abuse, offered by the Archdiocese of Atlanta's Victim Assistance Program December 5-7, 2014 at Carmel Retreat Center in Hoschton, GA. Registration deadline is November 25, 2014. Please contact Sue Stubbs at 404-920-7554 or [ssubbs@archatl.com](mailto:ssubbs@archatl.com) for more information.

**Upcoming events here at St. Mary, Mother of God for the week of October 20 - October 26**

Monday, October 20

Tuesday, October 21

Wednesday, October 22

Novena	6:15pm
Mass	6:30pm
Choir	7:00pm

Thursday, October 23

Reconciliation	11:00am
Rosary	11:35am
Mass	12:00 noon
Prayer Group	1:15pm
OCIA	7:00pm

Friday, October 24

Reconciliation	11:00am
Rosary	11:35am
Mass	12:00 noon

Saturday, October 25

Reconciliation	4:00-4:45pm
Mass	5:00pm

Sunday, October 26

Choir	8:20-8:50am
Rosary	8:30-8:45am
Mass	9:00am
Faith Formation classes	10:20-11:20am
Women's Guild Mtg. following Mass	
Halloween Party	6:00-8:30pm

