

Bienvenidos a todas personas nuevas a nuestra iglesia de Santa María. Nos alegramos que estén aquí. Si pretenden a quedarse con nos-



tros, y quizás inscribir sus niños a nuestras clases religiosas, favor saque una forma de registración del fundo de la iglesia y llenarla, inclusive los nombres de los miembros de su familia. Después de llenarla, o devolverla a el párroco o simplemente ponerla con la colecta ofertorio la próxima semana. Y cada semana no olvide a coger la boletín y leerla para ponerse al tanto a lo que pasa en su iglesia.

Sala Disponible Por Niños Intranquilos



La sala en el frente de la iglesia, la misma que se usa para confesiones, sierva como una sala por niños que se porten a veces intranquilos durante la Misa. Los padres y sus niños pueden ver la Misa de allí. El uso de esta sala por los padres para tales niños ayuda con la celebración correcta de la Misa, especialmente cuando los lectores proclamen las escrituras y durante la homilía que de el padre. Gracias por su colaboración.



Corresponsabilidad 27avo Domingo

En el Evangelio de hoy, el dueño de la viña envió mensajeros para recaudar su parte de la cosecha de los granjeros arrendatarios; pero no había ni un solo buen administrador en la propiedad! Dios es el dueño, nosotros somos los arrendatarios. ¿Qué clase de administradores somos nosotros?

UN AVISO A LOS PADRES DE FAMILIA:



Jesús está presente con su palabra en el evangelio y con su cuerpo cada domingo en su templo.

Que no estén demasiado ocupados para la misa cada fin de semana. El mejor modo de que los padres se aseguren de que sus hijos seguirán siendo católicos fieles de mayores es llevarlos a misa cada fin de semana.

Dar a los niños unos cimientos sólidos para su fe es muy importante, pero si no se los lleva a misa cada domingo es como servirles un guiso de carne con papas en el que falta la carne. Se entiende que los fines de semana de una familia están siempre ocupados. Por eso, hay que colocar la misa en el calendario lo mismo que pondría un partido de fútbol importante. Hay misas a horas distintas en dos idiomas, incluyendo la vigilia del sábado. No se pierda la oportunidad de llevar allí a sus hijos. (Fuente: Success Publishing & Media, LLC)

¿Cuándo son las pláticas pre-bautismales?



Para el sacramento del bautismo de un niño, se requiere que los padres asistan en nuestra clase pre-bautismal. Por eso, favor llame nuestros coordinadores de las pláticas, Juan y Angélica Alejo, para comunicarles su interés en tener bautizado su hijo/a y poner una cita

(229-591-9846). Que sepan los padres que hay que prestarles una copia del certificado de nacimiento de su hijo/a así se puede inscribir el bautismo después en el archivo de nuestra iglesia. También, los padrinos deben ser católicos, y si sean casados, deben ser casados por la Iglesia; también ellos tienen que asistir a una plática pre-bautismal o aquí o de la iglesia donde se practican su fe católica.



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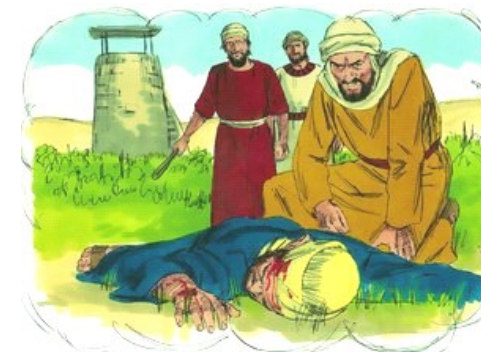
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October 8, 2017; 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders...:

"Hear another parable.

There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower.

Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey.

When vintage time drew near,

he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce.

Nuestra Misión: Nosotros, los feligreses de la Iglesia Católica Santa María en Americus, Georgia, compartimos nuestra diversidad mientras abarcando nuestro Bautismo común adorando a Dios, celebrando la Eucaristía, honrando María, difundiendo la Palabra, y sirviendo a los demás.

