

October 17, 2021

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, October 16, 2021 5:00 PM
Kate Karre
by Julie Snyder

Sunday, October 17, 2021 8:00 AM
John DePorter
by Donna and Mike Saguto

Sunday, October 17, 2021 10:00 AM
People of the Parish

Sunday, October 17, 2021 1:00 PM
† Juliana Reyes Binzha
by Lupe Hernandez

Monday, October 18, 2021
No Mass

Tuesday, October 19, 2021
No Mass

Wednesday, October 20, 2021 5:30 PM
† Carol Jean Sorokach
by Barbara Mathis

Thursday, October 21, 2021 8:00 AM
† Donna Jones
by Rita Frith

Friday, October 22, 2021 8:00 AM
† Harold Frith
by Rita Frith

Saturday, October 23, 2021 5:00 PM
Toni Condon
by Aaron and Mary Condon

Sunday, October 24, 2021 8:00 AM
† Marilyn and † Don Reuter, Jr.
by Donna and Mike Saguto

Sunday, October 24, 2021 10:00 AM
† Donna Jones
by the Women of Wedgfield

Sunday, October 24, 2021 1:00 PM
People of the Parish



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

Barbara Mahaffey, Carolyn Hicks, Betty Barr, Angel Khoury, Rosemary Darrow and James A. Harrelson, III.

Pray for the speedy, or continued, recovery of:

Natalie Wozniak, Ed Wozniak, Jim Lauro, John Darrow, 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.**

Altar Server Training

There will be altar server training and a meeting for **ALL** servers on Saturday, October 23 at 6:00 PM. If you are an altar server or would like to become an altar server please make every effort to attend this meeting. Thank you!



Our community of faith extends our deepest sympathies to Ashli and Brian Howard whose son, Bennett Trey Howard, passed away. Please keep Ashli, Brian and the Howard family and friends in your prayers. May his soul rest in peace.



The Knights Corner

"Holy Family Light Our Way in Love and Charity"

Thank you to all the Knights and parishioners who helped make the Annual Pasta Dinner a wonderfully enjoyable and successful evening of great fellowship and pasta last Saturday at St. Mary's Parish Hall! This 4th Degree fundraiser for the Chalice Program for Priests served up an excellent meal; and for those many who were able to eat-in, an even more enjoyable evening! Between St. Mary's and PBOC, we raised enough proceeds to purchase five additional chalices to memorialize our knights who pass away going forward, so that the widow/family can have their knight's name engraved on a new chalice and presented to the priests who still need one. Great job by all!

We certainly want to recognize Father Touzeau for performing the two funeral Masses and a baptism last Saturday upon his return from the Diocesan retreat, as well as the regular Saturday night Mass and the Sunday Masses!. Thank you Father and hope you too enjoyed that pasta dinner!

The October Food Pantry Drive is THIS WEEKEND; and those donations of canned and dry goods left in the entrance to St. Mary's Church will be delivered the following Monday to St. Cyprian Outreach and Georgetown Helping Hands. Further, our council has also agreed to work with St. Cyprian Outreach this year in supplying them food items for 50 of their 100 Christmas food boxes; along with two boxes of new children's coats for Christmas to also be distributed to their clients. Thank you to all the knights and parishioners who continue to support our ongoing charitable efforts!

Our hearts and prayers go out to fellow knight Brian Howard and his wife Ashli and their family with the recent loss of their 9-day old son Bennett Trey Howard. While he was born with expected complicated and difficult medical issues, they were able to realize their wishes and get Bennett home, where he died in their arms. May he rest in peace!

For Your Information: The Georgetown/Pawleys Island Knights of Columbus Father Philip Grant 4th Degree Assembly 3272 will soon be offering Advent wreaths and other seasonal spiritual items as a fundraiser for their ongoing projects in support of our Military Veterans.

The next K of C Assembly 3272 business meeting will be Thursday, October 28th starting at 6 PM at the PBOC Education Center.

Our final 2021 Columbus Hope fundraiser at the Georgetown Walmart will be Friday and Saturday, October 29-30th. Please contact chair Colin Peterson at (843)344-9771 to sign up!

K of C Insurance and Investment Agent Shane Goheen remains on call as needed at (843)457-5757.

Parish Support

The offertory collection amount for October 9th and 10th was unavailable at the time of printing.

Sign Up For Online Giving

To access online giving visit our parish website www.stmaryourladyofransom.org then select "Parish Life," and then select "Online Giving".

Thank you for worshipping with us!

