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Pentecost Sunday

June 4, 2017



St Mary's Catholic Church

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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

Brother John's Subs

27 Stephens Circle, Toccoa, GA 30577
(next to Crusader Rent to Own)

706-886-9597 **Hallie Edenfield**



Ladies of St. Mary's

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

In Memory of James H. Broussard "Bruce"



In Loving Memory of Matilde Saavedra

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



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Joseph M. Malik - Council 9975

Membership meeting - 4th Tuesday each month
Parish breakfast on 1st or 2nd Sunday each month

Mass/Service Schedule/Intentions

Tue: 6/6 9:30 am

Wed: 6/7 6:45 pm

Sat: 6/10 6:30 pm Kenneth Nash (D)

~given by Gwen & Vic Cuvo

Sun: 6/11 8:30 am People of the parish

CONTRIBUTIONS for May 28, 2017

Church Budget	\$ 2,100
General Offertory	\$ 2,231

COUNTERS for this week are: Cecile Mize & Betty Smith.

Parish Committees

Pastoral Council: Deanna Holmer 706-297-7493

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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 Catholic Church'. The signup sheet is in the narthex. Questions? Contact Gary Cortellino, 678 360-2545 or garycortel@aol.com



Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Carl Dowell, Joe Franzmathes, Skip Studley, Max Biester Laura Barnett, Nan Lunn, Lore Schnell, Janice Sibley, Leon Womack, Roger Powell, June Webb, Barbara Watson, and Jimmy Gaines.

If you like to submit an individual for Prayer Intentions, please contact Ruth Manna (678 327-4738). Update Ruth at least every four weeks if you wish to continue with community prayers.

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.

Knight of Columbus

1st Sunday Breakfast on Sunday June 4th after the 8:30 AM Mass. The Knights of Columbus will serve the usual French Toast with Sausage or Bacon and all the fixin's. Please join us for this chance for fellowship.

St. Vincent de Paul – St. Mary's Conference

If you are interested in being a part of this worthwhile ministry, please come to the meeting or contact Nancy Williamson 706-836-2617.

Thank you so much for your continued support!
St. Vincent de Paul helpline – 678-892-6163

Catholic Apologetics

Three Consecutive Evenings - Sunday, Monday & Tuesday, evenings, June 4, 5 & 6, from 6:30 to 8:00pm

Our faith is being challenged in many ways by our secular culture, Protestant fundamentalism and a growing number of so-called atheists. As Baptized and Confirmed Catholics, we are called to spread and defend the Catholic faith. This three-part presentation will give you the tools you need to explain your faith and answer clearly those who challenge Catholic teachings and practice.

The Seven Reasons Why Everybody Should Be Catholic

Protestantism in the U.S.

Sola Fide (Faith Alone)

Sola Scriptura (Scripture Alone)

Church & Papal Authority

Mary & the Communion of Saints

Sacramental Theology

Join me on these three consecutive evenings for an exciting short course in Catholic Apologetics.

Deacon Greg

Archdiocese of Atlanta Eucharistic Congress June 16-17, 2017

On Friday- Opening Mass, Healing Service and Sacrament of Reconciliation.

On Saturday- Opening Procession, Adoration, Exposition and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.
congress.archatl.com

COME, HOLY SPIRIT, COME

Many times in the Hebrew scriptures we see God coming to earth as a mighty wind. So when we hear of the mighty wind filling the house in Acts today, we know without being told that God is there, acting among the disciples. God fills them, and us, with the Holy Spirit. The disciples are able to preach the Good News to all the peoples of the earth, gathered there symbolically in Jerusalem. God wants the word to spread beyond the Mediterranean, eventually all the way to the Arctic Sea!

And the word is unity. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we are all one in Christ. There are different gifts given to each member of the body, but each gift is a manifestation of the Spirit. Each person, each culture of people has different gifts. That's what makes the body of Christ strong. Let us take care never to suppress another's gifts, even though we might not understand them. To suppress a gift would give injury to the body of Christ.

UNITED IN LOVE

All throughout this Easter season, we have heard about the radical love Jesus calls us to share in this world. God gives us the Spirit so that we humans have the strength to love as Jesus loved. This love that doesn't discriminate, that celebrates the diverse gifts of God's creation, this is the love that we have the power to share. To love as Christ loves, to act as Jesus did, is something you and I can do because we are filled with the power of the Holy Spirit. We can be people of peace, we can feed the hungry, clothe the naked. We can choose not to go to war. We can choose to lift up the gifts of those different from us. We are Christians—we are people of love.

Today's Readings:

Vigil: *Genesis 11:1-9 or Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20b or Ezekiel 37:1-14 or Joel 3:1-5; Psalm 104:1-2, 24, 35, 27-28, 29, 30; Romans 8:22-27; John 7:37-39*

Day: *Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 104:1, 24, 29-31, 34; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Romans 8:8-17; John 20:19-23 or John 14:15-16, 23b-26*