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Ladies of
St. Mary's

We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the
 month at 10 a.m.


 In Loving Memory of
 Matilde Saavedra

In Memory of
James H. Broussard
"Bruce"

In Loving Memory of Herman Watson
husband, father and grandfather of 23


KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Joseph M. Malik - Council 9975

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 26, 2017



St Mary's Catholic Church

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 706-886-2819

Sacramental Emergency: 678-823-9391
 Baptism and Matrimony: Contact Fr. Sullivan
 Sacrament of Penance: Wed. 5:30 - 6:30 pm or by appointment
 St. Vincent de Paul Help Line: 678-892-6163

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS
 Tues: 10 am - 2 pm
 Wed: 1 pm - 5 pm
 Fri: 10 am - 1 pm

Mass/Service Schedule/Intentions

Tue: 2/28 9:30 am

Wed: 3/1 12:00 Noon Mass and Ashes

Sat: 3/4 6:30 pm People of the parish

Sun: 3/5 8:30 am Charles Paysen

~given by Robert Paysen

Attention: There will be no Adoration at 5:30 PM or Mass at 6:30 PM on Ash Wednesday!

Second Collections Next Week

Black & Indian Missions & Building Improvement

CONTRIBUTIONS for February 19, 2017

Church Budget	\$ 2,100
General Offertory	\$ 1,554
Building Improvement	\$ 6

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

Parish Committees

Pastoral Council: Deanna Holmer 706-297-7493

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DEEPEST SYMPATHY

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Russ and Betty Harper on the recent death of their great-granddaughter, Chloe Alexia Smith, 15 years old, who died on Feb. 5th.



Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Carl Dowell, Joe Franzmathes, Skip Studley, Max Biester Laura Barnett, Nan Lunn, Lore Schnell, Walter Gaines, Janice Sibley, Jan Dover, Leon Womack, and June Webb.

If you like to submit an individual for Prayer Intentions, please contact Ruth Manna (678 327-4738). Please do not call the church office. Update Ruth at least every four weeks if you wish to continue with community prayers. The Church is keeping prayer intentions updated.

Additionally, Rita Nash is continuing her 'prayer intentions' email blasts regarding parishioners suddenly taken ill and/or hospitalized. Contact Rita via email (gordie123@windstream.net) Or by phone (706 356-1247). Thank-you.



Would you like to have your birthday; anniversary or other celebratory event announced by WNEG radio/Connie Gaines on the day of your event? What a great way to start your special day and promote St Mary's. Your special day will be listed under 'St Mary's Church Church'. The sign up sheet is in the narthex. Questions? Contact Gary Cortellino, 678 360-2545 or garycortel@aol.com



Ladies of St. Mary's - St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Saturday March 18, 2017

Parish Hall - 7:45pm

Tickets: Adult - \$10 per person

Children- \$5 per person: Hot dog, chips, dessert & drink. Tickets will be on sale beginning Feb. 25 at masses. NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR. Menu: Corned Beef and Cabbage

Potatoes & Carrots

Irish Soda Bread & Rye Bread

Desserts and Drinks

Bring your own Beer and/or Wine

St. Vincent dePaul

Thank you for your generous donations last weekend for St. Mary's St. Vincent de Paul ministry. Your donations help us to assist those in need in Stephens County that contact our Help Line.

Our next meeting is March 9 in St. Mary's social hall at 7pm. Please consider being a part of this worthwhile ministry. Come to one of our meetings to see what St. Vincent de Paul is doing in our community. Since January 2017 we have assisted 20 families in Stephens County. We have provided assistance with rent, utilities, and emergency housing. More importantly we provide resources and information so that these families can be self sufficient. For more information please contact Nancy Williamson (706) 356-8046, Stephanie & Gary Cortellino (706) 898-5661; or Sharon Cook (706) 297-8344.

The Saint Vincent dePaul, St. Mary's Conference **HELP-LINE** # is: (678) 892 6163.

The Knights of Columbus Council 9975 and the Ladies of St. Mary's are teaming up again for a very worthwhile project.

Our organizations will be conducting a "40 Cans for Lent" campaign to collect cans of food and non-perishable staples during the 40 Days of Lent. A large container to hold the contributions will be in the Narthex of the Church everyday during the Lenten and the Knights will deliver these donations to the Toccoa Soup Kitchen all during Lent as needed. Please be as generous as possible to feed the Toccoa Area residents that are in need.

Thank you for your support,

Mike Staley – Grand Knight

Stephanie Cortellino – Ladies of St. Mary's

St. Mary's Lent & Easter Triduum Schedule

Ash Wednesday: March 1st, 12 noon, Mass & ashes

Confessions/Penance: Every Wednesday at 5:30 pm

Penance Service: April 4th at 7 pm

Stations of the Cross: Every Wednesday 6 pm

Holy Thursday: April 13th, Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm

Good Friday: April 14th, Celebration of the Lord's Passion, 3 pm

Easter Vigil: April 15th, at Sunset 8:15 pm

Easter Sunday: April 16th, Mass of the Resurrection, 10 am

Easter Sunday: Children's Easter egg hunt, following Mass.

Candidates for Rite of Election

This year St. Mary's parishioners are most honored to celebrate the "Sending of Catechumens for Election and Candidates for Recognition", by Archbishop Gregory on March 5th in Atlanta. Congratulations to Mr. Derrick Li who will receive the Rite of Election in Atlanta and the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at our Easter Vigil, April 15th. Also, Kyle and Ashley Wood and two of their children, Logan and Paden are Candidates coming into the Catholic Church. They will attend the Rite of Election and, along with Derrick, publically record their names in a book for entry into the Catholic Church at the Atlanta celebration. Kyle and Ashley will receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist. Logan and Paden will receive their first Eucharist at the Easter Vigil.

The days of Lent are the final Period of Purification and Enlightenment for our new members leading up to the Easter Vigil. Lent is a period of preparation marked by prayer, study, and spiritual direction for the Elect, and prayers for them by our parish community. Following their reception of the sacraments at the