Mission: We, the parishioners of St. Mary Catholic Church in Americus, Georgia, share our diversity while embracing our common Baptism by worshiping God, celebrating the Eucharist, honoring Mary, spreading the Word, and serving others.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Clases de Preparación Bautismal - Por favor llame la oficina parroquial para registrarse por las pláticas pre-bautismales a menos un mes antes del Bautismo.

Clases de Preparación de Matrimonio - Las parejas necesitan comunicarse con el Padre por lo menos seis meses antes de la fecha de la boda.

Sacramento de la Unción de un Enfermo - Si alguien está enfermo, llame el párroco para recibir este sacramento (favor, no esperar al ultimo momento).

Confesión/Reconciliación - Sábado 4:00 pm a 4:30 pm o llame el párroco por una cita particular.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Baptismal Preparation Class - Contact the pastor by phone /email to register for a pre-Baptism class at least a month ahead of a Baptismal date.

Marriage Preparation - Contact the pastor at least 6 months before expected wedding date.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick - Those quite ill, hospitalized, or facing surgery who wish the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, please contact the pastor sooner rather than later.

Confession/Reconciliation - Saturday 4:00 pm to 4:30 pm or call Fr. Fran for an appointment.

HORARIO DE LAS MISAS

Sábado: 5:30 PM (Ingles)

Domingo: 9:30 (Ingles); 11:30 (Español)

Martes a Viernes a las 12:00 (ingles) en la capilla

SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY MASSES

Saturday: 5:30 pm - English

Sunday: 9:30 (English); 11:30 (Spanish)

Tuesday thru Friday, 12 Noon, in chapel (English)

Diocesan Office for Protection of Children & Youth (912-201-4074); toll free hotline is (888) 357-5330

October is Respect Life Month



The church in the United States celebrates October as Respect Life month. During this month, we are to place special emphasis on understanding, valuing and becoming engaged

with supporting the God-given dignity of every person. We are called to promote life and defend life - from the moment of conception to natural death.

How to promote a Culture of Life

Watching the news and reading the headlines, we may feel helpless seeing the heartbreaking lack of respect for human life. How do we respond when our efforts seem small in the face of the culture of death?

To understand more fully how to defend and protect human life, we must first consider who we are, at the deepest level. God creates us in his image and likeness, which means we are made to be in loving relationship with him. The essence of our identity and worth, the source of our dignity, is that we are loved by God: "We are not the sum of our weaknesses and failures; we are the sum of the Father's love for us and our real capacity to become the image of his Son." (St. John Paul)

Being a disciple of Jesus naturally includes sharing the Gospel with others and inviting them into a deeper relationship with God. As Christians, our identity and our mission are two sides of the same coin; like the apostles, we are called to be missionary disciples.

When someone is facing great trials, we need to meet them where they are, walk with them on their journey, intercede for them, and be open to sharing Christ's love however he directs. For example, when a woman becomes pregnant, and her boyfriend threatens to leave if she continues the pregnancy, we need to lovingly walk with her. When family members or friends become seriously ill, we need to assure them that God still offers them something in this life, and they still have purpose. We need to consistently be with them every step of the way. Sometimes our actions speak for themselves; other times, words are needed. (Excerpted from Respect Life Program, U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops)

The annual Diocesan Encuentro will take place



next Saturday October 14th from 9:30 am to 3:00 pm at Sacred Heart Parish in Warner Robins. Bishop Hart-

mayer will be present as in previous years. This "encounter" is bilingual, open to laity as well as priests and deacons. Those aware of the growing percentage of Hispanics in the Church of the United States, over a third of which is now Hispanic, are invited to come to grow in their understanding of the Hispanic presence in our diocese. In the words of Bishop Hartmayer: *"I look forward to discussing, celebrating and praying with you at the Diocesan Encuentro... Likewise, I look forward to this opportunity to discern together the Spirit's message to us at this moment on our journey. Let us strive to share the joy of the Gospel and be missionary disciples of Jesus in service to all."*

Registration closes this Monday, October 9th. To register either email the Hispanic Ministry office of the diocese at: hm@diosav.org or call 912-201-4067.

