

SAVE THE DATE - **BLOOD DRIVE**
HERE AT ST. MARY
MONDAY, JULY 27, 2020
IN THE PFLC FROM 9AM- 3PM

TO SIGN UP GO TO—https://tndonor.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/70418

Vacation Bible School in a Box



Due to current events, we are trying to reach out with a new twist on VBS this summer for the kiddos by Wednesday, July 15th. We hope to be sending or delivering some fun items in a box to keep your family connected to Jesus 🙏❤️😊 If you are not registered yet, do so and we will include your family. The theme is The Holy Spirit 🙏 Anyone interested in helping, please, contact Oneta Fioravanti or Sue Granger. Your suggestions are also welcomed.



Bruce and Becki Nagel- 7/1/1995
Juan Angel Hernandez and Claudia Ramirez Ornelas- 7/3/2008
Jimmy and Nerina Sani-7/13/1968
Jay and Patricia Ekiss- 7/25/1980
Jack and Maria Cox-7/29/1978

POPE FRANCIS CHARITABLE TRUST FUND—

We have received a grant from the Pope Francis Charitable Trust Fund in the amount of \$1500.00 to help the Charities that we help with throughout the year. The Charities that we help throughout the year with our Good Samaritan collections are Full Circle, The Good Faith Clinic, The Hope Center and Coordinated Charites. We give them each one-half of our Good Samaritan collection three times a year. With the funds we have received from the Pope Francis Charitable Trust Fund it will enable us to help them quite a bit more and in turn support our community.

The Pope Francis Charitable Trust Fund was created through the Home Campaign. 10% of all dollars raised in the parish campaigns have been set aside to provide matching grants to parishes to foster or accelerate their local charitable efforts.

For more information call our office at 745-4277 to learn how we support these charitable works and how we can help our parishioners with some of their needs. Or how you can help these organization's.

PARISH DIRECTORY- We are waiting on our final corrections to be reviewed, then to printing.

REQUIREMENTS FOR ATTENDING MASS

AT 50% CAPACITY WITH A FACE MASK AND 6 FEET OF SOCIAL DISTANCING AND IN THE PEWS. ALSO USE HAND SANITIZER BEFORE RECEIVING COMMUNION AND USE THE DISTANCING WHEN RECEIVING COMMUNION. SEE EXAMPLE IN NARTHEX.

REMEMBER IF YOU HAVE RECENTLY TRAVELED OUTSIDE OF THE COUNTRY OR HAD A FEVER TO PLEASE STAY HOME.

I ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO BRING THEIR OWN HAND SANITIZER AND OR BAGGIE OF WIPES DURING THIS TIME (PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE YOUR USED WIPES IN THE PEWS, PUT THEM IN THE TRASH WHEN YOU LEAVE). WE WILL HAVE HAND SANITIZER AVAILABLE FOR ALL.

THE CHURCH WILL BE SANITIZED AFTER EACH MASS. TO HELP PLEASE STAY.
WE WILL CONTINUE CLEANING—AFTER EACH WEEKEND MASS UNTILL
FURTHER NOTICE—

We will need more than the cleaning teams for this as this is not the normal weekly cleaning duties. We will need your help in wiping the church down after each mass. There will be a check list of what is required and for you to sign off on what you have cleaned, next to the kitchen area. We appreciate any and all the help you can help with this as this will be the new normal for all of us for awhile.

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE SANTA MARÍA

1291 E. MADISON AVE

ATHENS, TN 37303

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — JULY 12, 2020

Pastor: Rev. Dr. John Arthur Orr

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Deacons: Rev. Mr. Erasmo Hernandez and Rev. Mr. Al Forsythe

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday- Thursday 8am-4:30pm Friday 8:00-11am

WEEK DAY DAILY MASS: 9am plus Wednesday at 6pm.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS TIMES 9AM AND 7PM

Saturday: First Saturday of month 9am; Vigil Mass 5pm **If Holy Day is on a Wednesday Mass will be at 6PM**

Sunday: Mass 8am Latin, 10:00am English and 1pm Spanish

CONFESSION: Saturday 4:00-4:45pm Sunday 9-9:45am, 12-12:45pm

Stewardship/Collection

July 4/5, 2020

Offertory (Envelopes/Check-Cash-On Line)	\$ 3,544.00
Loose Offering	\$ 427.00
Mass/Coffee/Candles/Rmbr/Rent/Flowers/etc.	\$ 197.60
TOTAL	\$ 4,168.60

Building Fund - July total to date— \$ 535.00 \$ 535.00

Second collections will be collected after Communion

SECOND COLLECTIONS

7/21- Good Samaritan—1/2 Good Faith Clinic	\$ 30.00	\$ 30.00
7/28—Peter's Pence	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00

Deficit Reduction—As of July 2020 \$ 615.00 \$ 615.00

DEFICIT REDUCTION ENVELOPES (GOLD) AVAILABE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

HOME CAMPAIGN (\$73,520.38)

For the month of—May 2020— \$185.42

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT—

May 31, 2020 is posted in Message Center

If you would like to receive collection envelopes please call the office.

