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Announcements

- If you have palms from last year's Palm Sunday Masses, please bring them to the Parish Office. We will be burning them at 10:00 a.m. on Tuesday, February 17 to use in our Ash Wednesday liturgies.

  El Martes 17 de Febrero a las 10 de la mañana quemaremos palmas para producir cenizas que serán usadas en las liturgias del Miércoles de Cenizas. Si usted aún tiene palmas de las misas de Domingo de Ramos del año pasado, por favor traerlas a la oficina parroquial.

- We are updating our parish records and need your help! If you are currently receiving the *Georgia Bulletin* and would like to stop receiving it **or** if you are not receiving it and would like to, please contact the Parish Office to let us know. Call us at 404-636-1418 or e-mail our Receptionist, Ana McQuilkin, at amcquilkin@ihmatlanta.org. Thank you!

  Estamos en el proceso de actualizar los registros de la parroquia y necesitamos su ayuda! Si usted está recibiendo el "Georgia Bulletin" y prefiere no recibirlo en el futuro o si no lo está recibiendo y prefiere recibirlo, por favor contacte la oficina parroquial y déjenos saber su preferencia. Llame al (404) 636-1418 o mande un correo electrónico a nuestra recepcionista, Ana McQuilkin (amcquilkin@ihmatlanta.org). Gracias!

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Mass
Monday–Friday: 8:30 a.m.
Thursdays: 8:00 p.m. in Spanish
Saturdays: 8:30 a.m.; 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass
Sunday: 9:00 a.m.; 11:30 a.m.; 5:00 p.m.

Misas en Español
Jueves a las 7:00 p.m.
Domingos a la 1:30 p.m. y 7:00 p.m.

Reconciliation
Saturdays: 9:15 a.m.
Anytime by appointment

Confesiones
Jueves: 6:00 p.m. en español
Cualquier día por cita.

Eucharistic Adoration
Thursdays: 9:00 a.m. - 6:45 p.m.

Adoración al Santísimo
Jueves de 9:00 a.m. - 6:45 p.m.
Hora Santa en español: 6:00 p.m.- 7:00 p.m.

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SUNDAY READINGS

Reading 1: Job 7:1-4, 6-7
Reading 2: 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23
Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

MASS INTENTIONS/INTENCIONES DE LA MISA
February 8 - February 15

Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Carlene Bollinger †
	11:30 a.m.	Ella Bernice Cole
	1:30 p.m.	Missa Pro Populo
	5:00 p.m.	Maye Sita Agnes †
	7:00 p.m.	Libi Roberts
Monday	8:30 a.m.	Special Intention
Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Bryan Landry
Wednesday	8:30 a.m.	Jerry Fuchs †
Thursday	8:30 a.m.	Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Adams † (School Mass)
	7:00 p.m.	Jose Martin Arroyo de Jacbo †
Friday	8:30 a.m.	George W. Henry †
Saturday	8:30 a.m.	Hannah Cochran
	4:00 p.m.	Lois Gulakowski †
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Louise Pratt †
	11:30 a.m.	Robert H. Brouillette †
	1:30 p.m.	Father Austin Fogarty †
	5:00 p.m.	Missa Pro Populo
	7:00 p.m.	Claudia Rodriguez †

PRAYERS/ORACIONES

To submit a prayer request, please email: bulletin@ihmatlanta.org or call the parish office at 404-636-1418. *Para solicitar una oración, por favor llame a la oficina.*

† **We ask that you offer a prayer for those who have died, especially for/*oremos por quienes murieron, especialmente por*:** Gregorio Pacheco, Annette Marler, Dolores Glenkey, Christine McLellan, Lee Ghiradini, David Callahan, Lois Poe, José Tavel, Berniece Meller, Pedro Amador, Steven Algieri, Ashley Maynard, Clint Wheeler, Ronald Wolfe, Bob Waine, Beverle McMurray, Herbert E. Broughton Jr., Jim Bentley, Louise Pratt, Steve Edwards, Grant Smith, Patti Dschuhan, Neil Ryan, Andres Ortiz, Ray Talbot, David Shaw, Raphael Githiora Wamunyu, Amanda Powell, Harold Muir, Bernadine Dugan Williams, Margaret Mascotti, and Clara Arcelia Vargas Ruiz.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Also, please pray for those who are sick, especially for/*oremos por quienes están enfermos, especialmente por*: Lindsay Edwards, John Krol, Andrew Ethridge, Colin Crowe, Alicia Niño, Marsha Aughtry, Lena Ghirardini, Isabella Pinto, Carlos Halley, Rebecca DuVall, Christian Lopez, Desiree Hudson, Carlos Muñiz, Paul Llano, Leila Livengood, Jehae Diana Carmichael, Margaret Mackool, Wayne Paris, Mary Ann McCullough, Bryant Trane, Pauline Hoch, Ofelia Caraballo, Nieves Aulet Velazquez, Hermelinda Morales Vazquez, Alice Schillinger, Cory Labrecque, and Sadie Algieri.

