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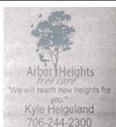
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Monday: 12PM - 2PM

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LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5 PM Vigil Mass

Sunday: 8:30 AM; 11 AM

Tues, Thurs, Sat: 9 AM

Monday; Wednesday: 6PM

1st Friday Only: 6PM

ADORATION & ROSARY Tuesday, Thursday, & Saturday 7:00AM-8:45AM

5PM-5:45PM

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET Saturday: 8:30 AM Sunday: 8:00 AM

RECONCILIATION

Monday -Thursday after Mass

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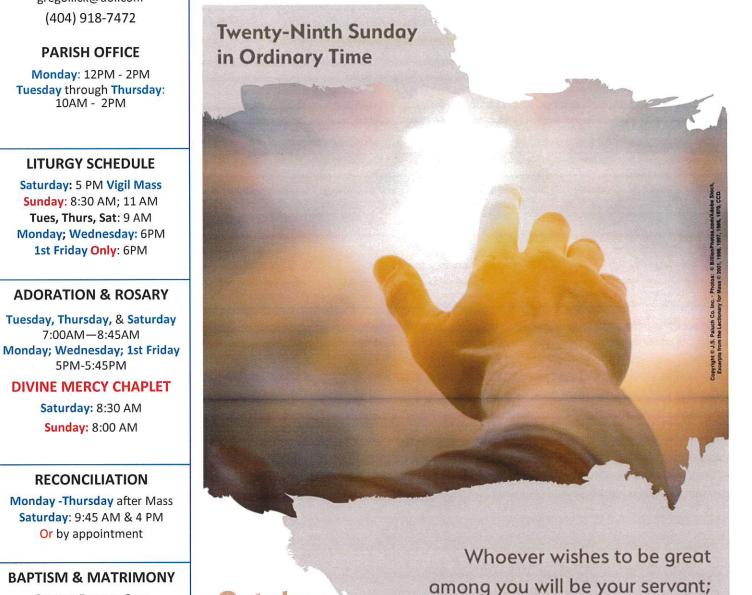
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October

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Mark 10:43-44

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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

SAT: 10/16 28th Sunday Ordinary Vigil 5:00 PM- Jean Pierre Wantz (D)

(Cecile Mize)

SUN: 10/17 29th Sunday Ordinary—

8:30 AM- Healing grace (Gia-co-bé) Thanh Nguyễn (L)

(Father Henry)

11:00 AM-Agnes Burke (D) (Nancy Williamson)

Baby Leo (D) (Father Henry)

Tuan (Tommy) Vu & Nguyen Doan 15th Wedding Anniversary (L)

MON: 10/18 Monday— St. Luke 5:00 PM—Adoration 6:00 PM - Thanksgiving (L) (Hồng & Thủy Family)

TUES: 10/19 Tuesday—Ss. John de Brébeuf, Isaac Joques, and Companions

7:00 AM—Adoration

9:00 AM – John Williamson (D) (Nancy Williamson)

WED: 10/20 Wednesday- St. Paul of the Cross

5:00 PM—Adoration 6:00 PM— Fr. (Camilo) Hâu V. Nguyễn (D) (Hải Phạm & Hoa Trần Family)

THUR: 10/21 Thursday-7:00 AM—Adoration 9:00 AM - Thanksgiving (L)

(Tâm Trần & Hoài Phạm)

10/22 Friday FIRST FRIDAY ONLY FRI: St. John Paul II

5:00 PM—Adoration

6:00 PM-

SAT: 10/23 Saturday— St. John of Capistrano;

Blessed Virgin Mary

9:00 AM— (Giuse) Trình Tiến Đỗ (D) (Nguyệt Nguyễn)

30th Sunday Ordinary

Vigil 5:00 PM-Christine McKee (L) 101st Birthday (Janice Ollick)

10/24 30th Sunday Ordinary— 8:30 AM- (Anna) Tho Thị Nguyễn (D) (Mrs. Lan & Mr. Thắng Nguyễn)

11:00 AM-Mrs. (Anna) Sửu Lê & Mr.(Phaolô) Lê V.