Daily Mass Readings

July 13-19, 2020

-Method for Prayerfully Reading the Scriptures

(Lectio Divina) 1. Read 2. Reflect (meditate) 3. Respond (pray) 4. Rest (contemplate)

Monday, July 13— Is 1:10-17//Mt 10:34—11:-1

Tuesday, July 14—Is 7:1-9// Mt 11:20-24

Wednesday, July 15— Is 10:5-7, 13b-16//Mt 11:25-27

Thursday, July 16— Is 26:7-9, 12, 16-19//Mt 11:28-30

Friday, July 17—Is 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8//Mt 12:1-8

Saturday, July 18—Mi 2:1-5//Mt 12:14-21

Sunday, July 19—Wis 12:13,16-19//Rom 8:26-27//Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

READINGS - YEAR A - Order of the Mass begins in section with the gray edges #140

07/12/2020—Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time—#970

07/19/2020—Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time—# 973

07/26/2020—Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time—#976

This Week in our Parish

Sunday—July 12, 2020

Monday—July 13, 2020

Tuesday—July 14 2020

7pm Church —Men's Night of Recollection

Wednesday—July 15, 2020

Thursday—July 16, 2020

7pm PFLC—Knights of Columbus

Friday—July 17, 2020

Saturday—July 18, 2020

Cleaning this week is Team #1

Sunday—July 19, 2020

3pm Church —Curia of Legions

For Sacrament information call the office.

CANDLE DONATIONS—We are asking for a donation of \$5.00 per candle to help defray the cost of the candles and Blue Globes

ATTENDANCE—

July 4/5, 2020—Total 233

5pm—56 //8am— 33 //10am—76 1pm—68

June Average Attendance - 269

5pm—54 //8am—42 //10am—64//1pm—109

ALTAR FLOWERS—



Are from St. Mary Parish

Flowers are \$50.00 for the Altar flowers and \$25.00 for Sacred Heart flowers and must be paid for in advance. You can pay for and request larger arrangement if you wish.

Mass Intentions

July 11-19, 2020

- July 11—5PM Saturday
Eleanor Coffee from Jim and Pat Barrett
- July 12—8AM Sunday—Latin/10AM English//1PM Spanish
Rowan McBreasty from Andrea Juneau
+Riley Exum from Debbie Exum
St. Mary Parish
- July 13—9AM Monday
+Jesus Argit from Mundo and Cindy Morales
- July 14—9AM Tuesday
Nicole K Pacitti from Stephen and Toni Pacitti
- July 15—9AM and 6PM Wednesday
+Clara Adkins from Dr. and Mrs. C Henry Edwards
St. Mary Parish
- July 16—9AM Thursday
+Kathy Hamman from the Hamman Family
- July 17— 9AM Friday
+Lisa Cudworth from Judy and Chuck O'Connor
- July 18—5PM Saturday
St. Mary Parish
- July 19—8AM Sunday—Latin/10AM English//1PM Spanish
Nicole Lemire from Andrea Juneau
+Robert Whitaker, Jr. from Paulette Croteau
+Armando Fernandez from St. Mary Parish

Call the office to have a Mass Scheduled. Donation of \$5.00.

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH
MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT
MAY 31, 2020

BUDGET CATEGORY	EXPENDITURES		
	FY 2020 BUDGET	THROUGH 5/31/2020	% EXPENDED
PASTORAL-ADMIN/GENERAL	\$191,991	\$ 170,015	89%
LITURGY	22,400	22,166	99%
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	13,675	11,842	87%
MINISTRY OF YOUTH	7,573	3,605	48%
MINISTRY FAMILY/PARISH LIFE	2,505	1,525	61%
PARISH COUNCIL-GENERAL	320	215	67%
PLANT/PARISH OPER & MAINT	71,980	62,529	87%
TOTALS	\$310,444	\$271,897	88%

CURRENT MONTH		YEAR TO DATE	
MONTHLY REV. MAY 2020	\$ 22,926	REV. JULY 2019 - MAY 2020	\$ 259,144
MONTHLY EXP. MAY 2020	22,178	EXP. JULY 2019 - MAY 2020	271,897
OPER. SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$ 748	OPER. SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	(\$ 12,753)

SUMMARY:
CURRENT FY 2020 DEFICIT (\$ 12,753)
CARRY OVER DEFICIT PRIOR YEARS (\$ 30,583)
FALL FESTIVAL FUNDS AS OF 5/31/2020 \$ 16,326
ST. MARY CHURCH ACCUMULATED DEFICIT (\$ 27,010)

PARISH FAMILY LIFE CENTER DEBT:
ORIGINAL NOTE (12/1/2012) \$625,000
NOTE BALANCE AS OF (5/31/2020) \$ 98,751
(All Figures Rounded)
"Thank you for your stewardship generosity."

