



Our Lady Star of the Sea

CATHOLIC CHURCH
THE HOLY SITE FOR THE
2025 JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE

SAINT MARYS, GA

Saint
Francis of Assisi
Catholic Mission



FOLKSTON, GA



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Holy Rosary
30 minutes prior to Mass

First Fridays Mass
8:00 AM at Historic Chapel

Fridays Eucharistic Adoration
5:30 PM - 7:30 PM



OLSS SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 PM
(except on Holy Saturday)
Sunday 11:00 AM

OLSS DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Monday No Service
Tuesday 5:30 PM
Wednesday - Friday 8:00 AM

SFOA SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8:30 AM

SFOA DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

Wednesday.....6:00 PM

OLSS CONFESSIONS

Saturdays 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
30 Minutes before Mass
or by appointment

SFOA CONFESSIONS

30 minutes before Mass
or by appointment

WELCOME, VISITORS!

We extend a warm welcome to the individuals and families who are celebrating with us today. We invite you to register with our Parish Family. You can fill out a registration form online or find one in the narthex.

MASS INTENTIONS

Offering Mass for a special Intention is a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church. It is usually considered that special graces are obtained for whom the Mass is said. Masses are offered for many reasons: for the souls in purgatory, in remembrance for someone who is deceased, or in honor of a birthday or anniversary. If you would like to have a Mass said for someone, go to the Parish Office to get on the schedule. Cards are then given to you so that you can mail them to whomever you choose to so they may also participate in the Mass. The stipend or offering given, **(\$10 or more)** signifies the sacrificial nature of giving of something of yourself to associate more intimately with Christ who offers himself in the Eucharist.

MASS INTENTIONS

07/05/25 - Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM Mass

+ *Feller Family*

07/06/25 - XIV SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 AM - (St. Francis Mission)

Pro Populo / For the People

11:00 AM - (Our Lady Star of the Sea)

+ *Barry King*

07/07/25 - Monday: NO MASS

07/08/25 - Tuesday: 5:00 PM Adoration follow by Mass

07/09/25 - Wednesday:

NO 8:00 AM Mass at OLSS

6:00 PM Mass at OLSS

NO 6:00 PM Mass at SFOA

07/10/24 - Thursday: 8:00 AM Mass

+ *Eugene Hickman*

07/11/24 - Friday: 8:00 AM Mass

5:30 PM Eucharistic Adoration

07/12/24 - Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM Mass

Pro populo / For the People

07/13/24 - XV SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 AM (St. Francis Mission)

+ *Arleta Dawson*

11:00 AM (Our Lady Star of the Sea)

+ *Marguerita Maldonado*

*From the
Pastor's
Desk*



For those families requesting a Letter of good standing, participation letter from the office for school registrations, Sacraments, Godparent verification, etc. you must meet the following criteria;

1. Be officially registered in our parish for at least six months. Considerations will be taken for military families new to the parish and will be addressed on case-by-case basis.
2. Be in good standing which means you and your family regularly attend Mass and contribute to our offertory program. You must use your assigned envelope/giving number for these donations to be recorded properly. We understand that sometimes people are unable to give to the parish; however, placing your envelope even if its empty in the basket helps us determine that someone is in fact participating in the life of a parish.
3. If you have moved away and are not actively participating in our parish life, and if we have not seen you at mass for weeks and months, we may be unable to issue you with the above mentioned documents. Additionally, your standing within the parish may differ from those who consistently attend and share with our community their Time, Talent and Treasure.

Sacrament of Baptism in OLSS

A newborn child should be baptized within the first few months of life. A child who has reached the age of kindergarten should receive some basic instruction/preparation before reception of the Sacrament. In order to have a child baptized at Our Lady Star of the Sea, at least one parent must be a practicing Catholic, and registered in the OLSS Parish. A child to be baptized should normally have two Godparents, a male and a female. In order to serve as a Godparent, a person must be a practicing Roman Catholic, fully initiated, and at least sixteen years of age. A Godparent must supply a letter from his/her proper pastor indicating suitability to serve as a Godparent for Baptism. Parents are asked to attend a Baptism Preparation Class which lasts approximately one hour.

Sacrament of Marriage in OLSS

Those preparing for the Sacrament of Marriage need to contact the church office for a list of instructions at least six months in advance of the anticipated wedding date. Definite plans for a particular date should not be made until such contact has been completed. Only when a priest or deacon has decided that he will officiate at the marriage, will a definite date be set. There is a requirement for marriage preparation classes. Options for these will be discussed when you meet with the priest or deacon you have chosen as your celebrant

THE MARKS OF JESUS

Too much ink has been spilt already deciphering the “marks” Saint Paul bore on his body. Was he the first recorded stigmatic? The consensus is: highly improbable. His metaphor makes perfect sense without lobbing on that phenomenon. Paul contradicts the emphasis of his own religious training on circumcision by insisting that the marks he's earned in Christ outrank it. And considering his arrests, beatings, flogging, and a stoning, the marks on Paul were visually impressive enough.

