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Holiday Schedule

Dec. 15-Advent Penance Service 2:00PM

Dec. 16-Pancake Breakfast 10:00AM

Dec. 23-Decorating Church

Dec. 24-Christmas Eve Mass 5:00PM

Dec. 25-Christmas

Midnight Mass 12:00AM Christmas Day Mass 10:00AM

Dec. 31-Mass for Solemnity of Mary 5:00PM

Dec. 31-KPCL/LA New Year's Eve Party

8:00PM

Parish Office closed Dec. 24, 25, 26, 31,

and Jan. 1 & 2.



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT DECEMBER 9, 2018

Advent Penance Service

The Advent Penance Service will be Saturday, December 15th at 2:00PM. Several priests from around the archdiocese will be here to hear confessions.

Christmas Bag Project

Clayton Transitional Center and Helms Medical Center management has approved the following list of items to be included in the 2018 Christmas packages for men and women. We are doing 400 bags for men at Clayton, 150 for men & women at Helms. Needed items: 16 oz. plastic jar of peanuts, bag of individual wrapped hard candy, 16 oz. body lotion, large deodorant (no gel), large bars soap, 16 oz. bottle shampoo, large tooth paste, white socks, Christmas cards (3 per person to send to family members), roll toilet paper, pack of cookies, Ramen noodles. For financial donations, please make checks out to Mercy Outreach, PO Box 3251, McDonough, GA 30253, Attn: Sue DeBord; or to Charis Gathering, PO Box 80551, Atlanta, GA 30366-0551, Attn: Dottie Benson. Our heart is to let them know that Jesus loves them and welcomes them into the family of God. Please help us with this special time to present a Loving Savior. For questions regarding this project, contact Carol Craft at (404) 447-4671.

Baptism Class

The next infant Baptism Class will be Saturday, January 5th at 9:30AM in the Parish Office. Please email Deacon Jerry Lett at dcnjlett@gmail.com if you plan to attend the class.

2018 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

If you still have a pledge balance to the 2018 Archbishop's Annual Appeal, please complete your payments as soon as possible. For IRS purposes, gifts must be postmarked by December 31, 2018 in order to be included in your 2018 tax letter. To speed up processing, mail your payment directly to: Archbishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 6065, Albert Lea, MN 56007-6665. Please consider completing your pledge online. For those who make charitable contributions at the end of the year, please consider gifts to your parish and to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Your financial support is greatly appreciated.

Parish Goal: \$46,600.00 Amount Pledged: \$67,619.03

Amount Paid: \$61,693.33 # of pledges: 137

(as of 11/29/18)

Like us on facebook http://www.facebook.com/stspandp Parish calendar on website. Click on Events, then Calendar.

Parish Office

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December 9, 2018

Second Sunday of Advent

This Coming Week

Tuesday, 11th

St. Jude Circle 7:00PM-PO (C)

Wednesday, 12th

Bible Study 10:30AM-Parish Office (C) Choir Rehearsal 6:00PM-Church Women of Faith 7:00PM-Parish Office (C)

Thursday, 13th

Scripture Study 4:45PM-PO (C) Haitian Rehearsal 7:00PM

Friday, 14th

Adoration 9:00-10:00AM-Chapel

Saturday, 15th

Outreach 9:00AM-Maxwell Hall Altar Servers 9:30AM-Church KPCLA 4th Degree 12:30PM-MH Advent Penance Service 2:00PM Novena 4:00PM-Chapel

Sunday, 16th

Sunday School 10:00AM-Classrooms RCIA Class 10:00AM-PO Pancake Breakfast 10:00AM-MH Haitian Sunday School 12:00-1:15PM-PO (C)



Stewardship-A Disciple's Response

Nov. 25th \$8.052.00

Children's Offertory \$12.50

Seminarians \$1,043.39

People can be divided into three groups: those who make things happen, those who watch things happen, and those who wonder 'what happened?'' -Nicholas Murray Butler



Readings for the Week



Monday, 10th Is 35:1-10 Ps 85:9ab-14 Lk 5:17-26 Tuesday, 11th St. Damasus I

Is 40:1-11 Ps 96:1-3,10ac,11-13 Mt 18:12-14 Wednesday, 12th Our Lady of Guadalupe

Zec 2:14-17 (Ps) Jdt 13:18b-19 Lk 1:26-38

Thursday, 13th St. Lucy

Is 41:13-20 Ps 145:1,9-13ab Mt 11:11-15 Friday, 14th St. John of the Cross

Is 48:17-19 Ps 1:1-4,6 Mt 11:16-19

Saturday, 15th

Sir 48:1-4,9-11 Ps 80:2-3,15-16,18-19 Mt 17:9a,10-13

Sunday, 16th Third Sunday of Advent

Zep 3:14-18a (Ps) Is 12:2-6 Phil 4:4-7 Lk 3:10-18

PRAYER FOR THE SICK Please pray for the sick of our parish and those who

have asked for our prayers, especially: Jean-Claude Augustin, Novar Bates, Shawn Broussard, Faith Brown, Toni Brown, Porscha Bryant, Jerome & Lula Bullard, Ephraim Burrell, Jean Charles, Zayia Cherilus, Stephanie Cooper, Buddy Cospelich, Carl Crawford, Ida Cruse, Phyllis Daniel, Cameron Davis, Patricia Davis, Marlon Dotson, Christine Edwards, Nneka Eto, Mary Flournoy, Elaine Galbreath, Michelle Giles, Sharon Giles, Bromley Gittens, Jarvis Green, Laura Hassell, Pierce Hawkins, Mayreais Honore, Brittany Ivory-Brown, Rosemary & Sylfane Jean-Louis, Salyon Johnson, Andrea Lys, Elsa McBean, Dianna Menefield, Gregory Montgomery, Mimi Moore, Claudia Pierre, Grace Powers, Audrey Shirley, Effie Sims, Johnathan Sulton, John Sylvester, Luvina Sylvester, Sylvia Vialva,

Reynold Voltaire Jr., Merlyn Walker, Justin Wiley

Sacramental Schedule

Wednesday, 12th

9:00AM

6:30PM Timea Desiree Moore, b'day.