WWYD?: PREPARING FOR YOUR LENTEN JOURNEY

What Will You Do?

For centuries, Benedictine religious have practiced a Lenten activity that is born out of the Rule of Saint Benedict: *Bona opera.* These "good works" are as much a part of their Lenten journey as what they sacrifice. This year, you are invited to consider **taking on** a good work during the season of Lent.

How? Become involved in a liturgical ministry—any liturgical ministry— for the season of Lent.

- Musicians (singers and instrumentalists) are invited to join the music ministry for just the season of Lent, participating in the liturgical music ministry along with the other musicians through Holy Week. Come ANY Wednesday night (beginning February 25) to a rehearsal (beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the church) to see if this might be your *BONA OPERA* for Lent.
- Other liturgical ministries—Lectors, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Eucharist, and Ministers of Hospitality (greeters and ushers), all can use YOUR help. All it takes is a brief orientation session, and you can begin your Lenten GOOD WORK with one of these ministries.

The good work you do as a liturgical minister will benefit you in your spiritual journey, but this same good work will also directly benefit your parish. So, ask yourself: WHAT WILL YOU DO???

For more information on any liturgical ministry:

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WELCOME TO OUR NEW PARISHIONERS!

Welcome to all our newly registered parishioners! We are happy to have you here with us!

¡Bienvenidos a todos los nuevos feligreses! ¡Estamos contentos de que estén aquí con nosotros!

Robert Castellino & Rita Nahta, Victoria Gleissner, Shane & Danielle Griffin, Judson & Jessica Hickinbotham, Nathan & Nicole Horne, Maegan Joseph, Byron Larios, Brian & Penny Leahy, Nìcolás Sánchez Magaño, Michele Menard, Christopher Nauser, Brian & Lisa O'Connor, Maureen Okafor, Charlie & Kimberly Pollard, Kevin Schafer, Kevin & Anne Shea, Michael & Jill Stern, and Kent Williams

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MUSTARD SEED UPDATE

Who are the missionaries for 2015?
We are so happy to have so many returning missionaries, and some brand new faces! This year's missionaries are:
Joanie Gross (year 10), Tim Buckley (10), Teresa Aluku (8), Kevin Drawe (8), David Banks (7), Marty Bova-Banks (6), Patrick Snell (5) Lecie Harrison (4), April McCarthy (3), Vera Bettin (2), Tracy Mancinelli (1), Katrina Vader (1), Michael Obiekwe (1), Dalia Quintanilla (1), Mark Boyer (1), and Doug Spiron (1).

Please keep us in your prayers as we travel 2/21-2/28.

If you have any questions, please contact Joanie Gross at mjkcj144@gmail.com.

FINANCIAL PEACE UNIVERSITY

Starting Tuesday, February 10
This course, running from February 10 through April 14, is designed to help you eliminate debt, save for the future, and give like never before. Classes will be on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the 7-1 Middle School Classroom. The cost is $93 and covers all materials used in the class. For more information about FPU, visit the parish website at www.ihmatlanta.org.

YOUNG MARRIED COUPLES VALENTINE'S DAY DINNER

Saturday, February 14
Greg & Tressa Fanoe are hosting IHM's Young Married Couples for a Mardi Gras party on Saturday, February 14 at 5:00pm. We'll have masks, beads, and Drew Denton's fabulous gumbo! The cost will be $15 per couple. We welcome all IHM young married couples to join us -- generally, we are 25-35 years old, engaged or married 0-5 years, with no children or children under age 2. For more information on the group, or to RSVP for the Mardi Gras party, e-mail Megan Denton (ihmyoungmarrieds@gmail.com).

55 AND OLDER MARDI GRAS LUNCHEON

Monday, February 16
Mark your calendar for a carefully planned program along with a delicious luncheon. You'll walk away with a smiling face and a loving heart – guaranteed! Your friends are welcome. Reservations must be made by February 12 – phone the church office at 404-636-1418. Cost is $10, cash or check. We begin at 12 Noon. Y'all come!