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 Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time



Weekly Readings

Sunday: Is 53:10-11 Ps 33:4-5, 18-20, 22 Heb 4:14-16
Mk 10:35-45
Monday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b Ps 145:10-13, 17-18 Lk 10:1-9
Tuesday: Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 Ps 40:7-10, 17
Lk 12:35-38
Wednesday: Rom 6:12-18 Ps 124:1b-8 Lk 12:39-48
Thursday: Rom 6:19-23 Ps 1:1-4, 6 Lk 12:49-53
Friday: Rom 7:18-25a Ps 119:66, 68, 76-77, 93-94
Lk 12:54-59
Saturday: Rom 8:1-11 Ps 24:1b-4b, 5-6 Lk 13:1-9
Next Sunday: Jer 31:7-9 Ps 126:1-6 Heb 5:1-6 Mk 10:46-52

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.



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.

Liturgical Roles

October 23 Saturday 5:00 pm	October 24 Sunday 8:00 am	October 24 Sunday 10:00 am
Lector: J Strenk	R Humphries	T Howard
Ushers: S Salamon P Wolfe	D/T Corvelli T Clarke J Joseph	S/M Edwards
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:		
Deacon Mike	Deacon Mike	Deacon Mike
Altar Servers: D Macedo	M Ortiz	D Martinez-Pucheta
Altar Care: D Macedo	C Humphries	L Ortiz
If you are unable to serve when you are scheduled, please remember to find a substitute.		

St. Mary's Altar Society meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month, September through May, at 2 PM in our parish hall. Our next meeting is October 19th. 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).

St. Mary's Altar Society

Religious Education

Most of our religious education classes are at maximum capacity. As per diocesan regulations, it is a requirement to have two adults per classroom. We are in dire need of more classroom helpers. In case of emergency, it is difficult for the catechists to attend to one child and leave the others unattended as was the case last week. A helper does not have to prepare lessons nor lead the class unless the catechist is absent. Please pray about it and consider becoming an assistant.

Thank you to the high school and confirmation classes for their help at the fall festival.

29th Sunday of Ordinary Time - Gospel Meditation

"What do you wish me to do for you?" Whether we realize it, this is a question God is always asking. It's an important question because the answer we provide will reveal a great deal about where our hearts lie. Our requests of God can often appear very noble and altruistic. They consist of requests for healing for someone in need of prayers, successful resolution of a personal conflict, assistance in overcoming a disease and myriad other desires for both ourselves and others. We are especially concerned about those we love and can easily find ourselves bringing their struggles to God for a hearing in our prayer.

Is that really all that prayer is about? The woman in today's Gospel, having been put in her place by Jesus, was only looking out for the wellbeing of her sons. She was doing what mothers do, protecting and securing the livelihood of her children. But she was sadly mistaken, her request was not granted. We all make this same misguided mistake from time to time. The goal of prayer is not to convince God of the worthiness of our agenda or to gain a hearing. Sometimes we believe that the more we multiply our prayers or discover the right combination of supplications that we will receive more of God's attention. That's not how it works. Even though God desires to hear, know, and be an intimate part of what is on our minds, it goes much deeper.

What we need from God is a relationship. It's a relationship that guides and immerses us in the very stuff of life and in the direction of the Gospel. This relationship sees God's kingdom and agenda, not our own, as what is most important. It builds the strength of character necessary to bring God's Gospel into a world that may not receive it with open arms. It may cause us discomfort and suffering. We are asked to heroically journey with God through suffering, hardship, ridicule, and even death! Ultimately, our desire from God must become our desire for God. It is only when this happens that the powerful words "thy will be done" will be found with sincerity and humility on our lips. Whatever God wishes becomes what we wish as we see this glorious union of wills. Our humble lives will then become powerful witnesses, and what happens to us in God's eternal kingdom the result of his mercy. We become true servants and find ourselves discovering God's definition of success. That definition has nothing at all to do with status, income, or privilege.

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

What's in it for me?

I think we've all been guilty of looking at a situation and wondering what's in it for us. It doesn't matter if it's a particular work assignment, someone at the parish asking for help with the mission trip bake sale, or your spouse asking if you'll take over the grocery shopping this week. Often, our first reaction to one of these requests is a heavy sigh and the thought: "If I do this, what will I get?"

Sometimes it surprises us to realize that the Apostles were no different. We tend to idolize these contemporaries of Christ as giants who walked with the Savior. But in reality, these individuals were merely human beings struggling to commit to the task of everyday stewardship.

In the Gospels, we see glimpses of them longing for praise and affirmation. We see them jockeying for positions of power within the group of twelve. We see them expect earthly rewards like honor and admiration. We see them acting a lot like us.

But in the end, we see them transformed by the grace of God. Like all the saints, their holiness stems from their commitment to their call. They stumble through, and as they stumble, they keep trusting God. They keep turning to Him. They keep asking for help. They don't give up just because they keep failing at it.

We are defined by what we give when we have no hope of being reimbursed, rewarded, or recognized. The Apostles understood this, eventually, and they gave accordingly. Most of them gave their very lives.

Remember, they're just like us. If they can do it, we can too.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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