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Saturday: 5:30pm
Sunday: 10:00am, 12:30pm (Spanish)

Weekday Masses

Mon., Thu., Fri. 8:00am
Wed. 6:30pm
First Saturday 8:30am

Reconciliation

By appointment or
Saturday 4:45pm - 5:15pm
Sunday 9:15am - 9:45am
Wednesday 5:15pm - 6:15pm
First Saturday 9:15am (following Mass)

Eucharistic Adoration

Mon., Thu., Fri. 1 hour following
the 8:00am Mass
Wed. 5:15pm - 6:15pm

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SEPTEMBER 18, 2022 - TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



The person who is trustworthy in very small matters is also trustworthy in great ones; and the person who is dishonest in very small matters is also dishonest in great ones. (Lk 16:10)

Sacraments

Sacrament of Baptism

Before scheduling an Infant Baptism, both parents are required to attend the Baptismal Preparation Class. Please contact the office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples are required to contact Fr. Thomas Zahuta at least 9 months before they wish to marry, to arrange for instructions and spiritual preparation for the Sacrament.

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick, Last Rites, or Viaticum

Contact: Fr. Thomas Zahuta at ext.105
In case of Sacramental Emergency /
Danger of Death, After hours call
678-523-8281

Communion for the Sick

Please advise the Parish Office of anyone admitted to the hospital or who is homebound and in need of the Ministry to the Infirm.

3594 Barnesville Hwy.

Thomaston, Georgia 30286



Mass Intentions for the Week September 17 - 25, 2022

SATURDAY 5:30 PM	September 17, 2022 Halina Druz
SUNDAY 10:00 AM	September 18, 2022 John Gwizdak †
12:30 PM	For the People of the Parish
MONDAY 8:00 AM	September 19, 2022 Consuelo Cervantes †
WEDNESDAY 6:30 PM	September 21, 2022 Poor Souls in Purgatory
THURSDAY 8:00 AM	September 22, 2022 Eric Jauregui †
FRIDAY 8:00 AM	September 23, 2022
SATURDAY 5:30 PM	September 24, 2022
SUNDAY 10:00 AM	September 25, 2022 Judy Mast †
12:30 PM	For the People of the Parish

Mass Readings for the Week of September 18, 2022

Sunday: Am 8:4-7 Ps 113:1-2, 4-8 1 Tm 2:1-8 Lk 16:1-13 or Lk 16:10-13

Monday: Prv 3:27-34 Ps 15:2-4b, 5 Lk 8:16-18

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13 Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34-35, 44 Lk 8:19-21 see 642A: *is Wis 3:1-9 or Rom 8:31b-39 Lk 9:23-26*

Wednesday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13 Ps 19:2-5 Mt 9:9-13

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17bc Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11 Ps 144:1b, 2abc, 3-4 Lk 9:18-22 see *Lectionary for Mass Supplement. #643A: Gal 2:19-20 Mt 16:24-27*

Saturday: Eccl 11:9—12:8 Ps 90:3-6, 12-14, 17 Lk 9:43b-45

Fall Discernment Mass schedule & Come and See

"The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest." -Luke 10:2

A recent study by the Center for Applied Research in the Apostolate (CARA) places the Archdiocese of Atlanta as the fastest growing Catholic population in the nation. We are blessed with courageous seminarians responding to Lord's call, but there are many more in our pews who need encouragement as they discern God's will for their life. Please pray that more young men respond generously to the Lord's invitation.

If you are one of these men, you are not alone. Join us at our monthly Discernment Masses. These are open to men who are high school seniors and older. You may register at calledbychrist.com/events or by scanning the QR Code below with your smartphone camera:



The dates and location are listed below. The Borromeo House is located at 813 Dalrymple Road, Sandy Springs, Ga 30328.

We also have a seminary visit planned for November 4-6 for men ages 16-25. If you have any questions, please contact me at rpineda@archatl.com or 404-920-7460.