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

Wednesday, February 18
Masses for Ash Wednesday are as follows:
6:30 a.m. - Spanish
8:30 a.m. - English
12 Noon - English
7:00 p.m. - Bilingual

SMALL FAITH GROUPS

Starting Saturday, February 21
Save some time for Small Faith Sharing Groups this Lent! IHM invites parishioners to participate in small faith sharing groups during Lent. There will be a total of eight 90-minute meetings:

- Welcome session on Saturday, February 21 at 10:00 a.m.
- Weekly sessions with small groups during the 6 weeks of Lent (You will be able to select from options that work best with your schedule.)
- Closing session with a potluck brunch on Saturday, April 11 at 10:00 a.m.

E-mail JoEllen at joellenwindau@gmail.com to register.

PARISH LENTEN MISSION - CELEBRATING GOD'S GIFTS

March 9-11
Save the date! Our Parish Lenten Mission, presented by Father James Friedel OSA, will be held March 9-11. We will be spending each evening, starting at 7:00 p.m., considering the many gifts God has given us and then exploring how we are being called to use these gifts.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 13-17
IHM VBS 2015 hosted by the Women's Club will be July 13-17 with a Mass on Sunday, July 17. Please save these dates and plan to join us for a week of fun and learning! Last year's inaugural VBS was amazing and very successful. We hope your children (ages 4-11) will join us this summer! We will also need teen and adult volunteers. Look for more registration details in March. Contact vbs@ihmatlanta.org with any questions.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL HANDYMAN

If you need a handyman to help you with various small jobs around your house, you may wish to consider the following. You could obtain some help by hiring a Safe Environment approved volunteer from the St. Vincent de Paul IHM Conference to help you with your work. Simply make a donation to the St. Vincent de Paul IHM Conference in the amount of $25.00 for every hour the volunteer spends on your job. This is a win, win, win situation: we help you, you help the St. Vincent de Paul IHM Conference, and the St. Vincent de Paul helps the many people in need. So if you need some assistance with small jobs around the house, call 770-986-4996 and ask for Dirk.

Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic School

February 8, 2015

National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence

The Daffodil Project: Remembering Child Victims of the Holocaust

IHM School is proudly participating in The Daffodil Project. By planting a garden of daffodils schools everywhere are creating a living memorial worldwide to remember the 1.5 million children who died in the Holocaust, as well as other children in crisis. Daffodils are being planted to remind us of the yellow, six-sided star that Jews wore to identify themselves during World War II. Yellow daffodils are a symbol of remembrance. To date more, than 75,000 flowers have been planted. Last week our eighth graders planted almost 500 daffodil bulbs in a grassy area outside of the middle school. We are hopeful that the blooms will come up this spring, but they may not show until fall. It is fitting that we planted these bulbs during the 70th anniversary week of the liberation of Auschwitz concentration camp and Respect Life month. In addition, this garden is also a "No Place For Hate" activity, supporting our four consecutive years of being recognized by the Anti-Defamation League as a No Place for Hate anti-bullying school. IHM School is very proud of this project and all that it represents.

While working on the daffodil project, our 8th grade religion students, under the guidance of Ms. Kathleen Pyrce, each chose a child victim of the Holocaust to research. Each research paper included a picture of the child, and the students presented their research to each other. This brought to life the Holocaust tragedy and helped ur students understand just how horrific it was.

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CALENDAR - *CALENDARIO*

Wednesday/Miércoles (MS)
7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
February 4, 11, 25

Saturday/Sábado (K-6)
2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.
February 21, 28

Sunday/Domingo
10:15 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. (K-6)
3:00 p.m.- 4:45 p.m. (HS)
February 1, 8, 22

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No classes on
February 14 and 15 due to
President's Day

No hay clases el
14 y 15 de febrero debido al
Día del Presidente

NATIONAL WEEK OF MARRIAGE: February 7 to 14

"Pray without ceasing." - 1 Thes 5:17
The promotion and protection of marriage begins with prayer and is nourished by prayer. We invite you to pray for marriage with us, using either this prayer or your own.

God our Father, we give you thanks for the gift of marriage: the bond of life and love, and the font of the family.

The love of husband and wife enriches your Church with children, fills the world with a multitude of spiritual fruitfulness and service, and is the sign of the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, for his Church.

