



SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

332 S. Lee Street, Americus, GA 31709

October 14, 2018

14 de Octubre de 2018

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

28^{to} Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

General Parish Information / Información General de la Parroquia

Parish office phone: 229-924-3495

Parish e-mail: stmaryamericus@gmail.com

Parish website: www.stmaryamericus.com

Parish office hours: Tuesday-Friday: 9:00AM-4:00PM

Parish Staff and Contacts

Parochial Administrator: Father Samuel Aniekwe

Deacon: Rev. Mr. Bernie Bosse

Bookkeeper: Randy Vanderwilt

Bi-lingual Secretary: Mireya López

Parish Council President: Lynn Ingle

Finance Committee Chair: Deacon Bernie Bosse

Security/Alarm System Caretaker: Chet Crowley

Coordinator of Religious Education (CRE): Ron Akerman

RCIA (English): Deacon Bernie and Louise Bosse

RCIA (Spanish): Raul Yanez & Sara Rueda

Infants/Children Baptism Preparation (English): Deacon Bernie Bosse

Infants/Children Baptism preparation (Spanish): Juan Alejo and Angélica Sanchez

Liturgical Ministers Coordinators (English): Deacon Bernie and Louise Bosse

Liturgical Ministers Coordinators (Spanish): Sara Rueda and Karina Rueda

Music Coordinator (English): Kathy Calcutt / Music Coordinator (Spanish): Martin Lara

Youth Ministry Coordinator: Rocío Aparicio

Altar Linens: Maureen Turner

Facilities Coordinator: Craig Martindale

Parish Council of Catholic Woman (PCCW): Carolyn Campbell

Knights of Columbus #7113 Grand Knight: Ron Akerman



SCHEDULE OF WEEKLY MASSES

Saturday: 5:30 PM (English)

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

Tuesday thru Friday: 12 PM in chapel (English)

HORARIO DE LAS MISAS

Sábado: 5:30 PM (ingles)

Domingo: 9:30 AM (ingles); 11:30 AM (español)

Martes a Viernes a la 12:00 (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 the expected wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick - For Anointing or for emergency, please call 412-606-7701.

Reconciliation - Saturday 4:30 pm to 5:00 pm or call Fr. Samuel for an appointment.

INFORMACIÓN SACRAMENTAL

Clases de Preparación Bautismal - Por favor llame nuestros feligreses Juan y Angélica Alejo (229-591-9846) para registrarse por platicas pre-bautismales a menos un mes antes del Bautismo proyectado.

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 - Para Unción o Emergencia, llamar 412-606-7701.

Reconciliación - Sábado 4:00 pm a 4:30 pm o llame el padre Samuel por una cita particular.

Our 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.

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 a María, difundiendo la Palabra, y sirviendo a los demás.

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

FATHER SAM'S CORNER

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Gospel: Mark 10: 17-30

Too much attachment to the gifts detaches the receiver from the Giver.

Today's Gospel challenged a young rich man to choose between his wealth and salvation. The young rich man who claimed to have been keeping all the commandments asked Jesus what to do further to enter the Kingdom of God. Jesus looked at him kindly and noticed he was lacking in love and charity because he was too much attached to his wealth. Jesus might have discovered that the material attachment would risk the young man his salvation so he ordered him to sell them off, give the proceeds to the poor and become his disciple. Perhaps that was the only way Jesus could guarantee the rich man's salvation. By responding this way Jesus seemed to put the rich man in a position to choose between material attachment and giving his wealth up for charity for the sake of his salvation. To Jesus' greatest surprise the rich man angrily left the scene. His actions seemed to indicate he preferred material attachment to his salvation.

Considering this rich man's material attachment, and reaction, Jesus turned to his disciples and observed: "See how hard it is for a rich man to enter into the Kingdom of God". By this remark Jesus did not opine that all the rich people are excluded from the Kingdom of God, or cursed, for good wealth is a blessing from God. Rather, he was advising his followers to avoid every material attachment for it will make their realization of salvation very hard, as observed in the life of the rich man in question.

