



Al partir del 1 de julio, las misas estarán:

5:30 PM, SÁBADO (INGLES)

(Confesiones a las 4:30)

9:30 DOMINGO (INGLES)

11:30 DOMINGO (ESPAÑOL)

CORESPONSIBILIDAD para el domingo del Cuerpo y Sangre de Cristo:



Las Escrituras de hoy nos recuerdan que "a pesar de que somos muchos, nosotros somos un solo cuerpo porque participamos de un solo pan." ¿Cómo estamos usando nuestros dones de tiempo y talento para fortalecer el cuerpo de Cristo?

No hay misas al mediodía esta semana en la capilla porque nuestro párroco estará fuera por una semana para hacer su retiro anual. Padre Clif Marquis, quien era un párroco acá hace años atrás, celebrará todas las misas el próximo fin de semana.

CUADERNO POR LAS INTENCIONES DE LOS FELIGRESES



Los feligreses de nuestra parroquia que deseen escribir una intención de oración por un familiar o amigo, sea enfermo o difunto, pueden hacerlo usando el Cuaderno de Oración de la iglesia localizado frente a nuestra estatua de San Antonio. Sus intenciones serán recordadas en una manera general semanalmente en las Oraciones de Petición durante las misas.

¡FELIZ DIA DEL PADRE! UNA BENDICIÓN



Hoy, mientras celebramos el Día del Padre, permítannos recordar y orar por todos los padres, padrastros, abuelos, tíos, hermanos y otros que han asumido el papel de padres para nutrir, guiar y amar a sus hijos. Ofrecemos esta

oración por aquellos padres también que han fallecido.

BENDICIÓN DEL DÍA DE LOS PADRES: "Dios, Padre nuestro, por tu sabiduría y amor hiciste todas las cosas. Bendice a estos hombres, para que sean fortalecidos como padres cristianos. Deja que el ejemplo de su fe y amor brille. Concédenos que nosotros, sus hijos e hijas, los honremos siempre con un espíritu de respeto."

Taller para parejas no casado por la iglesia

Un matrimonio feliz y duradero siempre es de tres:



Dios, Tu Pareja y Tú

DONDE? Holy Family Catholic Church/ Iglesia Católica Sagrada Familia, 1110 South Lewis Street, Metter, GA 30439

FECHA: SABADO 8 JULIO DEL 2017

HORA: 8:00 AM A 5:00 PM

COSTO: \$55 por pareja (cuidado de niños: \$5.00 por niño.)

INFORMACION Y REGISTRO: Marcos y Dora Delfin, Facilitadores del Ministerio del Matrimonio, 912-481-5385; duscangaholyfamily@gmail.com



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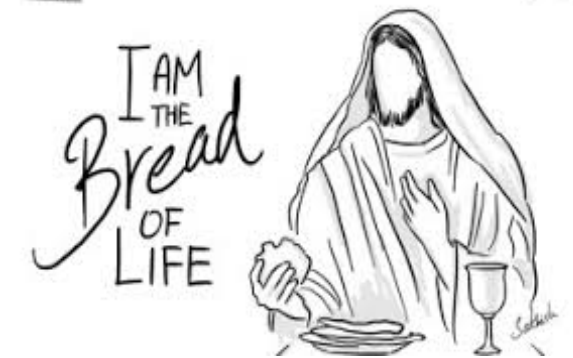
Bookkeeper: stmaryamericus@gmail.com

Parish Web Page: www.stmaryamericus.com

Office Hours: Tuesday-Friday: 9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Feast of the Body And Blood of Christ June 18, 2017

Jesus said to the Jewish crowds: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world." (John 6)



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



What is the Fortnight for Freedom?

Each year dioceses across America arrange events to highlight the importance of defending religious freedom. The Fortnight for Freedom is from June 21—the vigil of the Feasts of St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More—to July 4, Independence Day.

How to Talk about Religious Freedom?

In this time of increasing polarization in our culture, we can contribute to a better understanding of religious freedom in a way that respects all people. Drawing from the US Bishops', our parish bulletin will be presenting ways to help Christians speak with friends and neighbors about religious freedom and work to clear up misconceptions about it.

Religious freedom: a fundamental right which means that the government cannot coerce people into acting against their consciences. This is important for all people, not just people of faith. A government that makes one group choose obedience to the state over obedience to faith and conscience can force any group to submit to the state's demands. Religious freedom underlies all other freedoms for everyone.