Men's Discernment Mass

Borromeo House

September 10, 10 a.m.
October 15, 10 a.m.
November 12, Cathedral of Christ the King
December 3, 10 a.m.

Fall 2022

Seminary Visit

Nov. 4-6, 2022

Twenty-Sixth Sunday In Ordinary Time Sept. 25, 2022

Reading 1 — Am 6:1a, 4-7

Thus says the LORD the God of hosts: Woe to the complacent in Zion! Lying upon beds of ivory, stretched comfortably on their couches, they eat lambs taken from the flock, and calves from the stall! Improvising to the music of the harp, like David, they devise their own accompaniment. They drink wine from bowls and anoint themselves with the best oils; yet they are not made ill by the collapse of Joseph! Therefore, now they shall be the first to go into exile, and their wanton revelry shall be done away with.

Responsorial Psalm — Ps 146:7, 8-9, 10

R. (1b) Praise the Lord, my soul!

Reading 2 — 1 Tm 6:11-16

But you, man of God, pursue righteousness, devotion, faith, love, patience, and gentleness. Compete well for the faith. Lay hold of eternal life, to which you were called when you made the noble confession in the presence of many witnesses. I charge you before God, who gives life to all things, and before Christ Jesus, who gave testimony under Pontius Pilate for the noble confession, to keep the commandment without stain or reproach until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ that the blessed and only ruler will make manifest at the proper time, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, and whom no human being has seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal power. Amen.

Alleluia — Cf. 2 Cor 8:9

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Though our Lord Jesus Christ was rich, he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

R. Alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel — Lk 16:19-31

Jesus said to the Pharisees: "There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores. When the poor man died, he was carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried, and from the netherworld, where he was in torment, he raised his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus at his side. And he cried out, 'Father Abraham, have pity on me. Send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am suffering torment in these flames.' Abraham replied, 'My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established to prevent anyone from crossing who might wish to go from our side to yours or from your side to ours.' He said, 'Then I beg you, father, send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they too come to this place of torment.' But Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets. Let them listen to them.' He said, 'Oh no, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.' Then Abraham said, 'If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded if someone should rise from the dead.'"

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Peter the Rock!

Every first Friday of the month beginning Oct. 7th through Oct. 8th. Sign up for one hour with our Eucharistic Lord! *In the Eucharist, the Son of God comes to meet us and desires to become one with us; eucharistic adoration is simply the natural consequence of the eucharistic celebration, which is itself the Church's supreme act of adoration.* (Pope Benedict XVI)





POLITICAL UPDATE from the Archdiocesan Respect Life Ministry
 Since the release of the Supreme Court's decision in Dobbs v. Jackson, which overturned Roe v.

Wade, Congress has been taking up legislative proposals like the misnamed Womens' Health Protection Act to redefine abortion as a basic right, eliminate conscience protections for healthcare workers, and end restrictions on government funding for abortion.

Meanwhile, Congress has taken no action on measures endorsed by the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) to build up a culture of life, including the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act, an expanded child tax credit (covering pregnant moms), the Adoption Tax Credit Refundability Act, and a federal paid family leave policy.

After President Biden signed two executive orders promoting abortion, Baltimore Archbishop William Lori, head of the USCCB's Pro-Life Committee, remarked that "continued promotion of abortion takes lives and irreparably harms vulnerable pregnant mothers, their families and society. It is the wrong direction to take at the moment when we should be working to support women and to build up a culture of life. I continue to call on the President and all our elected officials to increase support and care to mothers and babies, rather than facilitate the destruction of defenseless, voiceless human beings."

INCOME FY 2022-2023	
Weekly offertory <i>week ending Sept. 4th</i>	\$3,269
Weekly budget	\$3,304
over/(under)	(\$35)

10th Marian Eucharistic Conference will be held on Friday, October 28 - Saturday, October 29 at the Hilton Hotel in Greenville.

Our featured speakers include:

Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS; Fr. Chris Alar, MIC; Dr. Edward Sri; Fr. Thomas Petri, OP, STB, STL, STD; Fr. Christopher Smith, STD/Ph.D., KHS.

