

## MASS INTENTIONS

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 Lisa Thamert, our Pastoral Secretary, during normal Parish office hours: 9:30 am - 3:00 pm, Monday through Friday at 770.253.1888.

**WEDNESDAY, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011**  
7:00 pm Alex Massman (+)

**THURSDAY, March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011**  
9:00 am Anne Henninger (+)

**FRIDAY, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011**  
9:00 am Bob Davis (+)

**SATURDAY, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011**  
5:00 pm Edmond Boyd (+)

**SUNDAY, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011**  
9:00 am Parishioners of SMM (SI)  
12:00 pm Katherine Lane (+)

## PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

We ask that you pause a moment and offer a prayer for the sick of our community, especially: Mike Aquino, Al Bergh, Erik Boisen, Ruben Calderon, Betty Catanzaro, Phyllis Craig, Chase Cummins, Dr. Jack Jackline, Deacon Don Kelsey, Bill & Joan Martinell, Marie Mulvenna, James McCabe, Barbara Ruttiger, Andre Sires, Herb Sires, John Tansey, Carlos Villar.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### FOR MARCH 13, 2011

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Rom 5:12-19/Mt 4:1-11  
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Mt 25:31-46  
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Mt 6:7-15  
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 11:29-32  
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Mt 7:7-12  
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Mt 5:20-26  
Saturday: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/  
Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a  
Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9

## 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.

## STAFF CONTACT INFO

Susan Baker	Youth Minister	9987
Paul Bauer	Music	--
	Receptionist	3813
Keith Collins	Maintenance Director	9985
Billie Duyka	Bookkeeper	9982
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

## MINISTER SCHEDULE

### Saturday March 19, 2011 - 5 PM - Vigil Mass

<u>Sacristan</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Servers</u>
TBD	Judy Maurer	Issac Jung
	Michael Maurer	Kolbe Jung
		Mason Dyer

*EM's - Ray Prior, Jude Rasmuson, Frank Salvato, Charles Nix, Yvonne Warhola, Tim Weckherlin, Bill Clarke, Carol Angelo*

### Sunday March 20, 2011 - 9 AM

<u>Sacristan</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Servers</u>
TBD	Cathy Carazza	Delaney Wallace
	Dennis Carazza	Katie Morgenroth
		Lauren Hagert

*EM's - Steve Brockman, Barbara Dickinson, Kevin Dickinson, Debby Dye, Lydia Gagnon, Cindy Garber, Mark Pirrozolo, Tim Hennie-Roed*

### Sunday March 20, 2011 - 12 Noon

<u>Sacristan</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Servers</u>
TBD	Jean Smolek	Tanner Brandner
	Mary Sprague	Kayla Weiss
		Destyni Weiss

*EM's - Terri Michalewicz, Marilu Poole, Felix Rivera, Jean Smolek, Clark Suttle, Julie Stamps, Sonya Kennedy, Ken McMann*

## BLESSINGS

### DURING THE DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

PLEASE NOTE: In an effort to be more inclusive during the distribution of Holy Communion, it is our practice, here at St. Mary Magdalene, to extend an invitation to those not receiving the Eucharist to come forward for a special blessing - this is indicated simply by crossing arms over the chest as the individual approaches the priest, deacon or extraordinary minister.

## ST. VINCENT DEPAUL HELP LINE

770.458.9607

# PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

**ST. MARY MAGDALENE CATHOLIC CHURCH  
BULLETIN DISCLOSURE  
FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2010 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2011**

	<b>Week of Feb 19-20, 2011</b>	<b>Fiscal Year Through Feb 19-20, 2011</b>
Offertory Donations:		
Envelopes	\$10,996	\$392,425
Loose cash	617	21,981
Electronic	3,056	62,741
Children	87	2,276
Youth	1	135
Total Offertory Receipts	<u>14,756</u>	<u>479,559</u>
Less:		
Budget Requirement - General Operating	12,592	428,128
Mortgage Payments	3,808	129,462
Surplus/(Shortage)	<u>(\$1,643)</u>	<u>(\$78,031)</u>
Capital Camp/Bld Fund/Honors & Memorial	\$1,003	\$63,415
Special Collections – Parish Religious Education	\$1,576	
<u>Mortgage Update as of 1/31/2011</u>		
Principal and Accrued Interest as of 12/31/2010	\$2,549,038.59	
January Payment	(16,500.00)	
January Interest Accrual	<u>11,308.17</u>	
Principal and Accrued Interest as of 1/31/2011	\$2,543,846.76	

