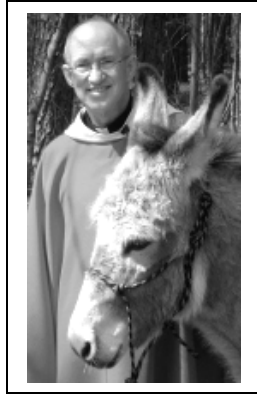


Pastor's Corner

My Dear Friends,

Congratulations to all the youth of our parish who are graduating from grade school, high school, college, or universities! Especially, we congratulate those who are graduating from St. Mary Catholic School. May this milestone be a springboard for bigger and better things in your future! You know where I am, so never hesitate to contact me if I can help you in any way.

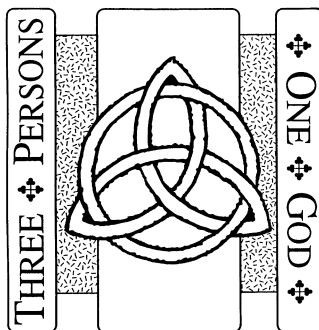


This will be the last week of the academic year for St. Mary Catholic School. Our graduation will be this Thursday evening. Remember that this Thursday we will have the last School Mass of the academic year at 8:30 a.m.; there will not be a 7:30 a.m. Mass that day. Our summer schedule of daily Masses will begin this Friday. Basically that means that instead of having our Friday morning Masses at 8:30 a.m., we will have them at 7:30 a.m.

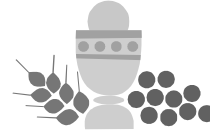
Best wishes to all for a very happy summertime. Remember that though we may take vacations, God never does. Therefore, please make every effort to continue coming to church at least once a week to celebrate Mass on the weekends.

This weekend we celebrate the Feast of the Blessed Trinity. On this day, we remember the basic belief of our Christian Faith, that is, that there is only One God but Three Divine Persons in this one God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
- *Father Bob*



Liturgies & Paraliturgies Including Mass Intentions



Saturday, June 6:

- 8:00 am Mass for the Parishioners
5:30 pm Mass – † Jerry Smith
Offered by Pat Blasko and Family
7:00 pm Mass – † Terry Caracciolo
Offered by Tony Caracciolo

Sunday, June 7:

- 8:00 am Mass – † Emily Chandler Kams
Offered by Steve and Patty Williams
9:30 am Mass – † Joan O'Brien
Offered by The White Family
11:00 am Mass in Thanksgiving
Offered by Marie Miles
1:00 pm Mass – † Mary San
Offered by Joseph

Monday, June 8:

- 7:30 am Mass - † Bill and Helen Decker
Offered by Mary Haney

Tuesday, June 9:

- 7:30 am Mass - † Karen Kendig Doubek
Offered by Mary Haney

Wednesday, June 10:

- 7:30 am Communion Service

Thursday, June 11:

- 8:30 am Mass – † Cathy Martyn
Offered by James and Jean Patton

Friday, June 12:

- 7:30 am Mass - † Janet O'Connell
Offered by Eddie Hudson

Saturday, June 13:

- 5:30 pm Mass – † Alice Walker
Offered by Fred Walker
7:00 pm Mass – † Thomas Khoo
Offered by Joseph

Sunday, June 14:

- 8:00 am Mass – † Mother of Patricia Matthews
Offered by A Friend
9:30 am Mass – † Patrick Caporale
Offered by Angie Ferreira
11:00 am Mass – † Earl Haga
Offered by Father Bob and the Parishioners of St. Mary
1:00 pm Mass – Thu and Family
Offered by Joseph

Weekend Mass Schedule at a Glance

- Saturday Mass in English – 5:30 pm
Saturday Mass in Spanish – 7:00 pm
Sunday Mass in English – 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:00 am
Sunday Mass in Spanish – 1:00 pm

To schedule a **Mass Intention**, to donate the **Altar Flowers** in memory of a loved one or special occasion, or for information on **Baptism**, please come to the Parish Office or call 762-5491.

Today's Readings

First Reading — The Lord is God in the heavens above and on earth below and there is no other (Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40).

Psalm — Blessed the people the Lord has chosen to be his own (Psalm 33).

