

CHRIST OUR KING AND SAVIOR

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Mission Statement

*United in Christ,
All for the Glory of God*

*Unidos en Cristo,
Todo para la Gloria de Dios*

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY VIGIL 5:00 PM

SUNDAY MASS 9:00 AM

SPANISH MASS 11:45 AM

DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

NO MONDAY MASS

TUESDAY 9:00AM

WEDNESDAY 6:00PM

THURSDAY 9:00AM

FRIDAY 9:00AM

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MON - FRI. 9 AM - 2 PM

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THIRD SUNDAY *in Ordinary Time*

*Repent, for the kingdom of
heaven is at hand.*

Matthew 4:17

*Renuncien a su mal camino,
porque el Reino de los Cielos
está ahora cerca.*

Mateo 4:17

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CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY - 4:00 - 4:45PM
CALL FOR APPOINTMENT

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

1ST FRIDAY 9 AM - 6 PM

SVDP HOTLINE

706-453-4744

ROSARY

BEFORE MASS 8:40AM

JANUARY 22, 2017

CHRISTIAN BURIAL AND CREMATION PART 3 of 4

... Tobias, the just, was praised for the merits he acquired in the sight of God for having buried the dead, and the Church considers the burial of dead one of the corporal works of mercy.

Finally, the burial of the faithful departed in cemeteries or other sacred places encourages family members and the whole Christian community to pray for and remember the dead, while at the same time fostering the veneration of martyrs and saints.

Through the practice of burying the dead in cemeteries, in churches or their environs, Christian tradition has upheld the relationship between the living and the dead and has opposed any tendency to minimize, or relegate to the purely private sphere, the event of death and the meaning it has for Christians.

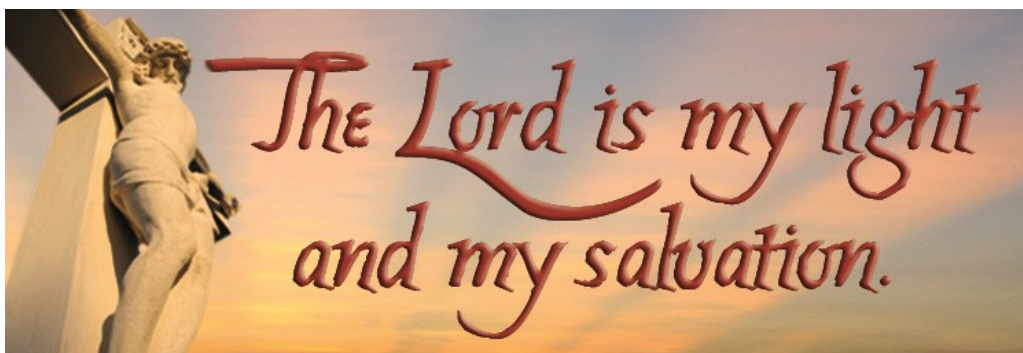
IN CIRCUMSTANCES WHEN CREMATION IS CHOSEN BECAUSE OF SANITARY, ECONOMIC OR SOCIAL CONSIDERATIONS, THIS CHOICE MUST NEVER VIOLATE THE EXPLICITLY-STATED OR THE REASONABLY INFERABLE WISHES OF THE DECEASED FAITHFUL. The Church raises no doctrinal objections to this practice, since cremation of the deceased's body does not affect his or her soul, nor does it prevent God, in his omnipotence, from raising up the deceased body to new life. Thus cremation, in and of itself, objectively negates neither the Christian doctrine of the soul's immortality nor that of the resurrection of the body.

The Church continues to prefer the practice of burying the bodies of the deceased, because this shows a greater esteem towards the deceased. Nevertheless, cremation is not prohibited, "unless it was chosen for reasons contrary to Christian doctrine".

In the absence of motives contrary to Christian doctrine, the Church, after the celebration of the funeral rite, accompanies the choice of cremation, providing the relevant liturgical and pastoral directives, and taking particular care to avoid every form of scandal or the appearance of religious indifferentism.

WHEN, FOR LEGITIMATE MOTIVES, CREMATION OF THE BODY HAS BEEN CHOSEN, THE ASHES OF THE FAITHFUL MUST BE LAID TO REST IN A SACRED PLACE, THAT IS, IN A CEMETERY OR, IN CERTAIN CASES, IN A CHURCH OR AN AREA, WHICH HAS BEEN SET ASIDE FOR THIS PURPOSE, AND SO DEDICATED BY THE COMPETENT ECCLESIAL AUTHORITY.