Perhaps after observing the entire event and having seen how many people in their community that were entangled by material possessions, the disciples then wondered who would be saved if what their master said about the rich man should be the case. Probably out of fear of losing their own salvation after giving all they had for the sake of following Christ, Peter asked their Master, what about us who have left everything to follow you? To reassure them that their salvation is intact, Jesus answered Peter and said: "Amen, I say to you, no one who has given up" anything "for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not receive a hundred times more now, (all that were given up), in this present age, with persecutions, and eternal life in the age to come" (Mark 10:29-30). With this statement Jesus invites us to a self reflection on how attached and detached we are to our gifts from God. Material attachment occurs wherever or whenever love for a gift trumps the love for the giver and neighbor. It is good for a person to attach his life with his gifts to God. For when a receiver attaches his/her life to the giver (God), the gifts are seen as the means to serve God, self and neighbor. But when a life is focused on any gift alone, the gift becomes an end. Let us continue to serve God, ourselves and neighbors with our gifts, for the more we do so the closer we are to the giver (God) and His Kingdom.

Father Samuel Aniekwe

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

Please contact our office to request for a weekday or weekend Mass to be celebrated for your intention. You can as well mail your intention with the stipend (\$10) to our church or hand them to Father Sam after Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS

10/13/2018	Sat	5:30PM	+ Debbie Dombrowski
10/14/2018	Sun	9:30AM	St. Mary's Parishioners
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LA ESQUINA DEL PADRE SAM

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Evangelio: Marcos 10: 17-30

Mucho apego a lo material diferencian al receptor del dador.

En el Evangelio de hoy, a un joven rico se le pide que escoja entre su riqueza y salvacion. El joven rico, quien clamaba haber respetado todos los mandamientos, preguntaba a Jesus sobre como entrar al Reino de Dios. Jesus, lo miraba amablemente y observaba en su corazon la carencia del amor y caridad porque estaba muy apegado a su riqueza. Jesus, pudo descubrir en el joven rico que el apego a lo material podria poner en riesgo su salvacion, entonces le ordeno a el desprenderse de toda riqueza, dar su dinero a los pobres y seguirlo a El como Discipulo. Quizas ese era el unico camino que le garantizaba su salvacion. Respondiendo de esta manera Jesus miraba la forma de poner en el corazon del hombre rico carente de amor y Caridad, escoger entre su salvacion y su riqueza por el bienestar de su salvacion. La sorpresa fue grande para Jesus ya que el hombre rico desaparecio de la escena muy disgustado. Sus acciones indican que el hombre rico preferia su riqueza a su salvacion.

Considerando el apego de este hombre rico a lo material, y a su reaccion, Jesus miraba a sus Discipulos y les dice: “ Vean cuan duro es para un hombre rico entrar al Reino de Dios”. Pero, Jesus, sin embargo remarcaba que en su opinion no todos los ricos estaban excluidos del Reino de Dios, o maldecidos, que el bienestar material tambien es una bendicion de Dios. Mas bien, El estaba aconsejando a sus seguidores conservar algo material en caso de que no pudiesen seguir con su salvacion, pues, era un camino muy duro, como lo observamos en la actitud del hombre joven rico.

Quizas luego de observar todos los eventos y habiendo visto como mucha gente entre su comunidad estaban tan apegados a sus posesiones materiales, los Discipulos se imaginaban quien quisiera ser salvado tal y como lo decia el Maestro en el caso del joven rico. Probablemente, el no tener miedo de perder nuestra propia salvacion luego de dar todo lo que tenemos por nuestro bien y para ser seguidor de Cristo, Pedro pregunto al Maestro, que sera de nosotros que hemos dejado todo lo que tenemos para seguirte? El les dice que su salvacion esta intacta, Jesus respondio a Pedro y le dijo: “Amen, yo les digo, ninguno que ha renunciado” ninguno “por mi salvacion y por la salvacion de la palabra de Dios dejara de recibir el ciento por uno y mas” (a todo a lo que han renunciado), en esta era, con persecuciones y la vida eterna por venir” (Marcos 10:29-30). Con este testimonio Jesus nos invita a una libre reflexion sobre como apegarnos y despegarnos a todo lo que son presentes de Dios. Apegos materiales ocurren donde sea y cuando sea que este el amor por lo que damos a nuestros semejantes. Es bueno para un hombre dar su vida como un presente a Dios. Pero cuanto un receptor da su vida el o ella al dador (Dios), el presente como hemos visto significa servir a Dios, darse uno mismo al proximo. Pero cuando una vida esta enfocada solo al regalo, el regalo comienza con un fin y eso no quiere decir que sea el fin. Vamos a continuar sirviendo a Dios, nosotros mismos y a nuestro proximo con nuestros dones, por estar mas y mas cerca al dador y su Reino.

