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Happy Mother's Day!

Masses:

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 P.M.
Sunday: 7:45 A.M. and 10:30 A.M.
Holy Days: 7:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M.

Confession:

Saturday: 2:30-3:30 P.M. or by appointment

Weekday Mass (Chapel):

Wednesday: 6:00 P.M.
Thursday and Friday: 8:30 A.M.
First Saturday: 9:00 A.M.

Office Hours:

Tuesday through Friday: 8:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.
The Church office closed on Monday.
Emergency: Father Culotta: 980-1810 #2 or 408-2766

Chapel Open for Prayer

Monday through Thursday: 6:00 A.M. – 7:00 P.M.
Friday: 6:00 A.M. – 3:30 P.M.
First Friday Exposition: 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 Noon

Marriage Requirements at least six months in advance:

Meet with Father Culotta @ 980-1810, ext. #2
Visit wedding link on Website prior to meeting

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	Mary Catherine Schroeder	

Mass Intentions

- Mon. May. 9 - 10:30 A.M. at Somerby
Retirement Community*
- Wed. May. 11- 6:00 P.M. - Don & Donna Gels*
- Thurs. May. 12 - 8:30 A.M. - Bill Burres (S.I.)*
- Fri. May. 13 - 8:30 A.M. - Jean Funk*
- Sat. May. 14 - 4:00 P.M. - Sam Ferlisi*
- Sun. May. 15 - 7:45 A.M. - Walter Rygiel*
- Sun. May. 15- 10:30 A.M. - People of the Parish*

Weekly Readings

- 9 Mon - Acts 19:1-8/Jn 16:29-33
- 10 Tue - Acts 20:17-27/Jn 17:1-11a
- 11 Wed - Acts 20:28-38/Jn 17:11b-19
- 12 Thu - Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Jn 17:20-26
- 13 Fri - Acts 25:13b-21/Jn 21:15-19
- 14 Sat - Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Jn 15:9-17 (564)
- 15 SUN - *Pentecost*
- Acts 2:1-11/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or
Rom 8:8-17/Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 14:15-16, 23b-26

<u>Financial Information</u>			
May 1, 2016			
(Budgeted)	(Actual)	(YtDBdgt)	(YtDActual)
Collection: \$25,921	\$23,096	\$582,220	\$563,386
Current Parish Debt			
\$2,190,725			

Join us in extending a warm welcome to our new bookkeeper, Tana Bisch, who joined the Saint Mark staff last week. We also want to thank Sharon Zaleski who has helped with the accounting needs of the Parish until now, and wish her the best with her future endeavors at the Diocese.

Next week special Second Collection for St. John Vianney Residence for Priests

FIRST COMMUNION



Next Saturday, May 14th, our second graders will receive their First Communion during the 4:00 pm Mass. Join us to celebrate this happy day with them and their families, and reserve a special prayer for these children during their first encounter with the Body of Christ.

Next week is the Celebration of Pentecost.
WEAR RED!!

Supper Club

Saint Mark's Supper Club is open to all adults. We meet at a local restaurant for dinner and socializing. It's a wonderful way to meet your fellow parishioners and share a meal. Our upcoming supper will be held at Carrabba's on 280 by Target's. We'll meet at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, May 14. Each person is responsible for paying for their own meal. Contact for reservations is Cathy Johnson at pilgrimta@att.net, or call 266-9685. Deadline for reservations is Thursday, May 12.

Youth

There will be no Youth meetings this Sunday May 8th due to Mother's Day. All youth should instead show their mothers some love and make sure they have a happy Mother's Day.

The Youth Groups will have two more meetings before we begin the summer. On May 15th, we'll meet as separate groups BLAST from 5:00-6:30 and JCrew from 6:00-7:30 pm. At these meetings the Rising 6th Graders (current 5th) are invited to attend BLAST and the Rising 9th Graders (current 8th) are invited to attend JCrew as we recap the past school year and I offer some short parting words for the summer.

At our final meeting of the 2015-16 school year both groups will meet together for a special Summer Vacation Kickoff Cook Out. This will be from 5:00-8:00 pm and will have more information coming soon!

June 7th will be the annual Youth Work Day with the Greene County Mission and this year we will be providing the lunch for all of the workers that day as well. This is a great opportunity to serve the people of Greene County and to maybe experience something new as we work on these homes. This is an all day trip with us leaving the Church at 6:00 am and returning around 5:00 pm (we work from 8-3 with lunch roughly at noon).

