

St. Mary Our Lady of Ransom Catholic Church

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Ann Boone, Co-Chair
Mary Roberts, Co-Chair
Meets monthly September - May

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Office Hours:
Monday – Thursday
9:00 AM to 5:00 PM
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9:00 AM to 1:00 PM
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SACRAMENTS

Mass:	Saturday	5:00 PM
	Sunday	8:00 AM and 10:00 AM
	Sunday	1:00 PM (Spanish)
	Monday	No Mass
	Tuesday	8:00 AM
Confession:	Wednesday	5:30 PM
	Thursday	8:00 AM
	Friday	8:00 AM
	Saturday	4:15 PM - 4:45 PM
	Sunday	12:15 PM - 12:45 PM
Religious Education:	11:30 AM - 12:45 PM Sunday, Grades 1-12 September-May	

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, January 22, 5:00 PM
 † Elaine Cross
 by Sandy and Colin Peterson

Sunday, January 23, 8:00 AM
 The living and deceased members
 of the Paliotti Family
 by Donna and Mike Saguto

Sunday, January 23, 10:00 AM
 People of the Parish

Sunday, January 23, 1:00 PM
 † Maria Eugenia Pucheta Anteile
 by Maria Pucheta

Monday, January 24
No Mass

Tuesday, January 25, 8:00 AM
 Special intention for
 Barbara and Jim Dumm
 by Mary and Bob Roberts

Wednesday, January 26, 5:30 PM
 Barbara Mahaffey

Thursday, January 27, 8:00 AM
 Special Intention for
 Natalie and Ed Wozniak
 by Mary and Bob Roberts

Friday, January 28, 8:00 AM
 Mary Jo and Paul Karre
 by Julie Stuart Snyder

Saturday, January 29, 5:00 PM
 Carolyn Hicks

Sunday, January 30, 8:00 AM
 The Parisi Family
 by Donna and Mike Saguto

Sunday, January 30, 10:00 AM
 † Maureen Delahunt
 by Nuala Greco

Sunday, January 30, 1:00 PM
 People of the Parish



Pray for the homebound, those in healthcare centers, and those who need your continuous thoughts and prayers:

Barbara Mahaffey, Carolyn Hicks, Betty Barr, Angel Khoury, and James A. Harrelson, III.



Pray for the speedy, or continued, recovery of:

Natalie Wozniak, Ed Wozniak, Jim Lauro, Fred Fisher, Tom Lusby, Carol Lusby, John Yaniga and John Kenny.

Pray for those in our Military:

Jonathan Greene, Brandon Parker, Joseph Fairfield, Sheena McGee, J. Thomas Joseph, Jason A. Schroeder, Tirik Drayton, Jay Rivers, Brian Eduardo Vazquez and Matthew Mathis.

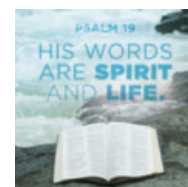
The names on our prayer lists will be printed for three months or less if the prayers are answered. Names on our military list will remain until we are notified by a family member. Please help keep our lists current.

If you would like to add or delete a prayer request, or if you or someone you know is hospitalized or homebound and would like to receive the Eucharist, please call the Parish office at 843-546-7416. **If you want the Prayer Chain to pray for you, please call Faye Altman at 843-546-8301.**



The Catholic Miscellany

If you are a registered parishioner & don't currently receive our Diocesan publication of the awarding-winning Miscellany, please let the office know and we will be glad to send you this monthly publication.



The Knights Corner

"Holy Family Light Our Way in Love and Charity"

Our Council presented Columbus Hope Foundation checks for \$3,442 each to the Special Olympics - Area 9, J.O.Y. School of Pawleys Island and Georgetown County Board of Disabilities and Special Needs at the awards dinner last week. Great job by the Council at far exceeding our target for 2021! Our first drive for 2022 is tentatively set for April 29 - 30, 2022.

Thank you to the many contributors to the monthly Food Pantry project last week. Last year we contributed over 7000 pounds of food throughout the year and we are off and going again this year. Recipients are St. Cyprian Outreach and Georgetown Helping Hands. Plans call for the Food Pantry donations to continue on the third weekend of the month throughout 2022. The next drive will be February 19 - 20, 2022 and donations can be dropped off at St. Mary's narthex at the weekend Masses.

Congratulations to our Council Award Winners for January: Knight of the Month - Brian Clark; Family of the Month - Bob & Neena McMahan; and Altar Server of the Quarter - Diane Macedo.

Jos. M. Ros Council No. 3067 has just mailed our \$500 Seminarian Fund checks to each of our sponsored seminarians: Daniel Perry, studying at St. Vincent Seminary in Latrobe, Pa. and Colin Doering studying at Holy Trinity Seminary in Irvin, TX. Fundraising efforts toward our Seminarian Fund will resume in the coming months. Thank you to all those who continue to contribute toward this great cause!

Parish Support

Beginning this week you will notice a substantial increase to our weekly offertory needed to meet our budget. This is not a typo, we realized a few weeks ago this number has not been updated in a few years. Going forward this number will reflect the amount needed each week in order to meet our annual budget for our 1st collection.

The offertory collection for January 15th and 16th was \$5,444.00. **This includes \$1,220.00 from online giving.** This is \$1,256.00 under our weekly goal of \$6,700.00.