The Body of Christ continues to bear many marks, among them four of a more cheerful nature. "One, holy, catholic, and apostolic" are the official marks of the church. You know it's church when these four attributes are present. Unity is present in the source, Jesus himself, before anyone does a thing to confirm or contradict it. Yet the church must also demonstrate unity, the precious gift squandered each time a group of unhappy Christians splinters off to attempt church elsewhere. By definition we can't be church that way. In forfeiting our unity, we lose our identity, for the Body of Christ needs all its parts to function effectively in the world.

Second, church is holy. We see this aspect most persuasively in the lives of saints but also in all the sanctifying signs: sacraments, worship, prayer, religious life. Most of all, the church's holiness is manifest in the charity of its members: "See how these Christians love one another!"

Third, the church is catholic. Not merely with a capital C as the Church of Rome is known but also the small-c community of believers who espouse our universal mission across time, culture, and all petty differences. The church belongs to the world, not only to its members. Our mission is for the human race and not only for Catholics who share its ideology and enjoy its tangible benefits.

Finally, the church is apostolic, founded on the witness of the apostles, which continues to be shared through a faithfully transmitted creed.

Luke betrays his early catholicity in the story of the 72 disciples. Expanding on Matthew's mission of the 12 apostles, Luke sends out a greater number symbolically representing not only Israel's 12 tribes but the Table of Nations from Genesis 10 as well.

This gospel is for all people, and the ministries of the church—healing, teaching, preaching—are not intended for insiders. These disciples show their unity by traveling in pairs, revealing their holiness in not jostling for better homes and finer meals. Their apostolic nature is obvious: They are sent by Jesus and return to him faithfully. If we want to know how well a parish or other faith community is mirroring "real church," we need only check to see if the marks of Christ are as visible on us.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Leslie Danyelle Perez

Anthony Petty

God our Father, your Son accepted our sufferings to teach us the virtue of patience in human illness. Hear the prayers we offer for our sick brothers and sisters. May all who suffer pain, illness, or disease realize that they have been chosen to be saints and know that they are joined to Christ in his suffering for the salvation of the world. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY



**BRIAN BORIA,
SEAN CREO,
BRITTANY HUGHES,
SHANE MILLER,
KAMDEN OLSEN,
ALEX FRANQUES,
ROBERT FRANQUES JR**



JOIN US FOR THE JUBILEE YEAR OF HOPE
MASS CELEBRATED BY BISHOP STEPHEN
PARKES

WEDNESDAY JULY 9TH AT 6PM IN THE
MAIN CHURCH, FOLLOWED BY THE
RECEPTION IN THE SOCIAL.

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA PARISH SERVICES

Good Samaritan Food Pantry: Our Lady Star of the Sea parish with the wonderful support of the parishioners provide food for families and individuals in need in our community. We are open Tuesdays, Wednesday and Thursdays from 9am - 12pm

Altar Boys: Always looking for new altar boys and experienced altar boys servers. For more information contact Jason Dominici at olssaltarservers@weareolss.org

Catholic Youth Ministry: For more information email Kristie and Bryant Shepard at relregioused@weareolss.org

OCIA: Adults interested in learning about the Catholic Church email ocia@weareolss.org

Bereavement Ministry: A group of volunteers who deliver food to grieving families at the time of their loss and/or assist the church in providing hospitality after a funeral service. Contact person is Victoria Brooks 912-322-6857

Shut-ins & Hospitalized Family Members: When You or your loved one is getting ready for a planned surgery or procedure or things unplanned happens and we end up in the hospital Please Notify Parish Office at 912-882-4718

Religious Education: Sundays during the school year 9:15am-10:30am at the Religious Ed Building. Email Bryant and Kristie Shepard at relgioused@weareolss.org

Ladies Auxiliary: Fostering friendship in our faith community! Open to all women, ages 18 – 108! Meetings are held the 2nd Monday of the month at 6PM in the Social Hall. Funds generated at our Annual Christmas Bazaar are used to provide college scholarships, support the Youth Ministry and Vacation Bible School. We also provide prayer blankets for anyone who is ill or in the hospital – contact Darlene Logan (225) 772-2797 or Tricia Jenkins (912) 552-5683 for a blanket or additional information.

The Knights of Columbus (K of C) is a global Catholic fraternal service order founded by Fr. Michael J. McGivney on March 29, 1882, It has grown to support refuge relief, Catholic education, local parishes and dioceses, and global Catholic social and political causes. Membership is limited to practicing Catholic men.

Ushers: Provide a welcoming presence to parishioners and visitors as they enter the church. If interested in becoming an usher, please church office at 912-882-4718

Father's Hospitality Angels: Volunteers dedicated to serving our priest and parish through receptions, welcoming newcomers, children's movie nights, Senior Home Outreach, and much more. We host many fundraising events throughout the year to fully support our ministry and special projects. If you would like to spread your wings and join us, we meet the 1st Wednesday of the month at 6PM in the Social Hall or call Victoria Brooks for more information - 912-322-6857

Legion of Mary: A lay organization to help the world by active works and prayers and to serve Jesus through Mary. Contact Maureen Van Horn 912-322-8672 or MaureenVanhorn@tds.net

FALSE HUMILITY?

