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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5 PM Vigil Mass **Sunday:** 8:30 AM; 11 AM Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Sat: 9 AM Monday; Wednesday: 6PM 1st Friday Only: 6PM

ADORATION & ROSARY

Monday to Thursday, & Saturday 7:00AM-8:45AM

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Saturday 8:30 AM Sunday 8:00 AM

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Contact Deacon Greg

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RCIA– Sundays at 9:45AM Deacon Greg Ollick (404) 918-7472



St Mary **Catholic Church**

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe



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Mass Schedule & Intentions

SAT: 11/21 VIGIL MASS, OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE

5:00 PM- Bill Bisig (D)

~given by Richard & Gerri Chalk

SUN: 11/22 OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, THE KING OF THE UNIVERSE

8:30 AM - Maria (D)

~given by Mrs. Nguyệt Nguyễn

11:00 AM - Đaminh Hưng Quang Nguyễn (D)

~given by Mrs. Khương-Kim Nguyễn

MON: 11/23 Saint Clement I, Pope, Martyr

9:00 AM- Pro Populo (New) 6:00 PM - Ancestor (D)

~given by Mrs. Ánh-Nguyệt Nguyễn

TUES: 11/24 Saint Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions,

Martyrs

9:00 AM - Agnes & Elmer Burk (D)

~given by Denis Burk

6:00 PM - Pro Populos (Bilingual)

WED: 11/25 Saint Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr

9:00 AM- Pro Populo

(New) 6:00 PM - Kathy Zelwak (D)

~given by Zack Zelwak

THUR: 11/26 THANKSGIVING (Bring foods for blessings)

9:00 AM - All Parishioners

~given by Father 'Henry' Thang Pham

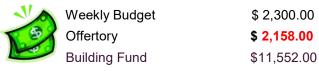
FRI: 11/27 FIRST FRIDAY ONLY

SAT: 11/28 34th Weekday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM - Pro Populo

Offertory/Contributions

Weekend of November 15th, 2020



Thank-you for your contributions!

The counters for this week are: Nancy Williamson, Cathy Staley & William King

Please keep the following people in your

prayers:



Joe Franzmathes, Laura Barnett, June Webb, Sharon Cook, Carol Womack, Nancy Cash White, The Mark Gearhart Family, Eddie Hallford, Bill Dineen & Jay McAtee.

If you want to submit an individual for Prayer Intentions, please contact Christa (706-886-2819). Update Christa at least every four weeks if you wish to continue with community prayers.

Please notify the church office or Gerri Chalk at (706) 963 – 0050 of a sick loved one or homebound wanting/ needing Holy Communion

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(Additional info on ALL ministries can be found on our website.)

Pope Francis' prayer intention for November
We pray that the progress of robotics and artificial intelligence may always serve humankind.

Lễ Kính Các Thánh Tử Đạo Việt Nam

Ai Gieo trong u sấu, Sẽ gặt trong hân hoan (T.V. 125)



Vietnamese Corner

Xin lưu ý: Tháng 11 được tận hiến cho các linh hồn mở đầu bằng lễ tôn vinh các Thánh Nhân, hình ảnh của hy vọng trong niềm tin qua mầu nhiệm phục sinh trong Đức Kitô.

LỄ KÍNH CÁC THÁNH TỬ ĐẠO VIỆT NAM

Tại Hoa Kỳ, Lễ các Thánh Tử Đạo Việt Nam không được xếp vào bậc Lễ Trọng, nhưng đối với truyền thống của Giáo Hội Công Giáo Việt Nam thì rất xem trọng việc 117 Vị Thánh Tử Vì Đạo này, vì qua gương sống đạo của các Ngài mà con dân nước Việt Nam biết đến tình yêu của Chúa và đón nhận Tin Mừng Phúc Âm Chúng ta là con cháu của các ngài, hãy cùng nhau đến tham dự Thánh Lễ để Tạ ơn và ngợi khen Chúa, vì Ngài đã ban ân sủng và ơn can đảm cho các Thánh Tử Đạo, đồng thời xin các ngài cầu bầu cùng Chúa cho mỗi người chúng ta được can đảm làm chứng nhân cho Chúa. Xin tha thiết mời gọi quý Ô.B.A.C.E. hãy cùng nhau đến tham dự thánh lễ vào:

thứ Ba, ngày 24 Tháng 11 năm 2020 9:00 sáng (Anh Ngữ) 6;00 chiều (Song Ngữ).

