



Eighth Sunday of the Year
March 2/3, 2019

Mass Intentions

First Saturday
5:00 PM Irene Lipscomb / Scott Family

Sunday
8:00 AM Living & Deceased Parishioners
10:30 AM † Kenneth & Patricia Cote / M. Cote

Tuesday
8:00 AM Larry & Judy Teal / B. & M. Nail

Ash Wednesday – Distribution of Ashes
8:00 AM † Deacon John Cretaro / Fr. Maria

Thursday
10:00 AM † **Memorial Anniversary Mass for Cece Vaness**

Friday
8:00 AM

Saturday
5:00 PM

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Kindly pray for our parish family and all those who are journeying in a special way with Our Lord, Jesus Christ.



Parishioners: Bob Caudill, Ginny Cook, **Barbara Edwards**, June Henderson, Brad Jarveis, **Bill Johnston**, Judy Jordan, Curtis Malone, Bob & **Margaret Nail**, Vera Patterson, Claire & Bill Patton, David Woodford

Homebound: Juanita Baena, Loretta Roy, Dotsie Santa Cruz, Jo Flynn, George Schaff, Mary Smith, Charles "Buddy" Stempel

Assisted Living: Allen & Gwen Dretzka, Paul Peschel

Non-parishioners: **Diane Geiselman**, **Susan Henderson**, **Valerie Hines**, **Bud Kaechele**, **Mercedes Carol Knutson**, Berkleigh Cirilli, Jim Edward, Barbara Kuntz, Irene Lipscomb, Brenda McCord, Stacey Burgos Rodgers and baby Harper, Bill Roman, Ann Scott, Sheila Scott, **Rosa Linda Torio**, Art Treinen

~ Prayer Requests ~

Terry Danson – 251-961-2165 or tsdanson@gmail.com

If you or someone you know is homebound, ill, due to have surgery or is in the hospital and would like a visit from the pastor or to receive the sacraments, please call the rectory or the office.

First Friday Memorial Mass Association

Our Loved Ones – Bob & Margaret Nail	† Jim & Mary Link	James D. & Mary Lou Chunn Partridge & Family
Living & Deceased Kaiser, Klein & Murphy Families	† Deacon J. Cretaro	Living & Deceased Lacoy & Clancy Families
Living & Deceased Scott & Weiss Families	† Doris Mullek	Living & Deceased Kearns & Patterson Families
Living & Deceased Bush, Alvarez & McAleer Families	† Margaret A. Mullek	Living & Deceased Pope & Lang Families
Living & Deceased Mullek & McCandless Families	† Joe Lacoy	Living & Deceased Altar Society Members
Living & Deceased Patton & Norton Families	† A.M.S. Warriner	The Baptized Who Do Not Practice Their Faith
Living & Deceased Shields, Self & Chambers Families	Mignon Kilday	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Living & Deceased Cretaro & Kilday Families	Jo Anne Cretaro	Intentions of the President of the USA
Living & Deceased Gardner & Donovan Families		

This Week's Schedule

Sunday	9:00 AM	"Coffee with the Padre"
Sunday	2:00 PM	Benedictine Oblate Holy Hour for vocations followed by fellowship in classroom-IM Hall
Tuesday	8:30 AM	SVdP Business Meeting-IM Hall
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Bible Study – IM Hall
Wednesday	10:30 AM	Choir Practice – Church
Wednesday	4:30 PM	CCD Classes – Church
Thursday	8:00 PM	Knights of Columbus/Auxiliary meeting, Council Home
Friday	2:30 PM	Stations of the Cross

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEKEND

5:00 PM = 70 8:00 AM = 51 10:30 AM = 65 Total = 186
STEWARDSHIP for February 17, 2019
Offertory = \$1,951.00
Second Collection – **next week**
Black and Indian Missions

Anyone needing **Year-End Statements**, please call the church office or e-mail office.stjoseph@yahoo.com.

IMMACULATE MARY HALL RENOVATION ~ The balance is \$26,371. Donation envelopes are in your offertory packets, at church entrances and in the pews. Thank you for your continued support to reach our goal!

2019 CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL UPDATE

The total pledges received to date is 64, which is about 75% participation. Let's keep going until we meet our 100% participation goal. We thank those who have turned in their envelope. If you have not returned your envelope, please pick one up at church entrances and return it as soon as possible.



LENTEN "SOUPER SUPPERS" ~ 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM
Every Wednesday - March 13 through April 10

We are asking for donations of six different soups and desserts (cake, pie, cookies, etc.). Please sign the sheet in the vestibule to let us know what you are bringing and when you can help. **Helpers: please indicate** if you wish to **set up, serve or clean up**. There is no charge, but a donation is suggested. For more information, call Harriet Shields at 205-405-7499.

