

# 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:	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 November 20 – November 26, 2006

Mon. St. Mary's Parishioners	Sat. 5:30 PM	St. Mary's Parishioners
Tues. Mary Hassinger (dec) req by husband Joe	Sun. 9:00 AM	M/M Martin Murphy (dec) req by M/M Pendergast
Wed. Mary Hassinger(dec) req by husband Joe	Sun. 11:15 AM	St. Mary's Parishioners
Thurs. In Thanksgiving for all God's blessings	Sun. 5:00 PM	Espanol
Fri. Mary Hassinger (dec) req by husband Joe		

## Community Activities this Week

Tuesday	Bible Study - Canceled	9:00 AM
Tuesday	Ladies Sodality	7:00 PM
Wednesday	Youth - Canceled	6:30 PM
Thursday	RCIA - Canceled	7:00 PM

## Parish Retreat – 2006

On **Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**, the parishioners of St. Mary's will spend the morning hours to prepare themselves for Advent and Christmas. **Sister Terry Bretthauer, MSBT**, will lead us in this spiritual retreat from **9:30am until noon**.

All who have celebrated or are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation are invited to attend. Although there is no charge, we ask that you sign up on the papers provided in church indicating the number from your family who will attend and if **babysitting will be needed and for how many children**.

## Thomas Dale Collins

St. Mary's extends its sincere condolences and heartfelt prayers to **Betty and Ray Collins and family** on the death of their son, Dale. As we pray for him, we continue our prayers that the whole family feel the strengthening presence of God during this time.

## Thanksgiving Day

On Thursday, Thanksgiving Day, our **morning Mass** will be celebrated at **9:00am** rather than the usual **8:00am**. Together, let us begin the day by coming around the Table of the Lord to give Him thanks for His many blessings and continue the day around the dinner table with family and friends.