

St. Mary, Mother of God Catholic Church

St. John the Evangelist Catholic School

invites you to join us for a
"Meet the Principal" coffee event.

Hear a brief presentation from our principal, take a personal tour of the campus, and experience the faith filled community at St. John the Evangelist Catholic School.



October 22nd
November 5th
December 3rd
8:30 a.m.

Reverence, Respect, Responsibility

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404-767-4312

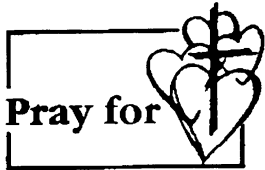


Come, Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them
the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit, Lord,
and they shall be created.
And you shall renew the face of the earth.

O God,
who by the light of the Holy Spirit,
did instruct the hearts of the faithful,
grant that by the same Holy Spirit
we may be truly wise
and ever enjoy his consolations,
through Christ Our Lord.
Amen.

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A message from Fr. D:

Please pray for the soul of my Mom Mrs. Leonila A. Natad who just passed away here in Cebu, Philippines

Halloween Party –

The annual Halloween party will be held on Sunday, November 1st from 6:00-8:00pm. We will have tricks, treats, games, goodies and lots and lots of fun.

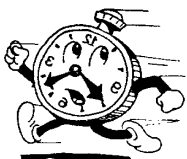
We do need your help. We will have our second annual Trunks or Treats contest this year. So gather your bats, ghouls, cauldrons and potions and start planning your décor and more so that you can win the prize of BEST MONSTER TRUNK.

If you have any questions or would like to sign up to participate in Trunk or Treats contact Brendampatterson@gmail.com. There will be a sign up sheet in the Gathering Hall for the Trunks or Treats contestants. There will also be a Halloween basket for those of you who would like to donate sweets, treats, or goodies for the party.



Just a reminder to move you clocks it is time to fall back on
Sunday, November 1st.

Starting the weekend of November 7th & 8th the Saturday evening mass time will move to 4:00pm; the Reconciliation time on the second and fourth Saturday's of the month will also move to 3:00-3:45pm



Intercessions for Life

For women who are unexpectedly pregnant and filled with anxiety:
 May the Blessed Mother help them to know they are not alone;
 We pray to the Lord:



Readings for the Week

Monday:
 Rom 4:20-25
 Lk 12:13-21

Tuesday:
 Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21
 Lk 12:35-38

Wednesday:
 Rom 6:12-18
 Lk 12:39-48

Thursday:
 Rom 6:19-23
 Lk 12:49-53

Friday:
 Rom 7:18-25a
 Lk 12:54-59

Saturday:
 Rom 8:1-11
 Lk 13:1-9

Next Sunday:
 Jer 31:7-9
 Heb 5:1-6
 Mk 10:46-52



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| Offertory | \$2,746.00 |
| Children's Offertory | \$ 25.00 |
| Alms Fund | \$ 571.00 |

Mass Intentions:

Requested for:

Requested By:

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| Oct. 17 | Saturday | Jami Stark | Stark Family |
| Oct. 18 | Sunday | Our Parishioners | |
| Oct. 18 | Sunday | Living & Deceased Family and Friends of the Morris' | |
| Oct. 21 | Wednesday | Loraine Morin † | LaFlamme Family |
| Oct. 22 | Thursday | Janice Lueken | Becky Glidewell |
| Oct. 23 | Friday | Leonila A. Natad † | St. Mary, Mother of God Family |
| Oct. 24 | Saturday | Bernadette LaFlamme † | LaFlamme Family |
| Oct. 25 | Sunday | Our Parishioners | |

"We are meant to be interdependent, to serve each other in humility, and to walk together in suffering."

- USCCB 2015-16 Respect Life Program "Maggie's Story: Living like Dad"

(www.goo.gl/JKnvWc)



Saturday, October 24, 5:00 PM

Lectors: Becky Glidewell
Extraordinary Ministers: John Lueken and Teresa Miller
Altar Servers: Any Available
Ushers: Tom Matelski and Ron Sicina

The Flowers on the Altar this weekend

were generously donated in
 Loving Memory of
 Roger Eldred †



Sunday, October 25, 9:00 AM

Lector: LaDonna O'Bryon
Extraordinary Ministers: Tammy Hotchkiss, Margarita Moreno, Rita Zinner, Emily Marlowe, and **Eva White
Altar Servers: KC Edwards and Evan Miller **Crucifer:** Kaylee Pappa
Gift Bearers: Tammy Hotchkiss and Erma Gozdick
Ushers: Dennis Ordyna and Jerry Holland
Greeters: Marilyn Potat and Erma Gozdick

Liturgical Schedule

St. Mary, Mother of God Catholic Church

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, Vivian Hutton, Rebecca Geringer, Robert Dube, Frank Fross, Gary Bennett, Tripp Kelly, Ron Sicina, Bill Nelson, Darlene Vela-Lewis, Mark Cole, and the Natad family.