ON LINE GIVING - Visit our website at
www.stmaryathenstn.org

My dear parishioners,

Peace! On the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, 7 October, 2019, Pope Francis established the feast of Our Lady of Loreto, to be observed each year on the 10th of December. At the same time Pope Francis proclaimed a Laurentian Jubilee Holy Year to run from 8 December, 2019 through 10 December, 2020. There are fifty-one invocations in the *Litany of Loreto*. The following is a reflection on the twenty-ninth invocation: **Singular Mystical Rose, pray for us.**

What does it mean to say that Saint Mary, the Blessed Virgin Mother of God is a "Mystical Rose"? There is mentioned in Sacred Scripture, Song of Songs 2:1, "the Rose of Sharon." We should consider at least two things here, mysticism and roses.

Among the four insights given by *Merriam-Webster* the best relates that mystics report union or direct communion with "ultimate reality." Christians know the "ultimate reality" to be God. Surely Our Lady, Mother of God was both in union and direct communion with God and not only for the Lord's first nine months of human life. A Catholic understanding of mysticism has little to do with subjectivity or vagueness. Among her Saints are the Mystical Doctors Theresa of Jesus of Avila (+1582) and John of the Cross (+1591). The American philosopher William James (+1910) may address "mysticism" at least acknowledging its existence in his *Varieties of Religious Experience* (1902), he seems to belong more to the modernist heresies condemned by Saint Pius X (+1914) in his decree *Lamentabili sane* (3 July, 1907) and the Encyclical *Pascendi dominici gregis* (8 September, 1907). As for roses, there are over three hundred species and tens of thousands of rose cultivars. Roses are known for their beauty and fragrance.

An old hymn (1599) from Speyer, Germany, *Lo, how a rose e'er blooming*, sung during Advent and Christmas treats both the Lord and Our Lady Saint Mary variously.

Saint John Henry Cardinal Newman (+1890) wrote eloquently about Mary as "the *Rosa Mystica*, mystical Rose" in his *Meditations* as follows: "MARY is the most beautiful flower that ever was seen in the spiritual world. It is by the power of God's grace that from this barren and desolate earth there have ever sprung up at all flowers of holiness and glory. And Mary is the Queen of them. She is the Queen of spiritual flowers; and therefore she is called the Rose, for the rose is fitly called of all flowers the most beautiful. But moreover, she is the Mystical, or hidden Rose; for mystical means hidden. How is she now "hidden" from us more than are other saints? What means this singular appellation, which we apply to her specially? The answer to this question introduces us to a third reason for believing in the reunion of her sacred body to her soul, and its assumption into heaven soon after her death, instead of its lingering in the grave until the General Resurrection at the last day."

Father John Arthur Orr

Contacts for :

- CCD—Oneta Fioravanti— 865-712-6819—
- Youth Ministries—Sue Granger— 423-506-7836.
- RCIA—Jack Cox - 423-836-2979
- Hispanic Ministry—Alicia Mora—423-368-5310
- Parish Family Life Center (PFLC) - Kay Prevatt 423-453-2049.

Contact her to schedule all use/rental of the PFLC by parish groups and the public.
To schedule use of the Narthex call the office.

NEW TO OUR PARISH—If you are new to our parish see one of our ushers for a **BLUE PARISH CENSUS FORM**—They are also located on the Narthex Table or the slots in back of the church on the left as you leave. Also let the office know if you would like envelopes.
TO UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION (CHANGES) FILL OUT THE YELLOW COPY ONLY, and return to the office.
For Sacrament information call the office.



WELCOME Deacon Al Forsythe & Debbie who will now be serving our parish.

Deacon Al can be reached at 865-297-6350 or deaconalsmatn@gmail.com

First Communion— Congratulation to the following who have made their First Communion so far this spring/summer.
From St. Mary Parish— Sophia Morr 4/26, Lucas Hardin 5/24, Juley Garcia 6/6, Joselyne Hernandez Zavala 6/21, Valeria Angel Perez and Christina Garcia Saldana 6/28, Sheila Rodriguez 7/4.
Michael Kreider—Holy Ghost—Knoxville 5/9/2020
Karla Contreras—St. Joseph the Worker—Madisonville 6/14/2020
Johana Mata Rangel and Bianca Andablo—6/28—



Confirmation— Maria Kreider 6/20—Holy Ghost—Knoxville.



PRAYER CHAIN—Call/Text Paulette Croteau at 423-333-8674, to be placed on the prayer chain, or if you would like to help with the prayer chain. Keep in your prayers— Jesus Sanchez and family, Ed Bates, Bob Whitaker, George Krenner, James Winner, Levi and Sally Sanford, Joan DuChemin, Pat Schwartz, Oliver McLemore and all of our sick and homebound.

Ladies for Charity—Covid 19 is causing an additional need of food for parishioners being helped by this ministry. We are requesting canned tuna, canned vegetable and large boxes of cereal. If you are in need of food, please call Diane Schwartz 423-745-9062.