Second Reading — You received a Spirit of adoption, through whom we cry, "Abba, Father!" (Romans 8:14-17)

Gospel — Baptize them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit (Matthew 28:16-20).

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Cor 1:1-7; Mt 5:1-12
 Tuesday: 2 Cor 1:18-22; Mt 5:13-16
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 3:4-11; Mt 5:17-19
 Thursday: Acts 11:21b-26; 13:1-3; Mt 5:20-26
 Friday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Mt 5:27-32
 Saturday: 2 Cor 5:14-21; Mt 5:33-37

Next Sunday

Ex 24:3-8; Ps 116; Heb 9:11-15; Mk 14:12-16, 22-26

Readings for the week may be found on
www.thestmaryparish.org - Click on *Worship*

RU a Secular Franciscan, and looking for a local fraternity?
 or

RU wondering what it would be like to become one?

The local fraternity meets the
 third Sunday of the month at 2:30 PM
 in the RCIA room, Tileston School.

For more information contact:

Frank Bindewald at 452-7603 or fbindewald@ec.rr.com
 or Linda Perunko at 399-7695 or lperunko@ec.rr.com

Camillus Ministers Needed

If you are interested in becoming a Camillus Minister serving the sick at the hospital and hospice, please call Frank Grant at 392-6084

The St Mary Parish Book store

Sunday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Tuesday thru Friday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

Are you interested in reciting the Rosary after Daily Mass

Please join us after Monday, Tuesday,
 Wednesday Communion Service, and Friday Masses,
 All are welcome.

Eucharistic Ministers

If you would like to serve as a Eucharistic Minister,
 please contact Stephanie Watts at 799-7623 or
ewatts1949@aol.com.

INVITATION TO MEN WITH SPIRITUAL HUNGER!

Come join Fr. Bob and a growing group of men who meet each
 Friday morning from 7:00 am - 7:45 am in the Tileston Building. We
 study and reflect on scripture and simply share what is on our hearts
 and minds. Come join us as you are able. We welcome you!

English as a Second Language Classes

Classes are Sundays from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm
 in the Tileston Building.

Please contact the Church Office for information

Please Pray for Our Sick

Shirley Ammons	Janet Dowel	Elizabeth Militscher
Ashley Ashton	Madeline Dowell	Jim Murphy
Robyn Baily	Shari George	Kathy Murphy
Charles Baird	Mildred Gibbons	Katherine Oxx
Evelyn Baird	Betty Glasenapp	John Pavolonis
Stephanie Barrows	Louise Gordon	Geraldine Saburn
Capt. Gregory Beadore	Kristal Grant	Byron Sanders
Cheryl Bezek	Michael J. Gressman	John Slaughenoupt
Arenda Bingham	William Grundy	Adell Suhoski
Judy Brooks	Mary Haywood	John Leroy Trader
Lecia Burns	Andrew Kegl	Felix Usewicz
Bob Carey	Josephine Kidney	Paula J. Veltz
C.J. Carroll	Anna Lenortav age	Catherine Veres
Clara Carter	Francis Leonard	Chance Watson
Robert Cary	Louise Leonard	Chris Watson, Jr.
Joyce Christine	Patrick Leonard	Jim Watters
Roy Clifton	Anthony Mancini	Jeff Weeks
Jeanne Currier	Mary Eugenia Mazur	Sheila Weeks
Barbara DeBellis	Gary McDaniel	Jeff Wiener
Patricia Carroll	Lindsav McDuffie	Sheila Wolfe

St. Mary Nursery News

The nursery is open for 9:30 Sunday Mass and will remain open all summer
 For more information or to volunteer - contact

Allen and Kelly Sanderson at nursery@thestmaryparish.org or you may
 stop by the nursery before and after the 9:30 Sunday mass.

Centering Prayer

An hour of contemplating prayer and the Centering practice
 Wednesday afternoons in our Chapel in Tileston. From the
 following web page, you can view a video, in three parts, about
 Centering Prayer. <http://www.centeringprayer.com/reachingout.htm>

When: Wednesday from 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Place: Chapel - Tileston – 1st floor

More information: contact Joan Regan – 383-2804

Adoration

Why not "watch and pray" an hour with Jesus in the Blessed
 Sacrament? We have Adoration on First Friday from after the
 8:30 am Mass until 3:30 pm.