Friday, 14th

8:30AM

Saturday, 15th

4:30PM Confessions

5:00PM For the people of Sts. Peter and Paul

Sunday, 16th

8:30AM Rhodenia Romain, d'csd.

11:30AM Farley/McTier Family

1:30PM Saint Louis Meronvil, d'csd.



Seeking Substitute Teachers

St. Peter Claver School seeks qualified and faith-driven substitute teachers. Experience teaching or leading youth preferred. Please email interest and resume to sgreenwood@spc-school or call (404) 241-3063.

Mass for the Unborn/Stand for Life

Respect Life Ministry would like to invite all parishes, schools and ministries in the Archdiocese of Atlanta to join us for the Mass for the Unborn and Stand for Life event at 10:00AM on Monday, January 28, 2019 at the Cathedral of Christ the King, 2699 Peachtree Rd NE, Atlanta 30305.

Save the Date-Atlanta Catechist Conference

This year, the Atlanta Catechist Conference drew 1,200 catechists from 60 parishes. The date for next year's highly successful event to help parishes train catechist is August 17, 2019. The event will once again be at the Renaissance Atlanta Waverly Hotel and Convention Center. National and local speakers will present workshops that focus on catechetical methods and Church teachings that will equip catechists for effectively Communicating the Catholic Message. Workshops will be available in English and Spanish and help catechists earn credit for certification. Registration will open in early 2019. Early registration is \$25. Priests, deacons and seminarians may attend at no charge. For additional information, please visit the Atlanta Catechist Conference website at https://atlcatechistconference.com/.

Mass at VA Medical Center

Mass is celebrated Mondays and First Fridays at 11:30AM at the VA Medical Center, 1670 Clairmont Rd., Atlanta, in the All Faiths Chapel, ground floor. Visitors invited. Veterans visiting the medical center can receive full Catholic ministry and sacraments from priests on the chaplaincy team. Catholic veterans should verify that their religious preference is on file in order to receive proper spiritual care. Please pray for veterans, particularly those who are distressed. Contact chaplain's office at (404) 321-6111 ext. 6870.

Notes From The Catholic Foundation

"My spirit rejoices in God my Savior" -Isaiah 61:10 As we rejoice this Advent in the coming of the Savior, we can plan how to share that joy with others. Now there is a simple way to plan your Will online. In addition to caring for your family when you are gone, remember to include the parish endowment fund in these plans. Create your Catholic Legacy by going to www.cfngalegacy.org and click on "Plan Your Will." If you have any questions, please call Juliet Greco at The Catholic Foundation, (404) 497-9440 or email jgreco@cfnga.org.

Marriage Encounter

Married Couples: The birth of our Lord and Savior was a chance to renew mankind around the world. Renew your world by considering a WWME Weekend experience, and learning tools and techniques for better communication and relationships. Upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are March 1st-3rd and May 3rd-5th. You can get more information or apply online at GATN-wwme.org or by calling (678) 242-WWME. For information on Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial see enriquecetumatrimonio.org.

GRACE Scholars Pre-Registration

Attention Donors! Please submit your 2019 tax credit preregistrations by December 15th. Register online at www.gracescholars.org. Your contribution will help deserving children and youth enjoy the blessings of a Christ-centered Catholic education. New donors are welcome! For more information, email askgrace@gracescholars.org or call (404) 920-7900.

"Confidence in God" Retreat

January 14th-17th at the Monastery of the Holy Spirit, 2625 Highway 212 SW, Conyers, will host "Confidence in God," a midweek retreat. Confidence in God is a choice that isn't always easy to make, yet it is imperative. It is only then that our true journey towards God can begin. The principles found in the Christian classic, "Abandonment to the Divine Providence," will be explored. Visit www.trappist.net for retreat information. Contact the retreat house at (770) 760-0959 or retreat@trappist.net to make a reservation.

Covenant of Hope Retreat Rescheduled

Due to some wonderful new opportunities for enhancing our special day as well as the proximity of Thanksgiving, Fortunate and Faithful Families has rescheduled their Covenant of Hope retreat for February 24, 2019, 12:00 noon-7:00PM at the Chancery. We hope that this will be a better date and format for all involved. Please mark your calendars; this will be a gathering of hearts and minds focused upon loving our LGBT children and family members and enriching our Catholic Church through love in action. For information, call (770) 924-3920.

Men's Discernment Retreat

One of the most successful initiatives of the Office of Vocations in recent years has been the December discernment retreat for men (ages 18-40). We have a number of seminarians in the program who are "alumni" of the retreat. Our Discernment Retreat will be December 28-29th at the Monastery of the Holy Spirit. These dates work well for college students who are home on Christmas break and working people who have time off during the Christmas holiday. There will be talks by priests and seminarians, a panel discussion and time for prayer and reflection. Archbishop Gregory will join us for Mass. If you have any questions, call (404) 920-7460.