

# ST. MARY’S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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## Mission Statement

*“We, the members of St. Mary’s Parish, share a common vision that we are called to be a Christian Community in East Central Alabama. Faithful to Christ’s words, ‘As the Father has sent me, so I send you’ (John 20:21) and in solidarity with all, we see ourselves growing in sensitivity to the needs and cultural backgrounds of all people. Following the charism of St. Vincent de Paul, we, as a Community of Faith, will strive to reach out to meet the needs of all, especially those who are poor in body and spirit”*

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## Our Community Celebrations

Masses: Sat. 5:30 PM Sun. 9:00 & 11:15 AM 5:00 PM(Espanol)  
Daily: 8:00 AM Confession: Sat. 4:45 – 5:15 PM or by Appointment

## Service to the Community

Pastor: John Kane, C.M. Pastoral Associate: Martin McGeough, C.M.  
Pastoral Associate: Rev. Mr. Don Canonica. Secretary: Glenda Holden

Pastoral Council President: John Rowe  
Comite Latino Abel Carrias

Spiritual Life and Worship: Nancy Penaskovic Religious Ed: Connie Scroggins  
Ladies Sodality: Bonnie Sevchuk Men’s Club: Bob Sevchuk  
Lectors: Jean-Paul Nicol Eucharistic Ministers: Earscell Tate  
Altar Servers: Ross Tate Music: Beth Nicol  
Lazarus Ministry: Cindy Mirarchi & Steve Stuckwisch/Coordinators

## Mass Intentions March 13 – March 19, 2006

Mon. Special Intention Sat. 5:30 PM Ann Gabriel (dec) req by Marilyn and Tommy

Tues. Special Intention  
 Wed. Special Intention  
 Thurs. Communion Service by Deacon Don  
 Fri. George Mitchell (dec) req by his wife  
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Sun. 9:00 AM Rodney Whitlow (dec) req by RoseAnn  
 Sun. 11:15 AM St. Mary's Parishioners  
 Sun. 5:00 PM Español

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**Community Activities this Week**

Monday	Pastoral Council	7:00	PM
Tuesday	Bible Study	9:00	AM
Tuesday	Intercessory Prayer	6:00	PM
Wednesday	No Spanish Class	7:00	PM
Friday	Stations of The Cross	7:00	PM
Saturday	St. Patrick's Celebration	7:00	PM

**Eucharistic Ministers Meeting**

Next **Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>**, from **10:00 – 11:00 AM**, there will be a meeting of all Eucharistic Ministers ---both new and seasoned. In order to iron out some wrinkles that have appeared. The presence of all is needed.

**Retreat Day**

From Wednesday afternoon to Thursday afternoon the **Vincentian Fathers in Alabama** will be at Holy Trinity Retreat Center for a **Day of Prayer and Reflection**. Please keep us in your prayers. There will be **NO SPANISH CLASS** on Wednesday evening and Deacon Don will celebrate a **Communion Service** on Thursday morning

**Pastoral Council Meeting**

On **Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>**, the Pastoral Council of St. Mary's will meet. Among the points to be discusses are the results of the survey of the **Long Range Planning** that John Rowe spoke about at all Masses last weekend. If you have any further thoughts on this subject, please call John (502-1086), Fr. Marty or Fr. Kane

**Lazarus Ministry**

Lazarus Ministry will be preparing Easter food boxes on April 7<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to donate

non-perishable foods or give financial aid, there will be a basket in the Vestibule of the Church and envelopes in the pews for the next 3 weeks. We will also need help April 8<sup>th</sup> to deliver the boxes. Anyone interested please call Sandra Shemwell at 745-5306.

### **Matthew 25**

**Matthew 25** is all about bringing meals to members of St. Mary's when they aren't able to prepare meals for themselves, no matter what the reason is. **We can use more names on the list** of those who want to participate in this Ministry. If that is you, call **Jennie Canonica** (334-742-0785).

### **Web Site For The Month of March**

*This is an excellent web site for Lent. There's something for everyday and even more!*

<http://www.creighton.edu/CollaborativeMinistry/Lent/index.html>