



ROLES EN EL MATRIMONIO Los roles y funciones que se le adjudican a los hombres y a las mujeres, dentro del matrimonio, se aprenden en el hogar de origen y en el contexto cultural en que crecimos. Tanto el hombre como la mujer pueden llegar al matrimonio con expectativas pre establecidas de lo que será su rol como cónyuge y con los hijos. Por tanto, es muy importante confrontar estas expectativas con su pareja, puesto que la falta de congruencia en este punto puede causar conflictos en su matrimonio.

No hay papeles predeterminados para el esposo y la esposa dentro de la vida matrimonial. Cada miembro de la pareja debe evaluar los roles y expectativas que tiene frente a su cónyuge y ajustarlos a las necesidades reales de la pareja. Tradicionalmente, y sobre todo en nuestra mentalidad latina, el hombre se definió como el proveedor de todo lo necesario y la mujer como la que se quedaba en casa, encargada del cuidado de los hijos y de las mil tareas domésticas. Como consecuencia, el hombre aprendía que no tenía responsabilidades en los oficios domésticos ni en el cuidado de sus hijos, pues esas eran "cosas de mujeres". La mujer por su parte, aceptaba además que ella era la que debía atender al esposo. Eso fomentaba una división muy drástica entre las actividades masculinas y femeninas dentro de la relación matrimonial y traían un desbalance poco sano al matrimonio. (Valentín Araya, <http://www.portumatrimonio.org>)

Fray Pedro de Corpa Curso Empezará



de nuevo en unas semanas, el martes, el 8 de agosto. Es tiempo a inscribirse. Este programa diocesana tiene un serie de cursos

sobre la biblia, la doctrina, los sacramentos, lo moral, etc. El estudiante adulto puede decidir tomar solo algunos de ellos o todos. El horario de clases será lo mismo: martes por la noche de 7 a 9, una semana si, una semana no. Los profesores serán sacerdotes. Las clases están en nuestro salón Sherlock. Las clases están para cualquier adultos (los de 18 años por arriba) interesados en aprender mas de su fe. La cobertura es diez dólares. Para registrarse favorable con Sra. Sara Yanez que sirva como Registrar (229-938-8713) o enviarle un correo electrónico :sararued@windstream.net.

Domingo 16 avo del Tiempo Ordinario



"Los que son justos deben ser generosos," dice la primera lectura de hoy. Si nuestras palabras y actos son generosos y desinteresados, nosotros

seremos como la buena semilla en la parábola del Evangelio y seremos recogidos como el trigo en la cosecha del Señor.

El Rito de Iniciación Cristiana para Adultos

Rito de Iniciación



RICA es un proceso por el cual una persona que desea recibir los sacramentos en la Iglesia Católica es instruida en la fe Católica y luego recibida como fiel de la Iglesia.

Adultos mayores de 16 años que no son bautizados o han sido bautizados y desean recibir la Sagrada Comunión y el sacramento de la Confirmación, participan en este programa.

Los cursos de RICA comienzan la segunda semana de septiembre; se reúnen la noche de viernes de las 7 a las 8:30. En cada reunión, el participante tiene la oportunidad de hacer preguntas sobre la fe católica y en oración discernir si él / ella quisiera pasar a la siguiente etapa.

No tiene que seguir el curso si se discierne que sería mejor postergarlo por un año. Cada individuo sigue a la llamada, ya que son introducidos a los valores del Evangelio y los inicios de la fe. Los candidatos y catecúmenos calificados estarán recibidos plenamente en la fe en la vigilia de Pascua, el 30 de marzo, 2018.

Para mas información, por favor póngase en contacto ahora con los coordinadores de la RICA, Sara o Raúl Yanez (938-8713).



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July 23rd, 2017 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weeds & Wheat

(Mat. 13:24-30; 36-43)



Jesus proposed another parable to the crowds, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field.

While everyone was asleep his enemy came and sowed weeds all through the wheat...

When the crop grew and bore fruit, the weeds appeared...
... He answered, 'An enemy has done this.'

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.

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.

HORARIO DE LAS MISAS

Sábado: 5:30 PM (Inglés)

Domingo: 9:30 (Inglés); 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)

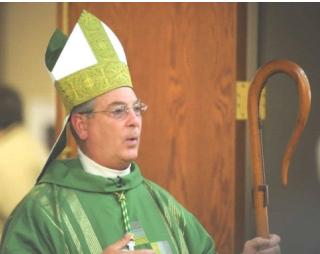
Tuesday thru Friday, 12 Noon, in chapel (English)

SUMMER STEWARDSHIP



Some of our St. Mary's faithful are planning or now taking their annual summer vacations when they go off to enjoy a creative interlude in enjoyable environments. Others will be taking shorter respites for their summer vacations. We are grateful to those vacationers who remember their home parish of St. Mary's while away. Your ongoing support is still needed during the summer months because our operating costs don't take a vacation. Our gratitude beforehand to all conscientious parishioners who before they depart either mail in their envelopes or checks to the office or else deposit them in the offertory collection when they return. Blessings on all when you take your summer holidays in whatever measure you take them.

