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**Tuesday to Thursday**

10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**Saturday:** 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

**Sunday:** 8:30 AM (English)

12: PM (Tiếng Việt)

**Monday, Wednesday; 1<sup>st</sup> Friday**

6:00 PM

**Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday**

9:00 AM

**HOLY HOUR**

**Monday; Wednesday; 1<sup>st</sup> Friday**

4:30 PM

**Tuesday, Thursday & Saturday**

7:30 AM

**WEEKEND HOLY HOUR**

**Saturday Evening:** 4: 00 PM

**Sunday:** 7:00 AM & 11:30 AM

**RECONCILIATION**

**After Mass**

**Monday - Thursday & Saturday**

**Or: by appointment**



**St Mary Catholic Church**

**Our time is now - Let's grow together**

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Chúa Nhật 29 Thường Niên - Năm C

Hãy cầu nguyện luôn  
**ĐỪNG NẢN CHÍ**  
(Lc 18,1)

**Twenty Ninth Sunday In Ordinary Time**

**October 19, 2025**

**“Always to pray and not lose heart”.**

*(Luke 18, 1)*

**The Pope Leo's Intention  
In October 2025**

**For collaboration between different religious tra-**  
**ditions:** Let us pray that believers in different  
religious traditions might work together to defend  
and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.



**Cầu cho sự hợp tác giữa các truyền thống tôn giáo khác nhau:**

Chúng ta hãy cầu nguyện để những người có niềm tin vào các truyền  
thống tôn giáo khác nhau có thể cùng nhau bảo vệ và thúc đẩy hòa  
bình, công lý và tình huynh đệ nhân loại.

## Mass Intentions Oct 18 – 25. 2025

<b>SAT: 10/18</b>	<b>(Vigil) TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN OT</b> Ex 17:8-13/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8
<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Lh. Maria - Lễ giỗ 1 năm</b> <i>AC Thành và Trinh</i>
<b>SUN: 10/19</b>	<b>TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY IN OT</b> Ex 17:8-13/2 Tm 3:14-4:2/Lk 18:1-8
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Chestes Sigler</b> <i>Joyce</i>
<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Lh. Têrêsa</b> <i>AC Bình &amp; Trâm</i>
<b>MON: 10/20</b>	<b>USA: Saint Paul of the Cross, Priest</b> Rom 4:20-25/Lk 12:13-21
<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Conversion of the world to Jesus</b> <i>Eileen Helgeland</i>
<b>TUE: 10/21</b>	<b>Weekday</b> Rom 5:12, 15b, 17-19, 20b-21 Lk 12:35-38
<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Carolyn Hayes - for 94<sup>th</sup> Birthday</b> <i>Joyce</i>
<b>WED: 10/22</b>	<b>Saint John Paul II, Pope</b> Rom 6:12-18/Lk 12:39-48
<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Lh. Giuse Tuấn Huỳnh</b> <i>Fr. Henry</i>
<b>THU: 10/23</b>	<b>Saint John of Capistrano, Priest</b> Rom 6:19-23/Lk 12:49-53
<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>For proper use of mrdia and technology</b> <i>Eileen Helgeland</i>
<b>FRI: 10/24</b>	<b>Saint Anthony Mary Claret, Bishop</b> Rom 7:18-25a/Lk 12:54-59
<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>SAT 10/25</b>	<b>Weekday - BVM</b> Rom 8:1-11/Lk 13:1-9
<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Lh. Matta mới qua đời</b> <i>Fr. Henry</i>
<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Charlie Kirk</b> <i>Anonymous</i>
<b>SUN: 10/26</b>	<b>THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN OT</b> Sir 35:12-14, 16-18 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/ Lk 18:9-14
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Elaine &amp; Gilbert Helgeland</b> <i>Eileen Helgeland</i>
<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary for Jordan and Maureen Colletta</b> <i>Fr. Henry</i>

## Twenty - ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

Although the hours of daylight are rapidly dwindling, many people would say that these October days bring the year's most splendid weather. Americans are riders and joggers, not strollers, and so the pleasures of the season are often lost on us. This is not the case with many Jewish people, who observe an ancient rule in walking to synagogue on the Sabbath. On city streets and suburban sidewalks in many cities, we may notice around sunset the nicely dressed families walking and chatting on Friday afternoon. After a short prayer at dusk, the families stroll home again for a relaxing and festive meal. They return to synagogue in the morning and then spend an afternoon in family leisure until three stars appear in the night sky and Sabbath ends.