C.A.R.E. Camp 2009



C.A.R.E. will have 20 campers participating at the Christian Family Living
 Center in Topsail Beach from June 15 - 19

Please contact the C.A.R.E. office in the Tileston building for a list of
 needed supplies for the campers.

English as a Second Language Thank You

Sincerest thanks to the following women and men of St. Mary's who
 gave up every Sunday morning for the past year, 2008 – 2009, to teach
 English to non-english speaking adults.

Thirty-seven signed up in September with twenty-five students
 attending on a regular Sunday – men and women, alike. For the most part,
 they could neither speak nor write our language.

As the program terminates, they leave reluctantly and gratefully,
 proudly thanking in English, their beloved teachers for all they have
 received.

Kudos to the following: Judy Brockelman, Dé Corbett, Kathey Craig,
 Edith de Grammont, Penny Dietz, Bruce Foley, Joe Ford, Maureen Gray,
 Brian Howard, Sharon Sullivan and Emily Tardio.

The program will resume in the fall. Watch the Bulletin for registration
 dates.

The Week Ahead In Our Parish

Saturday, June 6:

First Saturday Mass – 8:00 am in the Church

Youth Gospel Choir Rehearsal* - 9:00 am in the Church

Gospel Choir Rehearsal* - 10:15 am in the Church

Lindsay Terry and Keith LeRoy Wedding – 2:00 pm in the Church

A Louisiana Saturday Night – Fundraiser for C.A.R.E. kids summer camp – 6:30 pm in the St. Mary School Cafeteria

Sunday, June 7:

Share Sunday – All Masses

Nursery* – Available at the 9:30 am Mass

No Faith Formation – Begin again in the Fall

Faith Sharing* - 9:45 am in Tileston

High School Baccalaureate Mass – 11:00 am Mass

English as a Second Language Class* - 11:00 am – 12:30 pm in Tileston –

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* - 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm in the Church

Middle and High School Youth Group* - 6:00 pm – 7:15 pm in Tileston

Monday, June 8:

Rosary following Mass (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday)

Contemporary Choir Rehearsal* - 7:00 pm in the Church

Hispanic Young Adult Group (El grupo de jóvenes adultos)*- 7:30 pm in Tileston

Grupo De Alcohólicos Anónimos* - 8:00 – 9:30 pm en el gimnasio

Tuesday, June 9:

Divine Mercy Chapel* – 12:30 pm in the Chapel at Tileston

Adult Education* – 6:00 pm in Tileston

Practica de la Banda Latina de Domingo* - 7:00 pm in Tileston

Wednesday, June 10:

Centering Prayer – 1:30 – 2:30 pm in the Tileston Chapel

Practica de la Banda Latina de Sabado* - 7:00 pm in Tileston

Thursday, June 11:

No Adoration this week - St. Mary School Baccalaureate Mass (8:30 am)

Renaissance Choir Rehearsal* - 7:30 pm in Tileston

Friday, June 12:

Men's Faith Sharing* – 7:00 am in the RCIA room in Tileston

Summer schedule Friday Mass at 7:30 am

Grupo De Alcohólicos Anónimos* - 8:00 – 9:30 pm en el gimnasio

Saturday, June 13:

Youth Gospel Choir Rehearsal* - 9:00 am in the Church

Gospel Choir Rehearsal* - 10:15 am in the Church

Jesus Dominguez and Lorenza Aviles Wedding – 11:00 am in the Church



Knights of Columbus Council 1074

Come learn a little about your faith with Knights of Columbus Council 1074. On the first Wednesday of each month, we will study the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Our guide will be the Compendium of the Catechism and discussions by Bishop William E. Lori Supreme Chaplain of the Knights of Columbus. The sessions will start promptly at 7:30 pm in the

Council Chambers in Tileston.
All Parishioners are welcome to attend.

Knights of Columbus College Scholarship

The Knights of Columbus (Wilmington Assembly) invites applications for its College Scholarship. Any Catholic person planning on attending college this fall 2009 as a freshman is eligible to apply. For more information or to obtain an application please contact the KofC Scholarship Committee at (910) 762-6463 or deniscarter@bellsouth.net. Deadline for applying is June 22.