	<b>Week of Feb 26-27 2011</b>	<b>Fiscal Year Through Feb 26-27 2011</b>
Offertory Donations:		
Envelopes	\$10,637	\$403,062
Loose cash	368	22,349
Electronic	2,581	65,322
Children	104	2380
Youth	1	141
Total Offertory Receipts	<u>13,696</u>	<u>493,255</u>
Less:		
Budget Requirement - General Operating	12,592	440,720
Mortgage Payments	3,808	133,269
Surplus/(Shortage)	<u>(\$2,703)</u>	<u>(\$80,735)</u>
Capital Camp/Bld Fund/Honors & Memorial	\$602	\$64,017
Special Collections – Catholic Communications	\$1,070	
<u>Mortgage Update as of 2/28/2011</u>		
Principal and Accrued Interest as of 1/31/2011	\$2,543,846.73	
January Payment	(16,500.00)	
January Interest Accrual	<u>10,196.71</u>	
Principal and Accrued Interest as of 2/28/2011	\$2,537,543.44	

\* Based on the preliminary budget, adjusted for seasonalized religious education fees and projected interest income.

*"Where your treasure is, there your heart shall be."*

*Luke 12:34*

## TIME AND TALENT

### Children for 2/19 through 2/20

I prayed at school because I am on the prayer team, helped brother with clothes, shared snack with my sister, loves trains, I cleared up the yard, help family, scored in basketball, walked dogs, did the dishes, Valentines, prayed, drawing, I behaved all week at school, earned the "Christ-like" star in Upward Basketball, scored my first basket, trained my guinea pig, cleaned room, helped clean, played with friends, pick up house, help with sister, took care of my sister, went to dance rehearsal, washed my hands when Mommy asked me to, I made a friend happy, cleaned room, said Grace at meals, helped Grandpa paint, helped Mommy dust, helped Grandpa clean house, was flag holder and pet helper at school, playing with friends, set table, fed the dog, helped in the back yard, helped Daddy wash the car, I played nicely with my brother, shared toys with my friends, I cleaned my room, say Grace, share, play with cousins, be sweet, pray, clean playroom, pray, share, chores, Bible verses, piano, card making, helping my family and praying for other people, singing to the Lord, pray one decade for my family, cleaned my toys with my brother, thank you God for our trip to GA from NY, feed the dog, clear the table.

### Youth Ministry for 2/19 through 2/20

I helped with a free clothing drive at Crossroads Church

### Children for 2/26 through 2/27

Feed the dog, help with trash, playing quietly, empty the trash, help Mom clean house, picked up seashells at the beach, cleaned up toys, love my family, care and love, helped cousin's Dad, made my Grandma happy and I helped her, stayed in bed and helped Mommy move furniture-not at the same time, played with Grandma, clean vanity, sweeping basement, washed dishes, went to an Irish competition, shared my stickers, did well on my sight word and spelling tests (110%), helped Mommy and Daddy pack for our trip, great listener, I picked up spiky balls for my Mom, brush my cat, help in kitchen, read the Book of Matthew, help with the dogs, helped Mom clean, played with friends, helped my brother bowling, volunteered at Crisis Pregnancy Center, helped Dad clean the garage, helped Mom take things to recycling center, cleaned my room without being asked, dusting angels, helped sisters, helped Aunt, I made a special picture for the sick children at Scottish Rite Children's Hospital, washed the dishes, cleaned my room, helped with our new dog, I feed my dog and gave her water, I helped pack for our family trip, helped Mom do laundry, got a 100% on a math test, listen to Mommy, love baby sister, lead Grace, listen to Mommy, love my Mommy, pray for people, share, loved baby, pray, chores, scootering and spending time with family like always, pray one decade for my family, I saved my spaghetti for the homeless man, did Laser Maze in 17 seconds, colored with my brother, I cleaned up the garage, I played with my brother.

### Youth Ministry for 2/26 through 2/27

Helped Mom clean, dusting angels.

## WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors; if you are new to the area we invite you to become a member of our growing faith community. Registration forms are available in the narthex and from any member of our Welcome Committee.

*Welcome  
our new friends*

Ms. Diane Iseminger  
David, Mary Jo and Delaney Rhodes  
Brigita Skopas  
Samuel, Sammy and Eva Stein

## PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM (PREP) SCHEDULE FOR 2010-2011 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

PREP EARLY BIRD REGISTRATION begins March 26 and 27. Session times will be the same for next year as they are for this year. Registration forms will be sent home with your children and will be available on-line beginning March 20 and 21.



NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED UNTIL THE 5 PM MASS ON MARCH 26TH.