Catholics, on the other hand, pile into the car and drive even a short distance to Mass; some even divide the family to participate at different hours. For Jews, the leisurely walk marks a dividing line between hectic life commitments and a day of abundant joy and enrichment. Before we became an automobile culture, Catholics embraced a similar pace, and in most places walked to church. These lovely days of fall invite us to tap into an old and life-giving tradition. If you live within a mile of your church, walk next week. If you must drive, park at a good distance and walk the rest of the way. Talk about your life, greet strangers, notice the crunch of leaves under your shoes. You may be surprised at how different Sunday Mass feels when it is framed by leisure!

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## Please keep the following People in your prayers

Teri Creighton, Diane Schubring, Carey Perriello, Martha Barrs, David Dessauer, Mr. Ben White, Mr. Steve Dessauer, Mary Wheeler, Angela Hanh, Nguyễn Lành, Harold Alexander, Tom Snider, Bill Dineen, Laura Barnett, Pearline Smith and Doug Pickens, Sharon Cook, Mary Ann Coughlan, Ronny Murphy Eddie Hallford, Jay McAtee, Melissa Grigg, James Meyn, Dan Dwyer, Calvin Isbell, Jerry Powell, Kim Kellams, Danny Carter, Lori Gasque, Tim McGlone Sr., Timothy McGlone Jr. Robert McGlone, Joe Franz Mathes, Christen Cook, Lindsey McDonald, Rebecca Gonzalez, Connie Tirico, Tammie Tweedy, Nancy Sterling, Geneva Alexander, Alie Smith, Lisa Carothers, Randall Adams, Melissa Dillon, David Boston, Mildred & Hallie Edenfield, Kimberly Simmons, Charlotte Hazel McEvilly, Joseph Schork, and for all others not mentioned. If you want to submit an individual for Prayer Intentions, **please call the office at: (706) - 886 - 2819** for a loved one who is sick. Our homebound Ministers are please to bring you Holy Communion and the Weekly Bulletin.

**Sunday, October 19, 2025**

**“Always to pray and not lose heart”.**

**(Luke 18, 1)**

**Meditation:** Jesus’ words in today’s Gospel can sound impossible: Pray always? Without growing weary? How can we do that? It’s so easy to grow weary in prayer, especially in those situations when God seems slow to answer. How do we not give up? What can we do when prayer feels hard? Let’s see what our readings tell us.

Be open to receiving help from your brothers and sisters. In the first reading, Moses lifts up his staff in prayer on a mountaintop while Joshua and his army battle Israel’s enemy, the Amalekites, in the valley below. But Moses begins to grow weary, so Aaron and Hur support his arms so that he can keep praying (Exodus 17:12). Because of his friends, Moses was able to persist, and that gave Israel the advantage over their enemy. It’s not always easy to ask for help when we’re struggling. But asking someone to pray for us—or with us—opens the door to God’s grace! A friend can intercede for us and offer support when we’re weary. Through their presence, they can show us that God is with us.

Turn to the Scriptures. In the second reading, Paul offers words of encouragement to his young disciple, Timothy. Paul senses that his martyrdom is near (2 Timothy 4:6), so he urges his friend to rely on something that is undying: the word of God. “All Scripture,” he says, “is inspired by God” (3:16). Scripture has divine power and can bring us hope when we are weary. It can bolster our faith and fill our minds with God’s truth. When we want to give up, we can remember, “My help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth” (Psalm 121:2).

Rely on God. Whenever we struggle in prayer, we can ask God for his strength. Jesus himself intercedes for us, and the Spirit helps us in our weakness (Romans 8:26). Like the widow in today’s Gospel, we can keep bothering the Lord until he comes through. He’s our loving Father. He will always help us. We are never alone!

