

### ¿Las próximas pláticas Bautismales?



Para el sacramento de bautismo de su niño/a, se requiere que los padres asistan en una clase pre-bautismal y los padrinos también. Los padrinos pueden asistirle en otra parroquia. El día y la hora del clase normalmente es en la tarde

de un día de la semana a las 7 PM. Para mas información favor llamar los coordinadores de las platicas, Juan y Angélica Alejo, (229-591-9846). Se debe traer una copia del acto de nacimiento de su hijo (a) al clase pre-bautismal.

### LA CAMPAÑA 2017 DEL OBISBO está



realizando por una serie de segunda colectas en la Misas. Ya tomamos cuatro. Nuestra parroquia ya logramos \$4,788 o 34% de nuestro reto parroquial de

\$13,901. Gracias a los que están contribuyendo y favor a continuar. El lema de la campaña por este año es:

“NUESTRO VOLVER AL SENOR”

### ¿Cuál Es La Importancia De Escoger Un Nombre En La Confirmación?

Aunque no es indispensable adquirir un nombre en el sacramento de la Confirmación, muchos escogen un nombre de un santo para que este sea nuestro compañero en nuestro caminar en el Señor. Por la Confirmación estamos llamados a ser testigos del Señor y a defender nuestra fe, pues este santo o santa viene a ser como nuestro Santo patrón que nos inspira y sostiene con su intercesión en nuestras luchas, y nos ayuda a salir victoriosos por el poder del Espíritu Santo.

HELLO  
my name is

???

### Requisitos Para La Primera Comunión.



Como ya fue comunicado a los padres de familia en septiembre, los chicos que estarán aprobados por su Primera Comunión son los

que habían participados regularmente en las clases de formación, asistían regularmente en las Misas, proporcionaron su acta de bautismo, hicieron su Sacramento de Reconciliación (Confesión), y muestran su entendimiento del Sacramento de la Eucaristía y su deseo de recibirla. Por niños aprobados, la misa de la primera comunión es sábado, 29 de abril con misa a las 10 AM. Los padrinos están bienvenidos pero no tienen que estar presentes. Para mas información favor póngase en contacto con la maestra de estos niños preparados, la Sra. Louise Bosse, y lean la información escrita que ella le había sido entregando a sus alumnos.

### Clases Religiosas empiezan de nuevo



este miércoles al mismo tiempo a las 6 en la tarde.

### Hora Santa vuelve todos los miércoles.



Con la comiienza de nuevo de clases religiosas este miércoles, nos recordamos que hay la hora santa en la iglesia desde las 6:25 hasta las 7:25. Este es un horario muy conveniente por los padres de familia después de dejar sus niños con sus maestros en el salón Sherlock.



## St. Mary Catholic Church

332 S. Lee St., Americus, GA 31709

Tel: (229) 924-3495

PASTOR: Father Fran Gillespie SJ (“Padre Paco”) email: fgillespie@diosav.org

OFFICE EMAIL: stmaryamericus@gmail.com

PARISH WEB PAGE: www.stmaryamericus.com

OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday-Friday: 9:30 A.M. - 3:30 P.M.

EASTER SUNDAY, April 16, 2017

“When Simon Peter...went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in...and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.” (John 20)



**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 worshipping 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 platicas 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.

### HORARIO DE LAS MISAS

Salado en la tarde—5 PM Ingles

Domingo—Sunday: 8:30 am (Español)

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

### 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.

### SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY MASSES

Saturday: 5:00 pm - English

Sunday: 8:30 (Spanish) 10:30 am (English)

Tuesday thru Friday, 12 Noon, in chapel, English

Diocesan Office for Protection of Children and Young People toll free reporting hotline is (888) 357-5530

**The Easter Present of the Book.** either in

English or Spanish, most of those who attended our Easter Masses this weekend, comes from Ben and Jen Skudlarek, former parishioners now living in Kentucky with their four lovely children. Ben Skudlarek works as a graphic designer for Dynamic Catholic, a well respected name in Catholic publishing whose goal is to reenergize parishes. Its CEO, Matthew Kelly, authored the distributed gift-book "Rediscover Jesus". He writes that "deep down we all long for a personal relationship with Jesus. Most people don't have it, and more importantly, they don't know how to get it." With this book they now do. All parishioners are urged to take and read and then discuss "Rediscover Jesus".