The grace of Jesus flowed forth at Cana at the request of the Blessed Mother. May your Son, through the intercession of Mary, pour out upon us a new measure of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit as we join with all people of good will to promote and protect the unique beauty of marriage.

May your Holy Spirit enlighten our society to treasure the heroic love of husband and wife, and guide our leaders to sustain and protect the singular place of mothers and fathers in the lives of their children.

Father, we ask that our prayers be joined to those of the Virgin Mary, that your Word may transform our service so as to safeguard the incomparable splendor of marriage. We ask all these things through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.

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SEMANA NACIONAL DEL MATRIMONIO: 7 a 14 de febrero

"Orad sin cesar." - 1 Tes 5:17
La promoción y la protección del matrimonio comienza y se alimenta de la oración. Los invitamos a rezar por el matrimonio usando la siguiente o su propia oración.

Dios Padre nuestro, te damos gracias por el don del matrimonio: vínculo de vida y amor, y fuente de la familia.

El amor de marido y mujer enriquece a tu Iglesia con hijos, llena el mundo con una abundancia de fecundidad espiritual y servicio, y es signo del amor de tu Hijo, Jesucristo, por su Iglesia.

La gracia de Jesús brotó en Caná a petición de su Santa Madre. Concédenos que tu Hijo, por la intercesión de la Virgen María, derrame sobre nosotros una nueva medida de los Dones del Espíritu Santo al unirnos con toda persona de buena voluntad para promover y proteger la belleza única del matrimonio.

Concede que tu Santo Espíritu ilumine a nuestra sociedad para que atesore el amor heroico de marido y mujer, y guíe a nuestros líderes para que sostengan y protejan el puesto singular de padres y madres en la vida de sus niños.

Padre, te pedimos que nuestras oraciones se unan con las de la Santísima Virgen María para que tu Verbo Divino transforme nuestro esfuerzo por salvaguardar el incomparable esplendor del matrimonio. Te pedimos todas estas cosas por Cristo nuestro Señor, Amén.

San Joaquín y Santa Ana, rueguen por nosotros.

IS THIS POPE CATHOLIC?

BEHIND THE SURPRISES POPE FRANCIS HAS GIVEN US

Four Adult Faith Formation presentations by Ron Chandonia

Remaining Sessions:
Session Two – February 8 – Prioritizing People Over Protocol
Session Three – February 22 – Focusing on the Poor
Session Four – March 1 – Bulldozing Barriers, Building New Relationships

Meetings are from 10:15 a.m. until 11:15 a.m. in IHM Middle School.

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SUNDAY READINGS AND BACKGROUNDS

Reading I : Job 7:1-4, 6-7

My life is like the wind.

- In the Book of Job, God allows Satan to inflict all kinds of suffering on Job.
- Through it all, Job remains faithful to God.
- The story of Job points out that the ways of God are beyond human understanding.

Reading II : 1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

I am all things for all people, for the sake of the Gospel.

- The Corinthian community wants to reward Paul for his ministry among them.
- Paul stresses that God's love is freely given.
- In today's passage, Paul preaches to the community about God's generosity.

Gospel : Mark 1:29-39

He went to a lonely place to pray.

- The stories of Jesus' miracles are a sign that the power of Satan is broken and the kingdom of God has arrived.
- Jesus is the one who brings the kingdom of God to earth.
- In today's Gospel the miracles are signs of the ultimate healing that Jesus will bring to the world.

QUINTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

LECTURAS DOMINICALES Y INFORMACION ADICIONAL SOBRE LAS LECTURAS

Primera Lectura : Job 7, 1-4. 6-7

Mi vida es un soplo.

- En el libro de Job, Dios permite que Satán cause todo tipo de sufrimiento a Job.
- Durante toda la prueba, Job permanece fiel a Dios.
- El relato de Job señala que la manera de obrar de Dios está más allá de la comprensión humana.

Segunda Lectura : 1 Corintios 9, 16-19. 22-23

Me he hecho todo para todos con el fin de salvar, por todos los medios, a algunos.

- La comunidad de Corinto quiere recompensar a Pablo por su ministerio entre ellos.
- Pablo enfatiza que el amor de Dios es dado libremente.
- En el pasaje de hoy, Pablo predica a la comunidad sobre la generosidad de Dios.

Evangelio : Marcos 1, 29-39

Se fue a un lugar solitario. Allí se puso a orar.