## ELEMENTARY NEWS

### FIRST EUCHARIST

A reminder for families preparing for the sacrament of First Eucharist - our Eucharist Workshop will be held on March 26th from 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

### CATHECISTS NEEDED

Elementary PREP is in need of a couple of catechists and subs.

Tuesday 4:15 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. First Grade Co-catechist  
Tuesday 6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. First Grade Co-catechist

If you are interested in volunteering in this wonderful ministry, please contact Monique Haskins at [mhaskins@smmcatholic.org](mailto:mhaskins@smmcatholic.org) or 678-854-9989

## MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWS

**ATTENTION:** Actors, Readers and Middle Schoolers with performing talents ~ please come to put on the Live Stations of the Cross on April 15<sup>th</sup>. **Rehearsals will begin March 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6 pm.** We will end by 6:45 pm in time for the Middle Schoolers to head to their session. These rehearsals will continue at this Wednesday timeframe until we get to the **Middle School and High School Live Stations of the Cross on April 15<sup>th</sup>.**

All parishioners are invited. Please bring your entire family!

A simple meal, observing the sacrifices of Lent (and having no meat included) will be served. (*Donations appreciated*).

**Dinner Begins 6 pm**  
**Live Stations 7 pm**

## YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

**KEEP UP TO DATE** on youth information by going to [http://www.smmcatholic.org/Youth/youth\\_NEW.html](http://www.smmcatholic.org/Youth/youth_NEW.html)

Check out our newsletter in the Narthex and on the website.

### UPCOMING PREP NIGHTS

- March 13<sup>th</sup> - Kings and Queens of Christ
- March 20<sup>th</sup> - Self Defense and Spring Break Smarts
- April 10<sup>th</sup> - Parent Night

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

- Hunger Lock In-Friday March 18<sup>th</sup>. Saturday March 19<sup>th</sup>. This is a fundraiser for St Vincent de Paul. Participating teenagers will be asking for sponsorship as they go 23 hours without eating. Sponsor envelopes will be available outside the Youth Ministry office.
- Spring Retreat-March 25, 26, and 27. Cost is \$40 and is open to all high school students. Permission slips are available in the Narthex. Final forms are due by March 16<sup>th</sup>.
- Silent Auction will be held the weekend of March 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> after all the Masses. Bidding will close at 1:30pm and winners will be notified that afternoon. Come out and have fun supporting the Mission Trip!

Youth Ministry is looking for a small enclosed trailer to take with us on the mission trip the week of June 14 - 19. If you have one or know of one we can borrow, please contact Susan Leigh Baker at 678.854.9987. Thank you!

## ADULT FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

### GOSPEL OF LUKE - BIBLE STUDY

Please attend an in-depth, faith sharing, commentary study on the Gospel of Luke. This penetrating study will cover 24 chapters, ongoing, every other Tuesday at 9:30 am to 11:00 am and will be facilitated by Frank Digiaco. The cost for the text is \$11.00. The blueprint of this Gospel is so powerful as it details the birth and preparation of Jesus, his ministry, his death and his glorious resurrection. Please RSVP with Gloria Wilson at: [wilsongk@bellsouth.net](mailto:wilsonsgk@bellsouth.net) or 770.502.9255.

**CHURCH HISTORY 101**

**NEW MORNING SESSION!** Meeting on Thursday mornings from 9:30 am -11:00 am this session will run from April 29 through June 2. Celebrate your faith this Easter season by learning more about the formation of the Church. If you missed the evening sessions offered in the winter, the same course is now offered Thursday morning. Exploring some of the major movements and transitions of the Catholic Church from the resurrection, through Pentecost to today. It's not exactly a straight line, but is guided by the Holy Spirit.

Not your regular ho hum history lecture, led by Susan Baker this series will bring to life how we began and continue becoming the Church. Please RSVP to Toni Lewis at [tonilewis737@att.net](mailto:tonilewis737@att.net).

**FAMILIES GROWING IN FAITH**

MOMS, DADS, AUNTS, UNCLES, GRANDMA, GRANDPA, AND OF COURSE...THE KIDS! A gathering of families coming together to begin, or continue, the journey home. Do you have a child age 9 - 19 who has never attended faith formation or has not celebrated Reconciliation or First Communion? Sessions begin when you call us, bring your family for small informational sessions to help them discover God's call in your family life. Contact Kathy Kelly Huey at 770.253.5668 for more information.

**AT HOME FAITH FORMATION**

Faith Formation from the comfort of your own home. Two wonderful resources - Virtual Learning On Line Courses and Catholic Home Study.