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.

Everyday Stewardship

Do you remember a time when you felt important because of your association with someone else? Maybe it was in school and you got to hang with the cool kids. Maybe it was being asked to lunch by company leadership. Perhaps it even happened at church when you spent more time than usual with your new friend, the pastor.

As humans we sometimes think our friends, acquaintances, or colleagues elevate our status. It is true that whom we surround ourselves with is important. Parents are correct when they tell their children to hang out with the right crowd. Successful people do most times achieve success by surrounding themselves with other successful people. But the reality is that who we really are is mostly determined by our own actions, not the actions of others.

The trap for a Christian is the belief that it is enough to simply associate with Jesus Christ. James and John thought something similar in Mark's Gospel when they asked for seats of prominence next to Jesus in his coming kingdom. But Jesus explained to them that essentially it is not who you associate with that makes all the difference, it is becoming like those with whom you associate. We are called to become Jesus in the world, to be a servant of all, just as he chose to do.

I bet it was great for the first disciples to hang with Jesus, the savior of the world. But in the end, the goal was not for others to look at them and think they were so wonderful. The goal was for others to look at them and see not them, but only Jesus. If that can happen to us, now, that's cool.

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Please show your support.
October Breast Cancer Awareness Month.
Pink Ribbon Scarf Raffle

October 1-31

Donations and Raffle funds will be provided to the Our Lady of Perpetual Help Cancer Home.



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 "A Divine Mercy" Author: Sheldon Vanauken. For more information please call the facilitator LaDonna O'Bryon at (706)468-8905 or Rita Zinner at (770) 775-1888.



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.

Anyone wishing to request a Mass intention or flowers for the Altar should contact the church office for date and availability.

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

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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Winning the Prize



Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all.

Mark 10:35-45

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| AUTHORITY | SLAVE | SIT | WORLD | SONS |

Twentieth-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant." In the wake of James and John's vanity, Jesus offers this directive. These two apostles had been thinking in terms of prominence, glory, and worldly honor. They wanted their association with Jesus to lead to public recognition and respect as they took their places at his right and left. But Jesus put them in their place.

As was typical of so many of his teachings, Jesus upset the status quo. He told his followers that, although "great ones make their authority over them felt ... it shall not be so among you." Then, he put forward this clear image of the servant leader: "Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all."

As followers of Christ, this instruction applies to us as well. We are called to the humility of service that seeks neither personal glory nor gain. We are called to use what authority we may have in the world for the benefit of our brothers and sisters, not for the sake of stroking our own egos. It's easy to pat ourselves on the back for the good works that we do--to think that we are superior Christians, that others owe us a debt of gratitude, or that our names should be engraved on a public placard in some noteworthy hall. But Jesus calls us to a different standard--the one he himself exemplified through his life of service.

At the same time, today's Gospel gives us cause to meditate upon our association with Jesus and what we hope to get out of it. Why are we Christian? Are we only after the glory of heaven? Are we afraid to publicly profess our faith when it might hurt our reputation? Or are we in this for the love of the Lord, who came into this world "to serve and to give his life as a ransom" for us?

Fill Out This Form To Link The Ingles Advantage™ Card To help St. Mary, Mother of God, Faith Formation Dept.

Mr. _____
 Ms. _____
 Mrs. _____

Last Name (PLEASE PRINT IN ALL CAPITAL LETTERS)

First Name _____ M.I. _____

Ingles Advantage Card Number (PLEASE USE ALL 12 NUMBERS) | School Code: 10063

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Ingles Tools for Schools -- It's that time of year again, if you would like to link your Ingles card (which you must do every year) to the St. Mary's School of Religion program please fill out this form and we will do the rest. You may drop this form in the collection basket or give to Eva White. Monies earned will go toward purchasing equipment for the Faith Formation Programs.

Thanks everyone!!!

Upcoming events here at St. Mary, Mother of God for the week of Oct. 19 - Oct. 25

Monday, October 19

Tuesday, October 20

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| Wednesday, October 21 | Novena Mass | 6:15pm 6:30pm |
| Thursday, October 22 | Reconciliation Rosary Mass Prayer Group | 11:00am 11:35am 12:00 noon 1:15pm |
| Friday, October 23 | Rosary Eucharistic Adoration Reconciliation Mass | 10:45am 11:00am 11:00am 12:00 noon |
| Saturday, October 24 | Reconciliation Mass | 4:00-4:45pm 5:00pm |

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| Sunday, October 25 | Choir Rosary Mass Faith Formation Women's Guild Mtg. following Mass | 8:20-8:50am 8:30-8:45am 9:00am 10:20-11:20am |
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