

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, June 20th, 5:00 pm
 † Bonnie Zender
 by Mary and Bob Roberts

Sunday, June 21st, 8:00 am
 † Danny Dawson, Sr.
 by Mary and Bob Roberts

Sunday, June 21st, 10:00 am
 The People of the Parish

Sunday, June 21st, 1:00 pm
 For the 88th Birthday of
 Frank J. DelDuca
 by Maria A. DelDuca and Family

Monday, June 22nd
 † Arletta Jordan
 by Barbara Mathis

Tuesday, June 23rd
 All Souls of Purgatory
 by Paul DiRuzzo

Wednesday, June 24th
 † James Bassett
 by Barbara Mathis

Thursday, June 25th
 Laurie J. Duden
 by Rev. Richard C. Wilson

Friday, June 26th
 No Mass

Saturday, June 27th, 5:00 pm
 † Len Aberle
 by Beverly Aberle

Sunday, June 28th, 8:00 am
 † Joseph A. Walker
 by Christine Walker

Sunday, June 28th, 10:00 am
 † James and Rosa Bassett
 by Jeanette and Paul Duncan

Sunday, June 28th, 1:00 pm
 The People of the Parish



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, Mady Cavanaugh, Hayley Wolfe, Jamison Dumm, Rita Bonifati, William Bonifati, 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, Carol Zeiske, Linda DiPetrillo, Maureen Delahunt, George Chiha, Tammy Miychell, Elizabeth Del Duca, Brandy Barr, Victoria Barr, Maria Handy, Francly Green, James Manford, Pasquale Manto, Thomas Lusby, James A. Harrelson, III, Laura Saparito Leach, Mike Sorokach.

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.



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

The US Conference of Catholic Bishops, faced with government regulations limiting the free exercise of religion, initiated the annual "Fortnight for Freedom" in 2012. This observance in recent years has been renamed "Religious Freedom Week" and will be celebrated June 22-29.

Saints Thomas More and John Fisher are well-known for opposing King Henry VIII's divorce. Ultimately, it was their refusal to sign an oath of supremacy that led to their executions. King Henry claimed to be the supreme head of the Church in England, asserting sovereign power over English Christians. Neither Fisher nor More could abide this claim, and their steadfastness to their consciences put them in conflict with the king. They were convicted of treason. When More made his way to the gallows, he is said to have stated, "I die the King's good servant, but God's first." Both More and Fisher were patriots. They never rose up to incite rebellion or to foment revolution. They were not traitors. But when the law of the king came into conflict with the law of Christ, they chose Christ. These men gave their lives for the freedom of the Church and for freedom of conscience. Saints Thomas More and John Fisher, pray that we too will be good servants to our country, but God's first!

The Knights of Columbus Council 3067 will sponsor a Mass for "Religious Freedom Week" on Monday, June 22 at 5:30 pm. All are invited. Distancing will limit attendance to 75 people.

The Vatican announced May 27th that Pope Francis approved the promulgation of a decree recognizing a miracle attributed to the intercession of the founder of the Knights of Columbus, Venerable Father Michael J. McGivney, a Connecticut priest who served his flock during the pandemic of 1890, before himself becoming ill and dying of pneumonia. The Pope's action means that Father McGivney can be declared "Blessed", the step just prior to sainthood. An additional miracle attributed to Father McGivney's intercession will be required for his canonization as a saint.

Council 3067 of the Knights of Columbus has selected J.J. Tupacz for its 2020 Ronald Breznicky Catholic Action Award, which recognizes a high school age young man or woman who has exhibited exceptional leadership qualities and service of a Catholic nature in St. Mary's parish and in the community.

Assembly 3272 has selected Blake Joseph for its Fr. Philip Grant Catholicity Award, which recognizes the young Catholic man or woman in high school in Georgetown County who best exemplifies love of God, Church and Country.

Parish Support

The offertory collection for June 13th and June 14th was \$5,353.00. **This includes \$927.00 from online giving.** This is \$47.00 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.

