

<p>MASS INTENTIONS Saturday, April 2, 5:00 PM † Helen Wojciechoski by Mary Lou Leonard</p>
<p>Sunday, April 3, 8:00 AM † Betty Clark by Mary Cavalieri</p>
<p>Sunday, April 3, 10:00 AM † Maureen Delahunt by Nuala Greco</p>
<p>Sunday, April 3, 1:00 PM People of the Parish</p>
<p>Monday, April 4 No Mass</p>
<p>Tuesday, April 5, 8:00 AM † Jane Kelly Lent and Family by Patricia Burg</p>
<p>Wednesday, April 6, 5:30 PM Marge LaGuardia by Barbara Mathis</p>
<p>Thursday, April 7, 8:00 AM † Mary Bee Brown by Ben Alexander</p>
<p>Friday, April 8, 8:00 AM † Louise B Alexander by Ben Alexander</p>
<p>Saturday, April 9, 5:00 PM † JoAnn Gallagher by Bob and Neena McMahan</p>
<p>Sunday, April 10, 8:00 AM † Betty Clark by Danny and Barbara Pittman</p>
<p>Sunday, April 10, 10:00 AM † Maureen Delahunt by Nuala Greco</p>
<p>Sunday, April 10, 1:00 PM People of the Parish</p>



Pray for the homebound, those in healthcare centers, and those who need your continuous thoughts and prayers:

Barbara Mahaffey, Betty Barr, and James A. Harrelson, III.

Pray for the speedy, or continued, recovery of:

Natalie Wozniak, Ed Wozniak, Jim Lauro, Fred Fisher, Tom Lusby, Carol Lusby and John Yaniga.

Pray for those in our Military:

Jonathan Greene, Brandon Parker, Joseph Fairfield, Sheena McGee, J. Thomas Joseph, Jason A. Schroeder, Tirik Drayton, Jay Rivers, Brian Eduardo Vazquez and Matthew Mathis.

The names on our prayer lists will be printed for three months or less if the prayers are answered. Names on our military list will remain until we are notified by a family member. Please help keep our lists current.

If you would like to add or delete a prayer request, or if you or someone you know is hospitalized or homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the Parish office at 843-546-7416. **If you want the Prayer Chain to pray for you, please call Faye Altman at 843-546-8301.**

Parish Support
 The offertory collection for March 26th and 27th was \$5,074.00. **This includes \$1,030.00 from online giving.** This is \$1,626.00 under our weekly goal of \$6,700.00.



Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday evening at 6:30 PM during Lent. Soup and bread suppers will immediately follow. There are sign up sheets in the narthex if you would like to volunteer to bring a soup, bread or a beverage to share. Please come and enjoy the fellowship!

<p>HOLY WEEK MASSES</p> <p>Monday, April 11th No Mass or Communion</p> <p>Tuesday, April 12th No Mass or Communion <i>Chrism Mass - Cathedral of St John the Baptist</i> 11:00 AM, Charleston</p> <p>Wednesday, April 13th 5:30 PM</p> <p>Holy Thursday, April 14th 7:00 PM (Bilingual)</p> <p>Good Friday, April 15th 3:00 PM (English) 7:00 PM (Spanish) <i>Fasting and Abstinence</i></p> <p>Easter Vigil, April 16th 8:30 PM (Bilingual)</p> <p>Easter Sunday, April 17th 8:00 AM and 10:00 AM (English) 1:00 PM (Spanish)</p>
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Easter Flower Donations



Easter flower envelopes should have arrived in your March/April mailing. You can bring your envelope to the parish office or place it in the collection basket during a weekend Mass. Everyone listed on your envelope will be remembered at the 8:30 PM Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass.

Thank you for worshipping with us! If we can help you in your walk with Christ in any way, please call the church office.

**A Promise to Protect,
 A Pledge to Heal**
Our goal at St Mary remains that the Parish be aware of and support the Safe Environment we seek to foster.