- Los relatos de los milagros de Jesús son una señal de que el poder de Satán está destruido y que el Reino de Dios ha llegado.
- Jesús es el único que trae el Reino de Dios a la Tierra.
- En el Evangelio de hoy, los milagros son señales de la sanación final que Jesús traerá al mundo.

ACTIVITY OF THE WEEK

Choose one of the following activities as a way to further reflect on the Sunday readings:

- As a family, discuss ways that you can help others know more about Jesus. Plan a project that you can do together.
- The Church shares the Good News today through the actions of the members. Find out what your parish is doing to spread God's mercy and compassion. Ask what you can do to support their efforts.
- Tell a story about a time when you shared the Good News with a coworker, a neighbor, or a family member.
- We are the people who bring Jesus to others. As a family, make a paper chain and write on the links how we bring Jesus' love to others.

ACTIVIDAD DE LA SEMANA

Elija una de las siguientes actividades para seguir reflexionando sobre las lecturas del domingo:

- En familia, conversen sobre las maneras en que pueden ayudar a los demás a aprender más acerca de Jesús. Planifiquen un proyecto que puedan hacer juntos.
- Hoy la Iglesia comparte la Buena Nueva por medio de las acciones de sus miembros. Averigüe qué está haciendo su parroquia para extender la misericordia y la compasión de Dios. Pregunte qué puede hacer usted para apoyar esos esfuerzos.
- Cuente un relato de alguna ocasión en que compartió la Buena Nueva con un compañero de trabajo, un vecino o un miembro de la familia.
- Somos el pueblo que lleva a Jesús a los demás. En familia, preparen una cadena de papel y escriban en los eslabones cómo llevamos el amor de Jesús al prójimo.

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WHY DO CATHOLICS PUT ASHES ON THEIR FOREHEADS ON ASH WEDNESDAY? *Author: Mark Hart | LifeTeen*

'Excuse me, you've got some dirt on your head.'

Every year someone says that to me on Ash Wednesday. Maybe it has happened to you too. In the past it used to frustrate me, but in recent years I have come to see it as a great opportunity to evangelize, to share with someone about the most important person in my life: Jesus Christ. So, what do you say when folks ask you about that smudge on your forehead?

Here are a few responses that I *would* <u>*not*</u> recommend: 'My mom made me go to church and get them. I have no idea what they mean' or 'I have a big zit that I'm trying to cover up. Is it working?'

And here are a few responses that I <u>*would*</u> recommend:

<u>The Biblical Response</u>: Over forty passages in the Bible associate ashes with mourning and grief. In Old Testament times people used ashes as a sign of repentance. They would sit in ashes, roll around in them, sprinkle them upon their heads, or even mingle them with their food and drink. They did this as an outward sign of their inward posture of repentance. Check out **Daniel 9:3-6**, for an example.

Ash Wednesday begins Lent, a time when we stop and assess how we're doing in our walk with God. Lent helps us identify spiritual areas in which we can grow and sinful areas that we need to avoid. To repent, put simply, means to turn *away* from sin and turn *toward* God. We use ashes as an outward expression of our need to begin again.

<u>A Traditional Response</u>: Ashes are a sign of physical death, as in 'ashes to ashes, dust to dust.' We began as dust (a joyless and lifeless existence), and our bodies will return to dust until we are raised up by Christ. By receiving ashes and keeping them on, we publicly proclaim our intent to die to our worldly desires and live even more in Christ's image, which we focus on during the season of 'rebirth' that is Lent (a Latin term for 'Spring').

<u>The Historical Response</u>: For over twelve hundred years on the *dies cinerum* (day of ashes) faithful followers have approached the altar and received ashes upon their foreheads. These ashes are made from the burnt palm fronds that were blessed on the Palm Sunday of the previous year. The ashes are sprinkled with holy water, usually fragranced with incense and blessed using four prayers that are thousands of years old.

The use of ashes for repentance and penance can be traced even further back and is practiced throughout the world. On Ash Wednesday ashes are applied to believers' foreheads in the shape of the cross.

<u>The Symbolic Response</u>: God formed Adam out of the 'dust' of the earth, which we read about in Genesis 2:7. In addition, Jesus healed the blind man with clay (earth and spit) in John 9:6. We mark ourselves with ashes as a 'new beginning' at the onset of Lent, allowing the life of Jesus Christ to make us whole and new again.