Father Philip Grant Assembly 3272's 4th Degree meets next week (January 27th) at 6 PM at Founders Hall at PBOC in Pawleys Island. They meet the fourth Thursday of each month. A social dinner will follow the meeting. For more information, please contact Brother Colin Peterson at (843)344-9771.

The South Carolina Catholic Men's Conference will be held this year on Saturday, March 5, 2022, at Cardinal Newman High School in Columbia, SC. More information and preregistration can be found online at www.sccatholicmensconf.org.

Shane Goheen, K of C Field Agent, remains available and on call for any insurance and investment needs at (843)457-5757.

The Benefits of Membership

We warmly welcome new members to our parish community! Active membership is determined by regular attendance at Mass, regular use of your envelope to support the Parish, and having a Registration Form on file for at least six months. Various facilities and services are available to active members. Please register with our parish in order to participate in our various programs, ministries and activities. Please either visit our website at www.stmaryourladyofransom.org and complete the form under "Newcomers" or visit the church office and fill out a registration form.

Thank you for worshipping with us!

A Promise to Protect, A Pledge to Heal
Our goal at St Mary remains that the Parish be aware of and support the Safe Environment we seek to foster.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



Weekly Readings

Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10 Ps 19:8-10, 15
1 Cor 12:12-30 Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10 Ps 89:21-22, 25-26 Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: Acts 22:3-16 Ps 117:1bc, 2 Mk 16:15-18

Wednesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 Ps 96:1-3, 7-8a, 10 Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29 Ps 132:1-5, 11-14 Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17 Ps 51:3-7, 11
Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17 Ps 51:12-17 Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19 Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17
1 Cor 12:31-3:13 Lk 4:21-30

PARISH EVENTS



Mass Intentions for 2022 may be arranged by calling the Parish Office at 843-546-7416.

To dedicate Flowers for the Altar for 2022

please contact the Parish Office to confirm names and dates.



Gospel Study Group meets every Wednesday, at 9:30 am in the parish hall. We look forward to seeing you. All are welcome. If you have any questions or know someone who is interested in joining our group, please call Mary Boelke at (843)543-3537.

St. Mary's Altar Society

St. Mary's Altar Society meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month, September through May, at 2 PM in our parish hall. All ladies of the parish are invited to become active members. For more information call Ann Boone (843-235-4094) or Mary Roberts (843-546-4800).

Liturgical Roles

January 29 Saturday 5:00 pm	January 30 Sunday 8:00 am	January 30 Sunday 10:00 am
Lector: J Strenk	B Clark	P Lazzari
Ushers: P Wolfe S Salamon	D/T Corvelli J Joseph T Clarke	S/M Edwards
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Deacon Mike Deacon Mike Deacon Mike		
Altar Servers: D Macedo	C Humphries	D Martinez
Altar Care: A White	MJ Clark	L Ortiz
If you are unable to serve when you are scheduled, please remember to find a substitute.		

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Are you letting Jesus proclaim the good news to you in your marriage? Sign up today to attend one of the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences on Jan 28-30, 2022 in NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, SC and Jun 24-26, 2022 in Beaufort, SC. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website at: <https://SCMarriageMatters.org> or contact us at applications@scmarriagematters.org or 803-810-9602.

Rachel's Vineyard Retreats



Rachel's Vineyard Retreats offers support to anyone who has had an abortion experience and offers them an opportunity to experience compassion and understanding, and to find God's love, forgiveness and mercy in a non-judgmental, confidential setting. For more information and registration please contact Kathy at 803-546-6010 or Christy at 803-554-6088.

grace4healing@gmail.com -- rachelvineyard.org

Recognize God In Your Ordinary Moments

Plant Your Works in the Word

One of the things about Scripture is that even the smallest word and shortest phrase can be critical to the overall message. When you take a quiet moment to rest with the Word, you find how quickly the most mundane sentence can reach out and grab you, pulling you into a deeper contemplation of some truth you hadn't even considered until then.

But we often fail to act as the Israelites in the Book of Nehemiah, standing before the Water Gate "listening attentively." Whether it's at Mass during the Liturgy of the Word or at home poring over the Bible, time after time we find ourselves less mindful than we could be. Our ears accept the sounds of the words and our eyes glance over the shape of the letters.

But are we mindful — truly?

The best answer is hopefully at least sometimes. There are always tasks to be completed, problems weighing on our minds that we can't quite give over to God. We lose ourselves in these things instead of in Scripture. We "clock in" with Bible reading instead of "diving in."

We can never forget that the words of the Lord are spirit and life. They are the soil that quickens the seed of all stewardship. There is no mindfulness, no prayer, no graciousness, no gratitude or accountability or sense of commitment unless there is the Word.

So let us pray today for mindfulness, that our every action will be grounded in the law of God — giving it true spirit and life.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPI

Gospel Meditation

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the "gods" of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us. ~ As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us. ~ Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainly of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

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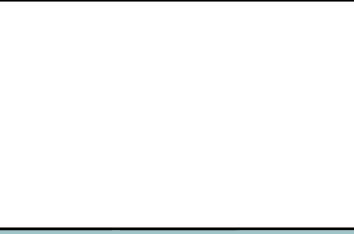
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