

ST. TERESA'S CHURCH
ALBANY, GEORGIA

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PARISH CENTER

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8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday ~ Friday

Pastor: Reverend Finbarr P. Stanton
Parochial Vicar: Reverend Stephen Pontzer
Deacon: Reverend Mr. Jay Dallas
Parish Coordinator: Mona McArdle
Finance Manager: Martha Thompson
Care Minister: Regina Campbell
Religious Education Director: Sylvia Szpak
CYM Coordinators: Mark and Liz Lowe
Music Minister: David Collins
Parish Council President: Dr. Michael Aquadro

School 436-0134

Principal: Mary Lou Gamache

Book & Gift Store 888-0046

Open after Sunday Masses

St. Clare's Center 883-2566

Director: Sister Maura Molloy

Neighbors in Need 883-2872

Director: Sister Veronica Weygand

Assistant Director: Tina Appollonio

Rectory Father Stanton 432-0891

Father Pontzer 436-1941

Prayer Line 436-2518 or 435-6648

Weekday Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday (Old St. Teresa's) 12:00 noon

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 5:30 p.m.

Sunday 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Spanish Mass ~ 1:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30-5:15 p.m.

Newcomers: Please register at Parish Center

Marriage: Four months' notice necessary

Baptisms: By appointment with Priest

Nursery: Provided at all weekend Masses

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings

Sirach 35:12-14, 16-18

2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18

Luke 18:9-14

The Grace of Humility

*"He then addressed this parable
to those who were convinced of their own righteousness
and despised everyone else."*

Luke 18:9

Today we have a description of two kinds of people. The first is a portrayal of one who is full of self, puffed up with pride, conceited, judgmental, arrogant, lacking in compassion and filled with contempt for other followers of Jesus. There is no awareness here for the need of God's mercy. Sounds a bit like the job description of a sinner!

The second person depicts one who is empty of self, sorrowful, repentant and aware of shortcomings, filled with the beautiful truth of humility. This one is fully aware of the need for mercy and is able to humbly express that need. Sounds like a job description of a liberated sinner, a saint!

Although I am reasonably certain which of these two people you would like to be, there is probably a little of each residing in the shadows of our lives.

*O merciful One, who desires my heart,
give me the grace of humility.*

Sister Macrina Weiderkehr, O.S.B.

Living Faith

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24

Choir Practice ~ 7:45 a.m. for 8:30 a.m. Mass
 10:00 a.m. for 11:00 a.m. Mass
 Religious Education & Confirmation classes
 ~ 9:30 a.m., school
 Bible Study ~ 9:45 a.m., Parish Activity Center
 Spanish Mass ~ 1:00 p.m.
 RCIA ~ 2:00 p.m.
 Youth Mass ~ 5:30 p.m.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 25

Craft Group ~ 10:00 a.m., Conference Room
 Parish Council meeting ~ 7:00 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26

Prison Ministry for Calhoun & Lee County Prisons

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27

Sr. High CYM ~ 6:30 p.m., Parish Activity Center
 School Bingo ~ 7:30 p.m., K. of C. Hall

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28

MOMS Group ~ 9:15 a.m.-12:00 noon, Nursery
 Choir Practice ~ 7:00 p.m., Music Room

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

Birthright Bake Sale ~ after 5:30 p.m. Mass

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

Birthright Bake Sale
 ~ after 8:30 & 11:00 a.m. Masses
 Choir Practice ~ 7:45 a.m. for 8:30 a.m. Mass
 10:00 a.m. for 11:00 a.m. Mass
 Bible Study ~ 9:45 a.m., Parish Activity Center
 Religious Education & Confirmation classes
 ~ 9:30 a.m., school
 Spanish Mass ~ 1:00 p.m.
 RCIA ~ 2:00 p.m.
 Middle School CYM ~ 5:00 p.m.

Priesthood Sunday is October 31

This special day has been set aside to honor the priesthood in the United States. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the central role of the priesthood in the life of the Church.

In the wake of the clergy sex abuse scandal, there has been concern that the image of all priests has been tainted by the actions of a few. Priesthood Sunday sends a message to all that the sins of a few do not reflect the innocent majority, and that the parish priest, as the instrument of God's ministry on earth, is loved and respected by those in the parish community.

So whether it is an invitation to dinner, a card or note of appreciation or just saying "Thank you, Father" after Mass, don't let this opportunity go by without taking a moment to say thanks to these men who have so generously and faithfully committed their lives to serve the Lord and the people of God.