Reverend Father Samuel Aniekwe

PETICION PARA INTENCION DE MISA

Por favor, comuniquese con nuestra Oficina, cualquier día de la semana para Petición de Intención de Misa. Usted, también puede enviarla vía mail con el costo, a nuestra Iglesia o entregarle el mismo al Padre Samuel en sus manos, después de la Misa.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS/ANUNCIOS

1. A Bible study will begin at St. Mary in the near future. If you are interested in participating please pick up a survey from the ushers, complete it indicating your preferences and return it in the box provided in the vestibule.
1. Estudios Biblicos comenzaran en nuestra Iglesia de St. Mary, en muy corto tiempo. Si usted esta interesado en participar tome un catalogo de los servidores y llénelos y regréselos en la caja ubicado en el vestíbulo. Solo honrando a María, la Madre de Dios, nos acercaremos a su Hijo y conoceremos su vida.
2. The Seminarian Dinner will be on Friday, October 26th from 6:00 – 8:30 PM in Sherlock Hall. Tickets are \$15 for one family member, \$25 for two family members, and \$40 for more than two family members. Bishop Gregory J Hartmayer will be in attendance and there will be many silent auction items on which to bid. All proceeds go to our diocese’s seminarians to support them as they serve our diocese and parishes. Please see any local Knight of Columbus for tickets and/or information. The contact person for this Announcement is David F. Finley, Ed.D. Phone 229-931-2068
2. La cena para los Seminaristas sera el Viernes 26 de Octubre de 6:00 – 8:30 PM en Sherlock Hall. Los tickets tendrán un costo de \$15 por un miembro de familia, \$25 por dos miembros y \$40 por mas de dos miembros. Con la presencia del Obispo Gregory J. Hartmayer y habrá muchos artículos para subastar. Todo lo recaudado sera para el seminario de la diócesis para apoyarlos asi como ellos nos apoyan en nuestra diócesis y parroquias. Por favor, adquiera los tickets o cualquier información, con los Caballeros de Columbus. La persona a contactar es David F. Finley, teléfono 229-931-2068.
3. RCIA for the English speaking community will begin next Sunday, October 14 after the 9:30 AM Mass in the Hall. The sessions will go from 10:45 AM until 12 noon every Sunday. If you are a non-Catholic who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, or are a Catholic who wants to learn more about your faith please join us. If you have any questions, contact Deacon Bernie Bosse in person, by phone or by email. His contact information is as follows: cell phone 229-815-0189; email address, bcbosse@mchsi.com.
4. Calvary Episcopal Men's Club wishes to invite all United States Veterans from St. Mary Catholic Church to a Thank You steak dinner on Monday, November 12, 2018 from 6 PM to 8 PM at Calvary Episcopal Church. Please contact Ron Akerman at 942-1653 or by email at ronakerman@mediacombb.net and provide Ron with your name, address and phone number. Veterans, thank you for your service.

Pope’s Prayer Intention for October As part of the Apostleship of Prayer and in union with our Pope, please remember the following intention this month. **INTENTION:** Evangelization: The Mission of Religious :That consecrated religious men and women may bestir themselves, and be present among the poor, the marginalized, and those who have no voice.



Oracion del Papa para Octubre, nuestro Apostolado de Oracion y en unión al Papa, recordar la intención de este mes. **INTENCION:** Evangelizacion: Los hombres y mujeres consagrados religiosos que dan lo mejor de ellos mismos, y se hacen presentes entre los pobres, marginados y de los que no tienen voz.

Intención del Papa, para Septiembre: Como parte del Apostolado de Oración y en unión a nuestro Papa, por favor recuerde la siguiente intención de este mes. **INTENCION:** Jovenes en Africa: Por la gente joven de Africa, para que tengan acceso a la Educación y al Trabajo en sus ciudades de origen.



OUR STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Weekend	Offertory	Budget/Presupuesto	+Surplus/Sobre	Deficit/Falta	2nd Collection
Oct. 7	\$3, 327	\$3,121	\$208		