**“Lord, teach me to remain  
prayerful all day long!”**

**Chúa Nhật, ngày 19. tháng 10 năm 2025**

**“Hãy cầu nguyện luôn đừng nản chí”. (Lc 18, 1)**

**Suy niệm:** Lời Chúa Giêsu trong Tin Mừng hôm nay nghe có vẻ khó tin: Cầu nguyện luôn sao? Mà không mệt mỏi? Làm sao chúng ta có thể làm được điều đó? Thật dễ dàng để mệt mỏi khi cầu nguyện, đặc biệt là trong những tình huống mà Chúa dường như chậm trả lời. Làm sao chúng ta không bỏ cuộc? Chúng ta có thể làm gì khi cầu nguyện trở nên khó khăn? Hãy cùng xem các bài đọc cho chúng ta biết điều gì.

Hãy mở lòng đón nhận sự giúp đỡ từ anh chị em mình. Trong bài đọc một, Môisen giơ gậy cầu nguyện trên đỉnh núi trong khi Giôsuê và quân đội của ông chiến đấu với kẻ thù của Israel, quân Amalek, ở thung lũng bên dưới. Nhưng Môisen bắt đầu mệt mỏi, nên Aharon và Hur đã đỡ tay ông để ông có thể tiếp tục cầu nguyện (Xh 17,12). Nhờ có bạn bè, Môisen đã có thể kiên trì, và điều đó đã mang lại cho Israel lợi thế trước kẻ thù của họ. Không phải lúc nào cũng dễ dàng để cầu xin sự giúp đỡ khi chúng ta gặp khó khăn. Nhưng việc cầu xin ai đó cầu nguyện cho chúng ta – hoặc cùng cầu nguyện với chúng ta – sẽ mở ra cánh cửa đến với ân sủng của Chúa! Một người bạn có thể cầu thay cho chúng ta và hỗ trợ khi chúng ta mệt mỏi. Qua sự hiện diện của họ, họ có thể cho chúng ta thấy rằng Chúa ở cùng chúng ta.

Hãy hướng về Kinh Thánh. Trong bài đọc thứ hai, Thánh Phaolô đã dành những lời khích lệ cho người môn đệ trẻ tuổi của mình, Timôthê. Thánh Phaolô cảm thấy cuộc tử đạo của mình đã gần kề (2Tm 4,6), vì vậy ngài thúc giục người bạn của mình hãy nương tựa vào một điều bất diệt: Lời Chúa. Ngài nói: “Tất cả những gì viết trong Kinh Thánh đều do Thiên Chúa linh hứng” (3,16). Kinh Thánh có quyền năng thiêng liêng và có thể mang lại hy vọng cho chúng ta khi chúng ta mệt mỏi. Kinh Thánh có thể củng cố đức tin của chúng ta và lấp đầy tâm trí chúng ta bằng chân lý của Chúa. Khi chúng ta muốn bỏ cuộc, chúng ta có thể nhớ rằng: “Ơn phù trợ tôi đến từ Đức Chúa, Đấng tạo thành trời đất” (Tv 121,2).

Hãy nương tựa vào Chúa. Bất cứ khi nào chúng ta gặp khó khăn trong lời cầu nguyện, chúng ta có thể cầu xin Chúa ban sức mạnh. Chính Chúa Giêsu cầu bầu cho chúng ta, và Chúa Thánh Thần giúp đỡ chúng ta trong sự yếu đuối của chúng ta (Rm 8,26). Giống như bà góa trong Tin mừng hôm nay, chúng ta có thể tiếp tục nài nỉ Chúa cho đến khi Người đến. Người là Cha yêu thương của chúng ta. Người sẽ luôn giúp đỡ chúng ta. Chúng ta không bao giờ đơn độc!

**Lạy Chúa, xin dạy con luôn cầu nguyện suốt ngày!**

**Message of the  
Holy Father  
Leo XIV for the 40<sup>th</sup>  
World Youth Day  
07.10.2025**



*(Continuing last week .... Second part)*

**Friends, therefore witnesses**

Christian witness arises from friendship with the Lord, who was crucified and rose for the salvation of all. This witness is not to be confused with ideological propaganda, for it is an authentic principle of interior transformation and social awareness. Jesus chose to call his disciples “friends.” He made known to them the Kingdom of God, asked them to remain with him, to become his community, and sent them to proclaim the Gospel (cf. Jn 15:15, 27). So when Jesus tells us, “Be witnesses,” he is assuring us that he considers us as his friends. He alone fully knows who we are and why we are here; young people, he knows your heart, your indignation in the face of discrimination and injustice, your desire for truth and beauty, for joy and peace. Through his friendship, he listens to you, motivates you, and guides you, calling each of you to a new life.

