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Christmas Schedule

Dec. 23-Church Decorating 6:00PM
Dec. 24-Mass 5:00PM
Dec. 25-Midnight Mass 12:00AM
Christmas Day Mass 11:30AM
Dec. 31-Vigil Mass, Solemnity of Mary
5:00PM

Parish Office closed
Dec. 24, 25, 26, and Jan. 1.



Saints Peter & Paul
CATHOLIC CHURCH

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 1, 2013

Nursing Home Christmas Party

The Women's Council invites all parishioners to our annual Nursing Home Christmas Party Saturday, December 7th at 2:30PM at Golden Living Center, 4115 Glenwood Rd., Decatur 30032. This is the only party the patients have, so they are most appreciative of the gifts and your presence. For more information, contact Anita Johnson at (770) 322-7537.



2013 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

Thank you to those who have made a pledge to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. The latest figures, as of November 15th:

Parish Goal: \$48,130 Total Committed: \$60,644
Outstanding Pledges: \$23,235 Amount Paid: \$37,409

If you have questions about your pledge, please contact the Stewardship Office at (404) 920-7600 or annualappeal@archatl.com.

Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church
Presents

The Annual Advent Dinner Dance

December 14, 2013
8 p.m. - 12 a.m.

Location: **The Conference Center at Georgia
Piedmont Technical College**
495 N. Indian Creek Dr.
Clarkston, GA 30021

Donation: \$40
Semi Formal Attire

Coordinated by: The Social Committee

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Parish calendar on website. Click on Events, then Calendar.

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December 1, 2013

First Sunday of Advent

This Coming Week

Monday, 2nd

Novena 6:30PM-Chapel

Tuesday, 3rd

SVDP Circle 7:00PM-Parish Office (M)

Evangelization Committee 7:30PM-Parish Office (C)

Wednesday, 4th

Bible Study 10:30AM-Parish Office (C)

Choir Rehearsal 6:00PM-Church

Welcome Ministers 7:00PM-Parish Office (C)

Scripture Study 7:00PM-Price Hall

Thursday, 5th

Parish Council 7:00PM-Parish Office (C)

Haitian Advent Retreat 7:00PM-Church

Friday, 6th

Adoration 9:00AM-Chapel

Haitian Advent Retreat 7:00PM-Church

Saturday, 7th

Outreach 9:30AM

KPC Unit Meeting 10:00AM-2:00PM-Parish Office (C)

Play Rehearsal 1:00PM-Church

Nursing Home Christmas Party 2:30PM-Golden Living Center, Glenwood Rd.

St. Elizabeth Circle 6:30PM-Parish Office (C)

Haitian Advent Retreat 7:00PM-Church

Sunday, 8th

Sunday School 10:00AM-Classrooms

1st Reconciliation Parents' Meeting 10:00AM

RCIA Class 10:00AM-Parish Office (C)

St. Nicholas Breakfast 10:00AM-Price Hall

KPC 1:00PM-Parish Office (C)



Sacramental Schedule

Monday, 2nd

8:30AM Communion Service

Friday, 6th

8:30AM Cynthia Aguilera

Saturday, 7th

4:30PM Confessions

5:00PM Dorothy Holiday-Martinez, d'csd.

Sunday, 8th

8:30AM Dr. Edward M. Moore

11:30AM Elis Dhaici, d'csd.

1:30PM Junie Auguste

Retirement Fund for Religious

Support elderly religious. A parishioner writes, "As a Catholic school student from grades K-12, I was formed to be the person I am by many religious brothers and sisters, and I am forever grateful." Show your appreciation for the senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who make a positive difference in so many lives. Please give generously to next week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

Men's Club

The Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church Men's Club are pleased to announce the names of the officers elected for the period January 1st, 2014 through December 31st, 2015:

Rod Jones -President

Dan Montgomery -Vice President

Alfred Lockhart -Secretary

Willie Hugley -Assistant Secretary

Nigel Scott -Treasurer

Be An Angel



As you know, many families are having financial difficulties because of the economic downturn. We at Sts. Peter & Paul are committed to helping our neighbors. If you know of anyone within the parish who is having financial difficulties, please send in writing the name of the child, his/her age, size, and what they want for Christmas to the Parish Office. **No phone calls, please.** The names of the children will be kept anonymous. The information will be placed on the Angel Tree. Parishioners will then choose an angel from the tree and purchase the items for that child. If you have questions, please contact Mae Barron at (404) 304-0992.

Christmas Bag Project

St. Vincent de Paul Circle will be collecting items for the Christmas Bag Project for Clayton Transitional Center and Helms Medical Center. Please place the donated items in a grocery bag (do not wrap) and drop in the designated box in the narthex. Items needed: 16 oz. jars of roasted peanuts, Bic-type pens (black), bags of hard candies (individually wrapped), 6 oz. shampoo, large bath soap, pocket calendars, lotion, white socks, journals (no wire), toothpaste/ toothbrush, paper emery boards. The volunteers at Clayton Transitional Center and Helms Medical Center will gift wrap the items for their Christmas Party on December 13th. In lieu of purchasing items, tax deductible monetary donations are accepted so they can purchase many of the items at their wholesale supplier. If anyone would like to write a check, please contact Carol Craft. Do not leave a check in the collection box with the donated items. Thank you very much.

