

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

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| Pastoral Council President: John Rowe | Comite Latino | Abel Carrias |
| Spiritual Life and Worship: Nancy Penaskovic | Religious Ed: | Kim Murphy |
| Ladies Sodality: Patti Baker | Men's Club: | Bob Sevchuk |
| Lectors: Jean-Paul Nicol | Eucharistic Ministers: | Earscell Tate |
| Altar Servers: Ross Tate | Music: | Beth Nicol |
| Youth Ministries | Crystal Hudson | |

Lazarus Ministry: Cindy Mirarchi & Steve Stuckwisch/Coordinators

Mass Intentions September 18 – September 24, 2006

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| Mon. Special Intention | Sat. 5:30 PM | Robert Falzenlogen (dec) req M/M Jim McDonough |
| Tues. Tom Lally (dec) req by his family | Sun. 9:00 AM | St. Mary's Parishioners |
| Wed. Special Intention | Sun. 11:15 AM | Leo Kauderer (dec) req by Mary Green |
| Thurs. Special Intention | Sun. 5:00 PM | Español |
| Fri. Special Intention | | |

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Jean Carmella Fucci, Bob Fucci's Mother, who died Wednesday, September 13th. Our prayers are with Bob, Linda and family.

Community Activities this Week

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| Monday | Pastoral Council | 7:00 | PM |
| Monday | Men's Club | 7:00 | PM |
| Tuesday | Bible Study | 9:00 | AM |
| Tuesday | Ladies Sodality | 7:00 | PM |
| Wednesday | Youth Group | 6:30 | PM |
| Thursday | RCIA | 7:00 | PM |

September 11

Among the many commentaries made on **September 11th**, various speakers referred to the fact that after the **tragic events in 2001**, people filled **Churches, Synagogues and Mosques**. But that did not last. **Our area, our parish**, is an example of that. At our celebrations last week, the attendance was: 8:00am Mass, 22 people (7 from St. Michael's); Noon Rosary, 6; Holy Hour, 13. **May the citizens of our country reflect on this**

Ladies Sodality

The Ladies Sodality will hold it's first meeting of the year Tuesday, September 19th at 7:00 PM in the parish hall. All women over the age of 18 are invited and encouraged join us. The topic will be to plan the upcoming 2006-2007 events.

Men's Club

The scheduled Men's Club meeting for Monday September 18th is cancelled. The next meeting is scheduled for October 16th.

Pastoral Council

St. Mary's Pastoral Council will meet on Monday, September 18th at 7:00 PM in the Parish Hall.

Burse Club

The Priests Burse Club was founded in 1953 by Archbishop T.J. Toolen to establish permanent scholarships for the education of men for the priesthood in the Archdiocese of Mobile. For only \$1.00 a month you will become a member of a select group, people dedicated to the education of seminarians. Membership is open to everyone. Someone will be collecting after Mass this weekend. For more information, please contact Catherine Pendergast at 749-8764.

Parish Events Calendar

Our parish activity year is underway. In order not to have conflicts with the many activities that different committees are planning, there will be meeting to create an Activity Calendar for St. Mary's. We ask that one (1) representative from each Parish Committee be present at a special meeting on Monday, September 25th, at 7:00 PM in the parish hall. Please come prepared with the activities that your group wants to do.