Pham 52nd Marriage Anniversary (L)

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Joe Franzmathes, Laura Barnett, June Webb, Sharon Cook, Carol Womack, Eddie Hallford, Bill Dineen, Jay McAtee, Fred Defenbaugh, John Craton, Joan Akins, Rita & Gordie Nash, Connie Tirico, Denis Burk, Alice Marold, Marilyn

& David James., Lucca Fiorillo, Gia-cô-bê Nguyễn Thanh and for all others not mentioned here.

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 Mrs. Gerrie Chalk at (706) 963-0050 of a loved one who is sick. Our homebound Ministers are please to bring you Holy Communion.

Weekend of October 10, 2021

Weekly Budget \$ 2,300.00

Offertory \$ 3,006.00

Building Fund \$ 1,857.78

Our Second Collection this week is for our local

St. Vincent DePaul Conference

Thank you for your generosity!

The counters for this week are: Nancy Williamson, Bill Mercure and William King.

If you would like to volunteer for this ministry, contact Nancy Williamson for training via Christa in the office, 706-886-2819.

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS are to be sent to Janice Ollick at janiceollick@gmail.com NO LATER THAN noon on Thursday, two weeks prior to the weekend requested for the bulletin. Late submissions may or may not be able to be placed.

PARISH MINISTRIES

The list of ministries and contact information is available in the Narthex of the Church and published on our Church website: www.stmarystoccoa.org





NEXT WEEKEND we will celebrate World Mission Sunday. Pope Francis invites the entire Church to support mission dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands and parts of Latin America and Europe, where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the world's most vulnerable communities. Please keep the Pope's missions in your prayers and be generous in next week's collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

Building Committee Update

- We are evaluating the costs of tying into the city sewage system vs getting a new chambered septic system.
- We have included a 10' x 38' exterior concrete pad on the property line side that will have a retractable awning over part of it, where the portable fryer (that was donated to us) can be used.
- We will be contracting with GeoHydro for core borings to determine the thickness of the concrete for the new Social Hall.
- The stained-glass window in the existing social hall will be an interior illuminated shadow box in the new hall.
- The plans are to tap into Toccoa Natural Gas for heating & cooking.
- Anticipated bid review to be in December or January.
- Anticipated construction to begin in March 2022

The **Annual Memorial Mass** to pray for deceased bishops, priests and deacons who once served in our archdiocese will be celebrated by Archbishop Gregory J. Hartmayer, OFM Conv., at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, November 2, at Arlington Memorial Park (201 Mount Vernon Highway, Atlanta, Georgia 30328). Please consider attending and praying for the souls of our deceased clergy.



Hearing Health Day has been rescheduled for November 6th from 2:00 pm to 4:40 pm. This service is totally free and will administered two local audiologists.



3rd Annual H.O.P.E. for a **Drug Free Stephens County**

5K (3.1 miles) WALK, TROT OR RUN

Saturday, November 6th, 2021 Start Time is 9:00 am

Begins & ends on Alexander Street at City Hall.

Registration Forms are in the narthex.

H.O.P.E. Stands for Heroin, Opioid Prevention & Education.

Thank you to ALL who organized and participated in our First Praise & Worship Service last week!

Report suspected abuse by Church employees and volunteers to the Archdiocesan 24-hours Abuse Reporting Hotline: 1-888-437-0764

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER

Missionary Disciples

We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavor of the Gospel.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

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-4ab, 5-6; Lk 13:1-9 Sunday: Jer 31:7-9; Ps 126:1-6; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

Calling all VETERANS!!!

We want to recognize you and honor you on the weekend of November 7th. We will have a sheet in the narthex over the next several weeks, if you would give us your Name, Branch & Rank. This information will be used to make a poster as a recognition and honor for your services to this great nation.















