

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

Saturday, March 6 <sup>th</sup>	5 PM	Parishioners of SMM (SI)
Sunday, March 7 <sup>th</sup>	9 AM	Lawrence Shwartzlow (+)
Sunday, March 7 <sup>th</sup>	12 Noon	Elaine Salvato (+)
Wednesday, March 10 <sup>th</sup>	7 PM	Communion Service
Thursday, March 11 <sup>th</sup>	9 AM	Patrick Donoghue (+)
Friday, March 12 <sup>th</sup>	9 AM	Tadashi Sasada (+)

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 March 7, 2010**

- Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/  
Lk 13:1-9
- Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Lk 4:24-30
- Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Mt 18:21-35
- Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Mt 5:17-19
- Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Lk 11:14-23
- Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Mk 12:28-34
- Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Lk 18:9-14
- Next Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/2 Cor 5:17-21/  
Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**PRAYER INTENTIONS** *If you know of someone who needs to be added to our prayer list, please contact the Parish Office.*

Madalynne Allwine, Kelly Cunningham, Arnold Dickinson, Quin Faerdy, Ralph Fragapano, Dick Greene, Jill Hancock, Dottie Keeble, Tony Martinez, James McCabe, Bill & Joan Martinell, Charles & Marie Mulvenna, LTC Russel Sears, Clara Stewart and Susan Zecher.



**PRAYERLINE:** 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.

**St. Vincent DePaul Help Line:**

**770-458-9607**

**SMM Staff's Extension Numbers**

Susan Baker	Youth Minister	9987
Paul Bauer	Music	--
Billie Duyka	Receptionist	3813
Toni Egan	Middle School Coordinator	9988
Monique Haskins	Elementary Co-Coordinator	9989
Linda Hughey	Elementary Co-Coordinator	9990
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

**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 – 8:15 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

**Minister Schedule for March 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

Saturday, March 13, 2010

<i>Sacristan</i> Lisa McGurl	<i>Lector</i> James McCord Gerri Michalczewski	<i>Servers</i> Donovan Smolek Katie Jones Francie Hutchison
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*Eucharistic Ministers* – Joe Nault, Lillian Nault, Charles Nix, Sue Nix, Ed O'Conner, Ray Prior, Jude Rasmuson, Susan Vaughn

Sunday, March 14, 2010 - 9 AM

<i>Sacristan</i> Bill Tucker	<i>Lector</i> Iris Peychaud Paul Artzer	<i>Servers</i> Claire Lundy Katie Kovacs Noah Rorabaugh
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*Eucharistic Ministers* – Debby Dye, JoAnn Emlock, Lydia Gagnon, Cindy Garber, Willie Guadalupe, Tom Hanford, Mary Hennie-Roed, Helen Passantino

Sunday, March 14, 2010 - Noon

<i>Sacristan</i> Susan Baker	<i>Lector</i> Tiare Baird Sandy Baskerville	<i>Servers</i> Leah Miller Abby Zelczak Chaz Miller
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*Eucharistic Ministers* – Nancy Flinn, Melissa Kawai, Sonya Kennedy, Maureen Kuebler, Ken Kula, Toni Lewis, Claire Lundy, Mayra Marchand

**STEWARDSHIP REFLECTION:** The parable in today's Gospel clearly warns that we, like the fig tree, will be judged by our fruit. While God mercifully provides us with time and opportunity, let us give witness to our faith with deeds of kindness and generosity!

Parish Financial Report

Weekly Operating Offertory <u>February 27 - February 28, 2010</u>		Year to Date Operating Offertory <u>Fiscal Year-July 1, 2009 - June 30, 2010</u>	
Weekly Offertory Requirement	\$18,282	Fiscal Year Annual Budget	\$998,000
Offertory Donations-Envelopes	\$10,378	Negotiated Budget Savings	\$0
Offertory Donations-Cash	\$1,548	Resulting Annual Budget Total	\$998,000
Offertory Donation-Children	\$57	Requirement through 2/28/10	\$639,870
Offertory Donations-Electronic	\$1,678	Actual through 2/28/10	\$495,214
Capital Campaign/Building Fund	\$828		
Weekly Totals	\$14,489	YTD Operating (Shortage)/Surplus	<b><u><u>-\$144,656</u></u></b>
Week's (Shortage)/Surplus	<b><u><u>-\$3,793</u></u></b>	<i>"Where your treasure is, there your heart shall be."</i>	

Luke 12:34

**Bank Bill Pay** With the convenience of online payments, why not schedule your offering to be sent directly to the church on a regular basis? Payments should include your envelope number and be addressed to: St. Mary Magdalene, 3 Village Road, Newnan, GA 30265.

