

St. Mary, Mother of God Catholic Church

Please Join us for our 2015 Inaugural Event

Champagne Berry & Chocolate Social
October 10th 6-8pm

following mass



Bring your favorite bottle of Champagne
& Berry or Chocolate dessert.

The Women's Guild will be hosting several new and exciting events this year.

Please mark your calendars so you don't miss out on all of the fun and fellowship.



Please show your support.
October

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Pink Cupcakes

October 3&4
following mass

Pink Ribbon Scarf Raffle

October 1-31

Donations and Raffle funds will be provided to the Cancer Foundation.

Please Join Us!
2nd Friday Night



Chili/Soup & Movie

Oct 9, Nov 13, & Dec 11

Intercessions for Life

For our president and political leaders: that they may use their influence to protect religious freedom and those who are most vulnerable in our country;
We pray to the Lord:



Readings for the Week

Monday:
Zec 8:1-8
Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday:
Dn 7:9-10, 13-14
or Rv 12:7-12ab
Jn 1:47-51

Wednesday:
Neh 2:1-8
Lk 9:57-62

Thursday:
Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12
Lk 10:1-12

Friday:
Bar 1:15-22
Mt 18:1-5, 10

Saturday:
Bar 4:5-12, 27-29
Lk 10:17-24

Sunday:
Gn 2:18-24
Heb 2:9-11
Mk 10:2-16 or 10:2-12



Offertory

\$2,272.00

Mass Intentions:

Requested for:

Requested By:

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| Sept. 26 | Saturday | Catherine Connell † | McPhee Family |
| Sept. 27 | Sunday | Our Parishioners | |
| Sept. 30 | Wednesday | Living & Deceased Family and Friends of the Morris' | |
| Oct. 1 | Thursday | Leony A. Natad | The Parish |
| Oct. 2 | Friday | Hugh and Marcella Glidewell | |
| Oct. 3 | Saturday | Jesse Petrella † | The Women's Guild |
| Oct. 4 | Sunday | Our Parishioners | |

“Although we may feel unsure how best to comfort those who mourn, we must stand with them in their time of suffering. Miscarriage touches the lives of many people, yet all too often this tragedy remains unaddressed. This lack of response not only often leads to unresolved grief, but also fails to clearly manifest our belief that each person, from conception onward, is precious and unique.”

— Solace and Strength in the Sorrow of Miscarriage 2014-15 Respect Life Program, USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities
www.goo.gl/1BM5HC



Saturday, October 3, 5:00 PM

Lectors: Craig Breyne
Extraordinary Ministers: Eva White and Rita Zinner
Altar Servers: Any Available
Ushers: Tom Matelski and Ron Sicina

The Flowers on the Altar this weekend

were generously donated in
Loving Memory of
Catherine Connell †



Sunday, October 4, 9:00 AM

Lector: Bob Elwell
Extraordinary Ministers: Kathy Abood, Bill Hunter, Bob Lipscomb, Margarita Moreno, **Bill Myles
Altar Servers: Chloe Patterson and Cody Brimberry
Crucifer: Adriana Chapko
Ushers: Dennis Ordyna and Jerry Holland
Greeters: Mike and Erma Gozdick

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



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.



Come and See...
Saint Joseph's Seminary College
Vocations Weekend Retreat

Thought about the priesthood lately?

Been on your mind a lot?

Come and see what God has to say about it.

This weekend is about how to discern God's call for your life.

No cost to you. Meals provided, beds provided

(bring bed linens, pillow, towels and personal items), prayer provided.

For all men 16 years and above

When:
November 13-15, 2015

Visit calledbychrist.com/come-see to register
If you have anymore questions after visiting the
website please contact
Office of Vocations, 404-920-7460

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP HOME
AUXILIARY

75th Anniversary

If you would like to help support the OLPH Cancer Home please see **Bill Wagner or Rita St. John** to purchase your raffle tickets. The donation is \$1.00 per ticket or book of 6 tickets \$5.00. The possible prizes for this raffle are Samsung Galaxy Tablet, 500.00 Cash, and \$600.00 Gift Card for Gas. The drawing for this raffle is October 3, 2015.



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.

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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A Pinch of Salt!



"Salt is good, but if salt becomes insipid, with what will you restore its flavor? Keep salt in yourselves and you will have peace with one another."

Mark 9:50

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| TASTE | PEACE | PINCH | BITTER | EARTH |
| HATE | LOSE | SUGAR | FOOD | FLAVOR |
| AGAIN | SWEET | SALT | RECIPE | GOOD |

Twentieth-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"It is better for you to enter into life crippled than with two feet to be thrown into Gehenna." Jesus' listeners would have recognized this reference. Gehenna was in fact a deep ravine located outside of Jerusalem that had a sordid past. It had been the site of pagan rituals in which children were forced to walk through fire. Thus the spot had become known as a symbol for the fires of hell.

In today's Gospel, Jesus is making a dramatic contrast between "life" (heaven) and Gehenna (hell). He emphasizes that no sacrifice is too great to keep oneself out of the miseries of hell. His images are shocking. Cutting off hands and feet? Plucking out eyes? Ouch! Is hell really so bad that we'd rather go to heaven maimed than go to hell in one piece? Apparently so.

Some interpreters suggest that Jesus was using hyperbole to make his point. Perhaps. But whether it was literal or figurative, the point remains clear: we need to do whatever it takes to avoid sin and ultimately to avoid hell. The catechism defines this state of eternal misery as "definitive self-exclusion from communion with God" (§1033). Yes, self-exclusion. God doesn't "send" anyone to hell. Rather, someone chooses hell when he or she freely chooses something over God and won't repent.

The choice is ours: cut out the source of the sin--painful though it may be--or stubbornly march with our beloved sins straight into Gehenna. Realistically, what we choose "over" God are not so much our physical body parts as things like a high-paying job that isn't ethical, a favorite pastime that isn't morally upright, or a relationship that isn't chaste. Jesus tells us clearly today, whatever it is that "causes you to sin, cut it off." Period.

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 Sept. 28 - Oct. 6

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| Monday, September 28 | Knights of Columbus Mtg. | 7:00pm |
| Tuesday, September 29 | | |
| Wednesday, September 30 | Novena Mass | 6:15pm 6:30pm |
| Thursday, October 1 | Reconciliation Rosary Mass Prayer Group | 11:00am 11:35am 12:00 noon 1:15pm |
| Friday, October 2 | Rosary First Friday Devotion Reconciliation Mass | 10:15am 10:30-11:45am 11:00am 12:00 noon |
| Saturday, October 3 | Mass | 5:00pm |
| Sunday, October 4 | Choir Rosary Mass Knights of Columbus Breakfast Faith Formation | 8:20-8:50am 8:30-8:45am 9:00am 10:20-11:20am |