LĒ THANKSGIVING

Lễ Tạ Ơn là truyền thống tốt đẹp của đất nước Hoa Kỳ. Đây cũng là dịp rất quan trọng và ý nghĩa để chúng ta dâng lời Tạ Ơn Chúa và cảm ơn đất nước vĩ đại này đã, đang và sẽ cưu mang chúng ta, một đất nước có được nên tên tuổi "One Nation Under God". Lễ Tạ Ơn cũng là cơ hội để chúng ta tỏ lòng biết ơn với nhau, vì cuộc sống của chúng ta luôn sống cùng, sống với và sống cho nhau trong tình thương nhân loại. Để sự hiện diện của chúng ta luôn là nhân chứng, là niềm vui trao cho nhau .Sẽ có thánh lễ vọng vào:

Lễ Vọng thứ Tư lúc 6:00 chiều (Song Ngữ) Thứ Năm: 9:00 sáng (Anh Ngữ)

Quý Ông Bà, Anh Chị Em có thể đem bánh trái đến trước thánh lễ để được ban phép lành cho các buổi tiệc tạ ơn trong gia đình.

Remember to involve with catholic Resources Website

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No Classes this weekend!



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For more information please contact Dave Slezickey at (706) 779-1833

THANKSGIVING MASSES

Come and give thanks to the Lord for all of your blessings and gifts by attending one of the following Masses:

Wednesday, November 25th at 6 PM (bilingual):



Bring Thanksgiving food for a special Blessing at the Masses.

PARISH WINTER CLEAN-UP DAY COME ONE, COME ALL TO HELP

Our parish clean-up day is scheduled for **Saturday**, **December 5** at 9:30 AM. Please bring your yard equipment to help Ms. Betty and Mrs. Cynthia clean our gardens.





THE HOLY MARTYRS OF VIETNAM FEAST DAY Tuesday, November 24th

There will be two Masses to honor the **Holy Martyrs** of Vietnam. Masses will at 9 AM & 6 PM.



Please respond to the Capital Campaign volunteers that gave you your pledge packets. They are:

- **Dave Slezickey** (412) 736-7646;
- Ethan Owenby (706) 599-6815;
- Todd Palmer (580) 514-9134;
- Steve Dessauer (706) 779-5643;
- **Tony Vũ** (706) 599-4278;
- Quyền Hà (918) 808-2575;
- Richard Chalk (706) 391-3501; Thank you.

Father 'Henry' Thang Pham



SAINT VINCENT De PAUL SAINT MARY CONFERENCE

Our SVdP members will meet this Tuesday, November 24th at 5:00 PM in the social hall.

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Titles and privileges, palaces and guards, banquets and benefits, servants and fine living, are all things earthly folks associate with kings and royalty. These have no place in Christ. To understand the kingdom of Christ and what it means to have Christ as our king, one must be willing and able to understand transformation, engagement and empowerment. To live in the kingship of Christ, we have to live deeply and contemplatively; allowing God to change not only how we act, but how we feel, think, and see. It is not an easy journey or one that is always welcomed. Sometimes. it is easier and safer to live as if Christ were our earthly king. It's a more black and white world. But the kingdom of Christ exists in a world of gray where the hungry, thirsty, those who are strangers, naked, ill, and imprisoned find a welcome home. It is a kingdom that doesn't always make sense, where the last are first and the weakest are most strong. World economics and secular philosophy doesn't like this kind of king. Maybe that is why they crucified him the first time and continue to. Whatever we do to the least of God's children, we do to God. Do you really want to inherit the kingdom?

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

(Final Sunday of Ordinary Time – Sunday before Avent)

The Feast of Christ the King was instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925 to counter the increasing denial of Christ as king to the rise of secularism throughout much of Europe. Many Christians began to doubt Christ's authority and existence, as well as the Church's power to continue Christ's authority. Dictators often attempted to assert authority over the Church and respect for Christ and the

Church was waning. This is still a clear and present danger even in America today. Pope Pius hoped the institution of the feast would have various effects including:

That nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, and immunity from the state;

That leaders and nations would see that they are bound to give respect to Christ;

That the faithful would gain strength and courage from the celebration of the feast, as we are reminded that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies.