Senior Singles Meeting

Sunday, June 7

12:30 PM

Olympia Restaurant

5629 Oleander Dr.

For more information, call Gloria 395-4307



Baccalaureate Mass Graduating High School Seniors

Sunday, June 7th

11:00 am

All graduating Seniors of St. Mary Parish will be recognized for your hard work and will receive a special blessing from Father Bob.

A Reception for all family and friends will follow in the St. Mary School Cafeteria.

Eucharistic Adoration

As you might know, St. Mary Parish has Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

- Every Thursday after the 7:30 a.m. Mass for one hour
- Each Sunday following the 1:00 p.m. Mass until 5:00 p.m.
- The first Friday of each month, following the morning Mass until 3:30 p.m.

There are times when Adoration might begin later, because of a Funeral Liturgy, or some other event taking place in the Church but this doesn't happen too frequently. When our Liturgy Committee meets we will look at **Sunday Adoration**, since there are only four regular people who participate. If you would like to take part in this devotion please call Sister Isaac on her cell phone: (910) 470-7318.

From the Office of Social Outreach

Trinity Sunday

By: Sister Isaac

The Catholic Church's Doctrine of the Trinity is the basic belief of our Faith. Though deep mystery, when reflecting upon it one is immediately immersed into a study of how the Love of God is at the root of our lives. This love is unconditional and we are drawn to imitate it. The late Cardinal Henri de Lubac put it this way – **"Eternal life is not a life for the future. By charity we start eternity right here below."**

This past week we were fortunate enough to be given, once again, a \$30,000 Grant from the Catherine Kennedy Foundation. The money goes to our Elders in the community who experience a financial crisis that their fixed income just cannot handle. Over 150 households this past year were able to keep their utilities on, or maintain a roof over their heads, or receive medicine.

On Third Street, between Orange and Ann, there is a historical marker that speaks of the foundation of the Catherine Kennedy Home just after the Civil War. For decades, women retired there, and were able to have a bedroom, sitting room and bath and there was a common dining room. In the 1990's the Board realized that the Home would not be able to continue and it was sold to the First Presbyterian Church. Today it houses the Church's early childhood programs, and meeting rooms. The money gained from the sale went into an account, and for the past several years the interest has been divided among dozens of non-profit groups that have specific programs for the elderly. With this Grant thousands of our people are able to maintain their quality of life and live with dignity. We are very grateful to the Board of Directors who has shared their resources with the Tileston Outreach for the past four years.

Several days ago we received a money order from a recipient of the Catherine Kennedy Grant that we had received this past year. A gentleman from our area needed to go to John Hopkins for leg surgery and he planned to move to the Washington area. \$184.00 would permit him to rent a U-Haul and he qualified for the funds. However, plans changed, so he returned the check. Two days after we received it an elderly couple came requesting funds to keep their lights from being turned off. They had used money from their fixed income to attend a funeral of an elderly woman in Virginia, who had, for years, cared for the husband when he was a child. She was precious to them, and although they were aware that the trip would be costly, they believed that it was the right thing to do. Needless to say, that "turn-off" notice was on the front door when they returned home and, unless they paid \$176 their electricity would be turned off that very day. The Catherine Kennedy Grant came to the rescue! What really happens here is that a financial crisis is taken care of, but even more importantly, incredible stress is lifted from those seeking the help. We are so grateful to the Board of Directors of the Catherine Kennedy Foundation for helping us start "eternity right here below".

Special Need of the Week

One Tree Hill donated to the Outreach six **dressers** that they had in their storeroom.

What a gift – are there any more out there?

Diocesan Events

Upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend

"I Place Much of My Hope for the Future in Marriage Encounter"
(Pope John Paul II)

The weekend centers entirely on your relationship. It is a positive, simple common sense, private experience between you and your spouse, that revitalizes marriage by helping you to see again those loving qualities in each other that you may be taking for granted. Sign up now for the June 12-14, 2009 Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend being held at the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory, NC. Register online @ www.wmme-nc.info. You may also contact Tom and Emilie Sandin for more information @ emilieandtom@yahoo.com or 336-274-4424.

Father Dan Oswald is on Carolina Catholic again!

Father Dan Oswald, pastor of St. Mark Catholic Church, will soon bid farewell to the Cape Fear Deanery. But before he leaves for his new assignment in Raleigh at Sacred Heart Cathedral as its rector, he will again appear on Carolina Catholic on the June 2009 show.

