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**PARISH OFFICE**

Monday through Thursday  
10 AM - 2 PM  
stmarystoccoa@gmail.com  
Tel.: (706) 886-2819

**LITURGY SCHEDULE**

**Saturday:** 5 PM Vigil Mass  
**Sunday:** 8:30 AM; 11 AM  
**Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs, Sat:** 9 AM  
**Monday; Wednesday:** 6PM  
**1st Friday Only:** 6PM

**ADORATION & ROSARY**

Monday to Thursday, & Saturday  
7:00AM—8:45AM

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET**

**Saturday** 8:30 AM  
**Sunday** 8:00 AM

**RECONCILIATION**

**Monday -Thursday** after Mass  
**Saturday:** 10 AM & 4 PM  
Or by appointment

**BAPTISM & MATRIMONY**

Contact Deacon Greg

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Sharon Cook (706) 297-8344  
Jessica Burger (904) 219-1129

**ADULT FAITH FORMATION**

**RCIA—** Sundays at 9:45AM  
Deacon Greg Ollick (404) 918-7472



# St Mary Catholic Church

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday OF ADVENT**

**December 13, 2020**

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a; Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc-9; Mt 21:23-27  
Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13; Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19, 23; Mt 21:28-32  
Wednesday: Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21c-25; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Lk 7:18b-23  
Thursday: Gn 49:2, 8-10; Ps 72:1-4ab, 7-8, 17; Mt 1:1-17  
Friday: Jer 23:5-8; Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19; Mt 1:18-25  
Saturday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17; Lk 1:5-25  
Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

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Please, contact Christa for further information. Your support for our bulletin is greatly appreciated!

### Mass Schedule & Intentions

**SAT:** 12/12 **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

5:00 PM- All Poor Souls (D)

~given by Tu Nguyen

**SUN:** 12/13 **THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

8:30 AM - Ashley & Kyle Wood (L)

11:00 AM - Maria - Binh T. Phạm (D)

~given by Long Son Phạm

**MON:** 12/14 **Saint John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor of the Church**

9:00 AM- Deceased Parents (D)

~given by Tu Nguyen

**(New) 6:00 PM- Maria (D)**

~given by Lanh Nguyen

**TUES:** 12/15 **Advent Weekday**

9:00 AM - Pro Populo

**WED:** 12/16 **Advent Weekday**

9:00 AM- Steven Peay (L)

~given by Nancy Williamson

**(New) 6:00 PM - Pro Populo**

**THUR:** 12/17 **Advent Weekday**

9:00 AM- Pro Populo

**FRI:** 12/18 **1st Friday Only**

**SAT:** 12/19 **Advent Weekday**

9:00 AM - Pro Populo

### BIRTHDAY/ANNIVERSARY



If you would like to have your birthday and/or anniversary announced on WNEG radio/Connie Gaines, please use the signup sheet in the narthex. Questions? Contact Gary Cortellino (678) 360-2545 or [garycortel@aol.com](mailto:garycortel@aol.com)

### Offertory/Contributions

**Weekend of November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Weekly Budget \$ 2,300.00

Offertory **\$ 1,913.00**

Building Fund \$ 1,194.00

*Thank-you for your contributions!*

**The counters for this week are:** Nancy Williamson, William King & Mary Beverly.

Report suspected abuse by Church employees and volunteers to the Archdiocesan **24-hours Abuse Reporting Hotline: 1-888-437-0764**

*Please keep the following people in your*



*prayers:*

Joe Franzmathes, Laura Barnett, June Webb, Sharon Cook, Carol Womack, Nancy Cash White, The Mark Gearhart Family, Eddie Hallford, Bill Dineen, Jay McAtee, Fred Defenbaugh and John Craton.

If you want to submit an individual for Prayer Intentions, please contact Christa (706-886-2819). Update Christa at least every four weeks if you wish to continue with community prayers.

