

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"

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 May 15 – May 21, 2006

Mon.	Special Intention	Sat.	5:30 PM	St. Mary's Parishioners
Tues.	Communion Service by Deacon Don	Sun.	9:00 AM	Marie/David Schoett (dec) req by the family
Wed.	Communion Service by Deacon Don	Sun.	11:15 AM	St Mary's Parishioners
Thurs.	Communion Service by Deacon Don	Sun.	5:00 PM	Español
Fri.	Communion Service by Deacon Don			

Community Activities this Week

Tuesday	Bible Study	9:00 AM
Tuesday	Intercessory Prayer	6:00 PM
Tuesday	Ladies Sodality	7:00 PM
Wednesday	Spanish Class	7:00 PM

Ladies Sodality

We have one High School graduate this year, “Kent Hagan”. Come and join us on Sunday, May 21st after the 9:00 AM Mass for a reception in his honor to celebrate his graduation.

The Ladies Sodality will be nominating of new officers on Tuesday, May 16th. This will be our last meeting until September. We will also discuss our upcoming events and fundraisers for the next year. We would like to have all of the ladies’ input to plan a successful year.

Please mark you calendars to attend this important meeting. Hope to see you there,
Bonnie Sevchuk, President

Committee Leaders Meeting

There will be a **Calendar Meeting** for all **Presidents of Parish Committees** on **Monday, May 22** at 7:00 PM in the parish hall. Each **Committee President** is asked to bring no more than one (1) representative so that together we can make a **Parish Calendar**. It is essential that we schedule all activities as to avoid:

1: Over Scheduling 2: Conflict of scheduling.

Please come prepared with the dates and activities that your committee has planned. Refreshments will be available.

Fr. Kane and Fr. Marty

Please keep Fr. Kane and Fr. Marty in your prayers this week, as they will be at Holy Trinity Tuesday thru Friday. We will not have morning Mass on these days. We wish to thank Deacon Don for offering a communion service for all that wishes to receive on these days.

Pastoral Council

The Pastoral Council is a consultative body, representative of the body of the faithful of the church, with which the Pastoral leaders (clergy) interact to identify and provide direction for the spiritual life, ministry priorities, broad, strategic goals and policy-making of a parish. The Parish Pastoral Council share the responsibility for building the parish into a vibrant Christian community that promotes Gospel values of love , justice, and peace. It is a consultative body of leaders who actively seek the inspiration of the Holy Spirit and are guided by the teachings, laws and recommendations of the universal church and the local diocesan church.

In order to call forth and enable the charisms, gifts given by the Holy Spirit to individual members of the faith community for the good of all, we need members from the parish body to volunteer to serve or give names of individuals they have asked to serve to Fr Marty and Fr. Kane. We will be asking for service of one or two years on the council.