From the earliest times, Christians have desired that the faithful departed become the objects of the Christian community's prayers and remembrance. Their tombs have become places of prayer, remembrance and reflection. The faithful departed remain part of the Church who believes "in the communion of all the faithful of Christ, those who are pilgrims on earth, the dead who are being purified, and the blessed in heaven, all together forming one Church".



MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21

5PM TOM FRICANO †

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

9AM GILLIAN SWITALA

11:45AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

No Mass

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24

9AM DOROTHEA BALESTREIRE †

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

6PM BILL WERNET †

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

9AM GORDON LEWIS †

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

9AM PARKER TAYLOR

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

5PM LARRY ELDER †

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

9AM MERLYNE BROOKER †

11:45AM PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

PRAYER REQUESTS

Military Personnel	Rod Piller
Tarah Thompson	Barbara Koch
Linda Chelana	Deborah Stritt
Harriette Thompson	Mel Gass
Vickie Abbott	Deidre Slifko
Connie Jean Anderson	Margaret Snyder
Sonya Stephenson	Peter Ward
Santiago Rodriguez	Julie Pentecost
Charlean Ferguson	Hannah McNutly
Blenda Pickrell	Rosemary Sheedy
Joan Piller	Lani Dwyer
Steve Piller	Fabiola Whisenhunt
Nicholas Piller	Jackie Scalzo

For those in critical need of daily prayers.

Note: Names will stay on the Prayer list for 6 weeks and then they will be removed. Call 706-453-7292 x 4 or email cokas.media@gmail.com with updates.



Children's Liturgy of the Word is celebrated at the 9:00 and 11:45 a.m. masses for children Pre-K through 3rd grade. **NO SIGN-UP REQUIRED**

GRIEF SHARE

The GriefShare series is being offered again for ALL who have experienced the death of a loved one and are working through the emotions of grief. Please join us anytime during the dates listed below:

When: Tuesdays from 12:30 to 2:30 – 1/31 thru 4/11

Where: Parish Life Center/Jerusalem room (upstairs)

Cost: \$15.00 for workbook. Please pay in advance at www.cokas.org, Parish Info & News tab - Grief Share Series

Contact: 706-453-7292



The annual Respect Life March will be held on **Friday, January 27** from **9 a.m.—1 p.m.** at the front of the church. Please join us to show your support to choose life.

Coffee and refreshments will be available. For details, call Bill Carman @ 706-484-1649.

ULTREYA

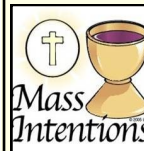
**“Make a friend, Be a friend,
Walk with that friend to Christ.”**

Ultreya is about onward and upward spiritual growth. It is a group of people who have made a Cursillo weekend and/or are interested in continuing a closer walk with Christ. It is a support group and is open to anyone trying to live a Christian life. We pray for and support one another in our efforts to perform apostolic works within the church and our environment. If you are interested in joining our group or would like more information please call Lynn Mallet 706-473-6175.

ULTREYA

**Tuesday, January 31, 2017
6:00 pm in the Social Hall**

Mass Intention Schedule



If there are specific dates that you would like to have a mass offered for loved ones or friends, please come by the office to schedule.



Flowers adorning the Blessed Virgin Mary have been donated by **Jim Collins** for Mary's intercession for the cure of Breast Cancer.

LOOKING AHEAD

JANUARY

22ND	DONUTS	FOLLOWING 9AM MASS IN THE SOCIAL HALL
22ND	FAITH FORMATION (K-5TH)	10:30AM-11:30AM IN THE PLC
23RD	MONDAYS IN THE WORD BIBLE STUDY	10:00AM-12:00PM IN THE PLC ROOM 212
24TH	WOMEN'S RETREAT	9:00AM-1:00PM
24TH	KOFC NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION	7:00PM IN THE SOCIAL HALL
25TH	SVDP MONTHLY MEETING	9:00AM IN THE PLC ROOM 215
25TH	CONFIRMATION CLASS	6:30PM IN THE PLC ROOM 110
27TH	MARCH FOR LIFE	9:00AM-1:00PM IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH
27TH	ULTREYA (SPANISH)	7:00PM PLC IN ROOM 204
28TH	CONFESSIONS	4:00PM IN THE SANCTUARY
28TH	ANointING OF THE SICK	6:00PM IN THE SANCTUARY
29TH	ANointING OF THE SICK	AFTER ALL MASSES IN THE SANCTUARY
31ST	GRIEF SHARE SERIES	12:30PM-2:30PM IN THE PLC ROOM 204
31ST	ULTREYA	6:00PM IN THE SOCIAL HALL



Please join us for coffee and donuts in the Social Hall following the 9am Mass



A watch was found near the Nativity scene at 5 pm Mass on Sat., January 7. If you think it may be yours, please call the church office at 706-453-7292.