Please notify the church office or Gerri Chalk at (706) 963-0050 of a sick loved one or homebound wanting/ needing Holy Communion

### Parish Ministries

#### Finance Committee:

Paul Sobel, 770-313-1110

#### Parish Council:

Dave Slezikey, 706-779-1833

#### Ladies Guild of St Mary:

Maggie Rousseau, 770-982-0001

#### Religious Education Co-directors:

Sharon Cook, 706 297-8344

Jessica Burger, 904-219-1129

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#### Maintenance Committee:

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#### Bulletin Editor:

Christa O'Barr, [stmarystoccoa@gmail.com](mailto:stmarystoccoa@gmail.com)

#### Multi-purpose Building Committee:

Steve Dessauer, 706 201-1185

#### Extraordinary Ministers/Lectors Coordinator:

Deanna Holmer, 706 297-7493

#### Offertory Tabulators (Counters):

Nancy Williamson

#### Vietnamese Ministry:

Tony Vu, 706-599-4278

#### God's Housekeepers:

LaVerne Tilley, 706-886-5691

#### St. Mary's Capital Campaign:

Dave Slezikey, 706-779-1833

#### Adult Faith Formation & Christian Initiation (RCIA):

Deacon Greg Ollick, (404) 918-7472

(Additional info on [ALL](#) ministries can be found on our website.)

### Pope Francis' prayer intention for December

For a Life of Prayer

We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Classes this Saturday are for Confirmation, this Sunday are for First Communion & 3-5.



Remember to involve with catholic Resources Website — **FORMED** — We subscribes the service for all of you, especially for enriching your knowledge of the Catholic Faith and Catholic life in the midts of the world that is so distracted today.

### GOD'S TABULATORS NEEDED

St. Mary's needs some volunteers to count our offertory collections. If we have enough volunteers, your commitment will only be once a month. We will honor covid precautions. Please for more information, please call Nancy Williamson (706) 886-9554 or Christa at the church office.

### God's Housekeeper's 2021

I will be creating the calendar for the upcoming year. If you are currently part of God's housekeeper's and you would like to continue or if you would like to be part of this ministry please let me know by email or phone. 706-886-5691 or 770-539-0460 [lhtilley@gmail.com](mailto:lhtilley@gmail.com)

We work in pairs and if we have enough volunteers your commitment is 4 times per year. Cleaning the church takes about one hour and is such a blessing and peaceful ministry.

Also, information about the ministry and sign-up forms (if that is your preference) will be in the Narthex. Thanks to all of you who have continued the work during this challenging year. Please contact me with any questions.

### JOHN THE BAPTIST

At a school open house a woman could be overheard introducing her husband to some of the other parents. "Oh, Bill, I'd like you to meet Johnny's father. And over here, this is Marie's mom; you know, the little girl from our Ellen's soccer team."

With satisfied resignation Bill introduced himself not by name: "I'm Ellen's Dad."

It's good to know who you are. Be it someone's father or mother, son or daughter, husband or wife, it's important to embrace the full meaning of our various roles.

John the Baptist knows who he is. And who he is not. He is not the Christ. Nor Elijah. Nor like any other prophet God's people had ever seen.

John the Baptist knows his mission is divine. He's more than satisfied to be the one to announce the coming of God's reign. The Christ is near. Make straight your paths.



Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.

— 1 Thessalonians 5:16

# Reminder



Please respond to the Capital Campaign volunteers that gave you your pledge packets. They are:

- **Dave Slezikey** (412) 736-7646;
- **Ethan Owenby** (706) 599-6815;
- **Todd Palmer** (580) 514-9134;
- **Steve Dessauer** (706) 779-5643;
- **Tony Vũ** (706) 599-4278;
- **Quyên Hà** (918) 808-2575;
- **Richard Chalk** (706) 391-3501;

Thank you.

### PLEASE SUPPORT ST MARY'S CAPITAL CAMPAIGN WITH YOUR CHARITY FITTING FOR GOD

For more information please contact Dave Slezikey at (706) 779-1833



### Second Collection

#### Retirement Fund for Religious

In good times and bad, senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have served our Church and world. Today, they pray for a world that is hurting. Yet hundreds of religious communities do not have enough retirement savings and struggle to provide for aging members. Your gift to today's Retirement Fund for Religious collection helps provide medications, nursing care, and more. Please be generous.

### Thank You

We are very grateful for last Saturday's Winter clean-up day! It was a success. We thank you for all our dear friends: Martha, Gary, Jose, Matthew, Helen, Fr. Henry, Sister Anna, Tuan, Vu, Hoa, Diep, Duong, Tien, Tai, Nu, Tham, Hoa-Mai, Huyen & Tony along with all others who attended to help.

Now our parish garden looks more beautiful because of your support and hard work. We also appreciated Tong & Tina, who prepared a wonderful and delicious lunch!

Thank you so much with all of our hearts!

Betty & Cynthia