**Fr. Oscar Lukefahr** [www.amm.org/chss.htm](http://www.amm.org/chss.htm) Free Course from Catholic Home Study Service (CHSS), sponsored by the Vincentian community and the Missouri Knights of Columbus, has been offering free courses on the Catholic Faith for more than seventy years. It is based at Saint Mary's of the Barrens, in Perryville, Missouri. Father Oscar Lukefahr, C.M. is the Director of Catholic Home Study Service.

**University of Dayton** <http://vlc.udayton.edu/> Partnered with Diocese of Atlanta reduced course fee's, The Virtual Learning Community for Faith Formation (VLCFF) is a growing initiative to offer adult religious education and faith formation anytime and anywhere via the internet. The goal is to support the church's professional ministry of religious education and faith formation in cyberspace.

**CATHOLICS COME HOME**

If you are a Catholic that has been away from the church, for any number of reasons, Welcome Home!

Many people who leave the Catholic Church are blessed by the experience of worshipping for a while in another Christian denomination. But some

people come back when they realize that Catholicism has the fullness of truth and grace. The Catholic Church was not founded by a single reformer or historical movement. It is not fragmented by individual interpretation of Scripture. There are thousands of Christian denominations, but only one Catholic Church, which has been guided and protected by the Holy Spirit from generation to generation for some two thousand years. We welcome you back.

**ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL**

This is a hearty thank you to every family that submitted a pledge card to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal during the last two weekends of in-pew commitments. We are very grateful of your generosity, prayerful consideration, and commitment toward this campaign.

This two-week in-pew process was new for the Atlanta Archdiocese, where during those two weeks, nearly 100 parishes in the greater Atlanta area walked through the exact steps we did here at St. Mary Magdalene.

To date, we have received pledge cards from 366 of our parish families, which is a wonderful start. Preliminary figures show that we should exceed our goal in pledges, and in the next several weeks, we will share with you the results of our appeal pledges.

If you have not yet had the opportunity to make your pledge, envelopes are available in the Narthex at the information counter. You may complete the form and drop your pledge off at the office or in the collection baskets at Mass.

Thank you again for your generosity and prayerful consideration of this year's Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

The SMM Archbishop's Annual Appeal Committee

**DISCIPLESHIP INITIATIVE****Discipleship - The First Twelve**

Discipleship is a concept that was born when Jesus Christ hand-selected His first followers. A disciple, by definition, is a convinced adherent of a school or individual. In the case of Jesus, His disciples were those who followed Him while He was on earth, as well as those who continue to follow Him and His teachings today.

Discipleship began, according to John's Gospel, the day after Jesus was baptized (John 1:35-39). According to this passage, the first two men to follow Him heard John the Baptist declare that Jesus was the Lamb of God. Andrew and his friend (most likely John) believed what they heard and followed Jesus. Before long, they were telling others about this amazing Man of God!

Andrew recruited his brother Simon (whom Jesus called Peter); the next day Jesus found Philip in Galilee; Philip found Nathaniel and soon a movement was born. Not everyone came easily or willingly at first. However, before long, Jesus had twelve disciples. Why only twelve? We don't really know that answer, but twelve has become a symbolic number of completion in Scripture. From Jacob came the twelve tribes of Israel, so it's possible this number was intended to represent each tribe.

**AROUND THE PARISH****SECRETARY NEEDED**

St. Vincent de Paul conference of SMM needs a secretary. Anyone who accepts the position will only be responsible to take the minutes of the meeting. No other duties will be required. Please call Lois Bruning 770.599.3106

**MEALS THAT HEAL**

That's what "Mercy Meals is all about". We are calling all "Chefs" who like to cook, to participate in their exciting "behind the scenes" Ministry. Mercy Meals prepares and delivers homemade meals to parishioners recovering from surgery or various levels of trauma to the family. We also provide a small luncheon after the Parish funeral. Whether the recipient's need is temporary or long term, this compassionate outreach is as much about faith and friendship as it is about food. We're here to help. Please do not hesitate to contact Judy Maurer at 770.251.0852. songal@aol.com, to volunteer, or, if you are in need or know of a fellow parishioner who could use our help.

**SMALL FAITH MINISTRY**

SPRING IS ON ITS WAY! Small Faith groups will be continuing its second session in LONGING FOR THE HOLY during the month of March. It is not too late to pick up a registration form which is available in the narthex. Dates and times are flexible according to which ever day or evening session is most convenient for you. Small Faith Ministry would like to welcome all our new members and looking forward to fellowshiping with you and sharing each other's insights. For more information call Marie Donnelly at 770-304-9606 or e-mail her at [nanad1148@aol.com](mailto:nanad1148@aol.com).