**The Knights Corner
 "Holy Family Light Our Way in Love and Charity"**

Following Br. Randy J. Courtney's (Diane) recent relocation to the Rose Hill section of Georgetown County, Randy has just successfully completed his transfer of his 4th Degree Membership from Franklin Ohio Assembly 3188 to our Pawleys Island/Georgetown Assembly 3272. The local Fourth Degree Assembly 3272 meets the 4th Thursday of each month at Founders Hall, behind PBOC Church in Pawleys Island, starting at 6 PM followed by a social dinner. If you would like to also join the 4th Degree of the Knights of Columbus, please contact Br. Colin Peterson (843-344-9771) to complete an application. By the way, the next/101st South Carolina Fourth Degree Exemplification will be at the upcoming South Carolina State Convention in Myrtle Beach on Saturday, April 23, 2022; but you must get your application in immediately to Colin Peterson in order to satisfy the registration requirements.

Our latest added personal donations from fellow knights and parishioners has brought our donations to Supreme's Ukraine Solidarity Fund for medical and humane relief to \$1,420! Let's continue to pray for the Ukrainian people and their eventual return to PEACE and to an independent country!

THANKS to the several Knights and friends who supplied the "soup and fixins" at last week's Soup Dinner following Stations of the Cross; and to Br. Brian Clark and Mary Jo for organizing the very successful event. Please note that one can still sign to help supply the few remaining weeks' soup dinners on the clipboards in the Church vestibule.

Congratulations are in order to our council chancellor Br. Michael P. Macedo, who retired March 31, 2022, with 40+ years of service with International Paper Forest Resources! Mike joined the Knights in April 2000 in Vicksburg, MS; and with his transfer to Georgetown he quickly picked up the reins here and remains a big contributor to our Council, parish, community and state. With his wife Karen's recent retirement as well from St. Mary's, we will look forward to their continued contributions going forward!

The next Knights of Columbus Council 3067 meeting will be Thursday, April 14th at the Maryville Social Hall, starting at 6 PM with a light dinner, followed by an approximate one hour business meeting.

Fifth Sunday of Lent



Weekly Readings

Sunday: Is 43:16-21 Ps 126:1-6 Phil 3:8-14 Jn 8:1-11
Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 Ps 23:1-6
 Jn 8:12-20
Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9 Ps 102:2-3, 16-21 Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95 Dn 3:52-56 Jn 8:31-42
Thursday: Gn 17:3-9 Ps 105:4-9 Jn 8:51-59
Friday: Jer 20:10-13 Ps 18:2-7 Jn 10:31-42
Saturday: Ez 37:21-28 Jer 31:10-13 Jn 11:45-56
Next Sunday: Lk 19:28-40 Is 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24
 Phil 2:6-11 Lk 22:14—23:56

Liturgical Roles

April 9 Saturday 5:00 pm	April 10 Sunday 8:00 am	April 10 Sunday 10:00 am
Lector: J Strenk M Roberts	B Pittman W Roberts	T Howard C Howard
Ushers: S Salamon P Wolfe	T Clarke N Geisler P Karre W Hoppe	S/M Edwards
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:		
A Starnes A Petrino	J/P Duncan	T Howard
Altar Servers: D Macedo	G Baker	A Huerta
Altar Care: M Roberts	C Humphries	L Ortiz
<u>If you are unable to serve when you are scheduled, please remember to find a substitute.</u>		

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

Make a Way

What's your comfort zone: emotionally, professionally, personally? We all have one. But did you realize that you can have one spiritually? Think about what you like and what you don't particularly enjoy when it comes to church, prayer, and liturgy. We all have "those songs" we crinkle our noses at, either because they're too modern or too old-fashioned. We all have "those people" in our parish whose ideas we aren't so sure about, whether that's because they're trying to change too much or because they seem always to be looking toward the past. Also, when was the last time you sat on the OTHER side of the church during Mass?

