

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday, August 21, 2021 5:00 PM  
 † Sonny Lindvall  
 by David Duval

Sunday, August 22, 2021 8:00 AM  
 † Debbie L. Cohen  
 by Walt Roberts

Sunday, August 22, 2021 10:00 AM  
 † Amelia J. Isaac  
 by The Joe Isaac, Jr. Family

Sunday, August 22, 2021 1:00 PM  
 People of the Parish

Monday, August 23, 2021  
**No Mass**

Tuesday, August 24, 2021 8:00 AM  
 Frankie Prox O'Donnell

Wednesday, August 25, 2021 5:30 PM  
 † Carol Jean Sorokach  
 by Barbara Mathis

Thursday, August 26, 2021 8:00 AM  
 Anthony Maslowski

Friday, August 27, 2021 8:00 AM  
 Chris Schwarz  
 by Mary Boelke

Saturday, August 28, 2021 5:00 PM  
 † Scott Henderson  
 by Pamela and Hal Ness

Sunday, August 29, 2021 8:00 AM  
 † Helen Joseph Walsh  
 by Daphne and Raad Joseph

Sunday, August 29, 2021 10:00 AM  
 † Karin Harper  
 by Cheryl and Joe Isaac

Sunday, August 29, 2021 1:00 PM  
 People of the Parish

**Parish Support**

The offertory collection for August 14th and 15th was \$5,656.65. **This includes \$1,160.00 from online giving.** This is \$256.65 over our weekly goal of \$5,400.00.

**Summer Office Hours**

The office will be open Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM and Friday from 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

*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.*



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

James A. Harrelson Jr., Chris Dixon, Jim Geitz, John Howard, Barbara Mahaffey, Carolyn Hicks, Betty Barr, Rosemary Darrow, and Angel Khoury.

**Pray for the speedy, or continued, recovery of:**

Donna Jones, Dr. Matt Stover, Carol Lusby, Brandie Barr, John Benford, Christi Sorokach Miller, Pat Teel, Shelly Rossi, Hal Ness, James DelGuidice, Dan South, Frankie Prox O'Donnell, Anthony Maslowski, Kim Howard, Winifred Poit, Hayley Wolfe, Chuck Vanover, Arthur Cannon, Sandra Garrett, Shelly Savage, Diane Cuptray, Mateo Lara, Lorna Campagna, Konrad Zeiske, Krystina Millar, Theresa Michau, Savannah Marie Mincey, Paul Renault, Gregorio Viray, Mark Mercer, Linda DiPetrillo, Maureen Delahunt, Tammy Miychell, Victoria Barr, Maria Handy, Franci Green, James Manford, Thomas Lusby, James A. Harrelson, III, Laura Saporito Leach, Mandy Moore, Nick Nicoletti, Joanne Lechwar, Martin Altman, Mike VanLandingham, Rosemary DelGuidice, Jimmy Howard, Claudia Sanchez Campos, Wesley Lewis, David Barr, Angelica Bridges, Humberto Olivares Martinez, Fred Fisher, Jennifer Vaughn, Amy Spagnuolo, Sue Cana, Julie Sharp, Sandy Sheely, Journey Peters, David Kiley, Elaine Benson, John Yaniga, Natalie Wozniak, Ed Wozniak and Jim Lauro.

**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.

**NEW** 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.

*Our community of faith extends our heartfelt condolences to Henry Moore and his family. Elissa Claire Walker, Henry's granddaughter, passed away August 11, 2021. Please his family in your prayers. May her soul rest in peace.*



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

Our Jos. M. Ros Sr. Council 3067 has sent condolences to Brother Henry Moore and his family for the loss of his granddaughter Elissa Claire Walker from her sudden death from a vehicular accident August 11, 2021. The council has also had a Mass to be said in Claire's name and made a donation to the family's designation in lieu of flowers- All 4 Paws Animal Rescue, 708 Petigru Dr., Pawleys Island, S.C. 29585. May Claire rest in Peace!

