



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

October 26, 2025



O GOD,
BE MERCIFUL TO
ME A SINNER.

— LUKE 18:13 —

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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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.....5:00 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

10/25/25 - Saturday Vigil: 5:00 PM Mass

+ *Guisto Family members*

10/26/25 - XXX SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 AM - (St. Francis Mission)

Grace of healing for John Davant

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

+ *John Pasuit*

10/27/25 - Monday: NO MASS

10/28/25 - Tuesday: 5:00 PM

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Rosary & Mass

10/29/25 - Wednesday: 8:00 AM Mass

Jenny Ford

5:00 PM Mass at SFOA

10/30/25 - Thursday: 8:00 AM Mass

Jenny Ford

10/31/25 - Friday: 8:00 AM Mass

+ *Timothy & Matthew Ford*

5:00 PM at SFOA Vigil of All Saints

11/01/25 - Saturday All Saints Day - 10:00 AM Mass

11/01/25 - Saturday Vigil 5:00 PM Mass

+ *Deceased members of the Legion of Mary*

11/02/25 - XXXI SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

8:30 AM (St. Francis Mission)

Pro Populo / For the People

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

+ *Pro Populo / For the People*



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

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

All the names of the sick we receive will be entered on the prayer list for one month, and then removed. If you would like your loved one to remain on the prayer list longer, please let us know, and we will happily oblige.

**Cynthia Lewis, Ludwika Glód, Maria
Klikuszowian**

**Pat Gaskill, Penelope Edwards- Conrad,
Jude Pappas**

Lithonia Simmons, Wendell & Lucie Bryant

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**

Next week we will have a second
collection for our Building Preservation.
Your support is greatly appreciated.



Thank You.



HUMILITY RULES

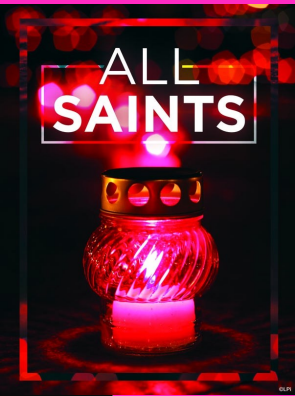
It's an oxymoron to imagine the humble soul on top of the world. Humility seeks to be hidden and takes the low road. Yet in the inscrutable gospel reality (where the last shall be first), the humble one is exalted in the end. If we take a quick glance around the world or our assembly, it's shocking to imagine just who those exalted ones might be. It's also disconcerting to consider that the exalted ones may not be us.

If we're shocked and disconcerted, then we know we've just been parabled. A parable is like a gag gift: It's conventionally wrapped on the outside, but inside nestles the gotcha. Rest assured when it comes to a parable, the joke's always on us. Here's how it works. Jesus is a smart teacher, and he knows that no one likes to be preached to. So he presents stories, which seem easy and pleasant at first - then take a sharp turn toward discomfort. A preacher may tell us the same harsh truths, but we can tune him out the moment he goes down the dark road to perdition. A storyteller, by contrast, captures the imagination, and we tend to travel with him or her further - all the way to the troublesome ending.

Parables conceal something, like chocolates in a box. You have to bite in to find what's at the center. By the time you discover it, it may be too late to refuse it. Parables draw comparisons between what we know and what we don't know, conventional understanding up against gospel truth. They begin in familiar territory, if you live in an agrarian society: sheep and goats, sowers and seed. Or with recognizable local characters: the debtor and his master, or the Pharisee and the tax collector. First we say: Yeah, yeah, sure, sure. Then the sharp corner is turned, and we swallow hard. We don't like where this story is going; that isn't supposed to be the way of things.

We learn two things about parables. First, that their intention is to clarify moral mysteries. Second, that just as often they leave us deaf and blind. The mystery is resolved for those with eyes to see in the first place, people already intent on obedient listening. Parables may delight or frustrate. The result lies mainly in the heart of the one who hears them. The humble soul, like the despised tax collector in the story, will find justification and a reason to rejoice. The self-righteous listener will more likely face a challenge that may prove unacceptable—and will leave it on the table. Jesus knew his audience. That he kept telling these stories implies they operated just as he meant them to do.