As much as we may not want to admit it, even (and especially) as people of God, we get deeply attached to our own personal comfort zones — and we tend to view those outside with distrust.

But what if God had a comfort zone? What if He viewed us, in our sin and our misery, as too "far away" from Himself to reach? Thankfully, our God is a God who "opens a way in the sea and a path in the mighty waters." Our God is a God who does "something new."

The call to stewardship demands that we look outside of ourselves. Our thoughts, our opinions, our preferences — these things are not important to the steward. Even if there is a vast, dry desert of discord, or a seemingly endless wasteland of opposing views between us and our neighbor, God challenges us to "make a way" out of our comfort zone, that together we may announce His praise.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI

PARISH EVENTS



Mass Intentions for 2022 may be arranged by calling the Parish Office at 843-546-7416.

To dedicate Flowers for the Altar for 2022

please contact the Parish Office to confirm names and dates.



Gospel Study Group meets every Wednesday, at 9:30 am in the parish hall. We look forward to seeing you. All are welcome. If you have any questions or know someone who is interested in joining our group, please call Mary Boelke at (843)543-3537.

St. Mary's Altar Society

St. Mary's Altar Society meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month, September through May, at 2 PM in our parish hall. All ladies of the parish are invited to become active members. For more information call Ann Boone (843-235-4094) or Mary Roberts (843-546-4800).

Religious Education

The Christian Leadership Institute (CLI) will be having a 5-day experience for high school students from across the diocese from July 11th - July 15th. They will come together with an adult minister to foster leadership and development in order to produce Christian leaders for school, parish youth programs, and the community. The High School CLI is designed for youths entering grades 10-12 who are now or will be in a parish, school, or diocesan leadership role. The total cost per student is \$295 and we are asking each participant to only pay \$50 and St. Mary will cover the balance. Because space is limited, please contact the office by April 15th if your child is interested in registering for this event.

This Friday, April 8th, the Religious Education students will be leading the (living) stations of the cross at 6:30 PM.

If anyone has been participating in the CSR Rice Bowl program, please return your box to the office by April 10th.

Gospel Meditation

5th Sunday of Lent

We love to make examples out of those who have erred and done wrong. Publicly punishing others serves as a means of demonstrating the consequences for what is deemed inappropriate or wrongful behavior. While this may appear an effective way of achieving conformity to established rules, it runs the real risk of distorting motivation. Obviously, we want people to do what is right and pursue healthy, virtuous behaviors and ideals. But is fear of punishment ever the best motivation for avoiding one action in favor of another?

Doing something out of fear is never healthy. Focusing exclusively on our behavior and what others expect or think, leads to living life with a self-focused superficiality. We become more concerned about protecting ourselves from something negative and unpleasant, than investing ourselves in the freedom, wonder and awe of being human! We can still find our way to the unacceptable or inappropriate behavior as long as we do not get caught! Being a whole, focused, and God-centered human being requires more. It demands an investment of the heart. Virtuous, moral, and mature lifestyles reflective of the Gospel necessitate love.

When we experience and recognize love, God's unconditional love, in the depth of our soul, we fall in love with what we have found. We then find ourselves leaving destructive and sinful actions behind in search of something more holy, dignified, true, integral, and loving. This is really "mercy realized." God's tremendous, loving, eternal forgiveness and willingness to bring us back to something more real and tender is transformational. The respect for myself that I receive from God is so life changing that it causes me to run quickly away from anything sinful and self-destructive to things that are whole and holy.

There are many people who want nothing more than to judge or criticize us. What would actually stoning the woman caught in adultery really accomplish? Nothing more than the inflation of the already self-righteous egos of a few men who think they have power. They have no power because they are sinners too, just like everyone else. What all of us have is the humble ability to express sorrow for pursuing destructive thoughts and actions and receive the power of God's mercy. Then, Jesus' request to "go and sin no more" will be one we proudly heed and follow.

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