Thanks to Grand Knight Bob and Neena McMahan for representing our Council at the Father McGivney's 1st Annual Feast Day celebrated Friday, August 13, 2021 at Our Lady of the Hills Catholic Church in Columbia which included a special Mass offered by the Most Rev. Robert E. Guglielmone, Bishop of the Diocese of Charleston. Of course Father McGivney is also widely recognized as the founder of the Knights of Columbus.

Congratulations to the recently recognized August Knight of the Month Jim Lauro for his promotion and leadership in organizing our successful August 17th American Red Cross Blood Drive held in our Parish Hall. The August Family of the Month was Brian and Mary Jo Clark for the initiative and follow-up in successfully leading our Council in sponsorship of the first meal for our parish's Summer Vacation Bible School on Monday, July 26th and then pitching in again to assist in the Wednesday meal preparation and presentation by another parishioner. Thanks to Jim, Brian and Mary Jo and all the knights who stepped up to help make each of these events a success!

Thanks to all those members of the parish who were able to step up and donate food goods to THIS WEEKEND'S Food Pantry Drive. The donations will be delivered Monday to St. Cyprian Outreach and Georgetown Helping Hands. Our next Food Pantry Drive will be the third weekend of September: September 18 - 19, 2021.

A Long Term Care Webinar, open to everyone in the parish, will be on Thursday, August 25, 2021 at 7 PM. Openings are limited, so one must REGISTER IMMEDIATELY to save a spot at: robert.boni@kofc.org.

Our sign-up for the 3rd Columbus Hope Drive for 2021 on Friday and Saturday September 10-11th has started. All volunteers are needed for this wonderful project benefitting the special need citizens of Georgetown County. Chair Colin Peterson will be sending a sign-up sheet via email, or give him a call to get your best time slot at (843)344-9771.

The Jos. M. Ros Council 3067 of the Knights of Columbus meets the second Thursday of each month. Next meeting is Thursday, September 9th. Contact Grand Knight Bob McMahan to join at (843)729-6463.

Shane Goheen, our field Insurance and Investment Agent, remains on call as needed at (843)457-5757.

## The Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time



### Weekly Readings

**Sunday:** Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b Ps 34:2-3, 16-21  
Eph 5:21-32 Jn 6:60-69

**Monday:** 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10 Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b Mt 23:13-22

**Tuesday:** Rv 21:9b-14 Ps 145:10-13, 17-18 Jn 1:45-51

**Wednesday:** 1 Thes 2:9-13 Ps 139:7-12b Mt 23:27-32

**Thursday:** 1 Thes 3:7-13 Ps 90:3-5a, 12-14, 17 Mt 24:42-51

**Friday:** 1 Thes 4:1-8 Ps 97:1-2b, 5-6, 10-12 Mt 25:1-13

**Saturday:** 1 Thes 4:9-11 Ps 98:1, 7-9 Mt 25:14-30

**Next Sunday:** Dt 4:1-2, 6-8 Ps 15:2-5 Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27  
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

## Liturgical Roles

August 28 Saturday 5:00 pm	August 29 Sunday 8:00 am	August 29 Sunday 10:00 am
<b>Lector:</b> L Lauro	J Dumm	C Howard
<b>Ushers:</b> P Wolfe S Salamon	B Roberts C Bryant T Clarke	J Tupacz T Tupacz
<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:</b>		
K Chewning MF Lazzari	J/P Duncan	T Howard
<b>Altar Servers:</b> B Mathis	M Ortiz	D Martinez-Pucheta
<b>Altar Care:</b> P Hughes	M Boelke	L Ortiz
<b><u>If you are unable to serve when you are scheduled, please remember to find a substitute.</u></b>		

### Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

#### Submission as Stewardship.

We aren't comfortable with the idea of submission. Our society champions equality, and rightly so — but it's a mistake to think that submission is at odds with equality. To submit ourselves fully, we must first be free. We must first be our own masters. God has granted us that freedom with the salvation He offers. We are no longer the slaves of sin. Now He asks us to be subordinate to one another, in the name of Christ.