Parish Council of Catholic Women



The next PCCW meeting will be held this Monday October 9, 2017 at 6:00 PM in classroom #1. All ladies of the parish are invited, especially women who have not yet attended a meeting. We draw inspira-

tion from St. Luke (8:3) who tells us Jesus was accompanied in his day-to-day preaching and teaching by his own PCCW (so to speak). Our PCCW continues his work to help build the Kingdom of God. The PCCW will elect officers for the upcoming year and review and plan activities in this 2017-2018 year. Contact Carolyn Campbell at 229-942-2801 or by email: carolynrdc@att.net for questions.



Stewardship Thought for Sunday, October 8th

"No servant can serve two masters. Either he will hate

the one and love the other or be attentive to the one and despise the other." (Luke 16:13)

Save The Date: K of C Seminarians Dinner



will be Friday, October 27 from 6 PM to 8 PM in Sherlock Hall. Tickets are \$15 for one person, \$25 for a couple, and \$40 for a family of three or more. The meal will be chicken, rice, green beans, dessert and drinks. See any Knight to purchase tickets; you can also purchase

tickets the night of the dinner. All proceeds support the Seminarians of our diocese. The speaker will be a newly ordained Jesuit priest. As in past years, we will have door prizes; a 50/50 raffle; and a silent auction items. We are still looking for items, so if you any, including services to donate for auction or prizes, please contact Ron Akerman by phone (942-1653) or by email: ronakerman@mediacombb.net.

INVITATION FOR RCIA SPONSORS:



The parishioners of St. Mary's are an essential part of the RCIA process. All of us are called by our baptism to share, not privatize, our faith. A way of

sharing is by becoming a Sponsor to accompany a person journeying to enter fully into our Catholic Church. Think of the RCIA as a unique opportunity to renew your own faith while opening doors to faith to potential members whether they are an unbaptized catechumen or not a fully initiated candidate (having received Baptism, Eucharist, and Confirmation). A sponsor serves as a companion and, as needed, offers guidance by sharing their own faith experiences as a practicing Catholic. Sponsors are not expected to know the answers to every question a catechumen or candidate may ask. But they can find a Catholic resource who can. Please prayerfully consider becoming a sponsor. Contact RCIA Coordinator Bernie Bosse if you can oblige : 229-815-189; bcbosse@mchsi.com.



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ers news and feature stories about the Catholic community in South Georgia as well as providing Catholic commentary on national and international issues. Diocesan columnists offer personal insights into life as a Catholic. Your contribution to our annual second collection this week, or by use of the provided envelopes, or if you prefer by a check to St. Mary's parish marked for the Southern Cross, helps our parish offset the assessed costs of its distribution to our registered parishioners. Contributions of whichever amounts suggested on the envelope are gratefully received. Thank you and read the Southern Cross to put faith in your opinions.

POST ABORTION RETREAT



For any person, mother, father, family member, or friend, who is struggling with the emotional, spiritual and psychological pain after an abortion there is a special ministerial re-

treat just for you. It's the Rachel's Vineyard Retreat and it offers an opportunity to find healing, hope and forgiveness. It takes place the weekend of November 3rd-5th in a locale near Augusta, Ga.

Come and experience the mercy and compassion of God through this healing ministry. For additional information contact Stephanie May at 912-306-0406 or by email at stephmay@bellsouth.net, or visit the website at www.rachelsvineyard.org. All calls and inquiries are strictly confidential.

<u>Weekend</u>	<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Budget/Presupuesto</u>	<u>Surplus/(+Sobre)Deficit/(—Falta)</u>	<u>2nd Collection</u>
<u>October</u>	\$3,095	\$2,925	+\$170	