Space to Do Good: People of faith need religious freedom to have the space to serve others. Oftentimes, religious liberty disputes arise when religious organizations are expected to sacrifice aspects of their faith in order to continue to serve the surrounding community. But it is our faith that inspires us to serve. Take the Little Sisters of the Poor, who live out their Christian faith by serving the elderly poor. These women have had to seek protection from a regulation requiring them to facilitate access

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to contraceptives, including abortion-inducing drugs and devices. Or, consider adoption services run by Catholic Charities, which simply seek to place children in homes with a married mother and father. Due to the redefinition of marriage in civil law, many Catholic Charities and other faith-based adoption agencies around the country have been forced to end their adoption and foster care services.

Challenges to religious freedom often come from a mistaken view of religion, a view that sees religion as good only if it conforms to every value that happens to prevail today.

However, the good that religious institutions do is inseparable from the parts that challenge prevailing norms. Religious convictions hang together, in and out of season. When faith groups violate their consciences, they undermine the whole mission of their ministry. People of faith and faith-based organizations need space to make their unique contributions to the common good. (Source, US Bishops: <http://www.usccb.org/issues-and-action/religious-liberty/how-to-talk-about-religious-freedom.cfm>)



Mass Intention Requests



Please contact the pastor by email or by phoning the parish office to arrange a Mass intention, either for a weekend or weekday.

June 17-24	Mass Intention	Requestor
Saturday	Chioma Chisom	M Magdaline
Sunday 8:30	Adaeze	M. Magdaline
Sunday 10:30	Parishioners	Pastor

New Mass Schedule Begins When?



Commencing on July 1st, our Masses on the weekend (and Confessions) will be:

SATURDAY EVE: 5:30 (ENGLISH);
(Confessions at 4:30 PM)

SUNDAY MORNING: 9:30 (ENGLISH);

SUNDAY MORNING: 11:30 (SPANISH)



Stewardship Thought For Sunday June 18:

"With each contribution, show a cheerful countenance and pay your tithes in a spirit of joy." (Sirach 35:8)

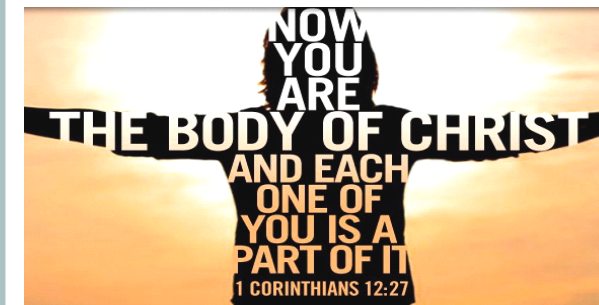
BLESSING FOR FATHERS We remember



this Sunday the fathers and stepfathers of our parish with this prayer: "God our Father, in your wisdom and love you made all things. Bless these men, that they may be strengthened as Christian fathers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honor them always with a spirit of profound respect. Grant this through Christ our Lord."

Weekend	Offertory	Budget/Presupuesto	Surplus/Sobre; Deficit/Falta	2nd Collections
June 4	\$3,417	\$2,588	\$ 829	Catholic Com'catns. \$581
June 11	\$3,985	\$2,588	\$1,397	BAA 8:30 Mass \$262

The Eucharist: What Catholics Believe



"What many Christians now call "communion," the early Church called "Eucharist," which in Greek means thanksgiving. The Eucharist is the partaking of Jesus' body and blood with other believers. Eucharistic worship (The Mass) consists of many parts that emulate...an actual meal, such as taking the bread, breaking the bread, distributing the bread, and eating the bread, although the Eucharistic meal is not an ordinary meal, but a heavenly banquet. Jesus instituted the Eucharist in the New Testament when he blessed bread and wine, assuring his disciples that the elements are his body and blood. Jesus even said that the teaching that his followers must eat his flesh and drink his blood caused many to stop following Him (John 6:52-66). The Eucharist has been the 'main event' at Christian worship services since the earliest times, which surprises many people whose churches have relegated communion to a once-a-quarter activity... "(Source: <http://www.ancient-future.net/eucharist.html>)

Hiatus This Weeks For Noon Masses/Services

With the pastor away until 6/19 making his annual eight day retreat at a Jesuit Center, and with our deaconate candidate Bernie Bosse also away, there will be neither Masses nor Communion Services at noon in our chapel this week. Also, all three Masses next weekend will be celebrated by a former pastor of ours, Fr. Clif Marquis, whom we look forward to welcoming. Finally, in the event of pastoral necessity, phone Randy Vanderwilt (the bookkeeper) at the parish office, or, in his absence, leave a voice mail on the machine and the contingencies plans our pastor has arranged with another pastor will be activated.