<u>The Most Basic Response</u>: I'm a sinner. I don't always love God as strongly as I could or as directly as I should. Ash Wednesday reminds me that it is only through God that I have life; He gave it to me.

Ash Wednesday also begins my preparation for Holy Week and the Passion and Resurrection of my Lord, Jesus, without Whom I have no life here and no chance at eternal life in Heaven. This is just a great opportunity for me to get better. Thanks for asking. God forgives. He loves. And He gives this sinner a second chance. Put simply: my God kicks ash.

See next week's bulletin for some fun ideas and resources to help you make this year's Lent a great one!

It is time to sign up for Sonfest!
Open to all current 8th-12th graders
June 1-5, 2015
Cost: $475

Sonfest is a 5 day beach retreat consisting of teaching sessions, praise and worship music, daily beach activities and plenty of sunshine! Take a break from the craziness of school and relax at the beach with God and 200 other Catholic teens from the Atlanta area. Don't let the cost keep you away—there are scholarships available and we will help you fundraise!

We are looking for teen leaders to help fundraise and promote Sonfest. The teens that help throughout the fundraising period can receive a scholarship! Registration fee is $50. Please note: all payments are non-refundable.

Please contact Kathy Guerrero to sign up or for more information.

CCHD Multimedia Youth Arts Contest

Do Justice, Love Goodness, Walk Humbly with God

Participate in Just 5 Easy Steps…!

- **Learn** about the contest by visiting and using the informational materials available in our website at: <u>www.archatl.com/artcontest</u>
- **Register** on-line at the Archdiocese's website
- **Learn** about domestic poverty and the work of CCHD
- Create multimedia work based on his/her talents and the 2015 contest theme.
- **Submit** all multimedia work along with entry form to the Archdioceses of Atlanta by no later than **<u>March 2, 2015</u>**

All of the entries submitted will be featured in the "Art Gallery Hall" at the Chancery. Winners for each category will be recognized in our Art Exhibition & Award Ceremony on <u>March 22nd</u>!

Please take a brochure from the Narthex or contact Kathy Guerrero to sign up!

STEWARDSHIP

"As Christian stewards, we receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them in loving justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord."

- Stewardship: A Disciple's Response

GIVING UPDATE

Week of February 1

Offertory Basket: $20,413.00
Electronic Giving: $5,217.54
Total Offertory: $25,630.54

Thank you! Your sacrificial generosity enables our ministries and outreach programs to continue. If you want to learn more about online donations or are ready to sign up, visit www.ihmatlanta.org or scan the QR code with your smartphone.

SECOND COLLECTIONS

Mustard Seed 2/1 Collection: $3,549.00

The second collection for the week of February 22 is for Black and Indian Missions.

Since 1884, proceeds from the Black and Indian Missions Collection are distributed as grants to dioceses supporting and strengthening evangelization programs, which would otherwise be in danger of disappearing among the Black, American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleute communities of the United States. Visit www.blackandindianmission.org for more information about this collection.

The CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF NORTH GEORGIA

February 8, 2015: Valentines for those you love.
Normally when we think of sending Valentines we think of our spouses, our children, grandparents and anyone else that we love. Do we love our parish? If so, consider sending a Valentine contribution to the parish endowment fund at the Catholic Foundation of North Georgia. The parish is part of your family as you are first brought to it when you are baptized and it is the last place you are for your funeral Mass before being buried. So as a love note to the parish don't wait until you make your final arrangements to make a gift to the parish endowment fund. The Foundation will accept any amount of money for the parish fund and **it is the small gifts of love that build the endowment fund** to provide for the future. For more information please call Diane Duquette at 404-497-9440 or email dduquette@cfnga.org. This is a special request as usually these notes are about planned gifts. Please visit the Catholic Foundation website www.cfnga.org to learn more about creating a Catholic Legacy.

SPACE FOR ADS

Padre Javier Muñoz | 404-636-1418 extensión 228 | jmunoz@ihmatlanta.org

BAUTISMOS:

Niños menores de 7 años,

Los padres DEBEN registrarse antes en la oficina parroquial; en ese momento recibirán la fecha de la plática correspondiente y del bautismo. Al registrarse deben entregar copia del Acta de Nacimiento de la persona que va a ser bautizada.

MATRIMONIOS:

Llamar al Padre Javier Muñoz y hacer cita para hablar de los requisitos, por lo menos 6 meses antes de la fecha deseada.