**Weekend of 2/27 through 2/28 Children's Offertory Time and Talent**

Help Dad plant tree and clean the garage, help with Benjamin, went to dance, clean room, played with dog, played with friends, worked with Dad doing the lawn work, worked with Mom to clean house, not to whine when upset, cleaning vanity, cleaning toilet, loaded the dishwasher, danced at a nursing home, made my bed, accomplished my Boy Scout Arrow of Light, played with sister so Mom could cook, stayed on "green" at school, sharing, getting dressed by myself, helped out with Girl Scout Thinking Day, walked dog, let my sister play my new game on the first day I bought it, received lots of awards at scout Blue and Gold night, helped with Stations of the Cross, playing, praying, shared my Mardi Gras beads, shared my Panda Express with my brother, helped clean house, cooking with Mommy, did chores, helped with little sisters, prayed Rosary, helped clean room, folded laundry, I have been kind to my friends, pray for poor, help teacher when needed, I say my prayers, shared my sandwich with my sister, said Grace, I made a 100 on my test, said prayers at snack without being reminded, I played with my brother, helped Mommy bake cake for meeting, I was responsible with my pets, without Mom or Dad reminding me, helped friend carry her books, helped sister with birthday

**NOTES FROM THE CATHOLIC FOUNDATION**

**Did you know you can make a gift to St. Mary Magdalene and receive income for the rest of your life?** A Charitable Gift Annuity may be the perfect way for you to secure retirement income and leave a gift to SMM at your death. The rates are based on age and are set by The American Council on Gift Annuities. The minimum age to get a Charitable Annuity is 65 and the minimum amount needed is \$10,000. The rates begin at 5.3% at 65 and increase with age. If you are 90 the rate is 9.5%! For additional information contact Diane Duquette at The Catholic Foundation of North Georgia: [dduquette@cfnga.org](mailto:dduquette@cfnga.org) or 404-497-9440. For estate planning information go to: [www.archatl.com/giving/gp](http://www.archatl.com/giving/gp).

**FLOOD RELIEF:** Catholic Charities is still providing flood relief to families impacted by September 25th floods. If you or someone you know is still in need of assistance, please have them contact Catholic Charities, Ethel A. Higgins, Director of Disaster Response and Preparedness at 404-978-2799 to setup an appointment or email: [ehiggins@archatl.com](mailto:ehiggins@archatl.com).

**NEXT WEEKEND'S SECOND COLLECTION**

The recent tragedies in Haiti and Chile are a clear reminder of the great need for the vital work of Catholic Relief Services. CRS assists impoverished and disadvantaged people overseas, working in the spirit of Catholic Social Teaching to promote the sacredness of human life and the dignity of the human person. Next week our second collection will be for Catholic Relief Services. Please be especially generous.

***DONOR WALL NEWS***

**Have you seen the banner display of the upcoming Donor Wall?** It is not too late for you to be included on our list of contributors on our Donor Recognition Wall. Opportunities to purchase Honors & Memorial items or contribute to the Capital Campaign are now available. Please take a moment to stop by the table located next to the Donor Wall banner located across from the parish administrative offices and review the Honors & Memorial Catalog for available items that can be purchased. Complete the Honors & Memorial gift form and either fax to the attention of Greg Teel, Fax: (770) 463-1706 or email to [gteeldonorwall@gmail.com](mailto:gteeldonorwall@gmail.com).

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM**PREP REGISTRATION**

Early PREP Registration for 2010-2011 will be the weekend March 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. Registration materials will be sent home with your children the week of March 14<sup>th</sup>. Registration begins after the 5pm Mass on Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup>. No registrations will be processed prior to that date.

Elementary News**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – JUNE 2010**

We are in the planning process for VBS for June 2010. This year's theme is "High Seas Adventure". When: June 7<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> 9am – Noon. Who: Calling all Mom's, Dad's, Grandparents or Middle and High School Kids. Please contact Monique at 678-854-9989 or email [mhaskins@smmcatholic.org](mailto:mhaskins@smmcatholic.org) for more information about helping out and getting screened. Last year we were able to open up registration to 125 children because of all the wonderful volunteers who helped. This is a fun filled week of Gospel Bible story telling, Friend Making, and Song Singing week. Hope you can join us.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION THANK YOU'S  
WRITTEN BY SOME OF OUR 2<sup>ND</sup> GRADERS**

"Dear Father, I went to Reconciliation a couple weeks ago. I just wanted to thank you for washing away all my sins. I feel a whole lot better now everything I did wrong it turns out to be good."

"Dear Father, thank you for clearing my mind. P.S. I like confession."

