

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 29 – June 4, 2006

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| Mon. Special Intention | Sat. 5:30 pm Special Intentions |
| Tues. Special Intention | Sun. 9:00 am St. Mary's Parishioners |
| Wed. Special Intention | Sun. 11:15 am Rodney Hansen (dec) req by his family |
| Thurs. Special Intention | Sun. 5:00 pm Español |
| Fri. Special Intention | |

Community Activities this Week

Tuesday Bible Study 9:00 am

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| Tuesday | Intercessory Prayer | 6:00 | pm |
| Wednesday | Birthday luncheon for May | 11:30 | am |
| Wednesday | Spanish Class | 7:00 | pm |
| Saturday | Youth Movie Night | 6:00 | pm |

Pastoral Election

In the Vestibule of the Church are the names, pictures and short bio of people who have volunteered to run for our Pastoral Council. Thanks to Bill Baggett, Mike Collins, Marie Hudson, Jeremy Krauss, Ralph Mirarchi and John Rowe for sharing their time and talent with St. Mary's.

We are asking you to vote for four (4) persons of your choice.

Happy Anniversaries

This week our two Priests celebrate their Ordination Anniversaries. On Monday May 29th, Fr. Marty celebrates his 30th Anniversary. On Tuesday the 30th, Fr. Kane will celebrate his 36th Anniversary. Congratulations!!!!

New Officers For The Ladies' Sodality

We congratulate the new officers for the Ladies' Sodality for the coming year. They are: **Patty Baker, President; Barbara Goldberg, Vice President; Rebecca Baggett, Secretary; Lynn Thomas, Treasurer.** At this time, we thank the out-going officers as well as all the members of the Sodality for all that they do for the life of our parish.

Attention All Youth!!!

Next Saturday, June 3rd, beginning at **6:00 pm**, there will be a **Movie Night** in the hall. It's a fund raising activity so everyone is asked to bring **\$5:00 per person** (cheaper than the movie theater), 1 or 2 friends and a few movies to choose from.

On **Friday, June 9th**, beginning at **9:00 pm** and going until????, the youth will be at the Bowling Alley. The big question is: Will Fr. Marty get more strikes than Fr. Kane? There's only one way to find out.

Farewell for Fr. Todd

Fr. Todd will be leaving St. Michael's on June 15th to serve as a diocesan priest in his home town diocese of Bismark, North Dakota. Next Sunday, from 11:30 am – 2:00 pm there will be a farewell reception in his honor. Attendees are asked to bring a plate of finger food.

Matthew 25

Does anyone recognize these phrases? "When I was sick, you thought about visiting me but ". We all fall short of living out Matthew 25. St. Mary's Parishioners offers an opportunity to put this Gospel message into practice through our "Matthew 25" Ministry. We bring meals to members of St. Mary's when they aren't able to prepare meals for themselves. In doing so, we also bring them joy by spending a few minutes visiting with them. **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).