

ST. MARY MAGDALENE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Newnan, Georgia

December 4 & 5 2009

Second Sunday of Advent

Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat., Dec. 5 th	5 PM	Rita and Ray Prior (SI)
Sun., Dec. 6 th	9 AM	Rene J. Martin (+)
Sun., Dec. 6 th	Noon	Parishioners of SMM (SI)
Wed., Dec. 9 th	7 PM	Communion Service
Thr. Dec. 10 th	9 AM	Elinor A. Martin (+)
Fri. Dec. 11 th	9 AM	Alicia Betancourt (+)



Mass intentions are a standing custom of our Catholic Christian faith. A Mass can be requested as a means of extending prayerful support to a family whose loved one is deceased. Additionally, a Mass Intention can be an appropriate way of prayerfully celebrating the life-giving moments of an individual, couple or family – including such occasions as birthdays and anniversaries. To request a Mass Intention, please come by or contact Billie Duyka our receptionist during normal Parish office hours 9:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. M - F 770-253-1888.

Readings for the Week of December 6, 2009

Sunday: Bar 5:1-9/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6
 Monday: Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26
 Tuesday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
 Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30
 Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15
 Friday: Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19
 Saturday: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Lk 1:26-38 or 1:39-47
 Next Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

SMM Minister Schedule for December 12 & 13 2009

Saturday, December 12, 2009

<u>Sacristan</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Servers</u>
Mary McCabe	Isabella Hunt	Will Rheingrover
Pat Nugent	Sandi Kirkpatrick	Elizabeth Nouryeh Katie Keller

Eucharistic Ministers – TBD

Sunday, December 13, 2009 9 AM

<u>Sacristan</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Servers</u>
Bill Tucker	Chad Lockhart Gerry Michaleczewski	Radek Kochanowsky Delaney Wallace Noah Rorabaugh

Eucharistic Ministers TBD

Sunday, December 13, 2009 Noon

<u>Sacristan</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Servers</u>
Barbara Stevens	Thomas Miller David Richard	Tanner Brandner Abby Zelczak Roeha Nigos

Eucharistic Ministers – TBD

The Offertory for November 21 & 22 2009

Offertory	\$ 9,130.84
Young People	44.16
Total	\$ 9,175.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$ 873.01

Parish Religious Education Program-PREP Schedule for 2009-2010 school year

Sunday	
Grades 1- 5	10:15 am – 11:30 am
RCIA/RCIC *	10:15 am – 11:30 am
Grades 9 - 12	6 pm – 8 pm
Monday	
Pre-K – 5	5:30 pm – 6:45 pm
Tuesday	
Pre-K – 5	4:15 pm – 5:30 pm
Grades 1-5	6:00 pm – 7:15 pm
Wednesday	
Grades 6-8	6:45 pm – 8 pm

SMM Staff's Extension numbers

Susan Baker	Youth Minister	9987
Paul Bauer	Music	--
Billie Duyka	Receptionist	3813
Toni Egan	Middle School Coordinator	9988
Laura Grumbling	Elementary Coordinator	9989
Kathy Kelly-Huey	Dir. of Religious Education	5668
Diane Jones	Business Manager	9982
Mary Hennie-Roed	Nursery Coordinator	--
Barbara Stevens	Pastoral Associate	9984
Lisa Thamert	Pastoral Secretary	9981
Keith Collins	Maintenance Director	9985

NEW Prayer List Guidelines. It has been our hope to keep our entire parish informed about the need for prayer -- for specific parishioners, family members and friends. In the last couple of years, this list has become more and more cumbersome and challenging to keep updated. So, beginning in December (this weekend) on the first weekend of each month, we will begin a fresh listing of people in need of our prayers. This means we will be deleting the prayer list from the previous month, and starting over each month with the names you submit to us for the prayer list. **PLEASE NOTE: You must re-submit the name(s) you would like to appear on the list each month. Please call the office at 770-253-1888 with your requests.**

It is our hope that this will make the listing more readable, easier to follow and encourage more people to participate in praying for those in need of our prayers. Thank you.

St. Vincent DePaul help line:

770-458-9607

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If you know of someone who needs to be added to our prayer list, please contact the Parish office. Please let us know if a name is to be removed.