"Dear Father, Thank you for hearing my First Reconciliation and my sins. p.s. See you in heaven!"

"Dear Father, thank you for clearing all my sins. Thank you for making my Mom happy."

Middle School News**History Walk and Call for Saint Mary Magdalene  
Memorabilia and Photos:**

Parents, please come and stay for this Wednesday's class if you like to visit do projects. After Easter, we will have one more Anniversary Celebration where we create a History Walk of our photos and memorabilia from the past 10 years. We need you to help us prepare for this.

For those of you who've taken some great photos of the outdoor masses, your child's baptism, anything with working on the grounds as this church was constructed or any of the special occasions at the "Chapelteria" ~ your donation of these photos would be welcomed and appreciated. Any newspaper clippings or other mementos would be appreciated! Class begins at 6:45 p.m. and we'll first gather at my office and then get to work in Room 104. If you plan on coming, please e-mail Toni Egan at: [tegan@smmcatholic.org](mailto:tegan@smmcatholic.org). Thank you!

What's Happening in Youth Ministry?

Keep up to date on youth information by going to [http://www.smmcatholic.org/newsmyyouth/youth\\_NEW.html](http://www.smmcatholic.org/newsmyyouth/youth_NEW.html)

**Mark Your Calendar**

- Hang out nights are Wednesdays 6 to 8:00pm
- Spring Retreat is the weekend of March 19<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>

**Upcoming PREP Nights**

- March 7<sup>th</sup> - Get a job!
- March 14<sup>th</sup> - Self Defense and Spring Break Smarts

**Help Needed:**

- We are in need of some help for our High School Spring Retreat. We need families to help with an activity on Saturday March 20<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 to 6:00pm. You won't even have to leave your house to help. If you are willing to help, please contact Susan Baker at [sbaker@smmcatholic.org](mailto:sbaker@smmcatholic.org) or at 678-854-9987 for further information.
- It's time for our annual Mission Trip Silent Auction fundraiser. The event will be after all the Masses during the weekend of March 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for donations to help fill in some of our baskets or if you can donate a completed basket to auction off. Donations would be needed by 3:30 pm on Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. If you need further information please contact Susan Baker at [sbaker@smmcatholic.org](mailto:sbaker@smmcatholic.org) or at 678-854-9987.

**ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**The Bulletin Deadline for Easter Weekend.  
April 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> will be Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at  
Noon. Thank you!**

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY**

The Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet on Friday, March 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am in Rooms 101 & 102. We will be taking pictures for our scrapbook and for the Communications Ministry. Our special guest, from Newnan Piedmont Hospital, will share stories concerning the patients whose lives have been enriched by our ministry.



Your membership lists and nametags will be available at this meeting. For more information concerning the Prayer Shawl Ministry, call or email:

Marilyn Kemeza - 770-304-3951 - [mokemeza@yahoo.com](mailto:mokemeza@yahoo.com)  
Edna DeGennaro - 678-817-7964 - [edegennaro@aol.com](mailto:edegennaro@aol.com)

*Welcome*  
*our new friends*

*Elizabeth Ruiz*  
*Jeff and Jan-Marie LaChance*

**Stephen Ministers:** We ask for your continued prayers and support for our new, dedicated Stephen Ministry Trainees who are in the process of being trained since February 2010. Our Stephen Ministers help ease a great deal of stress for our brothers and sisters dealing with daily challenges. With that goal in mind, Lynne Nonni 770-631-3915 or Jerome Greenwell 770-487-2752, are available to answer your questions.

**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

**DEVOTION OPPORTUNITIES**

The **Rosary** is prayed in front of Mary's statue, 8:30 am and 11:30 am every Sunday.



**Adoration** is every Thursday from 4-7 pm and every First Friday 7-9 pm.

**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](mailto: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. **The next one is Thursday March 25, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.** Baptisms are a communal celebration and as such, are conducted within the liturgy at all Masses.

**GRIEF MINISTRY**

We are never prepared for the death of a loved one, even when it comes after a long or serious illness. When it is sudden and unexpected the shock can be overwhelming. Either circumstance you need time to heal and people to support you. Join St. Mary Magdalene Caring Ministries Grief Support Group on Thursday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 PM in Room 107. For more information call Patty Clark at 771 683-8383 or Barbara Stevens at 678 854-9984.

**World Wide Marriage Encounter**  
**Making Good Marriages Great**

Keep the feelings of "Spring" in your Marriage. Join us for a Romantic & Helpful Weekend Retreat April 23-25 at the Atlanta Marriott Norcross. You can register or learn other dates at [www.wweatlanta.org](http://www.wweatlanta.org) or call Bob & Joy Lambie at 770-587-1506. We also offer Spanish speaking weekends. Call Esteban & Gloria Nolasco at 770-425-1328 for those dates.