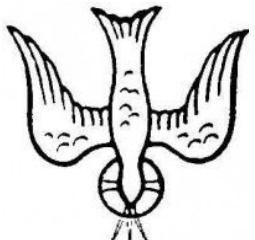
2017 Bishop's Appeal : "Our Return to The Lord"



The Lord" is this year's theme. Our current BAA data show us at 90% of goal. Thanks to all who are contributing so we can soon reach 100% of our goal.

St. Mary's BAA Goal	\$13,901
Contributed as of 7/20/2017	12,550
Percent of Goal now:	90%
Amount to reach goal	1,351
Pledge Balance Outstanding	(\$2,997)

Finally, a Holy Spirit Icon in our Church



The image of the descending dove representing the Holy Spirit now gracing the wall above the baptismal font is part of a benefaction in memory of the late Dolores Capitan. We are grateful to parishioner Mike Messner for his dexterous labors to measure, craft a frame, and place it on the wall.

Teachers Going To Be Needed In Fall

Are you called to teach our Catholic Faith?



Catechists Find Helpful Such Tips As: (Joe Paprocki, <http://catechistsjourney.loyolapress.com>).

+Greet your students at the outset of class with a task they need to complete, e.g. hand them an index card and have them write down a significant event or experience since last class. Assigning a task from the start is a form of "preemptive" discipline;

+ If your class is reading a long block of text from their assigned book, call on the first volunteer to read and then tell him/her to pick the next reader and so on. It adds a little twist that kids find fun;

+ Begin class by asking the students to mention something good that happened in the past week;

+ After the above ask them to mention someone or some situation that needs our prayers. Gather all of these thoughts into your opening class prayer;

+Create a makeshift Prayer Box (shoe box, wrapped in paper, a slit cut in the top) and place it in the room. Invite the young people to write prayers on small slips of paper and drop them into the box. Designate a time for reading the prayers out loud;

+At the end of class, ask each young person to name at least one thing they learned that session.

Drawing on their own creativity, there are innumerable pedagogical tips catechists use. As Pope Francis recently instructed a group of catechists: "this quest to make Jesus known...leads us to find new signs and forms for the transmission of the faith."

To inquire about being a catechist this fall, please contact Religious Ed Coordinator, Ron Akerman (229-942-1653 or by emailing him at: ronakerman@mediacombb.net.

Baptism Of Infants or Children



I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

are arranged by first contacting the pastor by phone or email to begin the process. One or more Baptism preparation classes are required. These are given by our deaconate candidate, Bernie Bosse, who, among other topics, presents the Church's teachings about the commitment to raise the child Catholic and the respective roles of parents and godparents, the rite of Baptism, and answers related questions that might arise. A copy of the birth certificate of the infant/child along with a requested date of the Baptism is presented to Bernie at the class. Baptisms are usually scheduled in the church on Saturday mornings.



Mass Intentions Requests

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

	Mass Intention	Requestor
Saturday	Sr. Maura, OSF	Maureen Turner
Sunday 8:30	Paulette Grantmont	Sherri Weil
Sunday 10:30	Parishioners	Pastor
Tuesday	Sr. Maura, OSF	Maureen Turner
Wednesday	+Adelelaide Santoleri	Betty Shenk
Thursday	+ Ann Vadino	Betty Shenk
Friday	+ Belleta Ciccone	Sherri Weil

Stewardship Thought 16th Sunday, July 23



"For everything is from you, and we only give you what we already have received from you." (I Chronicles 29:14-16)

Weekend	Offertory	Budget/Presupuesto	Surplus/Sobre; Deficit/Falta	2nd Collections
July 2	\$3,300	\$3,026	\$ 274	Peter's Pence \$534
July 9	3,350	3,026	324	Church in Africa \$656
July 16	2,745	3,026	-281	

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF SICK

The scripture for this rite which the priest recites reads: "if there is anyone sick among you let them send for the priests of the church". Thus it is the sick person or the caregiver who is expected to initiate the call upon the church for the administering of this Sacrament. Those who are ill of body, mind, or soul, whether physically, psychologically or spiritually, including sick due to addictions (drugs, alcohol, pornography, gambling, food, etc.), or those facing surgery or ailing due to the frailty of age, and who desire to receive this Sacrament, are expected to contact our pastor, Fr. Gillespie, so he can arrange its administering.

What graces come from this Sacrament?

The catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that the first grace of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is to give strength, peace and courage to help overcome difficulties that go with the condition of serious illness including frailty of old age. "This grace is a gift of the Holy Spirit, who renews trust and faith in God and strengthens against the temptation to discouragement. This assistance from the Lord by the power of his Spirit is meant to lead the sick person to healing of the soul, but also of the body if such is God's will."

This sacrament may be administered in a hospital, or to a homebound person, or can be administered in the midst of fellow parishioners after one of the Masses during the week or the weekend. This sacrament is now seldom called "extreme unction", that is, administered only at the moment of death. In other words, don't wait until it might be too late for a priest to come in time but contact him early on when one or more of the above mentioned illnesses have begun to take hold.