June 21, 2020 Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Weekly Readings

Sunday: Jer 20:10-13 Ps 69:8-10, 17, 33-35
Rom 5:12-15 Mt 10:26-33

Monday: 2 Kgs 17:5-8, 13-15a, 18 Ps 60:3-5, 12-13
Mt 7:1-5

Tuesday: 2 Kgs 19:9b-11, 14-21, 31-35a, 36
Ps 48:2-4, 10-11 Mt 7:6, 12-14

Wednesday: Is 49:1-6 Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15 Acts 13:22-26
Lk 1:57-66, 80

Thursday: 2 Kgs 24:8-17 Ps 79:1b-5, 8-9 Mt 7:21-29

Friday: 2 Kgs 25:1-12 Ps 137:1-6 Mt 8:1-4

Saturday: Lam 2:2, 10-14, 18-19 Ps 74:1b-7, 20-21
Mt 8:5-17

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16a Ps 89:2-3, 16-19
Rom 6:3-4, 8-11 Mt 10:37-42



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.



Liturgical Roles

June 27th Saturday 5:00 pm	June 28th Sunday 8:00 am	June 28th Sunday 10:00 am
Lectors: L Lauro	B Pittman	C Peterson
Ushers: S Salamon P Wolfe C Walker	B Roberts M/T Clarke G Johnson	K/B Yacavino A/J Spagnuolo
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: N/A	N/A	N/A
Altar Servers: B Mathis	C Carrasco	J Duncan
Altar Care: P Geiger	M Boelke	L Ortiz
<u>If you are unable to serve when you are scheduled, please remember to find a substitute.</u>		

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.**

Priests Vestments

Question:

Why do priests wear vestments? Do they have a special meaning?

Answer:

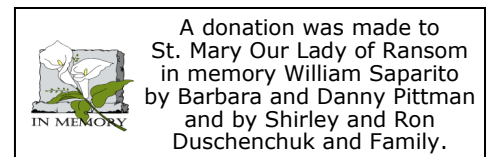
Vestments are clothes worn for a specific purpose. Priests will joke that they cover a thousand flaws. But our own manner of dress often corresponds to what we do. We dress up for special occasions, and for special guests. We wear certain clothes for golf, for outdoor activities, and years ago, we even had our "Sunday best" clothes we wore just for Church. Vestments are much the same, and each one has a meaning. The alb is a reminder of the baptismal garment. The stole is a symbol of ordained ministry and authority within the Church. The chasuble reminds us that we are on a pilgrimage of faith, passing through this life towards heaven.

Priests wear vestments for two basic reasons. First, they draw attention to the importance and solemnity of the act of worship. The color of the vestments indicates the season of the year or the feast being celebrated. Secondly, vestments draw attention to what the priest does, rather than who he is. In the celebration of the Mass, the focus is on what we do together, on our common unity, and on the mystery and person of Christ.

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Congratulations Graduates!

Congratulations to Kareston Gamble, Oscar Olguin and Edward Tupacz who have graduated High School this year. Father will bless them at the 10am Mass on June 21st. Please keep these young men in your prayers as they venture off onto the next stage of their lives.



Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel Meditation

There are many things of which we can be afraid: being rebuked, rejection, anger, being challenged, having to defend ourselves, standing alone, insecurity, failure, and even death. For some, identifying and overcoming their fears is a daunting task. Regardless of how much they may want to break the cycle of fear, they find that they remain close friends with old and dysfunctional behavioral habits and norms. Maybe what they really fear is change. There are many who gravitate to the familiar and comfortable, and find safety and security in doing so, even if they remain mired in mediocrity. Human beings have to learn that there is life beyond the "what has always been" and that happiness and depth are possible when old structures and systems have to be left behind.

Can you leave the near and dear, the comfortable and familiar, the safe and secure, and discover new opportunities? The sheer thought of doing so can bring on feelings of apprehension, intense anger, resentment, defensiveness, reluctance, resistance, and even apathy. If we have to be responsible for making the change, cowardice can creep in. If someone else is to blame for making the change, any number of possible negative reactions are possible. In the end, only one thing is required and that is God. If I can rely on and deepen my relationship with God, especially in the Eucharist along with a community of believers, then little else is of great concern. We have to figure out what is really important. It is not always what we think.

The Gospel calls us to stretch ourselves and try new things, not to remain stuck and stagnant in familiar ways. We are asked to live life more deliberately, radically, and intentionally. We are asked to leave the familiar behind and learn to live with changing, and often limiting, human structures. We cannot get too caught up in the physical, ideological, or structural systems we are used to. The Holy Spirit always leads and guides us. If we trust this, we will find ourselves doing things we never thought we could do. Always seek the path to joy and love. They keep us from falling victim to our fears and from seeking the nostalgic crutches we think we need to achieve a sense of well-being and happiness.

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