The gaze of Jesus, who always wants nothing but our good, precedes us (cf. Mk 10:21). He does not want us to be servants, nor “activists” of a political party; he calls us to be with him as friends, so that our lives may be renewed. And witness arises spontaneously from the joyful newness of this friendship. It is a unique friendship that grants us communion with God, a faithful friendship that helps us discover our dignity and that of others, an eternal friendship that not even death can destroy, because the risen and crucified Lord is its source.

*(...Continuing next week)*

POPE XIV - From the Vatican, 7 October 2025,  
Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Holy Rosary

**Sứ điệp của ĐTC Lêô XIV  
nhân Ngày Giới trẻ Thế giới lần thứ 40**

*(Tiếp thông điệp tuần trước ... Phần II)*

**Bạn hữu, vì thế là chứng nhân**

Chúng ta Kitô giáo nảy sinh từ tình bạn với Chúa, Đấng chịu đóng đinh và sống lại để cứu độ mọi người. Chứng tá ấy không phải là hình thức tuyên truyền ý thức hệ, nhưng là một nguyên lý đích thực của việc biến đổi nội tâm và nhận thức xã hội. Chúa Giêsu đã muốn gọi các môn đệ là “bạn hữu”. Người đã tỏ cho họ biết màu nhiệm Nước Thiên Chúa và mời gọi ở lại với Người, để hình thành cộng đoàn của Người và để sai họ đi loan báo Tin Mừng (x. Ga 15, 15.27). Vì thế, khi Chúa Giêsu nói: “Anh em hãy làm chứng tá”, Người khẳng định với chúng ta rằng Người coi chúng ta là bạn hữu của Người. Chỉ mình Người mới biết rõ chúng ta là ai và vì sao chúng ta hiện hữu: Người hiểu thấu lòng của các bạn trẻ, niềm thao thức của các con trước bất công và phân biệt, khát vọng chân lý, cái đẹp, niềm vui và hòa bình của các con. Bằng tình bạn của Người, Chúa Giêsu lắng nghe, khích lệ và hướng dẫn các con, mời gọi mỗi người đến với cuộc sống mới.

Cái nhìn của Chúa Giêsu – Đấng luôn luôn và chỉ mong điều thiện hảo cho chúng ta – luôn đi trước (x. Mc 10,21). Người không muốn chúng ta trở thành nô lệ hay những “nhà hoạt động” cho một phe nhóm, nhưng gọi chúng ta ở lại với Người như bạn hữu, để cuộc đời chúng ta được đổi mới. Và chính từ niềm vui của tình bạn này mà chứng tá phát sinh một cách tự nhiên. Đó là một tình bạn độc nhất vô nhị, đem lại cho chúng ta sự hiệp thông với Thiên Chúa; một tình bạn trung tín, giúp chúng ta khám phá phẩm giá của chính mình và của tha nhân; một tình bạn vĩnh cửu, mà ngay cả cái chết cũng không thể phá hủy, vì nguồn gốc của nó là Chúa chịu đóng đinh và phục sinh.

*(Còn tiếp tuần tới)*

**LÊÔ XIV**- Tại Vatican, ngày 7 tháng 10 năm 2025  
Lễ Đức Trinh Nữ Maria Mân Côi



## From the Pastor's Desk

*"Is anyone among you suffering?*

*He should pray. Is anyone in good spirits?*

*He should sing praise."* -James 5:13

**We have different ways that we can pray together for someone who is sick or has a special intention:**

1. **Mass Petitions:** Different from a Mass Intention. During the petitions at Mass, also called the **Prayer of the Faithful** or **Universal Prayer**, there is a special petition where we pray for all who are sick and suffering, or for national disasters, or for a tragedy that happens unexpectedly. The names of those whom we are praying for are mentioned. Those who have recently passed away (within a couple of weeks) can also be added to the prayer for the deceased. However, if it is a **death anniversary, a Mass intention should be offered instead.**

2. **Mass Intention:** A Mass intention can be offered for someone, living or deceased, or as a thanksgiving or special intention. Mass intentions can be requested in any of our regular Masses that we offer.

Mass intentions should be requested weeks ahead. Therefore, the weekend Mass intention can be offered once a month by the same petitioner. This will allow others to offer their intentions unless no one else requests by Wednesday each week. They can be placed for the weekday Mass, too.