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 are available in the Narthex or in the parish office.

**Spiritual Bouquet Postcards** – are available to be sent to any priest as a sign of prayers offered on his behalf. These are 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 on Facebook** – through USCCB website become a fan.

Every Friday in Lent we will have a 9:00 am Mass. They will start on Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup> and will continue through Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>.



Third  
SUNDAY  
IN  
LENT

**LENTEN DINNERS AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS  
BRING YOUR FAMILY - JOURNEY THROUGH LENT.**

Please help us plan for dinner by signing up on the sheet in the Narthex.

If you forget to sign up – not to worry – we just want you and your family to come.

Date	Dinner Hosted By <i>DINNER 6:00PM – 7:00PM</i>	Stations of The Cross Led By <i>STATIONS 7:00PM – 7:30PM</i>
March 12 <sup>th</sup>	Women’s Guild	Women’s Guild
March 19 <sup>th</sup>	RCIA	Sung by adult choir RCIA will lead
March 26 <sup>th</sup>	Middle School and Youth Ministry Families	Live Stations Middle School and Youth Ministry

*Suggested donation is \$2.00/person or \$8.00/family.*

**Lenten Penance services for our area**  
All Services start at 7:00 p.m.

- St. John Vianney, Lithia Springs - Wed, March 10<sup>th</sup>
- Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Carrollton -Thurs, March 11<sup>th</sup>
- St. Matthew, Tyrone – Thurs, March 11<sup>th</sup>
- St. Philip Benizi, Jonesboro – Wed, March 17<sup>th</sup>
- St. George, Newnan - Mon, March 15<sup>th</sup>
- St. Theresa, Douglasville – Thur, March 24<sup>th</sup>
- St. Peter the Rock – Thurs, March 25<sup>th</sup>

**HEALTH PRECAUTIONS:** The Archbishop’s office has suggested that all of us “please exercise appropriate precautions at Mass, especially if you have been ill...” by refraining from personal contact during the Our Father and the Sign of Peace, as well by not receiving Communion from the cup or on the tongue. Anyone experiencing flu-like symptoms (fever, headache, tiredness, cough, sore throat, runny nose, etc.) should not attend Sunday mass or other parish activities...” The possibility of spreading infection of influenza represents a sufficient reason not to attend Sunday mass, and obviates the Sunday obligation. For more information please visit

<http://uscgb.org/liturgy/swineflu.shtml>.



Today we hear the call of Moses to lead his people from oppression to freedom. God promises to be with them as they journey to a new life. Our participation in Catholic Relief Services’ Operation Rice Bowl unites us in prayer, fasting, and giving with the millions of people throughout the world who are oppressed by poverty, injustice, war, disease, and lack of education and other opportunities. **Rice Bowls are still available in the narthex.**

**Approaching Lent as a Season of Penance**

The church sets aside the season of Lent as a special period of prayer, penitence and preparation so we can better assess where we are in our relationship with God and our ability to recognize Christ in those around us. Let this Lent be for us a time of self-reflection, courage and resolve to rekindle and once again make-right our relationship with God.

Everyone 14 years of age or older is bound to **abstain from meat** on Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays of Lent and Good Friday.

Everyone 18 or older, and under 59 years of age, is bound to **fast** on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted.

**Penance** during Lent. The season of Lent is a penitential time, and should also be marked by some additional form of reparation or self-giving.

Of course, any individual with a health/dietary concern whereby either fast or abstinence may be adverse to their condition is not bound by the specific guideline.

**ASH WEDNESDAY SPECIAL COLLECTION**

On Ash Wednesday we had a Special Collection for One Roof Ecumenical Alliance Outreach, the collection totaled \$1,548. Thank you for your generosity. To learn more about One Roof there is a recent copy of their newsletter available in the narthex or online at our website under the News & Events section.

# *Annual Youth Group Mission Trip Silent Auction*

*March 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> after all the Masses*



*Going once, going twice, sold!*

*The annual mission trip silent auction is on its way. Parishioners will have the opportunity to bid on items throughout the weekend of March 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>. The auction will close at 1:30 pm on Sunday March 14<sup>th</sup>. The winning bidders will be notified by phone and be able to pick up their items that same afternoon.*

*Items in the past have included kid games, cookout supplies, sports items, health and beauty items, and so much more.*

*Please come by after all the Masses and check out the wonderful items available. All proceeds will go to the Youth Groups Mission Trip.*

*Thank you so much for your support.*