Dr. Michael Barber, Augustine Institute
 General admission is \$105, youth is \$65, and it includes dinner on Friday and lunch on Saturday.

Registered by October 15 by mail.

Registration after October 15: \$115

We offer gluten-free meals.

For more information, go to <http://www.meconferencesc.net>

Donations to assist relief efforts in Pakistan

Devastating floods in Pakistan have displaced more than 2 million people, and nearly 1,000 people are reported to have died. With bridges, shops and city infrastructure damaged, communities face challenges in accessing help and having the means to rebuild and recover. CRS and partners are providing immediate cash assistance, and plan to expand support to include access to emergency shelter and clean water. Please consider donating today to support these efforts: <https://support.crs.org/donate/pakistan-crisis>
 For more information on the work of Catholic Relief Services, please contact me at jhoffacker@archatl.com or 404-920-7898.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GEORGIA SECOND COLLECTION

Today's second collection is for St. Vincent de Paul Georgia. Last year, with more than 5,000 volunteers and a dedicated central support staff, St. Vincent de Paul delivered hope and help more than 116,000 people in need. This second collection is special because each dollar raised goes not only to helping people in our parish area but also across the state. Our gifts to this collection go directly to provide emergency shelter, food, clothing and educational resources to those experiencing hardship and crisis with the ultimate goal of achieving self-sufficiency. We can, like Christ, serve the poorest of the poor among us through our wholehearted support of St. Vincent de Paul Georgia. Please be generous.

CCC — ARTICLE 8 THE EIGHTH COMMANDMENT—V. The Use of the Social Communications Media

2493 Within modern society the communications media play a major role in information, cultural promotion, and formation. This role is increasing, as a result of technological progress, the extent and diversity of the news transmitted, and the influence exercised on public opinion.

2494 The information provided by the media is at the service of the common good.285 Society has a right to information based on truth, freedom, justice, and solidarity: (1906)

The proper exercise of this right demands that the content of the communication be true and—within the limits set by justice and charity—complete. Further, it should be communicated honestly and properly. This means that in the gathering and in the publication of news, the moral law and the legitimate rights and dignity of man should be upheld.286

2495 “It is necessary that all members of society meet the demands of justice and charity in this domain. They should help, through the means of social communication, in the formation and diffusion of sound public opinion.”287 Solidarity is a consequence of genuine and right communication and the free circulation of ideas that further knowledge and respect for others. (906)

2496 The means of social communication (especially the mass media) can give rise to a certain passivity among users, making them less than vigilant consumers of what is said or shown. Users should practice moderation and discipline in their approach to the mass media. They will want to form enlightened and correct consciences the more easily to resist unwholesome influences. (2525)

2497 By the very nature of their profession, journalists have an obligation to serve the truth and not offend against charity in disseminating information. They should strive to respect, with equal care, the nature of the facts and the limits of critical judgment concerning individuals. They should not stoop to defamation.

2498 “Civil authorities have particular responsibilities in this field because of the common good.... It is for the civil authority... to defend and safeguard a true and just freedom of information.”288 By promulgating laws and overseeing their application, public authorities should ensure that “public morality and social progress are not gravely endangered” through misuse of the media.289 Civil authorities should punish any violation of the rights of individuals to their reputation and privacy. They should give timely and reliable reports concerning the general good or respond to the well-founded concerns of the people. Nothing can justify recourse to disinformation for manipulating public opinion through the media. Interventions by public authority should avoid injuring the freedom of individuals or groups. (2237, 2286)

2499 Moral judgment must condemn the plague of totalitarian states which systematically falsify the truth, exercise political control of opinion through the media, manipulate defendants and witnesses at public trials, and imagine that they secure their tyranny by strangling and repressing everything they consider “thought crimes.” (1903)

285 Cf. IM 11. 286 IM 5 § 2. 287 IM 8. 288 IM 12. 289 IM 12 § 2.

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