Parish School of Religion Classes

October 16th — Confirmation October 23rd — No Confirmation Class October 17th -- Pre-K & 1st Grades

> First Holy Communion 3rd-5th Grades Middle School

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

In the eyes of many, the papacy is a peculiar institution. Still bedecked with some of the regalia of medieval princes, contemporary popes have worked to define their role in ways that give them influence over the world both within and outside the Church. The trappings of royalty, never really a good fit for the successors of Peter, could render a pope distant and irrelevant. On the other hand, the tendency of many to think of the pope as if he were the CEO of a modern corporation is also inaccurate.

St. Gregory the Great, himself a pope, first called the pope "the servant of the servants of God." He is "first among equals" among other bishops, who by tradition exercise significant authority within their own dioceses, not depending on the pope's authority. This arrangement often puzzles those accustomed to a top-to-bottom "chain of command." History has seen popes of many styles, but most strive to live up to Gregory's definition. Perhaps today's Gospel puts it all into the best perspective: "Whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all." Pray for the pope this week.

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CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

Please remember to keep up with your Capital Campaign Pledge payments. By doing this, it will help to keep us on track to make this a successful build. Please make your checks out to St. Mary's Building Fund. Thank you!

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

THE LOVE WE ARE CALLED TO

October 8, 2021 • Douglas Sousa, STL For Sunday, October 17, 2021
29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 53:10-11 Hebrews 4:14-16 Mark 10:35-45 or 10:42-45



Jesus gave of himself in service to others. If we are to follow him, we must do the same.

The Eucharist is at the center of our faith lives. At Mass, we recall how Jesus humbled himself to enter into the muck of our world. Along with the bread and wine, we offer ourselves together with Jesus as a living sacrifice to the Father. We pledge that we will give of ourselves in service to the needy, the lonely, and the desperate so that the blessings of eternal life may be extended throughout the world. When we come to Mass, we are not bystanders or spectators. Rather our lives are at stake. We are proclaiming that Christ has died to save us and that we are willing to sacrifice ourselves in service to others.

Jesus makes this very clear to his disciples in today's gospel reading. Though he was the most powerful man to ever walk the earth, Christ did not become human to dominate others. He came to seek out the sick, the suffering, and the sinners. He came not only to instruct and heal us, but he suffered the cruelest death imaginable to open up heaven to those who would believe. Jesus was not in it for the glory. And anyone who follows him must be willing to live as he lived. To be like our master, we must make ourselves the slaves of others.

As members of a community of faith, we can relate to the bickering that went on among the disciples. We all love our church and many of us give long hours of our free time to support it. Many of us are generous when it comes time to give to special collections or help out with fundraisers. However, it happens more often than we would like to admit that generous people get overlooked and feel slighted. We can feel bitter that others get the recognition we believe we deserve. We can resent that we are giving so much and others are giving so little. Or we can get so frustrated and offended by the pettiness and gossiping of others that we want to give up altogether.

While it is natural to want to be recognized for our work, it is not what the follower of Jesus is called to seek. All the great saints prayed that they would be overlooked and taken for granted even as they spent long hours in service of others. What they wanted more than anything was to be recognized by God for their work. So, they continued on even when they were made fun of because they wanted to be like Jesus who gave without counting the cost and who did everything not for the glory but out of pure love for others. Each of us who calls Jesus "Lord" must do the same.

At every Mass, we gather to recall the sacrifice that Jesus made to save us. Are we willing to give of ourselves for others? Are we willing to go without so that we can give more generously to the needy? Are we willing to risk injury or even death to protect the helpless? Are we willing to take on the thankless jobs no one else wants out of pure love for Jesus? Are we willing to go without being recognized because we set our hearts on the reward that only God can give? Above all, can we do all this with a spirit of joy and thankfulness because we are blessed to be able to know, love and serve our Lord?

PRAYER

O Jesus, present in the Sacrament of the Altar, Teach all nations to serve you with a willing heart, knowing that to serve God is to reign. May your Sacrament, O Jesu, be light to the mind, strength to the will, joy to the heart. May it be the support for the weak, the comfort for the suffering, the wayfaring bread of salvation for the dying, and, for all, the pledge of future glory. **Amen!**