It's been months since Easter and it's a long way to Christmas, but there seems to be a lot of re-joicing in today's readings. Isaiah talks about rejoicing with Jerusalem. The Gospel shows the disciples rejoicing when they came back from visiting towns to tell about the Kingdom. St. Paul is happy to be suffering for Christ. So what is the reason for such joy?

The readings make clear that it is not because of what the people of Jerusalem did, or even what miracles Jesus' disciples performed. Isaiah talks about what God will do for the people, how "the Lord's power shall be known to his servants" (Isaiah 66:14). Jesus tells his disciples not to rejoice that they cast out demons; no, they should "rejoice because your names are written in heaven" (Luke 10:20). In other words, we are to rejoice over all the Lord has done for us, not what we have done for him.

Does that sound like false humility? Like someone receiving an Oscar who says, "I wasn't that good—it was all that my director, my producers, my wife and children, and my dog Snoopy did." No, when we do anything for others, we can honestly say that God does the real work. Knowing that frees us from expecting everyone to be happy, everything we do for others to be successful. When our offer of help is rejected, our prayers for a sick friend don't seem to be working, or our good advice is ridiculed, we can be confident that God has something else planned. Instead of being discouraged, we can trust that God's plan is working in ways we just can't see.

Paul has a similar theme in the second reading. You would think he would be proud of all the converts he made or the people he cured. He boasts only about his suffering because that is how he is most like Jesus. He sees all of his accomplishments as the work of God, and he knows that the greatest thing Jesus did was to die for us. All three readings remind us that what changes our lives and changes the world is not how hard we work or how holy we are; what really makes the difference is how much God loves us. That is the real reason to rejoice.

Deuteronomy 4:24 'For the Lord your God is a consuming fire.'

THANK YOU!!!

CYM would like to sincerely thank everyone who supported us with prayer, and donations, so we could attend the Steubenville Conference in Orlando this past weekend. We had a fantastic time, grew closer to each other, and most importantly, grew in our relationship with Christ. We developed bonds that will last a lifetime. Hopefully, you were able to see some of our experiences through Facebook, but if not, use the link, or QR code, to see a video of our trip. We prayed, and we played. It wouldn't have been possible without you though, and we are truly, truly grateful. Thank you again for investing in our CYM teens.

<https://youtu.be/VID3jX6uIFo?feature=shared>



OLSS COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR

JUNE 29, 2025	JUNE 30, 2024
COLLECTION - \$ 11,838.00	COLLECTION - \$ 8,275.26
MAINTENANCE - \$ 495.00	MORTGAGE - \$ 2,140.00

SFOA COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR

JUNE 29, 2025	JUNE 30, 2024
COLLECTION - \$ TBA	COLLECTION - \$ 1330.00
MAINTENANCE - \$ TBA	MORTGAGE - \$ 594.00

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	Lectors	Altar Servers	Ushers
Sat 07/05	Karen Hill	Bryant Shepard	Ron Logan Darlene Logan Dennis Foster Greg Glaz
Sun 07/06	Ray Meaux Lucia Feijo	Evan Gomez Isaac Dominici Joaquin Gomez Samuel Dominici	Keith Danos Colleen Danos Brian Boria Mike Recore
Tue 07/08	Karen Hill		
Wed 07/09	Richard Foy	Colton Wilkins Evan Gomez Landon Wilkins Waylon Wilkins	Ron Logan Darlene Logan Greg Glaz Dante Russo
Thu 07/10			
Fri 07/11			
Sat 07/12	Richard Foy	Isaac Dominici	Don Petrine Dennis Foster Greg Glaz Darlene Logan
Sun 07/13	Ray Meaux Hunt Thornhill	Evan Gomez Joaquin Gomez Bryant Shepard	John Nevins Clyde Miller Diana Schneider Ken Sylvester

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MILES P. HENDRIX, ESQ.
 PARISHIONER

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The Parish Choir Needs You!
 Our church is in need of more singers, no experience necessary, just the love for music and community! We are looking for more singers for Saturday's Vigil mass and Sunday's 11AM Mass. Rehearsal are Wednesdays nights. See Scott for more details. All are Welcome !



BE AWARE OF A FRAUD/ SCAM EMAILS FALSLY PURPORTING TO BE SENT FROM FATHER MARIUSZ

Unfortunately Many Parishioners have been receiving fraudulent e-mails from someone pretending to be me, Fr. Mariusz. Please be aware that our staff, to include myself, NEVER ask for any material favors, money, gift cards, gift certificates etc., through e-mail or text message. Please do not respond to these emails, delete them, report them as spam.

NEVER EVER TAKE ANY ACTIONS REQUESTED IN THE E-MAILS OR TEXTS !!!

Please be very Cautious and careful since this was not the first time they tried to do it and probably not the last time they will try to do it.

Sincerely; Fr. Mariusz