**Faith Formation** Classes for children and youth resume this Wednesday April 19th.

**Holy Hour on Wednesdays Resumes**



with silent adoration from 6:25 until 7:25. Parishioners are invited to spend some part of this hour, as their schedule permits,

praying before the Monstrance on the altar, before the truly present Eucharistic Christ Jesus. Some like to punctuate their silent adoration by reading passages from their Bibles, e.g. about the appearances of the resurrected Jesus, or read from a devotional booklet, or recite the Glorious Mysteries of the rosary.

**2017 Bishop's Annual Appeal:** "Our Return to The Lord" is this year's theme.



By prayerfully pledging then following through with contributions we help Bishop Hartmayer help support, among other needs, the cost of seminarians studying to be priests; the faith formation of children, teenagers, young adults and adults; Hispanic Ministry; the deserving needy throughout our diocese.

Our parish's BAA report updated weekly is:

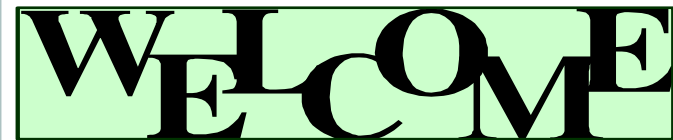
St. Mary's BAA Goal	\$13,901
Pledged/Donated as of April 6	4,778
Percent of Goal Now up to:	34%
Balance Remaining	\$ 9,123

**Pope's Prayer Intentions for April.** As part of



the worldwide Apostleship of Prayer and in union with Pope Francis, please remember prayerfully the following intention this month.

*"That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life."*



We welcome new members. If you consider our parish of Saint Mary's to be your parish but have yet to register, please fill out a registration form located in a plastic drawer in the back of the church and drop it in the "registration box" drawer. Thank you and welcome.

May you be graced to "Easter" your loved ones and friends as the Risen Christ did to His that first Easter season.



**THE RISEN JESUS FIRST APPEARS TO HIS MOTHER.**

(Pius tradition promoted by St. Ignatius of Loyola.)

St. Ignatius of Loyola, who founded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), offers us a meditation on Jesus' appearance to his Mother just after his resurrection. His meditation on this appearance is found in the "Spiritual Exercises" of St. Ignatius. There Ignatius directs us to see with our imagination the house of our Lady, noting its different parts, and our Lady's room in particular. Next we are to consider how Christ appears to console Our Lady, not unlike the way friends console one another. Finally, we are to ask God for the grace to rejoice and be glad because of the great joy and glory that is the Risen Christ's. Depending on each person's pattern of praying, parishioners are invited to allot a half hour to an hour meditating privately on this unrecorded but believable Easter scene. May all attending St. Mary's parish receive the grace of partaking in the joy of the Risen Christ throughout this Easter Season.

**QUESTIONS ABOUT CATHOLICISM?** At this blessed time of Easter, a family member or friend might cross your mind, someone who has expressed interest in Catholicism or someone who has been away from the church and seeks to rejoin. Perhaps they are unbaptized, or if baptized, have not received, for whatever reason, the sacraments of Holy Communion or Confirmation. If so, please do your part by putting them in contact with Bernie Bosse, our parish's deaconate candidate, who also coordinates our RCIA program which helps them to discern their way, at 229-815-0189 or by email at: [bcbosse@mchsi.com](mailto:bcbosse@mchsi.com)

<u>Weekend</u>	<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Budget/Presupuesto</u>	<u>Surplus/Sobre;Deficit/Falta</u>	<u>2nd Collection</u>
April 2	3,845	\$2,588	\$1,257	BAA 8:30 Mass \$310
April 9	2,901	\$2,588	\$ 313	" " " \$270