Excerpts from Peter Paolucci's article
The Southern Cross, October 14, 2010



Altar Flowers

*... are given this weekend
 by John & Kathy Stroyls
 in memory of
 Alfred Walker.*

MASS INTENTIONS ~ October 23-29, 2010

Saturday, October 23

5:30 p.m. + MATT & STELLA KIRSCH

(Donna Myler & Family)

Sunday, October 24 ~ 30th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

For the People of St. Teresa's Parish

+ ZOILA PINEDA

(Dick & Belinda Hayden)

Monday, October 25

8:30 a.m. + LOUISE MURPHY

(Raymond Murphy)

Tuesday, October 26

8:30 a.m. + MAURICIO CHACON

(Ana Salas)

Wednesday, October 27

12:00 noon + BERTHA SPROUL

(Joseph & Ann Caldeira)

Thursday, October 28 ~ ST. SIMON & ST. JUDE

8:30 a.m. Special Intention

(Cahill Family)

Friday, October 29

8:30 a.m. + SUSAN STETTER

(Family and Friends)

For All Saints and All Souls

All Saints Day is November 1. It is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year, since it falls on Monday. Mass will be celebrated at 8:30 a.m. for the opportunity to remember the vast communion of saints who have preceded us.
All Souls' Day is on Tuesday, November 2 and will be celebrated at Mass at 10:00 a.m. The deceased members of our parish and your loved ones will be remembered. The Book of the Dead will be in the church next weekend and you are invited to write in the names of those to be remembered.

Congratulations

... to our newly elected Parish Council members: **Richard Hayden, Ronald Goodwin and Michael Leach**. We thank them and the other three candidates for their willingness to serve.

All Treats and No Tricks

In celebration of the Feast of All Saints, you are invited to be treated by our Religious Education students on Sunday, October 31. They ask you to join them **after** the 8:30 a.m. Mass and **before** the 11:00 a.m. Mass to hear the stories about some of the windows in our Church and the Map in the Gathering Area. Please make plans to join them and renew your appreciation for the treasures we have.

Birthright Bake Sale ~ Next Weekend

After all Masses on Saturday and Sunday, October 30 and 31, delicious homemade cakes, cookies, pies and breads will be available.
 To our friends who just love to bake ~ why not start today and put aside your goodies in the freezer? Whatever you do best and would like to donate for the sale is always appreciated.

Your donations may be delivered on Friday, October 29 to the Birthright Office from 9 a.m. until noon or to the Parish office from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. ... or if you prefer, just bring them to the Mass you attend next weekend.

Neighbors in Need

... is beginning Thanksgiving preparations earlier this year since the need is greater. As usual, we will need non-perishables like stuffing mix, corn-bread muffin mix, mashed potatoes, canned sweet potatoes, vegetables and cranberry sauce. We will also count on your good will to donate turkeys in November. God bless you for your generosity!

Thank you

... to all who celebrated with our parish school to make our 65th Anniversary so very special. The "Flying Nuns" were very impressed and grateful for the opportunity to be here.

... to all who made our Parish Picnic so enjoyable ~ the Parish Life committee, Knights of Columbus, youth and adults from our CYM programs, and especially to you, our parishioners, for being there with your joyful spirits. Your desserts were delicious and your generous food donations for Neighbors in Need are appreciated.



THE YOUTH SCENE

Sunday Morning Religious Education Classes

... for children in grades pre-K through 8 meet from 9:30 until 10:45 a.m. in our parish school.

Confirmation Classes

... for high school students in grades 9-12 also meet at 9:30 on Sunday mornings.

TEEN MASS ~ SUNDAY, 10/24 @ 5:30 p.m.

Sr. High CYM

... for 9th -12th graders will meet this Wednesday, 10/27 ~ 6:30 until 8 p.m. in the Parish Activity Center for "Martyred Saints in the Cemetery."

Middle School CYM

... 6th, 7th & 8th graders will meet this Sunday, 10/24, following the 5:30 p.m. Teen Mass. Come and Light the "Fire!" from 6:30 until 7:30 p.m. and enjoy some pizza! St. Teresa's School

BINGO ~ Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.
 at the Knights of Columbus Hall
\$1000 JACKPOT!!

Invitamos a nuestra comunidad Hispana a venir a celebrar la Santa Misa el este domingo 24 de octubre a la 1:00 p.m.

Vamos a celebrar la santa Misa en Espanol todos los domingos a la 1:00 p.m.

