

## Mass/Service Schedule/Intentions

Tue: 11/1 9:30 am

Wed: 11/2 5:30 pm  
6:45 pm

Sat: 11/5 6:30 pm Adele Spiccia (D)

*~given by Hallie Edenfield*

Sun: 11/6 8:30 am Jennifer Williamson (L)

*~given by Nancy Williamson*

## Second Collections for Next Week

Building Improvement and Archdiocesan Seminarians

### CONTRIBUTIONS for October 23, 2016

Church Budget	\$ 2,100
General Offertory	\$ 1,658.10

COUNTERS for this week are: Flora Butler and Ruth Manna.

Flowers are in honor of Simon & Grace Li.

### Parish Committees

Pastoral Council: Deanna Holmer 706-297-7493

Finance Committee: Bob Defenbaugh 706-886-8950

Ladies of Saint Mary: Stephanie Cortellino 404-353-0475

Religious Education: Sharon Cook 706-297-8344

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Multi-Purpose Building Committee: 706-201-1185

October is "Right to Life" month. We are saying a rosary before the Saturday night mass starting at 6 p.m. and one at 8 a.m. on Sundays to end abortion. It would be great to have more people come and pray it with us during October. In addition, there is a playpen as you enter church to place items in for Toccoa Life. At the end of the month, we will donate any baby items to help with all the young women who have opted to give birth and keep their babies. All of your support is deeply appreciated. Thanks so much!!

## Pray for ... PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep the following people in your prayers: Zachary Carreno, Kevin Chase, Carl Dowell, Joe Franzmathes, Chuck Hansen, Judy Hawkins, Edna Kane, Ed Kernan, Carl Pope, Chloe Smith, Skip Studley, Joe Todd, Jim Zell, Elaine Peterson, Charles Roberts, Glenn Gloeckner, Mary Hennessey, Hubert Jones, Lisa Panatera - Esquivel, Karen Poole, Carlton House, Mac Boswell, Karen Perchinski, Brion Lanier, Max Biester, Gloria Woodall, Laura Barnett, Dell Thomas, Nan Lunn, Diane Farmer, Tina Vu, Lore Schnell, Gwen Cuvo, Larry Barbour, Walter Gaines, Janice Sibley and Joan Ferrara.

### A SPECIAL THANK YOU!

The Ladies of St. Mary's would like to express our heartfelt appreciation to Gerrie Chalk for her leadership and service as President for six years. Now she can devote more of her time and energy to the important work of being a CASA volunteer.

We welcome and thank **Stephanie Cortellino** who has willingly accepted the responsibility of being our new President.

### St. Vincent dePaul

In our Bible, Jesus is quite clear in his message, "bear fruit or be cut down." We are called to cultivate and fertilize our spiritual lives through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Joining and/or giving to our St. Mary's Conference of Saint Vincent dePaul is one excellent way to fulfill Jesus' command for stewardship. Please consider joining us. We meet two times a month for spiritual growth and to discuss how to best meet the needs of individuals and families in our community asking for assistance. We thank St. Mary's parishioners for their most generous donations this past week with a total of \$470. We will use this money wisely to assist these individuals and families. Next month we will meet on Wednesdays, November 2nd and 16th, at 7:15 PM following Mass, in the Religious Education room. All are welcome to join us! For further information, please contact Nancy Williamson, Sharon Cook, Gary Cortellino or Stephanie Cortellino.

Ladies of the Parish: Please mark your calendars for the next meeting of the Ladies of St. Mary, Wed. November 16th at 10:00am in the parish hall. All women of the parish are invited to attend. If you are interested in being a part of this group and are unable to attend, please contact Stephanie Cortellino at 404-353-0475. Thank you and we hope to see you on the 16th!

The K of C will be having their Breakfast on Nov. 6, 2016 after the 8:30 AM Mass. There will be French Toast, bacon and sausage with all of the fixings.

Did you know that one out of three women in the US will experience an abortion in her lifetime? PATH (Post Abortion Treatment and Healing) is here to help. PATH will be starting up new Bible Studies in Marietta, Roswell and Brookhaven areas beginning in October 2016. Please call PATH at 404-717-5557 or email [pathjody@gmail.com](mailto:pathjody@gmail.com) to register. Christ centered and confidential care is available. Take courage, He is calling you!

Volunteers Needed: Hospice Compassus is looking for patient care and office volunteers in your area. These volunteers are needed to play games, read, write letters, run errands, and provide companionship for our patients. If you are interested in helping patients who are living with a life-limiting illness, please contact Bridgett Biggers at 706-354-1707 for more information.



As the election nears, the Knights of Columbus is urging its members and other Catholic Americans to pray. The prayer will be in the form of a novena — nine consecutive days of prayer — and will run from Oct. 30 to the eve of the election on Nov. 7. The prayer is addressed to the Holy Trinity through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, under her title of the Immaculate Conception. Individuals, families, councils and parishes are all invited to participate. "The Church teaches that Catholics are called to form their consciences based on Church teaching and vote in accordance with that well-formed conscience," said Supreme Knight Carl Anderson. He added: "Pope Francis has said in reference to the U.S. election that we should 'study the proposals well, pray and choose with your conscience,' and this novena is designed to help Catholic Americans do that." The text of the novena reads: Most Holy Trinity: Our Father in Heaven, who chose Mary as the fairest of your daughters; Holy Spirit, who chose Mary as your Spouse; God the Son, who chose Mary as your Mother, in union with Mary we adore your majesty and acknowledge your supreme, eternal dominion and authority. Most Holy Trinity, we put the United States of America into the hands of Mary Immaculate in order that she may present the country to you. Through her we wish to thank you for the great resources of this land and for the freedom which has been its heritage. Through the intercession of Mary, have mercy on the Catholic Church in America. Grant us peace. Have mercy on our president and on all the officers of our government. Grant us a fruitful economy, born of justice and charity. Have mercy on capital and industry and labor. Protect the family life of the nation. Guard the precious gift of many religious vocations. Through the intercession of our Mother, have mercy on the sick, the tempted, sinners — on all who are in need. Mary, Immaculate Virgin, our Mother, Patroness of our land, we praise you and honor you and give ourselves to you. Protect us from every harm. Pray for us, that acting always according to your will and the will of your divine Son, we may live and die pleasing to God. Amen.