Canon Law requires one Mass every Sunday and one Mass on each Holy Day must be reserved for the intention of the "People of the Parish." The Mass is known as "Pro Populo." So, parishioners can schedule a Mass intention during the year and each person can request a maximum of 5 specific intentions per year. Only one intention can be taken for each Mass. **A single intention may be for multiple individuals**, e.g., for the deceased members of the Smith family.

To request a Mass intention, please stop by the front office Monday through Thursday 9am – 4pm send an email to [stmarystoccoa@gmail.com](mailto:stmarystoccoa@gmail.com); or call the parish office at **706-886-2819. Ext: # 7201**

The **recommended** donation for a Mass intention is \$20. (if you want to send a Mass card); \$10 (no card)

3. **Prayer Box or Prayer List for the sick (living Parish members only).** If you would like to add a prayer to the prayer list in the Bulletin, simply submit it to the Office in person. (Adapted from: (<https://saintjustin.org/prayer-request-and-mass-intentions>) - (St. Benedict, Johns Creek)



**The month of October  
is dedicated to the Holy Rosary.  
Highlights Prayer of the Month**

### **Prayer of St. Louis de Montfort**

O Jesus living in Mary, come and live in Your servants, in the spirit of Your holiness, in the fullness of Your might, in the perfection of Your ways, in the truth of Your virtues, in the communion of Your mysteries. Subdue every hostile power, the devil, the world and the flesh, in the strength of Your Spirit, for the glory of Your Father, Amen.

## **The Tribunal Advocate Program**

Are you interested in becoming a Tribunal Advocate for St. Mary? Please, contact Fr. Henry for more information of how to join the Tribunal Advocate Training Program.

The Tribunal Advocate Program is a group of trained deacons and laypersons who provide canonical counsel to the lay faithful of the Archdiocese of Atlanta seeking a declaration of nullity in our Tribunal. Advocates have a formal role in the canonical trial and work to defend their party's rights and advance their interests in the marriage nullity process. Please, contact Fr. Henry

**at (770) 561 3918**

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**[Tribunal Advocates | Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Atlanta | Atlanta, GA](#)**

Are you struggling with the pain of a past abortion? Have you ever asked yourself, "Can God really heal something this deep?" Are you longing for peace but unsure how to find it? You are not alone. No heart is too broken to be healed.

PATH (Post Abortion Treatment & Healing) invites you to join us for our next virtual Bible studies specifically for those wounded by abortion, beginning this fall.

We are offering both day and evening classes, with separate groups for women and men. All contacts and classes are strictly confidential.

For more information or to register, please call **404-717-5557** or vi it [www.healingafterabortion.org](http://www.healingafterabortion.org). Thank you



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**Offertory/Contribution  
Weekend of October 12, 2025**

<b>Weekly Budget</b>	<b>\$ 3,100.00</b>
<b>Offertory</b>	<b>\$ 3,406.54</b>
HML (Debt Reduction Program)	\$ 1,150.00
Building Fund	\$ 646.00
Unscheduled	\$ 106.00
<b>Total deposit</b>	<b>\$ 5,308.54</b>

**The counters for the week of 10/19 are:**  
Cathy Staley , Yvonne Dessauer and Jack Marcinek

**Thank you for your generosity!**



**A Gift Anyone Can Make**

**October focus:** Planned gifts, DAFs, and CGAs Use this opportunity to plant the seed for parishioners to make a gift to your parish endowment fund.

**October 19–29th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Increase your retirement income, receive a tax deduction and leave a gift to the parish. All of this happens when you establish a charitable gift annuity. You will receive quarterly payments for the rest of your life. The rate of return is based on your age when you establish the annuity at 65 or up. Here are some sample rates: 65 – 5.7%; 70 – 6.3%; 75 – 7%; 80 – 8.1%; 85 – 9.1%; 90 or older 10.1%. To receive a personalized illustration please contact the Catholic Foundation at 404.497.9440 or visit cfnga.org.