Por favor, ven y unite a nuestra celebracion de la Misa y los Sacramentos.

We invite our Hispanic community to come and celebrate the Eucharist on Sunday, October 24 at 1:00 p.m.

We will be celebrating Mass in Spanish every Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

Please come and unite with us in celebrating the Mass and the Sacraments.

ST. TERESA'S PARISH ASSESSED \$9,000!

Perhaps you didn't notice the subscription envelope enclosed with the September 30 issue of the *Southern Cross*. And perhaps that's why only \$1,415 has been received for subscriptions. As in past years, each parish is assessed by the Diocese for 50% of registered households ~ and St. Teresa's assessment is over \$9,000!

So please return your envelope this week with the \$20 payment for your annual subscription. If you didn't receive an envelope in the mail or didn't take a bulletin home with you last weekend with an envelope enclosed, use one of the extras from the gathering area of the church. These envelopes may also be used for gift subscriptions for family and friends away at college or in the military . . . or for those who have moved away and enjoy keeping up with our parish and diocese.

Your \$20 subscription will deliver 45 issues, presenting a Catholic perspective on current events. You will enjoy reading all that's happening in our diocese, our country and the world, and how these happenings shape our Catholic lives. So please support our diocesan newspaper and save your parish thousands of dollars!

**World Mission Sunday
~ This Weekend**

On October 23/24, 2010, Catholics around the world gather at the Eucharist around the table of the Lord, to pray for the Church's missionary work. Just as our young church here in the U.S. received support in the 19th century from Catholics of Europe through the Society of the Propagation of Faith, so too the growing churches in the developing world today require financial help.

Please participate in this "Eucharistic Celebration for all the World" through prayer, receiving the Sacraments and a generous donation. A special envelope is included in your offertory packet.

Readings ~ Sunday, October 31, 2010



Wisdom 11:22-12:2
2 Thessalonians 1:11-2:2
Luke 19:1-10

**+ Sacrificial Giving +
October 17, 2010**

Offertory	\$15,868.10
Southern Cross	\$565.00
<i>(October 2010 Southern Cross total through 10/17/10 ~ \$1,415.05)</i>	
Building/Development	\$760.00
<i>(October 2010 Building Fund Total through 10/17/10 ~ \$5,402.00.)</i>	

Thank you.

Albany Community Hospice

. . . is offering a free holiday seminar to the community on Tuesday, November 2 at 6:30 p.m. at Willson Hospice House. "**Surviving the Holidays**" is a special program with a panel who have first-hand knowledge of surviving the holidays after the loss of a loved one.

Anyone interested in learning more about this topic is invited, especially those who have lost a loved one or those who are supporting someone who has suffered a loss.

Please call 312-7050 for more information.

The Knights at The Fair ~ October 26-31

Once again this year, the Knights of Columbus will have a food booth at the Exchange Club Fair, offering the best hot dogs, hamburgers, drinks and more! Stop by and support the many charities which benefit from the Knights' generosity.

Would you like to own a Jaguar XJ6?

Stop by our other booth at the fair and buy a raffle ticket. Drawing is on December 17 and the Jag is on display on the front lawn of the Knights Hall on Gillionville Road.

Catholics Come Home

. . . is the name of our outreach to fallen-away Catholics.. First, there will be a media campaign, running from December 16 through January. Commercials will be seen on most TV stations, inviting people to come back home to the Catholic Church. Second, our own parish will gear up to welcome people back right here in our own faith community.

You will hear much more about this in the coming weeks. All of us are going to need to talk a lot more about our faith, act like the good Catholics we are, and not be afraid of inviting people back.

We are the Catholic Church, blessed by God and ready to welcome "the lost sheep." (Luke 15)

Ministry Schedules ~ October 30/31, 2010

ALTAR SERVERS

5:30 p.m. N & E Meier, J DeMott
8:30 a.m. M Cerrone, H Takash, MJ Chupuico
11:00 a.m. T Hardison, C Long, C Dunbar

LECTORS

5:30 p.m. J & G Wolfe
8:30 a.m. F & P Middleton
11:00 a.m. J & C McCabe

COMMUNION MINISTERS

5:30 p.m. B & C Otruba, E & J Meier, G Ledwitch, P Crawford, O LeBlanc
8:30 a.m. H McDole, P Gatlin, W Bais, W Cowan, J & K Fields, R & J Baughman
11:00 a.m. T Hockert, N Dallas, C Kinjerski, K Hardison, D Drahush, T & D Mazur, D Donaldson