What a completely uncomfortable task! What He's asking is for us to be subordinate to the person who irritates us the most. The person we really can't stand. The person who doesn't respect us or appreciate what we have to offer. The person we think we're smarter than, more talented than. The person we envy.

That's the real challenge of stewardship, isn't it? Subordination. Inconveniencing myself by giving of time, of money, of relationship. Putting the needs or wants of another above my own when they haven't done anything special to earn it.

I invite you to consider the cross — the most radical expression of submission, and of stewardship, that ever existed. If there was ever someone who deserved superiority, isn't it the God who let Himself be nailed to a tree, who gave so freely of His life, His body, His blood, His everything?

To look at him in his agony is to truly understand the beauty of submission — of laying down what you have for the good of the other — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

## PARISH EVENTS



**Mass Intentions for 2021** may be arranged by calling the Parish Office at 843-546-7416.

**To dedicate Flowers for the Altar for 2021** please contact the Parish Office to confirm names and dates.



### St. Mary's Altar Society

St. Mary's Altar Society meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month, September through May, at 3 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).

**Gospel Study Group** meets every Wednesday, at 9:30 am in the parish hall. We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday, September 1st! 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.

### Religious Education

We are currently registering children in PreK - 12th grade for Religious Ed. and adults for RCIA. Religious Ed classes will begin on September 12th. Brunch will be served at 11 AM. The 3-5 year old class will be dismissed at 12:15 PM and Grades 1 - 12 will be dismissed at 12:45 PM.

Please remember, we have a high school class. Many people think that after confirmation, their faith journey is over, but confirmation is just the beginning. Please encourage your teenager to continue their faith journey by enrolling in the high school class. I am more than happy to meet with anyone that has any questions about any of the classes.

Anyone interested in being a Catechist or an assistant should contact the office. According to Safe Environment regulations, TWO prescreened adults must be present in each classroom.

### 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time - Gospel Meditation

"Far be it from us to forsake the Lord for the service of other gods." We struggle with our gods. They appear in the forms of things like money, power, prestige, popularity, privilege, and self-fulfillment. We like these "gods" because they make us feel good and ask very little of us in return. When we worship them, we worship ourselves. How can you go wrong with that? We buy into the illusion that if something can give us a comfortable life, free of want and need, then it is worth setting other things aside to pursue it. In essence, we sell our souls. Our struggle with "who is God" and to whom do we belong is a real one and one that can easily find us empty and experiencing disillusionment.

The devil tempted Jesus in the desert and promised him more. We are promised "more." But in pursuing the more and the satisfying we lose track of the cost, and the cost is great. We sacrifice our very life in pursuit of something disguised as life. We sacrifice truth for something that only "feels" true. While the true and real God certainly promises us many things, many things are also required. It is not about the warm and secure feelings and self-absorption the world wants to provide, but of giving back. There can be no lukewarm stance with regard to faith. If we are in, then faith in Jesus Christ asks us to do some difficult things: work in service of God's kingdom (not our own), love our enemies, offer no resistance to injury, that we must die to ourselves in order to find ourselves, and trust that Jesus truly gives us his flesh and blood to eat and drink. These are hard things to accept and even harder to put into practice. It is no wonder that many, who may be attracted to Jesus at first, walk away in pursuit of the more self-satisfying gods.

But truth is truth. If we cannot accept it from the lips of Jesus Christ, then where else will we find it? To whom can we go? There is only one source of truth and life, Jesus Christ. Jesus has the words of eternal life and if we do not go to him, then where else will we find this gift? But we must be faithful and buy into the whole package deal that requires sacrifice and fidelity. When we do, we find ourselves, through the Body and Blood of Christ, connected to the Source of all life and then intimately bound with our brothers and sisters. We all have to decide whether we want to stay or go and if we can accept what Jesus has to say. It's a choice we all have to make.