CONFESIONES:

Jueves de 6:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m. en español, y en inglés los sábados a las 9:15 a.m. o durante la semana haciendo cita con el sacerdote.

QUINCEAÑERAS:

Llamar a la oficina y comunicarse con Yolanda Muñoz por lo menos 6 meses antes de la fecha deseada.

INICIACION CRISTIANA DE ADULTOS (RICA):

Si no eres católico (a) o si eres mayor de 18 años y no has recibido los sacramentos de Bautismo, Primera Comunión y Confirmación, te invitamos a aprender más acerca de nuestra fe. Comuníquese con Alicia Guerrero en la oficina parroquial.

¡BIENVENIDOS A CASA!

Si has estado alejado (a) de la parroquia, bienvenido (a). Comunícate con nosotros para conocerte y preséntate al sacerdote después de la Misa.

NUEVOS FELIGRESES:

Bienvenidos a nuestra comunidad; visítanos en la oficina para llenar la hoja de registro. Es muy importante que estés registrado en la parroquia.

REFLEXIÓN DEL EVANGELIO: MARCOS 1: 29-39

Por: José Rodrigo Escorza | Fuente: Catholic.net

Oración introductoria: Jesús, Tú si sabías darle el lugar que le corresponde a tu Padre en tu vida. Ni los milagros, ni la atención a tus discípulos te hacían olvidar lo fundamental: la oración. Permite que yo sepa vivir tu estilo de vida, quiero enamorarme más de Ti en esta oración para poder ser fiel a mi vida de oración y, así, convertirme en un propagador de tu amor entre todos los hombres.

Meditación del Papa Francisco: Muchas veces escuchamos decir a las personas que no saben en quien confiar: "¡Confíate en las manos de Dios!". Esto es bello porque allí estamos seguros: es la máxima seguridad, porque es la seguridad de nuestro Padre que nos quiere mucho. Las manos de Dios también nos curan de nuestras enfermedades espirituales. Pensemos en las manos de Jesús, cuando tocaba a los enfermos y los curaba… son las manos de Dios: ¡Nos curan! ¡No me imagino a Dios dándonos una bofetada! No me lo imagino. Reprendiéndonos sí me lo imagino, porque lo hace. Pero nunca, nunca nos hiere. ¡Nunca! Nos acaricia. También cuando nos reprende lo hace con una caricia porque es Padre. 'Las almas de los justos están en las manos de Dios'. Pensemos en las manos de Dios, que nos ha creado como un artesano, que nos ha dado la salud eterna. Son manos llagadas y nos acompañan en el camino de la vida. Confiémonos en las manos de Dios, como un niño se confía en las manos de su papá. ¡Esas son manos seguras! *(Cf. S.S. Francisco, 12 de noviembre de 2013, homilía en Santa Marta).*

Reflexión: Jesús nunca se ha cansado de servir a los hombres. Hoy aún sigue siendo el hombre más servidor de todos. Él mismo nos lo dijo: "no he venido a ser servido, sino a servir". Pero de vez en cuando Él buscaba momentos de tranquilidad al lado de sus discípulos. Hoy es uno de esos días.

Han llegado a la casa de Simón, y encuentra a la suegra de éste enferma. Jesús, no sabiendo cómo no salvar un alma más en ese día, la toma de la mano y la cura. Parece que Dios, hecho hombre para servir no quiera hacer otra cosa. Él todo poderoso; Él conocedor de los sufrimientos humanos; Él que tanto ha amado al mundo, ¿se iba a quedar tranquilo viendo a los hombres perderse? No, hay que salvarlos a toda costa. Por eso allí está, sirviendo en los momentos de mayor intimidad con sus discípulos. La suegra aprendió muy bien la lección de ese día: "En ese momento se le quitó la fiebre y se puso a servirles". ¿Cuántas lecciones tenemos que sacar de este pequeño acto de donación? Se dice que arrastra más un ejemplo que muchas palabras. Aquí lo tienen. El ejemplo está claro: Cristo, servidor de los hombres para salvarlos.

Aunque haya pasado toda una tarde de enseñanzas con sus discípulos, Él al atardecer sirvió a los demás, para darles la Vida y que la tuvieran en abundancia. No sólo actuó en ese pueblo, sino que su amor se extendió, durante su vida terrena, a los judíos, pero ahora sigue haciendo el bien, a través de un ejemplo de uno de sus consagrados, a través de la oración abnegada de todos los días de una madre de familia, o la sencillez de corazón de un jovencito que hace un acto de amor para con el viejito que está cruzando la calle. El actúa hoy de muchas formas en el mundo, principalmente a través de la oración.