Prayer for Ash Wednesday

Remind us, God, that we are dust, and unto dust we shall return. Help us to repent and believe the Good News of the saving death and glorious Resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

With humble spirit and broken hearts we confess our faults and failings to You and commend our souls to Your Loving Mercy, confident that you are a God who saves and calls us to glory.

Without You, Lord, we are nothing, but with You ever at our side and with the Passion of Your son ever before our eyes, may we face each day with faith in the One who died for us that we might live for one another, in Jesus' Name, Amen.

LENTEN REMINDER ~ Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of **FAST** (one full meal for those 18 to 59) and **TOTAL ABSTINENCE** (no meat for 14 years and older). The penitential nature of the Fridays of Lent is to be observed by Catholics over the age of 14 by abstaining from meat. There is no obligation to fast on weekdays of Lent; however, voluntary acts of self-denial are recommended.

Encounter Lent ~ With **CRS Rice Bowl** as our guide, we set out to encounter and love our neighbor. Jesus gives us the example of the Good Samaritan. Become companions on the journey that changes lives. Pick up your Rice Bowl at all church entrances today.

SAINT BENEDICT CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

STEM is a hot topic at Saint Benedict Catholic School these days. Mr. Greg Tucker has implemented a number of STEM activities to encourage students to develop creative thinking and problem-solving skills. All students fifth through eighth grade have been introduced to a programming language called Scratch, a block-based visual programming language developed by MIT Media Lab targeted for children. Fifth graders wrote animated quizzes and stories about Newton's Law of Gravity. Middle school students created math games to be used by elementary students to improve their math skills.

Middle School students have also learned how to create 3D designs using TinkerCad. With the purchase of a 3D printer (thanks to the grant Mr. Tucker was awarded and some generous supporters), students have been able to print their designs and are currently designing and printing a number of buildings for the creation of a mini city in the eighth grade classroom.

Church Cleaning – March 2019

Mary Stenzel and Marie Manley

March 9/10

Sat: 5:00 PM
Sun: 8:00 AM
10:30 AM

Lectors

S. Williams
J. Zieman
B. Johnston

Ext. Ministers

P. Hilderbrandt / Sr. Thérèse
J. & N. Alemany
P. Hilderbrandt / K. Service

Gift Bearers

Kerrie Galvano
B. Bovat / H. Gale
B. & J. Johnston

Ushers

F. Mullek / S. Pinzone
T. Shields / Substitute
B. Jarveis / J. Hilderbrandt

THE MEN OF ST. JOSEPH OUTBACK is a family retreat adventure of a lifetime at Camp Grace in Mobile on March 8 – March 10. This is a couples retreat about building, restoring and strengthening relationships designed to give parents/teens and husband/wives a practical strategy for daily living, focusing on their relationship with God, their family, friends, the Church and community. Check the notice on the bulletin board. To register, go to www.mosjoutback.com.

SEARCH RETREAT #20 – March 15-17, 2019 at Camp Baldwin in Elberta, AL, sponsored by the Archdiocese of Mobile Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry, is a weekend experience "for teens, by teens"—a peer-to-peer retreat led by the Search Team, adults and teens who have previously attended a Retreat and have been formed in discipleship and leadership. For more info/registration, visit www.ArchMobYouth.org/Search.

Runnige Sale October 23–26. Call Tom Shields at 205-405-7499 to have your items picked up.

BLESSED TRINITY SHRINE RETREATS

Journey of a Celtic Heart – Friday, March 15, begins at 7:00 p.m. through dinner at noon on Sunday.

Presenter: Carmel Boyle, composer and singer from Ireland. She is co-founder of AN-Croi, a holistic retreat center in County Meath, Ireland.

Religious Life Retreat – Saturday, March 23, begins at 9:00 a.m. through dinner at noon on Sunday.

Keynote Speaker: Sr. Beth Henken, Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Trinity for 35 years. Registration/info: See bulletin board flyer; website, msbt.org/btsr; email btsr@msbt.org; or (334) 855-4474.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER – Have your New Year's resolutions started to fade? Start again now with a renewed commitment to your spouse. Consider making a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend to renew those feelings you had during your first few years together. The next weekend is scheduled in Cullman, AL on March 29-31 at St. Bernard Abbey. Get more information or register online at www.ALFL-wwme.org or call Barney & Kathy Bellard at 205-530-3607.

In Gethsemane, Jesus begged His disciples to "watch one hour" with Him.

Will you make an effort to do so this Lent?
Will you try to grow closer to Christ in prayer throughout the season?

Will your faith grow this Lent, or will you settle with just "getting by"?