

August 9, 2020 Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 8th, 5:00 pm
† Joseph Urso
by Joanne Urso

Sunday, August 9th, 8:00 am
People of the Parish

Sunday, August 9th, 10:00 am
Joseph T. Isaac, III
by the Joe Isaac, Jr. Family

Sunday, August 9th, 1:00 pm
† Elizabeth Del Duca
by Yorky Burnas Arnold

Monday, August 10th
† Carol Jean Sorokach
by Barbara Mathis

Tuesday, August 11th
People of the Parish

Wednesday, August 12th
† Pete Thomas
by Barbara Mathis

Thursday, August 13th
People of the Parish

Friday, August 14th
No Mass

Saturday, August 15th, 5:00 pm
† Patrick Donald Riordan
by Jean and Steve Riordan

Sunday, August 16th, 8:00 am
Available
Please call the office.

Sunday, August 16th, 10:00 am
† Kay Conlan
by Mary and Win Wesel

Sunday, August 16th, 1:00 pm
Available
Please call the office.

Parish Support

The offertory collection for August 1st and 2nd was \$4,441.00. **This includes \$1,497.00 from online giving.** This is \$959.00 under our weekly goal of \$5,400.00.

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.

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



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

Elizabeth Flaherty-Lovy, Tracey Green Wakeland, Bonnie Geitz, Sydney Johnson, James A. Harrelson Jr., Kristin Melfi Fournier, Chris Dixon, Jim Geitz, John Howard, Barbara Mahaffey, Frank Del Duca, Carolyn Hicks, Betty Barr.

Pray for the speedy, or continued, recovery of:



Keith Williamson, Aric Burks, Victoria Beltran, Michael Bryant, Jr, Karen Smith, Kevin Mattero, Sandy Hill, Jane Sementilli, Nancy Engel, "Bud" Williamson, Jack Myer, Jim Lauro, Addison Stringer, Lucille Jacobs, Sean Sheely, Irene Burks, Elijah Davis, Rachel Ecle, Wallace Moulton, Bill Jackson, Joe Larimore, Cynthia Dawson, George Nichols, Jennifer Gray, Nancy Harvath, Andrew Childers, Cameron Cook, Joanne Urso, Bryan Couture, Joan Kenny Marshall, Ellie Thomas, Donna Jones, Dr. Matt Stover, Carol Lusby, Brandie Barr, John Benford, Christi Sorokach Miller, John Belusz, Pat Teel, Shelly Rossi, Hal Ness, James DelGuidice, Dan South, Frankie Prox O'Donnell, Anthony Maslowski, Kim Howard, Winifred Poit, Hayley Wolfe, Jamison Dumm, Chuck Vanover, Eugene Edwards, Arthur Cannon, Wayne Johnson, Sandra Garrett, Murrey Lord, Shelly Savage, Diane Cuptray, Mateo Lara, Lorna Campagna, Konrad Zeiske, Krystina Millar, Theresa Michau, Savannah Marie Mincey, Paul Renault, Gregorio Viray, Barbara Dumm, Mark Mercer, Linda DiPetrillo, Maureen Delahunt, George Chiha, Tammy Miychell, Elizabeth Del Duca, Brandy Barr, Victoria Barr, Maria Handy, Franci Green, James Manford, Pasquale Manto, Thomas Lusby, James A. Harrelson, III, Laura Saparito Leach, Mike Sorokach, Daniel Vega, Mandy Moore, and Nick Nicoletti.

Pray for those in our Military:

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

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.**

*The flowers on the Altar are in loving memory of
Joseph T. Isaac, III and Amelia J. Isaac
by the Joe Isaac, Jr. Family.*



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

The semi-annual Red Cross Blood Drive sponsored by our Council on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at St. Mary's Parish Hall from 1:00 to 6:00 pm will soon be here! This Blood Drive is open to everyone, so bring a friend! There are a few donation times still available at www.redcrossblood.org but please contact chair Jim Lauro (610-513-2869) if you can volunteer for a two hour shift between 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. to assist in running the donation sign-ins and processing. For the safety of our blood donor community and in accordance with the CDC guidelines, all donors are required to wear a face covering or mask. Please bring a face covering or mask to volunteer as well. If your appointment is specifically to donate platelets by apheresis, please remember NOT take aspirin products 2 full calendar days before your appointment.

The new Knights of Columbus Assembly 3272 4th Degree Faithful Navigator Allan Guazzo (Patty) (843-357-9699) and his new team of officers for the coming year were installed July 30th! If you are interested in joining the 4th Degree (Patriotism), please contact Sir Knight Colin Peterson at 843-344-9771.

The Annual Golf Tournament sponsored by the 4th Degree to help fund the maintenance of the Georgetown County War Memorial Monuments located between the VFW and the American Legion at Broad and Church St. (Hwy 17N) has been canceled this year due to concerns for the spread of the COVID-19 Virus. Toward reaching our annual commitment to assist in this project, however, an anonymous Sir Knight in our Assembly has come forward with an up to \$2,500 matching fund offer for all those who would still be willing to make a donation for this important project! Please make checks payable to "Knights of Columbus Assembly 3272" and identify in memo as for the "GCWMM Fund"; and donations can be dropped off in our Knights mail box at St. Mary's (317 Broad St., Georgetown, SC, 29440) or mailed C/O to Colin Peterson at 167 Johnstone Lane, Georgetown, SC, 29440. Any questions please contact Colin Peterson at 843-344-9771.