Notes from The Catholic Foundation of North Georgia



Increase your retirement income, receive a tax deduction and help the parish in the future. How? Invest in a Charitable Gift Annuity. With increased taxes in effect this may be just what you need. If you are over 65 and have \$10,000 or more to invest, possibly from a CD that is coming due, you may want a Charitable Gift Annuity which will give you higher rates than a CD, will give you a large tax deduction and provide you with quarterly fixed payments for the rest of your life. Here are some sample rates based on your age: Age 65-4.7%; Age 70-5.1%; Age 75-5.8%; Age 80-6.8%; Age 85-7.8%; Age 90 and older 9%. At your death, the remainder of the Gift Annuity can go to the parish endowment fund and other charities. For a personal illustration, please contact Diane Duquette, Director of Gift Planning at The Catholic Foundation of North Georgia: dduquette@cfnga.org or (404) 497-9440. Visit the website to read about the new tax laws: www.cfngalegacy.org

Praying PACEM IN TERRIS

Peace on Earth-which man throughout the ages has so longed for and sought after-can never be established, never guaranteed, except by the diligent observance of the divinely established order. That a marvelous order predominates in the world of living beings and in the forces of nature, is the plain lesson which the progress of modern research and the discoveries of technology teach us. And it is part of the greatness of man that he can appreciate that order, and devise the means for harnessing those forces for his own benefit. (1-2)

The beginning of Pope John XXIII's *Pacem in Terris*

Provided by Justice & Peace Ministries, Archdiocese of Atlanta

St. Nicholas Breakfast

The Men's Club invites all our parishioners and well-wishers to participate in the **St. Nicholas Breakfast Sunday, December 8, 2013** after the 8:30AM Mass. This will be a full breakfast of coffee, juices, eggs, grits, bacon, chicken and sausage. The cost per person is only \$5.00. The breakfast will be free for children age 12 and under. 50 gift bags will be presented to the first 50 children under age 12.



Mercy's Holiday Extravaganza

Please join us on Friday, December 6th for **Mercy's Holiday Extravaganza**, the Our Lady of Mercy Catholic High School's annual Fall Fine Arts Festival. The festival includes a Craft Show from 3:00-8:30PM and student fine arts performances in music and dance at 6:30PM (entry to Craft Show is free, entry to performance is \$8 for adults and \$5 for non-Mercy students and seniors).

Marist School Open House

Sunday, December 8, 2013 at 1:00PM. Brief school presentations will begin at 1:00PM and 2:30PM. Come meet students, teachers, and coaches while learning about our academic, spiritual, and extra-curricular programs. Marist School is an Independent Catholic School of the Marist Fathers and Brothers that enrolls boys and girls of all faiths for grades 7 through 12. For more information, please visit our website at www.marist.com.

Stewardship-A Disciple's Response

Nov. 17th \$8,191.27 Children's Offertory \$60.00
Building Fund \$930.26 Pennies from Heaven \$22.52
Typhoon Haiyan Relief \$1,414.56
"Gratitude is the sign of noble souls." —Aesop Fables



Readings for the Week

Monday, 18th Dedication of the Basilicas of Sts. Peter and Paul
1 Mc 1:10-15,41-43,54-57,62-63 Ps 119:53,61,134,150,155,158
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday, 19th

2 Mc 6:18-31 Ps 3:2-7 Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday, 20th

2 Mc 7:1,20-31 Ps 17:1,5-6,8b,15 Lk 19:11-28

Thursday, 21st The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1 Mc 2:15-29 Ps 50:1-2,5-6,14-15 Lk 19:41-44

Friday, 22nd St. Cecilia

1 Mc 4:36-37,52-59 (Ps) 1 Chr 29:10-12 Lk 19:45-48

Saturday, 23rd Blessed Miguel Augustin Pro

1 Mc 6:1-13 Ps 9:2-4,6,16b,19 Lk 20:27-40

Sunday, 24th Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

2 Sm 5:1-3 Ps 122:1-5 Col 1:12-20 Lk 23:35-43

PRAYER FOR THE SICK

Please pray for the sick of our parish and those who have asked for our prayers, especially:

Bill Allen, Virgila Andre, Jean-Claude Augustin, Gazela Ann Bell, Liz Bland, John Bryant, Jerome & Lula Bullard, Ephraim Burrell, Jacob Cauter, Marie Charles, Marie Colbert, Stephanie Cooper, Ida Cruse, Phyllis Daniel, Patricia Davis, Christine Edwards, Nneka Eto, Terresa & Joseph Ford, Jerae Forde, Elaine Galbreath, Michelle Giles, Sharon Giles, Donna Griss, Henry Hans Sr., Laura Hassell, Pierce Hawkins, Willie Hugley, Brittany Ivory-Brown, Emma Jackson, Joseph Mario Jean-Louis, Benjamin Jean-Mardy, Dot Lewis, Andrea Lys, Rita Maag, Elsa McBean, Barbara McElrath, William O'Neal, Barbara Redden, Lynette Reid, William Richardson, Linda Robinson, Lamerice Sanon, Audrey Shirley, Cyle Stephens, Onike Stephens, John Sylvester, Tiffany Tidies, Shelly Williams, Roland Woods Please help us to keep our prayer list updated-by adding and removing names. Thank you.