Abby Allen, Maureen Beyor, Fr Paul Bolton, Rod Bond, Helen Carll, Mary Chamberlain, Noah Crowe, Matt D'Asis, Ralph Fragapano, June and Mike Grasso, Jill Hancock, June Hamstra, Wendy Holloway, Barbara Keller, Olivia Grace Kelsey, John Kroll, Deacon Mike and Carol Landaiche, Vicki Magis, Bonnie Maguire, Bill & Joan Martinel, Julio Martinez, Charles and Marie Mulvenna, Gilbert Olsen, Mary Rolfe, Mary Swisher, Lynn Yeager

The Private Prayerline Ministry is separate and requests are not printed in the bulletin. We have several dedicated volunteers that pray daily. Prayer requests will go under: Health and Healing, Spiritual and Physical, General (not stated) and Deceased (recent within 3 months for repose of the soul). In need of prayers or know someone who is? You may contact a minister wearing a badge at Mass or please call Karen at 770-502-8918. Please leave your phone number if leaving a message, to confirm the request

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Elementary School

Parents who have children in our Prep program please remember your child can only miss 5 classes in order to receive credit for the year, BUT if you have attended a Parish Life event your child will receive credit for their missed class, to find this list of events please go to the St. Mary Magdalene web site under the Education section for more information, or call Laura at 678-854-9989 in the Elementary Department.

Are you receiving Elementary Prep's News Letter and Parent Notices via email??? If not ...we don't have your correct information! Please contact the Elementary department to update your info. Please remember all information that is sent via email can always be found on the St. Mary Magdalene web site.

NURSERY HELP IS NEEDED: We are in need of nursery help on Monday's, we currently have 3 mom's working the nursery while their children are in PREP but are in need of more parents to help out. If we had more your rotation would work out that you would only have to work the nursery once a month. Please contact Stephanie Beluk at belukr@bellsouth.net or 770-463-4767 for more info.

Middle School News:

Live Nativity

Live Nativity practices are under way. We still welcome parents to come and volunteer ~ serving as apprentices to lead this affair in future years.



Practice and performance schedule:

Dec. 5 - Practice - 12 noon - front lawn

Dec. 12 - Practice TBA

Save the Date:

All Parishioners are invited to attend this year's Live Nativity performances ~

Dec. 12 - 7:30 pm & Dec. 19 - 7:30 pm

Join us in an evening of music, song and acting that calls us to cherish the story of the birth of our Savior.

If you have any questions, please e-mail Toni Egan at tegan@smmcatholic.org

Youth Ministry

Keep up to date on youth information by going to <http://www.smmcatholic.org/Newsmyyouth/youthNEW.html>

Upcoming PREP Nights

- December 5th-Parent Night-both teens and their parents are invited to come
- December 13th-Christmas Party with White Elephant Gift Exchange

Mark Your Calendar

- Giving Tree Set Up Saturday December 5th from 10am to Noon
- Giving Tree Bag Tag Sunday December 20th after the Noon Mass-Lunch will be provided
- 3rd Annual Holiday Lock In-Friday January 1st starting at 7 pm and ending 8 am Saturday January 2nd
- Hang out nights Wednesdays 6 to 8:00 pm
- Soup Kitchen Trip Saturday, January 16th

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Mission Trip News

- Ornaments, Magnets, and note cards will be on sale in the Narthex December 5th and 6th
- Deposit for the trip is due by December 13th
Paperwork is available in the Narthex

Help Needed:

- Do you have an overwhelming desire to call yourself a Core Team Member? Well, you are in luck. The youth program is looking for new Core Team Members. You just need to be 23 years or older and willing to walk with teens to Christ. We also have nursery available on Sunday night for Core Team Members. Call or email Susan Baker for further information!

Middle School and High School:

Please come to this year's Giving Tree project. This Sat., Dec. 5 at 10 a.m. to noon in the *front office*. We'll prepare gift tag/suggestions onto construction paper-shaped decorations. We place these on two Christmas trees in the Narthex for parishioners to choose one and shop for the gift that's indicated. This will help families experiencing economic difficulties. Please e-mail Susan Baker or Toni Egan. "Bag Tag" (preparing to distribute the gifts) is Sunday, December 20th, 1 to 3 p.m.

ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The RE department could use a Television at least 32". If you have one you are thinking of donating, please contact Kathy Kelly Huey in RE. Thank you!



Upcoming Holiday Deadlines for Bulletin entries

For the bulletin for December 26/27 – entries due by Thursday, December 17th at 9:30 a.m.
For the bulletin for January 2/3 – entries due by Tuesday, December 22nd at 9:30 a.m.
Thank you!