ALTAR SERVERS



We are looking for new Altar Servers to join this ministry! We welcome youth who have made their First Communion. This is a wonderful opportunity to be involved in the Parish. Learn more about your faith and take on responsibility. For more information, please contact Tim Winslow (706) 923-1223 or altarserver.cokas@gmail.com.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them.

Offertory

At Masses 1/7—1/8/17.....	\$ 12,233.
Online Giving 1/2—1/8/17.....	3,110.
Total	\$ 15,343.

JANUARY second collections:

1/8/17—St. Vincent de Paul
1/22/17—Archdiocesan Hispanic Ministries



Available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week!

Go to: www.cokas.org. Call or email Millie Browning with any questions 706-453-7292, ext. 9, cokas.finance@gmail.com

Thank You For Your Support!

We are so grateful for all of your support and dedication to the work we are doing for our parish and in the community. If you haven't signed up for Online Giving yet, now is a great time to set up your weekly offertory gift!

MUSIC MINISTRY

"To Sing is to Pray twice"



The COKAS CHOIR WELCOMES ALL

We are always looking for new choir members who have a passion for praising God through music. We rehearse on Thursday evenings from 6:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the Social Hall. For further information, please contact Donna Brelsford, DonnaCarol@bellsouth.net (706) 474-2150 or any choir member for further information.

OUR CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS



Many of our parishioners have asked where we bought the poinsettias that so beautifully adorned the sanctuary during this season of Advent and Christmas. While we purchased them from Pike Nurseries (as in previous years), we have to agree that this particular crop of poinsettias was one of the most beautiful we have ever seen.

For the most up-to-date information, please check our website: www.cokas.org

IMPORTANT DATES

Jan 25: Confirmation class: (*class dates: Jan 25 & Feb 1*)

Feb. 1: EDGE Night

Feb. 15: Life and EDGE Night Mass @ 6:00 Social Hall @ 6:30

Next EDGE Night—Feb 1, 2017

All youth are encouraged to attend Mass at 6:00 pm before coming to class at 6:30 pm.

Would you like to help lead our youth closer to Christ? Join the Youth Ministry Hospitality Team on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month during our Life Teen and Edge nights. Team members assist with greeting our youth, serving them dinner and helping with the "before & after" prep. The time commitment is 6:00-7:30PM. Interested? Contact cokas.dre@gmail.com or cokas.youthministry@gmail.com.



SAINTS FUN FACTS

by John Sheppard

St. Paul was converted from Judaism on the road to Damascus. He was the ultimate missionary, traveling throughout many countries and lands, preaching the Gospel of Jesus. He established numerous churches during his travels and was even imprisoned several times.

St. Paul died in the year 67.



Does God Have Friends Or Is He Alone?

God doesn't have other "gods" to be friends with. He is the only God there is. God doesn't need friends the way we do; he is perfectly happy being alone. But God also wants to have friendship with us. In fact, God wants to be our closest friend. So he has done a lot to make friends with us and to have our friendship. That's why he created us, sent Jesus to save us, gave us the Bible, and gave us the Church.



Key Verses

And you are my friends if you obey me. I no longer call you slaves. For a master doesn't confide in his slaves. Now you are my friends. This is proved by the fact that I have told you all that the Father told me. (John 15:14-15)

Related Verses

Genesis 1:26; John 17:3



What Is Confirmation? Part 2

Confirmation, a sacrament of initiation, establishes young adults as full-fledged members of the faith. This sacrament is called Confirmation because the faith given in Baptism is now confirmed and made strong. During your Baptism, your parents and godparents make promises to renounce Satan and believe in God and the Church on your behalf. At Confirmation, you renew those same promises, this time speaking for yourself.

During Confirmation, the focus is on the Holy Spirit, who confirmed the apostles on Pentecost and gave them courage to practice their faith. Catholics believe that the same Holy Spirit confirms Catholics during the Sacrament of Confirmation and gives them the same gifts. (next week—What Are the Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit?)

STEWARDSHIP SCRIPTURE REFLECTION



The watchword today is "immediately." Peter and Andrew, James and John all respond immediately to the call of Christ. May I be as open to God's call and as ready to use my talents in His service as those first disciples were!

IN THE STACKS AT OUR LIBRARY



Ryan Parish Library

The Story Bible

Pearl S. Buck, beloved author of **The Good Earth**, viewed both the Old and New Testaments of the Bible as glorious stories to be read and reread

through generations. In **The Story Bible**, she took seventy-two major "stories" and retold them in the language of today, combining the exciting flavor of history with the accessibility and drama of fiction.