There are still a couple of open spots for all 8th-12th graders to attend a week of Summer Camp at Covecrest Camp in Tiger, GA. This is a Life Teen Catholic Church camp that gives high school youth the opportunity to experience their faith in a way that they may never have before. The focus of this week of camp will be for the youth to grow in their relationship with Jesus through an emphasis on the Eucharist and other Sacraments as well as growing together in our parish youth community. The cost for this is \$325 and includes room in a climate controlled bunk house, all meals (except for when we are traveling), all activities including but not limited to swimming, team building, ropes course, and white water rafting. Please contact Daniel Henninger at stmarkyouth@bellsouth.net or 205-980-1810 for more information.

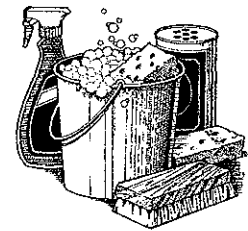
Summer Mission Project

Greene County: Located in West Central Alabama, is the poorest and the least populated county in the state with over 9,000 individuals with 34% below the poverty level.

THIS YEAR's service: Saturday, June 4th

Monday - Friday, June 6th - 10th

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On Tuesday our Youth Group joins us.

On Wednesday we begin with an 8:00 am Mass

Will you join us this year for a day?

Registration table is available after Mass on May 7/8 and 14/15

Heading to the lake, beach or chilling out at home on Memorial Day?

Let the Knights of Columbus handle the work for your holiday barbecue.

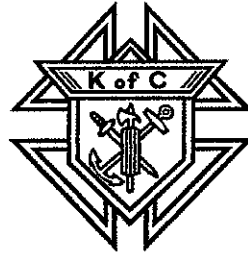
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In this Year of Mercy, Pope Francis has recommended all Catholics read Dante's Divine Comedy. EWTN will offer a DVD study on the trilogy this summer.

These are a Catholic Courses taught by Professor Anthony Esolen of Providence College.

The 4-part study of the first book, "Inferno," begins on Thursday, May 19 at 7pm. For full details please see EpiphanyStudies.blogspot.com or contact Mark McCoy at (205) 661-3693 or EpiphanyStudies@gmail.com.

Women of Saint Mark

Join us on the patio for a Celebration!



IT IS 5 O'CLOCK SOMEWHERE...

Tuesday, May 17th 6:30-8:30 PM

Please bring a snack or hors d'oeuvre, we will supply the wine!

Liturgical Schedule	Saturday, May 14 ^h 4:00 pm	Sunday, May 15 ^h 7:45 am	Sunday, May 15 ^h 10:30 am
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Rebecca Blythe, Cathy Johnson Sonny Jones, Pat Kantaris Jose Marrero, JoAnne Rixey Cheryl Shader, Larry Swetonic 1 UNASSIGNED	Annamarie DiChara, Tony Inzinna Theresa LoMonaco, Sammy Romano Theresa Romano	Eleanora Castagnetta, John Elkourie Malynda Guarisco, Janet Haines Leonard Mueninghoff, Bonnie Murphy Joe Scotch, Tom Slonneger Heidi Swanson
Mass Coordinators	Mike & Pat Kantaris	Sammy & Theresa Romano	David & Eleanora Castagnetta
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Ushers	Mike Burns, Connie Bailey Thom Berry, Giovanni Garza 1 UNASSIGNED	Kurt Friend, Wayne Gwaltney Michael Rall, Faye Valencia	Milene Panzica, Kevin Camp Rachel Camp, Emma Stephens Mary Grace Tucker
Altar Servers	Elliot Marrero Ethan Lee, Grant Rakers Matthew Marquet, Robert Marquet	Jonathan Chestang Justin Chestang, Jessica Heberlein Tilly Gwaltney, Laura Valderrama	Cooper Gray Mary Caroline Gray, Amalia Trujillo Valino Luke Arrington, Tanner Gray
Greeters	Joanne Angell, Larry Angell Connie Bailey, Zuseth Fernandez	Anthony Cuicchi Diane Cuicchi	Peter Bibbo, Sandee Rhodes Brenda Slonneger 1 UNASSIGNED
Altar Linens	Gerri Elkourie		
Cantors	Allison Creel	Susan Richards	Susan Richards

The Padre Pio Prayer Group will meet on Saturday, May 21st at 10am at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in Homewood. All parishioners from the Birmingham Diocese are invited to join us in prayer! For more information contact Angela Kolar at 991-9554.

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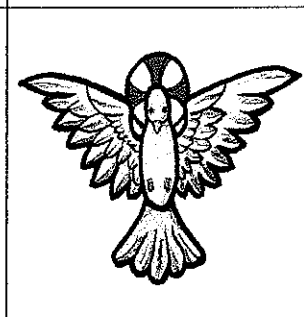


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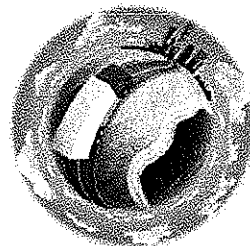
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