Children's Offertory Time and Talent weekend 11.22

Helped teacher, I read to my little brother, being polite and using good manners, taking out the dog, playing with friends, listened to the babysitter, cleaned up living room, I made coffee for my mom who was asleep, shared toys, great team work, ride horses, helped Granma, helped sister, helped Mom watch Benjamin, praying for the soldiers, helping Mommy with cooking and Daddy, helped with brother, pet Eastern King Snake and alligator, watched my sister, scored a goal in lacrosse, helped with Thanksgiving shopping, improving basketball skills, yesterday and before yesterday cleaned my whole room and saw my Dad in the Army, was nice to brothers all week, made my bed, volunteered for tutoring classes, picking up toys, picking up, helping my Mom, cleaned my room, I played, nice and considerate.

Welcome our Newest Parishioners

Barbara, Tiare and Trent Baird

Traci, Joseph, Christopher and Carolyn Bush

Susan and Scott Seaman

Timothy Plamondon

Justa, Mary-Catherine, Kathleen and Christina Justis

Glenn and Marilyn Hasberger

Steve Besszong

Need Any Tax Deductions for the End of the Year?

A reminder that the end of the calendar year is rapidly approaching. If you would like your contributions credited in the 2009 year, please make sure all information is received in the office by Thursday, December 31st. We are capable of accepting donations in the form of cash, checks, MasterCard, Visa, or stock options. Payments dated January 1, 2010 will be applied to next year's statement. If you plan on selling stock, please call Diane Jones at (770) 253-1888 or email djones@smmcatholic.org by December 14.

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Do you have questions about the Catholic Church but never had the opportunity to explore those questions? There is a time and place for you to do that very thing. On the third Thursday of every month throughout the year from 7-8:30 p.m. in Room 106, Tami Vickers leads inquiry sessions for anyone with any kind of questions about the Catholic Church. If you are interested in attending the Inquiry sessions call Tami at 770-254-0542.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will celebrate the Christmas season with a luncheon on December 11. This will replace the monthly meeting. We will meet at 11:00 AM at Golden Corral, where a room has been reserved for us.

Please bring your finished work as our supplies are running low once again. The need is great and you can be assured that your work is touching the hearts of many people in our community. Thank you so much.

(Golden Corral is on Bullsboro Rd./Hwy 34 in front of the Target Shopping Center)

Please respond to Marilyn: 770-304-3951 or email Edna @edgennaro@aol.com

Reconciliation is offered every Saturday from 4-4:30 and/or by appointment, by calling the Administrative Office. On Saturday, December 19th we will have extended hours from 3 - 4:30 p.m. which is the last chance before Christmas.

Holiday Mass Schedule

Thursday, December 24th - Christmas Eve

4:00 pm Family Vigil Mass

6:00 pm Children's Vigil Mass

Nursery is available at the 6:00 pm Mass

12:00 am Midnight Mass with an

11:30 pm Musical Prelude

Friday, December 25th - Christmas Day

9:00 am and 11:00 am Mass

ASL Interpretation is available 11:00 am Mass

Friday, January 1st - Mary, Mother of God

Thursday, December 31st - 5:00 pm Vigil Mass

Friday, January 1st - 12:00 pm Mass

The faith community of St. Mary Magdalene will join our Church worldwide in celebration of the "Year for Priests" by encouraging our families to participate through the following suggestions:

Year for Priests prayer cards - USCCB prayer cards are available to us through our Knights of Columbus Chapter and the Atlanta Office of Divine Worship. Prayer cards with picture of our Archdiocesan priests will be available in the Narthex.

Spiritual Bouquet Postcards – are available to be sent to any priest as a sign of prayers offered on his behalf. These will be available in the Narthex.

31 Vocation Club Calendar – calendars prepared by our Atlanta Office of Vocations suggesting prayers each day of the month for designated seminarian, priest, deacon or special intentions are available in the Narthex.

Holy Hours of Adoration - offered for our priests, seminarians and vocations with Benediction by Deacon Dave Sandlin at a later date to follow. Watch the bulletin for details.

Watch USCCB Year for Priest Videos – seven short video presentations

<http://www.usccb.org/yearforpriests/video.shtml>

Year for Priests in Facebook – through USCCB website become a fan.

December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation.

Masses at St. Mary Magdalene will be celebrated as follows: Vigil Mass on Monday, December 7th at 7 p.m. and on the Feast Day itself, Tuesday, December 8th, a Mass will be celebrated at 9 a.m.