Plans are being considered for our Council to again host the local Soccer Challenge this September with District competition in October and State Finals in November. Contact chair Paul Soard at 843-933-5949 if interested.

Knights of Columbus Insurance Field Agent Shane Goheen remains on call if needed at 843-457-5757 or email at Shane.Goheen@kofc.org.

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Weekly Readings

Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a Ps 85:9-14 Rom 9:1-5
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Tuesday: Ez 2:8-3:4 Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131
Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wednesday: Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22 Ps 113:1-6 Mt 18:15-20

Thursday: Ez 12:1-12 Ps 78:56-59, 61-62 Mt 18:21-19:1

Friday: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6
Mt 19:3-12

Saturday: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab Ps 45:10-12, 16
1 Cor 15:20-27 Lk 1:39-56

Next Sunday: Is 56:1, 6-7 Ps 67:2-3, 5-6, 8
Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 Mt 15:21-28

Liturgical Roles

| August 15th Saturday 5:00 pm | August 16th Sunday 8:00 am | August 16th Sunday 10:00 am |
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| Lectors: L Lauro | B Pittman | C Howard |
| Ushers: J Lauro P Medved C Peterson | B Roberts M/T Clarke G Johnson C Bryant | T Macmanus D. Canna H Moore E Kimbrough |
| Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Altar Servers: D/T Macedo J Espinoza | J Espinoza | M Carlton |
| Altar Care: N Wozniak | C Duncan | L Ortiz |
| If you are unable to serve when you are scheduled, please remember to find a substitute. | | |

Worldwide Marriage Encounter



"Truly, you are the Son of God." Believe in all that Jesus says. Place your marriage in His hands by attending the next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience** on Jan 29-31, 2021 in North Myrtle Beach, SC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://SCMarriageMatters.org> or contact us at applications@scmarriagematters.org or 803-810-9602.

PARISH EVENTS

St. Mary's Altar Society

St. Mary's Altar Society meets every third Tuesday at 3:00 pm in the parish hall. All ladies of the parish are welcome. Due to the coronavirus, meetings are canceled until further notice.



Mass Intentions for 2020 may be arranged by calling the Parish Office at 843-546-7416.

To dedicate Flowers for the Altar for 2020

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 there! All are welcome. Due to the coronavirus, meetings are canceled until further notice.

AED Informational Meeting

Two AED (Automated External Defibrillator) devices have been purchased for our parish. One is in the church and the other is in the parish hall. On **Wednesday, August 12**, the Georgetown City Fire Department will have someone come to our church to give us more information about these units and show us how to use them. This will **not** be a certification class due to COVID-19. Certification will take place at a later date. We will follow CDC guidelines by social distancing, wearing masks and having hand sanitizer available. We would like to have as many parishioners as possible familiar with these devices. Please call or email the office if you plan to attend this meeting which will only last for about a half hour. They are available to speak with us at 2:00 pm and/or 6:15pm after the evening Mass. Please let us know the best time for you.

Religious Education

If you are missing assignments or haven't received anything through the mail, packets for your child are available in the office. All classes except for the high school class have been given written assignments. They are due in September, but if possible, please return them sooner to make sure your child is placed in the correct class next year. If you have any questions, call the office and we will be happy to assist you.

Blood Donors Needed



A Red Cross Blood Drive sponsored by the Knights of Columbus will be held on Tuesday, August 18, 2020, at St. Mary's Parish Hall from 1:00 pm to 6:00 pm. At this time of year there is a critical need for blood donors of all types. Your blood will be screened for COVID-19 antibodies. If you are able to donate, please register at www.redcrossblood.org or contact Jim Lauro at 610-513-2869. Volunteers are also needed to help. Please call Jim if you can help at this blood drive.

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time Gospel Meditation

Be still and know that I am God. Silence is sacred. Silence speaks the language of the soul and is the foundation of all life and eternity itself. Silence takes us beyond the limits of our minds and allows us to seek and to love the essence of all love, perfect love, and being. In silence, we can be non-verbally present to things and to God in ways that words cannot accomplish. We can discover, encounter, and be present to truths that our minds struggle to conceive and then set aside the boxes we put around things when comprehending them is challenging. We can know the unknowable and touch eternity when we encounter the core silence in our souls.

We can do this even on a noisy street and in the midst of the greatest distraction. Once we have made friends with silence, the rambling noise of the world no longer seems to matter, and we can carry a deep forgiving peace within us, even when physical silence cannot be found. We know that we are loved, cared for, sustained, nourished, embraced, and carried. There is nothing to fear in silence, and I can be present to myself in the same way that God is present to me. I can see myself as God sees me. All of my faults, weaknesses, imperfections, failings, and sinfulness melt away in the abundance of God's mercy. All of the worldly things we see as being important no longer are.

It is in silence that all of the barriers that divide us disappear. There is no more "yours" and "mine" but only the oneness of "ours." There is no longer a need to "figure things out," and we tap into our desire to simply let things be. Silence is creative and powerful and gives us hope. Silence is God's greatest blessing. God became one with humanity in silence. It allows us to be one with all of creation, with the moon and the stars and all of the creatures God has made. The smallest particle of creation radiates with beauty. Silence allows us to soar beyond ourselves and connect in ways that the mind can only imagine. When all is quiet, we begin to see that it is only our fear that keeps us from the Lord. It is our fear that causes us to sink and to fail. We can hear the gentle whisper that tells us to reach for God's hand. We discover that we yearn for the salvation and wholeness that only God can give to us. Be still my soul and be at peace.