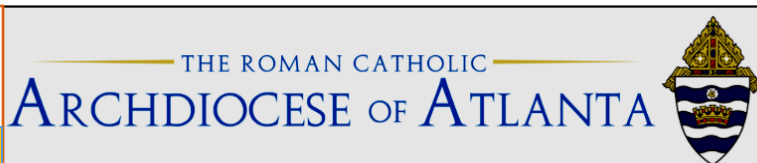
**October 26– 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Consistent income stream and support for the parish: A charitable gift annuity is a fund that provides you with fixed, guaranteed payments for life. At your passing, the remainder is given to the parish endowment fund, allowing your generosity to continue forever. For current rates or a custom illustration on starting one using your IRA, contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation, jgreco@cfnga.org or 404.497.9440.

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## Parish safety workshop

We are pleased to announce an upcoming training session facilitated by the Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA), focused on developing a comprehensive safety plans for our parishes. This session is designed specifically for pastors, directors of operations, maintenance supervisors/directors and all other positions who are responsible for maintenance and facilities. This session will provide critical guidance on preparing for and responding to emergencies.

Your participation is strongly encouraged. If you are unable to attend, please ensure a qualified representative from your parish or department is present. The safety and preparedness of our parish communities depend on informed leadership and proactive planning.

### Training Details

- ♦ **Date:** Monday, November 10
- ♦ **Time:** 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- ♦ **Location:** Chancery, 2401 Lake Park Drive,  
Smyrna, GA 30080
- ♦ **Presenter:** Georgia Emergency Management Agency (GEMA)
- ♦ **Lunch will be provided**

This training is a vital step in strengthening our collective readiness and ensuring the well-being of our parishioners, staff and facilities. Thank you for your attention to this important matter and for your continued commitment to safety. If anyone is interested in it . Please go to St. Mary's website to register or contact Father Henry or St. Mary's Office.

- ♦ **Fr. Henry's email:** [frhenryofstmary@gmail.com](mailto:frhenryofstmary@gmail.com);
- ♦ **Office:** [stmarystoccoa@gmail.com](mailto:stmarystoccoa@gmail.com)

**Please register, no later than**  
**Monday, November 3.**

**Thank you to our sponsors and benefactors.  
Please continue to support.**

Sponsored Items	Sponsored Amt
<b>PRAYER GARDEN</b>	<b>PRAYER GARDEN</b>
<b>GOOD SHEPHERD GARDEN</b>	
Good Shepherd Statue	\$25,000.00/
Cruciform Pavers	\$ 7,500.00
Steel Arch	\$ 9,500.00
Two Benches	\$ 8,000.00
<b>ST. MICHAEL GARDEN</b>	
St. Michael Statue	\$25,000.00
Cruciform Pavers	\$ 7,500.00
Steel Arch	\$ 9,500.00
Two Benches	\$ 8,000.00
ARCH #1	\$18,000.00
ARCH #2	\$15,000.00
Holy Family Statue	\$25,000.00
Terrace Bench	\$4,000.00
<b>INTERIOR PARISH HALL</b>	
Donor Tree	\$20,000.00
<b>INTERIOR EDUCATION BLD</b>	
Classrooms	\$25,000.00
Classrooms	\$25,000.00
Classrooms	\$25,000.00
<b>PAVER RECOGNITION</b>	\$200/Each



**ST. MARY'S  
TRUNK  
OR  
TREAT**

Friday, October 31st 6:00 pm- 7:30 pm

**Trunk or Treat, Bouncy  
House, Hot Dog Supper**

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For more information or to RSVP  
contact Jessica Burger 904-219-1129  
jnburger4@gmail.com

## Update The HML 10. 12. 2025 (Debt Reduction Program)

Dear St. Mary Parishioners,

Our beautiful Parish Life Center Building and the renovated Religious Education Building have been open for just about one year. This means that our ongoing debt reduction initiative, "Honoring Mary's Legacy" has been established also for about a year. The HML program has been very successful, and we have all of you generous St. Mary's parishioners to thank for this success.

We have a truly wonderful new garden area complete with stunning Catholic Sanctuary, pray seats, benches for prayer and contemplation and symbolic arches and paver stones. These are just a few of the physical additions to the St. Mary ground not to mention all the new plants and lawn!

Of course, the "main objective" of the HML effort is to reduce the debt of the parish resulting from the construction project. To that end, of the original \$400,000 funding shortfall that required our church to borrow necessary monies, has been reduced to approximately \$150,000. In other words, nearly 2/3 of the debt has been eliminated!