ALL SAINTS



THE CHURCH SUFFERING

One of the most beautiful aspects of our Catholic faith is the Communion of Saints. Whether it be the Church Militant still fighting the good fight here on earth, or the Church Suffering enduring their final

time of purification in Purgatory, or the Church Triumphant rejoicing with our Lord in heaven, we are all united together in faith. We are one Church, united in the mysteries of the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord.

What makes this reality so beautiful is our ability to pray for one another, no matter what state of life we find ourselves in. Those on earth can pray to lessen the time in purgatory of one of their brothers, and those in Purgatory can offer up their sufferings for those on earth. Those in Heaven can pray for both those on earth and those in Purgatory. It is an incredible circle of love and care that won't end until Christ comes again.

Today we celebrate the Church Suffering. It is a day to remember "those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith." In other words, all of our departed brothers and sisters who have been baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Since our souls must be completely cleansed before entering the heavenly banquet, many of us will be required to endure this time of purification. Others will be permitted to undergo great hardships here on earth and be cleansed through them, with the aid of the sacraments.

Sometimes we may wonder why our aunt suffers from Alzheimer's, or why our grandfather must continue to live through the discomforts of old age. We may wonder why our nephew was allowed to get in that car accident or our own child had to endure the aftereffects of a burst appendix. But all of these trials, when lived with faith, can be opportunities for purification for ourselves and others. "Offer it up" is no longer a cliché, but rather a reminder to direct our minds and hearts to God during times of difficulty. Today, let us pray for all the souls in purgatory, that they may soon gaze upon the glorious face of our Saviour, and may they in turn pray for us, that we may one day join them in Heaven.

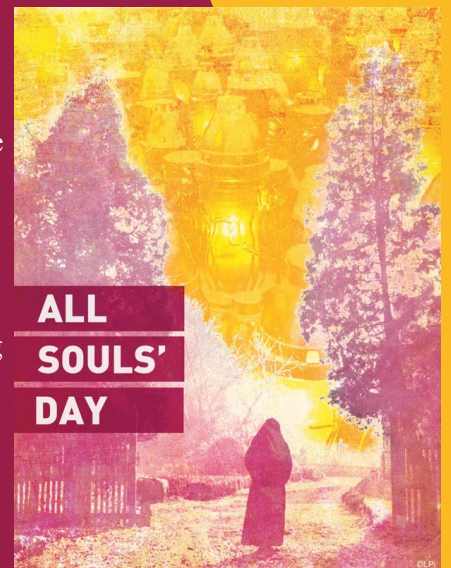
NOTHING IS LOST

Most European Americans approach All Souls' Day in a spirit of sober reverence. This is a day to remember our dead, and so it has the feel of a collective funeral about it. But it's also a liturgical event and therefore a statement of what we believe is true: about death, for the dead, and for us. That lifts the mood from one of communal mourning to an affirmation of hope and confidence. We trust that God's grace and mercy are not only smooth religious words but the truth about what awaits us. We hold our loved ones in holy memory especially on this day in hopes that whatever unfinished business may be theirs, we might help. In the economy of salvation, so to speak, our participation has real currency.

For many Latino Catholics, the Day of the Dead takes on a remarkably different atmosphere. The celebration of life is at the center of this commemoration and the day enjoys many of the aspects of a festival. The dead are honored by our full-hearted embrace of life and not only by our tears for personal losses. In bicultural parishes this juxtaposition of the All Souls' assembly with the Day of the Dead observers can make for misunderstanding.

But it needn't. There is nothing flippant about rejoicing in the lives of our loved ones and the many gifts with which these relationships have enriched us. We hear the grace notes of this same joy in our readings. Wisdom tells us that only the foolish imagine that the faithful departed are anywhere other than in the hands of God. Psalm 23 insists that the valley of darkness is nothing to fear when God assures us of safe passage. Paul says flatly that Christian hope does not disappoint. And Jesus lays claim to all those who are given to him, come hell or high water.