Propósito: Oración confiada para no dejar que la duda o la angustia me domine cuando surjan los problemas de la vida.

Diálogo con Cristo: ¡Cuánto me enseña este pasaje del Evangelio! Ahora comprendo la importancia de la oración y el cómo vivir los acontecimientos difíciles de la vida: con paciencia, ánimo y esperanza. Gracias, Señor, por llevarme de tu mano y permite que, al igual que la suegra de Pedro, me ponga a servir a los demás. Dame la gracia de identificarme contigo para pensar como Tú, sentir como Tú, amar como Tú y vivir como Tú.

ANUNCIOS EN ESPAÑOL

SEGUNDA COLECTA

La segunda colecta del próximo fin de semana (22 de febrero) beneficiará a las misiones indígenas y afro americanas.

Colecta de Granito de Mostaza (1° de febrero): $3,549.00

GRANITO DE MOSTAZA-MISION A JAMAICA

Quienes son los misioneros del año 2015?
Estamos muy contentos de tener tantos feligreses de regreso para esta mission, ¡y a muchas caras nuevas! Los misioneros de este año son: Joanie Gross (10° año), Tim Buckley (10°), Teresa Aluku (8°), Kevin Drawe (8°), David Banks (7°), Marty Bova-Banks (6°), Patrick Snell (5°) Lecie Harrison (4°), April McCarthy (3°), Vera Bettin (2°), Tracy Mancinelli (1°), Katrina Vader (1°), Michael Obiekwe (1°), Dalia Quintanilla (1°), Mark Boyer (1°), and Doug Spiron (1°).

MIERCOLES DE CENIZA

Miércoles, 18 de febrero
Marquen sus calendarios con los horarios de las misas que se celebrarán el Miércoles de Ceniza:

6:30 a.m. - español
8:30 a.m. - inglés
12 mediodía - inglés
7:00 p.m. - bilingüe

Si usted aún tiene palmas de las misas del Domingo de Ramos del año pasado, tráigalas a la oficina parroquial. El martes 17 de Febrero, quemaremos las palmas a las 10 de la mañana para usar las cenizas en las liturgias del Miércoles de Ceniza.

SONFEST - RETIRO EN LA PLAYA PARA JOVENES

1-5 de junio, 2015
Abierto para jóvenes en los grados del 8º-12º.
Costo: $475
¡Ya es hora para apuntarse para SONFEST!
Sonfest es un retiro de 5 días en la playa que consiste en temas, música y adoración, y actividades en la playa de Ft. Walton, Florida. Los jóvenes toman un descanso de todas las preocupaciones de la escuela y se relajan en la playa con Dios y junto 200 otros jóvenes católicos de Atlanta. No dejen que el costo los desanime—habrá becas disponibles y maneras para recaudar fondos para cubrir el costo del retiro.

Estamos buscando lideres jóvenes que puedan ayudar a recaudar fondos y a promover el Retiro de Sonfest. ¡Los jóvenes que participen podrán recibir una beca! La beca sólo cubrirá una parte del costo total del retiro, el resto se harán en pagos, comenzando con la inscripción de $50 por aplicación. **Importante: los pagos para el retiro de Sonfest no son reembolsables.**

Para más información, comuníquese con Kathy Guerrero al (404) 636-1418 ext. 222 o kguerrero@ihmatlanta.org.

OFERTORIO SEMANAL

30 de enero y 1° de febrero

Ofertorio en Misa: $20,413.00
Contribución Electrónica: $5,217.54
Ofertorio Total: $25,630.54

¡Gracias por su contribución; que el Señor premie su generosidad! Su colaboración ayuda a que nuestros ministerios sigan funcionando en nuestra parroquia de IHM.

Si gusta aprender más sobre la contribución electrónica o está listo(a) para inscribirse, por favor visite a www.ihmatlanta.org o escanee el código con su teléfono móvil.

LECTURAS DE ESTE DOMINGO:

I Lectura: Job 7:1-4, 6-7
II Lectura: 1 Corintios 9:16-19, 22-23
Evangelio: Marcos 1: 29-39

LECTURAS DEL PROXIMO DOMINGO:

I Lectura: Levítico 13: 1-2, 44-46
II Lectura: 1 Corintios 10: 31-11, 1
Evangelio: Marcos 1: 40-45