

# 2020 Mardi Gras Parade Registration

## "Beach Party "

**Contact Person:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Entry:** (example: marching, float, vehicle, combo, etc)

**Length & Brief Description:** (including feet and inches required for your entry)

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The applicant hereby agrees to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless the St. Marys Pirates Club, Radio Kings Bay, the St. Marys Downtown Merchants Association and the City of St. Marys from and against any claim, demand, suit, loss, cause of action, liabilities, obligations, costs, expenses and judgments (including, without limitation, death and damages to the property) caused by Applicant's acts or omissions or failures to abide by the rules and conditions contained herein.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Deadline for parade applications to be received is February 16, 2020

Please bring the completed parade application to Once Upon A Bookseller at 207 Osborne Street St. Marys, GA 31558, or mail it to St. Marys Mardi Gras Parade c/o St. Marys Pirates Club, P.O. Box 5117, St. Marys, GA. 31558 or fax it to 912-439-3564 or email to stmarysmardigrasparade@gmail.com

The City of St. Marys requires compliance with the following rules, which are designed to ensure the safety of participants and spectators, and to ensure that everyone has the best possible time. Everyone in your party must be made aware of these guidelines and agree to follow them.

**The fun stops fast when someone gets hurt, especially a child. Have a safe and happy Mardi Gras!**

Drivers must be properly licensed and be at least 18 years of age. Proof of insurance is also required.

Tow vehicles decorated to match floats must have a clear field of vision.

Floats and all parade entries must be attended at all times.

Animals are required to have current rabies vaccination; horses must have current Coggins Test. Dog must be leashed. Horses must wear diaper bags.

All decorations must be securely attached to floats, vehicles or other parade entries and be able to withstand adverse weather conditions.

Wiring devices must be UL approved, in good condition and properly fused. Portable generators supplying power on floats must be securely mounted on a substantial base.

Generators must have at least 12 inches clearance from combustible materials and must have firmly attached metal exhaust blinds.

All vehicles must be equipped with a fire extinguisher.

Drive vehicles slowly, and try to maintain a steady, even pace. DO NOT SPIN WHEELS\*.

Drivers are not to throw beads and other goodies. Let passengers and walkers do the throwing while drivers concentrate on the road.

Throw beads and goodies far enough to reach spectators. If spectators rush toward you for beads, throw OVER THEIR HEADS to the crowd behind. This is to encourage people to stay out of the parade route, so no one gets run over or hurt.

Throw beads and goodies from vehicles or floats. NEVER, EVER HAND BEADS TO ANYONE and DON'T LET ANYONE TAKE BEADS FROM YOU.

Throw beads to the sides of your vehicle, float or marching unit. NEVER THROW BEADS IN FRONT OF YOU OR BEHIND YOU so that beads and other goodies do not fall into the path of the parade, and no one gets hurt trying to reach them.

Children under the age of 6 should not be permitted to throw beads and goodies because they can't throw far enough to keep throws out of the parade path, and another child might get hurt trying to reach those throws that have landed in the parade path.

Drivers, exercise caution and watch for small children.

No profanity, fighting, drinking or illegal conduct shall be tolerated. No provocative or offensive words or displays shall be permitted.

St. Marys City Marshall, City Manager, Police Officers, and Fire Fighters have the authority to remove any unit in violation of these requirements and to issue citations and/or warnings to the responsible person/party.

The St. Marys Downtown Merchants Association has the right to accept parade applications at our discretion.

**\*The Police Department will be watching drivers for "burnouts" and skids, and will ban violators from future parades in St. Marys.**

**I/we have read and understand the above rules of participation in the St. Marys Mardi Gras Parade and agree to abide by them. I/we certify that we shall be responsible on behalf of the group/organization that I/we represent, and in whose name this entry is registered.**

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Signature                      Date                      Printed Name and Title/Position

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Name of Group/Organization                      Address

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Phone numbers

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**Please keep for your reference**

Parade line up will be determined after February 16, 2020. Follow the signs for parade line up in downtown St. Marys on February 22<sup>nd</sup> and someone will be able to give you your location number in the lineup...Line up begins at 8:00, parade starts at 10:00... Please call (912) 467-2211 with any questions prior to Festival Day.