We stand to lose a lot of things in this world. In the relentless march of time we lose strength and vigor, memory and ability, and opportunities galore. We will also, all of us, lose our way now and then. Hopefully we'll also know the goodness of being found. But the one thing we absolutely don't have to worry about is losing our place in the arms of Jesus. Remember that picture of Jesus carrying the lamb home from the hills and back to the fold? One by one, living and deceased, mostly faithful or mostly straying, Jesus is keeping his promise to bring 100 percent of his own back home.



WHAT'S GOING ON ?

Mon 10/27	OLSS - 6:00 PM - Knights of Columbus - RE BUILDING DOUBLE CLASSROOM
Tue 10/28	SFOA - 9:30 AM - Ladies Cursillo - Social Hall OLSS - 10:00 AM - Ladies Auxiliary—Lumpia Prep RE BUILDING DOUBLE ROOM OLSS - 6:00 PM - Homily Continued - RE BUILDING DOUBLE CLASSROOM
Wed 10/29	SFOA - 9:00 AM - Men's Cursillo - SOCIAL HALL OLSS - 10:00 AM - Ladies Auxiliary - Lumpia Prep RE BUILDING DOUBLE ROOM OLSS - 5:30 PM - Legion of Mary - RE BUILDING CLASSROOM #8 OLSS - 6:00 PM - Women's Book Club - RE BUILDING DOUBLE CLASSROOM
Thu 10/30	OLSS - 10:00 AM - Ladies Auxiliary - Crafts - RE BUILDING DOUBLE CLASSROOM OLSS - 5:30 PM - Ladies Cursillo - RE BUILDING CLASSROOM 5 OLSS - 6:00 PM - OCIA - RE BUILDING DOUBLE CLASSROOM
Fri 10/31	OLSS - 9:00 AM - Women's Book Club - RE BUILDING DOUBLE CLASSROOM OLSS - 5:30 PM - Men's Cursillo - RE BUILDING CLASSROOM #5 SFOA - 5:00 PM - Vigil Mass for All Saints Day OLSS - 5:30 - 7:30 PM - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Main Church
Sat 11/01	OLSS - 10:00 AM - Mass for All Saints Day

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	Lectors	Altar Servers	Ushers
Sat 10/25	Elisabeth Sepulveda Richard Foy	Isaac Dominici Samuel Dominici	Ron Logan Darlene Logan Dennis Foster Greg Glaz
Sun 10/26	Judy Buchanan Ray Meaux	Joaquin Gomez Evan Gomez Landon Wilkins	Bob Cappello John Nevins Saulo Capulong - _____ -
Tue 10/28	Karen Hill		
Wed 10/29	Richard Foy		
Thu 10/30	- _____ -		
Fri 10/31	Richard Foy		
Sat 11/01	Jim Moore Maryann More	Waylon Wilkins Colton Wilkins Landon Wilkins	Ron Logan Darlene Logan Greg Glaz Dante Russo
Sun 11/02	Ray Meaux Tom Jenkins	Isaac Dominici Samuel Dominici	Keith Danos Colleen Danos Mike Recore Bob Cappello

OFFERTORY UPDATE

OLSS COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR

OCTOBER 19, 2025	OCTOBER 20, 2024
COLLECTION - \$ 8,109.09	COLLECTION - \$ 6,972.00
MAINTENANCE - \$ 1,245.00	MAINTENANCE - \$ 275.00

SFOA COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR

OCTOBER 19, 2025	OCTOBER 20, 2024
COLLECTION - \$ 910.00	COLLECTION - \$ 855.00
MAINTENANCE - \$ 100.00	MAINTENANCE - \$ 388.00

ALL SAINTS DAY

MASS SCHEDULE :

SFOA VIGIL MASS
FRIDAY
10/31 5:00 PM

OLSS MASS
SATURDAY
11/01 10:00 AM

ALL SAINTS DAY
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SAINTHOOD

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 OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Members of the legal community and all public officials are cordially invited to join Most Reverend Stephen D. Parkes, Bishop of Savannah, in prayer and fellowship for those responsible for the administration of justice.

Open to people of all faith traditions.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2025 at NOON
CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST

Reception to follow.
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PARISHIONER

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 - Pastor