Today there is the same distrust of authority and the problem is growing worse. Individualism is being embraced to such an extreme that, for many, the only authority is the individual self. The idea of Christ as ruler is rejected in such a strongly individualistic system. Christ's kingship is one of humility and service. In our chaotic and unjust world that seems to scorn any kind of authority, let us celebrate Christ the King Sunday, where the loving and merciful and just King of the Universe is praised and glorified!

The Annual Advent Religious Articles Sale will be held in the narthex from November 23 - December 6th. Sales will be held at the 6p.m. mass on Monday and Wednesday and also at the 5p.m. mass on Saturday and the 8:30 a.m. and 11a.m. mass on Sunday. Checks should be made out to St. Mary's Ladies Guild. Call Pat Defenbaugh @ 706-244-1316, if any questions. Thanks for your participation.

THE SHEPHERD KING

The job of shepherd and the job of king couldn't be more different from each other. Shepherds are on the lowest rung of society, kings are at the top. But God says, through the prophet Ezekiel, that the Messiah will lead in a way very different from earthly authorities who lord it over their people and cause harm with their poor leadership.

Our King takes on the job himself. Christ, like a shepherd, will give rest, seek out the lost, bring back the strayed and scattered ones. He will heal the wounded and bind up the injured. He does not delegate, but will "shepherd them rightly." We have a king who cares for us and who is not afraid

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

As for you, my sheep, thus says the Lord God, I will judge between one sheep and another, between rams and goats. (Ez 34:17)

PSALM:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. (Ps 23)

SECOND READING:

For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet.

The last enemy to be destroyed is death. (1 Cor 15:25-26)

COSPEL

"He will place the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

Then the king will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." (Mt 25:33-34)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 22, 2020

Sunday: Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Monday: St. Clement I, Pope and Martyr, St. Columban, Abbot;
Blessed Miguel Agustín Pro, Priest and Martyr

Tuesday: St. Andrew Dũng-Lạc, Priest, and Companions, Martyrs Wednesday: St. Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin and Martyr

Thursday: Thanksgiving Day
Next Sunday: 1st Sunday of Advent





REFLECT

FIRST READING:

Ezekiel speaks of God as the "shepherd" who will tend to his flock with great care and discerning judgment. What is this teaching us about God's divine nature?

SECOND READING:

Paul reveals to the Corinthians the divine place of the resurrected Jesus Christ in God's final plans for salvation history. As Lord of all things, including death itself, Jesus will hand over everything to God at the end of time. Does this revelation bring you comfort or distress?

GOSPEL:

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks of the final judgment that will accompany his Second Coming and the end of time. Jesus describes the final judgment in the stark and contrasting terms of eternal life or eternal punishment. Why do you think so many people avoid thinking about Judgement Day?

St. Mary Catholic Church Parish Financial Report for Fiscal Year 2019-2020

Despite the hardships and uncertainty caused by COVID-19, our Parish has once again come through with tremendous generosity in supporting the mission of the Church. Thank you so much for participating in and with the Body of Christ – His Son, by responding to the working of His Holy Spirit. The report below outlines key financial information for our fiscal year, which ran from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

Operating Revenues (Offertory, Donations, Interest, Grants and AAA Overage) \$167,832

Operating Expenses (Liturgy, Religious Education, Administration, Facilities, Rectory) (\$130,478)

Net Revenues Over Expenses (before Building Fund Donations) \$37,354

Building Fund/Capital Campaign Donations \$70,337

Total Revenues Over Expenses \$107,691

Account Balances as of June 30, 2020

Checking Account Balance \$68,843

Savings - Operating Reserve for Repairs & Maintenance \$191,132

Savings – Building Fund \$260,738

Total Church Cash Balances \$520,713

Independent Savings Accounts at the Archdiocese

Ladies of St. Mary's \$3,899

Endowments \$18,199

We are so blessed to be a financially healthy Parish. In the upcoming year we will begin a very ambitious project to renovate the social hall and offices and trust your continued support as we embark on this new capital campaign. God bless you.

Father 'Henry' Thang M. Pham

Pastor

FEAST OF SAINT CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA November 25th



Catherine was a young noblewoman schooled in Alexandria in Egypt, one of the great centers of learning in the ancient world. She successfully argued the case for Christianity with pagan philosophers before Emporer Maxentius and was threatened with torture on a spiked wheel. The wheel miraculously exploded so the empreror Catherine beheaded. Before her death Catherine declared her intent to grant the requests of those who praved to her. She is

counted among the Fourteen Holy Helpers, the saints invoked in times of pestilence and plague by the faithful of medieval Germany.

BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY

If you would like to have your birthday and/or anniversary announced on WNEG radio/Connie Gaines, please use the signup sheet is in the narthex. Questions? Contact Gary Cortellino (678) 360-2545 or garycortel@aol.com



START WITH GRATITUDE

Gratitude is the inward feeling of kindness received. Thankfulness is the natural impulse to express that feeling. Thanksgiving is the following of that impulse.

—Henry Van Dyke

THANKSGIVING

One act of thanksgiving, when things go wrong with us, is worth a thousand thanks when things are agreeable to our inclinations.

—Saint John of Ávila

LỜI TRI ÂN ĐẾN QUÍ ÔNG BÀ VÀ ANH CHỊ EM TRONG VIỆC ĐÓNG GỚP CHO ĐỒNG HƯƠNG TRONG NẠN LŨ LỤT MIỀN TRUNG GẦN ĐÂY

Trước tiên, con xin tạ ơn Chúa và tri ân tất cả quý Ông Bà, Anh Chị Em cùng các cháu đã hưởng ứng lời kêu gọi giúp Đồng Bào bị nạn, trong Trận Lũ Lụt tại Miền Trung – Việt Nam.

Với tinh thần sống Lời Chúa dạy: "Ta bảo thật các ngươi: mỗi lần các ngươi làm như thế cho một trong những anh em bé nhỏ nhất của Ta đây, là các ngươi đã làm cho chính Ta vậy." (Mt 25, 31-46), và cùng với tâm tình chia sẻ những đau thương, mất mát của những người đồng hương, giáo xứ chúng ta đã góp được:

Cộng đoàn Hartwell : \$ 3,523.00 USD ———— Toccoa : \$ 4,343.00 USD

số tiền tổng cộng là: \$ <u>7,866.00</u> USD. Cha Henry sẽ làm tròn số là: \$ 8,000.00 USD

Số tiền đã được gởi về Nhà Dòng Nữ Tu Đaminh Thừa Sai thuộc Giáo Phận Phú Cường tại Việt Nam, và các Sơ sẽ trực tiếp ra Miền Trungcùng với các Giám Mục và Linh Mục để thi hành sứ vụ Cứu Trợ đồng bào bị nạn lụt.

Một lần nữa, con xin chân thành tri ân tất cả quý Ông Bà, Anh Chị Em và cháu đã hết lòng bằng cách này hay cách khác, động viên, kêu gọi mọi người ủng hộ, đóng góp cho việc BÁC ÁI. Con chắc chắn, Chúa sẽ chúc lành cho tất cả chúng ta theo lời Ngài đã hứa, với những nghĩa cử yêu thương, chia sẻ này. Nguyện xin Thiên Chúa qua lời bầu cử của Mẹ Maria và Thánh Cả Giuse, ban cho từng thành viên trong Giáo Xứ chúng ta muôn ơn lành hồn xác, để chúng ta luôn được sống trong yêu thương, bình an và hanh phúc.

LM. Henry Phạm Minh Thắng

Thank you for your prayers and support to help the Vietnamese Victims of recent Typhoon 2020 in Central Vietnam

I am so thrilled by your spontaneous response to help, support, and prayer for our Vietnamese brothers and sisters who are victims of the recent Typhoon in Central Vietnam. Thank you for listening and sharing your compasion with our distance brothers and sisters after seeing the slideshow which I made, and from various media and international podcasts.

As Scriptures inspires us, "Amen, I say to you, whatever you did for one of these least brothers (and sisters) of mine, you did for me." (Mt.25:31-46), I humbly express my deep gratitude and announce that we collected \$3,523.00 (HARTWELL) and \$4,343.00 (Toccoa). The total is 7,866.00 USD. However, Fr. Henry will match up to 8,000.00 USD.

The money was sent directly to the Dominican Religious Sisters of Diocese of Phu-Cuong. Accompanied by Bishop and clergy, the Religious Sisters are working directly with local communities on sites in order to assist the victims of Typhoon. May God bless you for your generosity.

Your servant in Christ,

Fr. "Henry" Thang M Pham