This show will air Saturday, June 13th at 11 a.m. and Sunday, June 7th and 14th at 6 p.m. You can also listen to this show after its initial broadcast over the Internet at www.wilmingtoncatholicradio.com. Just click on the Carolina Catholic tab. Carolina Catholic can be heard on WPBL-LP, 92.7 FM, Wilmington Catholic Radio, Wilmington, NC. Questions about Carolina Catholic? Contact Judi Paparozzi @ 471 1534.

Annual Black and Indian Mission Collection will take place in the Diocese of Raleigh on June 7, 2009.

The continued generosity of the faithful provides important support for the ministry of the Church to Black and Native Americans in the United States through the Black and Indian Missions Office of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Our Diocese receives important grants from this annual collection to provide resources and leadership training for Native American Catholics as well as funding for programs associated with evangelization and ministry to the Black Catholic community through our Diocesan African Ancestry and Evangelization Ministry Office.

PETITION TO HELP PREGNANT WOMEN CHOOSE LIFE:

Bishop Burbidge and Bishop Jugis need your help in convincing our state legislators to allow the Choose Life license plate to be made available in NC. Helping is as simple as a few clicks on your internet. An online petition has been created by the Carolina Pregnancy Care Fellowship and can be found at <http://www.ipetitions.com/petition/ncchooselife>.

No contribution is necessary and petition names will not be used for any other purpose.

IMPORTANT: If you prefer not to receive further notifications from this petition website, please be sure to remove the green check from the box that appears above the "Sign Petition" box. If you do not wish to make a contribution to the petition website, simply leave the website after you click the "Sign Petition" box. Please consider signing the petition and let your friends know about the petition as well. Without your help, the Choose Life license plate will never be passed by our Legislature.

Catholic Family Retreats

The Christian Family Living Center
Topsail Island, NC
910-328-1584

June 19-21, 2009

Celebrate Father's Day Weekend

\$70 ages 2-7; \$100 ages 8-adult. Family max is \$490.

Summer Retreats

Come to the ocean and join us for a Catholic family vacation while enjoying affordable, faith-based programming on Topsail Island, NC. All-inclusive packages include private bedroom with private bath, meals and snacks, program material, trained staff and much more.

Options:

5 nights/6 days: \$240 ages 8 and older. \$100 ages 2-7.
Under age 2 are free. The family maximum is \$980.

3 nights/4 days: \$145 ages 8 and older. \$60 ages 2-7.
Under age 2 are free. The family maximum is \$590

Our staff and resident priest lead a Christ-centered program with activities for children of all ages, social time for adults and peer groups. Each day includes prayer time and celebration of the Eucharist. Afternoons are free for families to swim, surf and relax together along our pristine shoreline.

Director of Retreats

Cardinal Gibbons High School, a college preparatory school of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Raleigh, seeks a full time **Director of Retreats (DOR)**. Responsibilities include planning and administration of current overnight, off campus retreat programs for current freshman, sophomore and juniors classes. This includes interfacing with various faculty retreat coordinators and training of the student peer leaders. Additional responsibilities include the establishment and administration of a "Kairos" program for the senior class. Candidates must be a Catholic in good standing with the Church and the ideal candidate will possess a Bachelors degree in Theology/Religious Studies or its equivalent, have experience in high school/parish retreat and youth ministry and outreach initiatives. The DOR reports to the Asst. Principal for Spiritual Life.

Benefits included, salary commensurate with experience.

Submit resume with references to:

Rev. Scott McCue

Asst. Principal for Spiritual Life

smccue@cghsnc.org

Deadline: June 30, 2009.

Position begins: August, 2009.

LOUISIANA SATURDAY NIGHT

A fundRaising dinner
Benefiting
c.a.r.e kid's summer camp

CHICKEN & SAUSAGE JAMBALAYA

WHITE BEANS CORNBREAD

GREEN SALAD

BREAD PUDDING WITH

BUTTER PECAN RUM SAUCE

CASH BAR OF WINE & LOUISIANA ABITA BEER

FEATURING AUTHENTIC LOUISIANA FOOD, MUSIC & GOOD TIMES

SATURDAY JUNE 6TH 6:30 PM

ST. MARY CAFETERIA

\$10 ADULT \$5 CHILDREN 6-12

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT THE DOOR

C.A.R.E. (Coastal Aids Resource Effort) hosts an Annual Summer Beach Camp Retreat for children & teens who are either infected or affected by HIV/AIDS and who are living at or below poverty level.