2009 Adult Advent Party



The Welcome Committee has tickets available for the annual Advent Party at the Welcome Center in the Narthex. They will be sold

until they are sold out, be mindful that there is limited seating. It is on Friday, December 11th at 7 p.m. We will start with appetizers and then have dinner and dancing. Tickets are 15. per person. Join us!

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Advent Penance Services in the Area:

St. John Vianney in Lithia Springs - Wednesday,
December 9th
Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Carrollton - Thursday,
December 10th
Holy Trinity in PTC – Thursday, December 10th
St. George in Newnan - Monday, December 14th
St. Philip Benizi in Jonesboro –Tuesday, December 15th
St. Matthew in Tyrone – Tuesday, December 15th
St. Theresa in Douglasville –Wednesday, December 16th
Our Lady of Viet Nam in Riverdale – Friday,
December 18th

All Services start at 7 p.m.

**READY FOR A RECHARGE??
WANT TO START ADVENT RIGHT??**

Don't miss this!!

Matthew Kelly, IN THE ATLANTA AREA!

**DECEMBER 7, 2009 AT 7:30PM.
HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH
PEACHTREE CITY, GA**

Does God really have a plan for your life?
Are you ready to start living your faith on a deeper level?
What does this mean for our relationships and our families?

IF YOU JOIN US, YOUR LIFE WON'T BE THE SAME!

**IT'S POWERFUL.
IT'S PRACTICAL.
IT'S LIVEABLE.**

... and, we promise... it's funny!

Come! Be energized! Invite someone!

For more information, contact Maria MacConnie at
770-631-9945 or macconnieb@bellsouth.net

Limited seating available. Registration is necessary!

**AGES 16+ ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED
TO ATTEND!**

The Sacrament of Baptism

Parents desiring the Sacrament of Baptism for their child(ren) must be registered in the parish and are required to attend a mandatory Baptism seminar. All Godparents residing in the Metro Atlanta area are also expected to attend the seminar. Please contact Dennis and Cathy Carazza at 770-304-2480 or cdc11@numail.org to schedule your attendance at the next seminar. If it has been more than 3 years since you last attended a seminar you are required to attend a new seminar. Baptism seminars are held on the fourth Thursday every other month in the education wing at the church. **Next one, Thursday January 28, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.** Baptisms are a communal celebration and as such, are conducted within the liturgy at all Masses.

The Feast Day of St. Nicholas: Legend tells us that St. Nicholas went around placing gold coins for poor people in their stockings that were hung out to dry and once he even threw gold coins down a chimney. The spirit of giving is part of this season.

Due to the economy many do not have coins left to give but all have assets including personal property, retirement accounts or life insurance policies. . After making bequests to your family please consider leaving in your Will the remaining assets to SMM. For more information on Will or estate planning go to www.archatl.com/giving/gp For more information about making a planned gift to SMM please contact Diane Duquette at the Catholic Foundation of North Georgia: 404-497-9440 or dduquette@cfnega.org.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic School is bursting with pride! The National Junior Beta Club chapter at OLV was recognized for six of the top awards at the annual Junior Beta Club State Convention. First place awards were received for Oratorical and English segments; Second Place for Quiz Bowl and Jewelry design; Fourth place for Poetry and Fifth place for Cross-stitching. National Junior Beta Club recognizes academic excellence and promotes the ideals of character, service and leadership among elementary school students. Through community service projects, students are encouraged to live the National Junior Beta Club motto "Let Us Lead by Serving Others".

Hear Ye Hear Ye...

Your Liturgy Commission is in dire need of a secretary for our monthly meetings, a great chance to share your talents with us by recording the minutes of our meetings. If you can help out, please call Marie Mulvenna at 678.423.1757 or email gascots@att.net. Peace and thank you!

You are invited!
To our very first...

Celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe
Patroness of all the Americas

Saturday, December 12th 2009 at St. Mary Magdalene

12 Noon Bi-Lingual Mass followed by a Luncheon
in our Parish Hall

Father Fernando Molina-Restrepo, principal celebrant

Father Dan Fleming, con-celebrant

Bi-Lingual programs will be provided

There will be devotions, singing & Hispanic music by our
statue of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Music/singing courtesy of several members of the
Hispanic Music Ministry from Holy Trinity

All are invited!! Plan to join us for the Mass and for the
festive luncheon following Mass.

Gracias!