**ADVERTISE IN THE BULLETIN**

ATTENTION! NOW IS THE TIME: If you are a Business Owner or a Business Professional who would like to advertise in the Weekly Bulletin. We are putting together the new one for this year. Call Rob De Lorenzo (678) 755-4598. Rob will be at SMM and can be available to meet with you the week of 3/14.

**SVDP NEWS – MARCH COLLECTION**

Special thanks to all of our parishioners for their generosity during the past weekend. For our monthly collection on March 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> your donations totaled \$5,330.00 from all three masses that weekend. Your donations will be used to assist the neediest in our community during this time of tremendous need. We greatly appreciate your continued generosity and for filling our grocery carts.

**SVDP NEWS – FEBRUARY REPORT**

Through your generosity we have been able to aid men, women and children in the Coweta County during the month of February, 2011

Number of home visits	15
Number of people helped	49
Number of times food delivered	11
Number of volunteer hours	88
Volunteer miles driven	654
Amount of money disbursed	\$4,854.46



We are very conscious of our obligation to you to use your donations wisely. More than 90 cents of every dollar donated goes to help the needy. The Vincentian volunteers of St. Mary Magdalene express our gratitude to the parishioners of SMM for their continued support throughout the year, both financially and spiritually. We ask for your continued prayers that we may be able to continue to serve others daily.

**USHERS NEEDED**

Ushers are needed for the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday evenings. Brief training is required and a SMILE is mandatory. If interested, please contact Pete Darcy @ 770.304.0663 [H] or 404.597.7065 [C].

**GRIEF SUPPORT**

Have you lost a loved one recently? Have you had any type of loss? Do you know someone who is hurting from a loss? Any small situation can be a painful reminder of the loss you are feeling. Sharing with others who are feeling the same can help. Come join us on Tuesday evenings, from 7:00 to 8:30. For more information call Patty Clarke at 770.683.8383 or Barbara Stevens at 678.854.9984.

**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 from 7 - 9 pm.

**ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC SCHOOL**

A National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence. Tuition scholarships are available. **Informational coffee dates: Friday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, and Friday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**, from 7:30 am - 10:30 am; please join us. 211 Kirkley Road, Tyrone, GA. Call for more information - 770.306.9026.

**HEALTH FAIR**

Saturday, March 26, 2011 from 8 am - 12 pm at Holy Trinity Catholic Church in Peachtree City. Free medical exams for Breast Cancer, Diabetes, Dental, Vision, HIV, Hearing, Prostate, Spinal Column and much more. All services will be free of charge and translators will be available for those who do speak English. This event is open to everyone and you need not be a member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church to participate. If you desire to be screened for diabetes, it is very important to come in a complete fast. For more information call: 770.487.5352.



**MINISTERS OF CARE AT SCOTTISH RITE**

Should you find yourself in the position of having to stay at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta at Scottish Rite, please be aware that Catholic "ministers of care" from Our Lady of the Assumption visit every Tuesday. A Catholic Communion service is offered in the hospital chapel at 12:10pm. Afterward, ministers are available to visit rooms for those who cannot make it to the service. If you wish to have someone visit your room, please have the chaplain on duty arrange for a visit so that you will be included on the list. For more information, please contact Madeleine Stagliano at 404.314.5499.



## **A little history on your Knights of Columbus Council 12862**

Thanks to the efforts of Father Michael J. McGivney, assistant pastor of St. Mary's Church in New Haven and some of his parishioners, the Connecticut state legislature on March 29, 1882, officially chartered the Knights of Columbus as a fraternal benefit society. The Order is still true to its founding principles of charity, unity and fraternity. Today after 129 years of service we are the Second largest organization in the world.

Sharpsburg Council 12862 was chartered on February 12, 2001 with 44 members. Over the years our membership has grown in excess of 129 members. The organizer and Charter Grand Knight was George Cabral.

Our Council has been a resource on which parish of Saint Mary Magdalene can always rely on, whether cooking burgers or hot dogs at the parish picnic, parking cars, painting, or working on a variety of other parish activities. Our members are active many ministries here. Through our fund raising efforts and your generosity we have donated funds to the Coweta Pregnancy Center, St Vincent de Paul, Our Service men and woman departing from the Atlanta Airport, the Youth Group, and many others

For more information on joining the Knights please contact:

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George Cabral 770-253-8505 [gcabral@charter.net](mailto:gcabral@charter.net)

You can visit our web site [www.sharpsburgknights.org/index.html](http://www.sharpsburgknights.org/index.html)