Office of Youth Ministry

John Walsh, DRE

762-5491 ext. 14

jwalsh@thestmaryparish.org

Preparation classes for the Sacrament of Baptism of infants and young children (in English)

Mandatory preparation class for the Baptism of infant and young children (in English) will be held on the first Monday of each month at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the Amy Bradley Room located in the Tileston building. If the first Monday is a holiday then the class will be given on the next Monday that is not a holiday.

You must RSVP ahead of time to take the class.

Mission Trip Opportunity

All rising 10th graders & up, are encouraged to join the Homeworks America team in June for a mission trip to Fayetteville, NC.

The St. Mary team will be in Fayetteville from June 21-28. Work typically involves all aspects of home repair & renovation. To insure safety, teen participants are guided by experienced adult leaders. For more details, & before & after pictures of a few of their projects, please visit their website: www.homeworksofamerica.org.

Please complete your application (online @ homeworks) & place it in John Walsh's box. Please submit a \$50 deposit. Total cost for the week is \$150. All meals are included & the students need to bring an air mattress, pillow, & sleeping bag.

In addition to our student team, 2 adult chaperones are needed-1 male, 1 female. For more details, please contact John Walsh-ext. 14, or Lisa Andree 686-9226.

**Celebrations
May 30 – May 31**



In Memoriam
Mark K. Smith
Edward Waltz



Confirmation
Phoebe *Lillian* Kott



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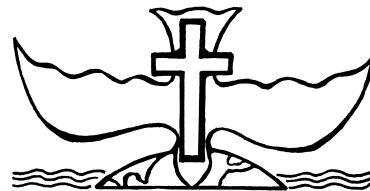
Landon M. Barker	Rebecca C. Jaschke
Victoria K. Brown	John F. Morgan
Michael D. Komegay	Julie C. Hejroni
Christine J. Macchione	Donna D. Donegan
Margaret M. Silk	Jennifer A. Casey
Nancy P. Beskie	Ronald Huff
Michael J. Tagliaferro	Patricia A. Morette
Sinead Derasmo	John P. Shannon
Kevin W. Sanderson	Terry E. Mitchell
Luke V. Malish	Kathryn Ann Weiss
Michael and Natalie Manning	
Girard and Christine McCague	
James and Martha Kenny	
William E. and Mary Ellen Moran	

**Liturgical Minister's Schedule
Weekend of June 13 – June 14**
For Masses in English
Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ
-Schedule does not show substitutions-

	Saturday 5:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Sunday 9:30 a.m.	Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Eucharistic Minister	M. Chandler L. Collette K. Hartung J. Malek D. Paparozzi S. Watts D. Wiggins	F. Bua J. Bua B. Grace O. Niles L. Parker S. Parker Y. Sims	J. Demonte L. Dezio T. Graham P. Gross B. Murtagh J. Murtagh L. Vac ek	T. Crossland A. Edwards G. Hill D. Linkfield J. O'Keefe Joyce Price J. Turbevill e
Lectors	C. Lively J. Zier	E. Stumph N. McDonald	A. Rogers E. Grace	C. Stiles L. Collette
Altar Servers	S. Hutko M. Karg E. Walsh	K. Black R. Fry S. Young	E. Hat em B. Jackson A. Oehling	B. Benn ett D. Caldropol i C. Marlow

Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and Altar Servers

Please contact Stephanie Watts at
799-7623 or ewatts1949@aol.com with your email address
so the monthly schedules can be sent electronically.



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**The Most Holy Trinity
June 7, 2009**

Go...and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father,
and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

--Matthew 28:19

Stewardship of Treasure

"For everything is from you and we only give you what we have received from you."
---- 1 Chronicles 29:14-16

May 24, 2009

Envelopes Mailed: 1263	Children's' Envelopes Received: 0
Envelopes Returned: 368	Total Children's Offertory: \$ 0.00

	OFFERTORY	BUDGET	EDUCATION
05/24/2009	\$ 14,472.36	\$ 13,250.00	\$ 30.00
07/01/08 to present	\$ 743,838.51	\$ 723,900.00	\$ 27985.69

Thank you for generously supporting the
Church with your time, talent and treasure.