Look for call number 220.52 Buc



Did you know that you can now register and pay for events online at www.cokas.org? Lots of new useful features, forms and information can be found. In addition to the bulletin, weekly announcements and the parish calendar can also be found on the website. Any of the office staff can be contacted

via email directly from the website. Take a look around and give us your feedback!

OUR SUMMER 2015 SEMINARIAN - BRYAN KUHR



Pope Francis greets a family as they present offertory gifts during a Mass marking the feast of Mary, Mother of God, in St. Peter's Basilica at the Vatican Jan. 1. Atlanta seminarian Rev. Mr. Bryan Kuhr stands to the right of the pontiff.

ST. THERESE CIRCLE



Come, ladies, and share with women of like values. Deepen your faith through liturgy and prayer! Please join the women of St. Therese Circle who **meet the 2nd Wednesday of each month from 10am-12pm in the PLC, Room 204.** February 8th is the next meeting. Let's spend our time on Earth doing good!

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL



SVdP TAX DONATION LETTERS

The members of the COKAS SVdP would like to thank all of you who so generously donated to our Society in 2016. Without your support, we would not be able to assist the many people in need in our community. To those of you who donated over \$250 in 2016, your contribution statement will be sent out automatically. If you donated less than \$250 in 2016, and would like a contribution statement, please email cokas.svdep@gmail.com. We will send all contribution statements out by the end of February. Once again, thank you so much for your continued support.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus and The Monastery of the Holy Spirit sincerely appreciate the purchase of fudge, fruit cake, coffee and biscotti by our parishioners. We hope that everyone enjoyed these delicious treats during the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays.

Following is a personal message from Abbott Francis Michael, Monastery of the Holy Spirit:

To: Pope John Paul II Council #13808

Thank you for your support of the Monastery of the Holy Spirit. Your sales of our products during Christmas Season allows us to provide the financial means to support ourselves.

Blessings in Christ,

Abbott Francis Michael Stiteler



"ANUNCIOS PARROQUIALES"

ESTUDIANTES DE CONFIRMACION

Reunion **obligatoria** para los
Padres de Familia de
Estudiantes haciendo
Confirmación en el 2018



MIÉRCOLES, 25 de ENERO y 1° de FEBRERO
a las 6:30pm en el PLC



Clase de Confirmación
Miércoles 25 de enero y 1°
de febrero 6:30pm en el
Salon Social

Ministerio de Niños y Jovenes **Fechas Importantes**

Miércoles, 1° de febrero: Edge y LifeTeen
para los estudiantes de secundaria y preparatoria
6:00 pm en la Iglesia



El Sacramento de la
Confesión es todos los
Sábados de
4:00 pm a 4:45 pm

Ultreya

Viernes 27 de enero a las
7:00 pm en el Salon Social

¿Te cuesta entender lo que pasa en la Misa?

Te lo explicamos de forma sencilla (1ra entrega)



La Misa es el sacrificio de Cristo que se ofreció a si mismo una vez para siempre en la Cruz. Es el centro de nuestra vida cristiana y la acción de gracias que presentamos a Dios por su gran amor hacia nosotros. No es otro sacrificio, no es una repetición. Es el mismo sacrificio de Jesús que se hace presente. Es una re-presentación del Calvario, memorial, aplicación de los méritos de Cristo.

Tiene **dos partes:**

La liturgia de la palabra (después de estar bien preparados por la petición de perdón de los pecados) y **La liturgia de Eucaristía**, que es el ofrecimiento al Padre por parte de Jesús y nuestra, pues también nosotros somos hijos de Dios.

Para saber aprovechar los grandes frutos espirituales que se nos dan a través de la Celebración Eucarística, hay que conocerla, entender sus gestos y símbolos, y participar en ella con reverencia.

1. RITOS INICIALES

CANTO DE ENTRADA



Nos preparamos para comenzar la misa con el canto de entrada. Es un canto que nos une a todos porque a la misa venimos personas de distintos lugares, culturas, edades y **cantamos a una voz, como un cuerpo que somos en torno a Cristo.** Nos unimos para celebrar uno de los dones más grandes que Jesús nos dejó: la Eucaristía.

SEÑAL DE LA CRUZ



La misa empieza propiamente con la señal de la cruz y terminará también de la misma manera, cuando recibimos la bendición final. **Hacer la señal de la cruz nos recuerda que le pertenecemos a Cristo.** En el lenguaje bíblico, el nombre representa a la persona misma. Empezar en el nombre del Padre y del Hijo y del Espíritu Santo no es sólo mencionar el nombre de Dios, sino ponernos en su presencia.