We want to thank each of you for helping to make this happen! Many sponsors and donors have been exceptionally generous. For anyone who has not yet participated as a donor or sponsor, there are still opportunities for either. Whether it's an engraved paver, a sponsored item, (such as an iron garden arch, a prayer seat, a garden bench) or a donation, we ask all to be a part of HML.

Please note that the two garden wings are now priced as pieces, or components, in lieu of being priced only as a "whole" at \$50,000. The church is also accepting payment plans (up to 3 years) for all components. See new pricing inside this bulletin.

Remember, all sponsorships include personalized bronze plaques and all donors, no matter the amount will be recognized on the Donor Tree.

Thanks to all again for being so very generous with the blessings you have been given!

In the name of Jesus, we honor Mary's Legacy!

Father Henry - Pastor  
Joe Creighton - HML Chair



## The Knights of Columbus Joseph M. Malik Council 9975



Grand Knight Leon Womack

Phone: 706-491-7110

Email: [leonw8251@gmail.com](mailto:leonw8251@gmail.com)

A Catholic Men's organization whose principles are charity, unity and fraternity: all activities that the council involves itself in are based upon these tenets. We work closely with our Pastor and members are involved in a wide range of church functions in support of the parish family.

- ⇒ **Members are required to be practicing Catholics** and a minimum of eighteen years old.
- ⇒ **Meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month @ 6PM, in the Parish Social Hall.**
- ⇒ **Monthly parish breakfast is sponsored on the first or second Sunday after the morning Mass.** For more info please visit: [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

## St. Mary's Ladies

The Ladies of St. Mary serve to provide a community of fellowship and growth in faith, reaching out to serve and support our pastor, parish families and the community. We serve God through a commitment and uniting our members through prayer, work and service.

**Meet: 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of every month**

- 10 AM; at the Social Hall

**Co-Presidents:** - Connie Tirico: (678) - 464 - 3214

- Michelle Wright: (404) -375 - 5958



**Saint Vincent de Paul Society  
St. Mary Toccoa Conference**  
**Help Telephone : 678 - 892 - 6163**

**St Vincent de Paul Needs you!**

**Are you looking for ways to experience Christ?**

Members of St. Mary's St. Vincent de Paul conference invite you to share in their ministry of experiencing Christ by serving our neighbors in need. We see Christ in the poor because Jesus told us "Whatever you do to the least of my brothers and sisters you do for me." To learn more: [www.svdpgorgia.org/join-svdp](http://www.svdpgorgia.org/join-svdp). For more information contact **Ethan Owen:** (706) - 599 - 6815.

## New and Existing Parishioners of St. Mary

**SIGN UP FOR THE FLOCKNOTE COMMUNICATION**

**Regarding: Prayer Request, Parish Activities, Reminders, Mass Changes, etc.... Please give us your name, email and cell phone. The form is in the Narthex. Thank you**

## Help us keep the Church Clean!

### 1/ God's Housekeepers:

We are looking for more parishioners to help clean the church. The ministry is called God's Housekeepers and each week 2 people clean the church, narthex, and restrooms. Your commitment would be four times during the year. We have all of the supplies for you. If you're interested or want more information, **please call, text or email Laverne Tilley. 770 - 539 -0460 or email: [ltalley@gmail.com](mailto:ltalley@gmail.com).** Thanks and let me know if you need more information.



### 2/ Lawn Care Service:

If you are interested to help to care the garden or lawn care of the Church. Please contact Mr. Tony Duong Vu's team at:



♦ [vutony603@gmail.com](mailto:vutony603@gmail.com) or 706-599-4278

♦ [Vu12575@gmail.com](mailto:Vu12575@gmail.com) or 813-966-0688

### 3/ Volunteer to help take care St. Mary Church's Garden

If anyone wants to help to clean the garden around of St. Mary, especially the garden at the back yard of our Church. We would like to invite you to come to our Church on every Friday and Saturday, from 12:00 AM to 4:00PM. If you're interested or want more information, **Please call or text Mr. Jose Hose at 706 - 244 - 5089**

**BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS:** Bulletin Submission are to be sent to: [stmarystoccoa@gmail.com](mailto:stmarystoccoa@gmail.com) **NO LATER THAN noon on Wednesday** for the bulletin. Late submissions may not be able to be placed.

### BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY



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



**SIGN UP FOR ST MARY'S FLOCKNOTE COMMUNICATIONS**

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