Bulletin Editor



Sandy O'Leary

Please contact with any information for the bulletin

bulletin@thesmaryparish.org or call 395-2063.



From the Desk of Joyce Price, Principal

I've enjoyed seeing so many parents come to have lunch with their children as we celebrated you for all of your volunteer efforts. The faculty and I are very grateful for all of the hours that many of our parents spend assisting us in meeting the many needs of the students. I also know that your children enjoy having you participate in one way or another in their educational experiences. Thank you for all that you do for us.

Each year the Latimer House gives two scholarships to St. Mary School students for participation in their summer camp, one to a present 5th grader and one to a rising 5th grader. The winners of the camp experience this year are Marissa Rhyné (4th) and Lauren Strader (5th). Congratulations to both of these girls!

Alumni News – Several of our graduates were back to visit this week to thank their teachers for their opportunities here. We love when they come back to visit. Also, please check the May issue of Wrightsville Beach Magazine. Jackson Turbeville is one of the featured seniors who is also a graduate of St. Mary School. Jackson has been accepted to Clemson. You may view the article about Jackson at wrightsvillebeachmagazine.com.

Community Events



Surf Camps

910-274-3565 or indojaxsurfschool.com

St. Mary School Teachers:

Jack Viorel (1) and Kevin Murphy (5)

Summer Fencing

2nd grade and up

No experience necessary

All equipment provided

Basement of the Tileston Gym

For schedule information: contact

Greg Spahr at 799-8642 or

gregoryspahr@yahoo.com



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Summer Camp Dates:

July 20 – July 24

July 27 – 31

Please contact Kim Kams (Art Teacher) at 762-4084 for pricing, times and other information.



Passing of the Colors

On Friday, May 29, 2008, St. Mary School celebrated the annual Passing of the Colors ceremony. This involves the graduating 8th graders passing the responsibility of the flag to rising 8th graders. Father Bob began the ceremony in prayer. After the Pledge of Allegiance was said, the Faithful Pilot from the Knights of Columbus escorted both the eighth and seventh graders to the altar where the flag was passed from 8th graders to 7th graders who were given the charge to raise and lower the flag the remainder of the school year and the next school year.

The flag was refolded as Mrs. Brown (7th grade) read the meaning of each fold:

- The first fold of our flag is a symbol of life.
- The second fold is a symbol of our belief in the eternal life.
- The third fold is made in honor and remembrance of the veterans departing our ranks who gave a portion of life for the defense of our country to attain a peace throughout the world.
- The fourth fold represents our weaker nature, for as American citizens trusting in God, it is to Him we turn in times of peace as well as in times of war for His divine guidance.
- The fifth fold is a tribute to our country, for in the words of Stephen Decatur, "Our country, in dealing with other countries, may she always be right; but it is our country, right or wrong."
- The sixth fold is for where our hearts lie. It is with our heart that we pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.
- The seventh fold is a tribute to our Armed Forces, for it is through the Armed Forces that we protect our country and our flag against all her enemies, whether they be found within or without the boundaries of our republic.
- The eighth fold is a tribute to the one who entered in to the value of the shadow of death, that we might see the light of day, and to honor mother, for whom it flies on mother's day.
- The ninth fold is a tribute to womanhood; for it has been through their faith, love, loyalty and devotion that the character of the men and women who have made this county great have been molded.
- The tenth fold is a tribute to father, for he, too, has given his sons and daughters for the defenses of our country since they were first born.
- The eleventh fold, in the eyes of a Hebrew citizen, represents the lower portion of the seal of King David and King Solomon, and glorifies, in their eyes, the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.
- The twelfth fold, in the eyes of a Christian citizen, represents an emblem of eternity and glorifies, in their eyes, God the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit.
- On the thirteenth and final fold, the stars are uppermost, reminding us of our national motto, "In God we Trust."

Rising 8th graders were then shown how to raise and lower the flag by the Knights of Columbus. As we watch these students carefully and dutifully fold the flag each afternoon, we will know why.

Important Dates

June 11th – Baccalaureate Mass

Graduation Breakfast for 8th grade families

Graduation, 7 P.M.

June 12th – Last Day of School, Noon dismissal