



**Our Lady
Star of the Sea**
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SAINT MARYS, GA

Saint
Francis of Assisi
Catholic Mission

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FEBRUARY 12, 2023
**SIXTH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

*“Amen, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away,
not the smallest letter or the
smallest part of a letter will pass from the law.”*

MATTHEW 5:18

**OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA
WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

Mondays	No Daily Mass
Tuesdays	5:00 pm Rosary & Adoration, 5:30 pm Daily Mass
Wednesdays	7:30 am Rosary, 8:00 am Daily Mass
Thursdays	7:30 am Rosary, 8:00 am Daily Mass
Fridays	7:30 am Rosary, 8:00 am Daily Mass
Saturdays	4:30 pm Rosary, 5:00 pm Mass (except on Holy Saturday)
Sundays	10:30 am Rosary, 11:00 am Mass
Confessions	
Saturday	3:30 pm to 4:30 pm or by Appointment
1st Fridays	8:00 am Mass @ Historic Chapel 9:00 am - 9:00 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
1st Saturdays	10:00 am Adoration, Rosary, Mass

**SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI
WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

Wednesdays	6:00 pm Daily Mass
Sundays	8:30 am Mass
Confessions	<u>30 minutes before Mass or by Appointment</u>

O God, who teach us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

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.

GENERAL PARISH INFORMATION

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Meaux, Kieran Gaughan Jr., Bruce Giegerich, David
Bliton, Annie Hyver, Kathleen Rogers, Elizabeth
Newcity, Buck Johnson. Mary Fouraker, "Skipper"
Boone, Micky Nieves, Lithornia Simmons, Leo
Provanzano, Greg Williamson, Mary Angela
Morrissey, Tom Meyer, Peggy Hurley, Steve Puckett,
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Marie Devine, Agnes Rodman, Mike Blackerby,
Ianthe Brathwaite, Michelle Logan, Jim Kane, Robert
Morris, Everett Harvell, Tommy Evans, Emily
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Bailey, Enzo and Maria Lopez, Joyce Rinck, Kitty
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Campbell, Thurston Armstrong, Frank & Ruth
McNeil, Dr. Patrick Moreo, William David (Dub)
Shepard, Lenda Morris, Rhonda Peterson, Daniel
Brausch, Gael Aodue, Emma Sizemore, Tom
O'Shaughnessy, Claire Walsh

**To add a name to the prayer list please email
office@weareolss.org**

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 SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

02/11/23 - 5:00 PM Saturday Vigil

*For the repose of the soul of
Patrick Carnevale*

02/12/23 - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM - (St. Francis)

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

Pro Populo / For the People of the Parish

02/13/23 - Monday: No Mass

02/14/23 - 5:30 PM -Tuesday:

Birthday Blessing for Connor Van Horn

02/15/23 - 8:00 AM - Wednesday:

Special Intentions for Wyatt Family

02/15/23 - 6:00 PM - Wednesday, at St. Francis of Assisi

02/16/23 - 8:00 AM Thursday:

For the repose of the soul of Matthew Ford

02/17/23 - 8:00 AM Friday

For the repose of the soul of

Iris Lebron and Ferdinand Cintron

02/18/23 - 5:00 PM Saturday:

*For the repose of the soul of Carolyn Sailors
Williams*

02/19/23 - Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 AM - (St. Francis Mission)

Pro Populo / For the People

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

For the repose of the soul of Allan Altamirano

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25; Ps 50:1, 8, 16bc-17, 20-21;
Mk 8:11-13

Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10; Ps 29:1a, 2, 3ac-4, 3b,
9c-10; Mk 8:14-21

Wednesday: Gn 8:6-13, 20-22; Ps 116:12-15, 18-19;
Mk 8:22-26

Thursday: Gn 9:1-13; Ps 102:16-21, 29, 22-23;
Mk 8:27-33

Friday: Gn 11:1-9; Ps 33:10-15; Mk 8:34 — 9:1

Saturday: Heb 11:1-7; Ps 145:2-5, 10-11; Mk 9:2-13

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13;
1 Cor 3:16-23; Mt 5:38-48

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BEING FAITHFUL DISCIPLES

Our readings today together provide powerful insight into how to be faithful disciples. Sirach reminds us that, in the deepest places in ourselves, in our primary attitudes and tendencies in living, we face choices. We have real agency to embrace what is good, and resist what is destructive, for our own flourishing and for the common good. We are shaped, but we are not ultimately shackled, by social forces or by other persons. In Matthew's Gospel, we read that God cares not only about our observing boundaries, but about these deep areas of ourselves and our basic choices in life. God knows our fears and wounds that influence our choices. God is actively providing wisdom, as Paul wrote to the Corinthians. God will help us sort out the bewildering decisions we often face. God is here, deep within, offering challenge, healing, and courage so we may choose to love.

BOTH PRESENT AND FUTURE

Matthew continues Jesus' Sermon on the Mount in today's Gospel, which is Jesus' extended teaching on the central theme of his ministry, the Kingdom of Heaven. Matthew highlights Jesus as a teacher like Moses, and who is rooted in the law of Moses. Jesus interprets the law by intensifying its meaning, by going to the root values behind the specific teachings in the law. These include reconciliation with others; mutual care for all persons as sacred, especially women; and being trustworthy and honest.

The Kingdom of Heaven is described as both in the present and in the future. When these values are lived out in daily life within the community, the Kingdom becomes present there and demonstrable to others. Jesus also spoke about life in the future, when God fulfills the divine promises to establish fully justice and peace on earth. The reconciliation, care, and trust experienced now will reach their fullness in the promised Kingdom.

WITH EACH OTHER

Jesus' Sermon on the Mount today turns to the relationships within the community. Jesus understands the traditional teachings about relationships in light of the coming Kingdom. He describes a deep trust and accountability among members of the community. Not settling for meeting minimum requirements, he points his new community toward an intimate knowledge and caring for each other, so that all may flourish as individuals and as a whole.

Although he highlights the dignity of each individual person, Jesus also envisions a community life where there is both a responsibility for each other and an accountability to each other. Members are to attend to each other's struggles and sorrows. Members become aware that their individual choices and lifestyle will be an example to others. We are to work out how to follow Jesus together in community, not only as individuals. We discern and live out our community's vocation, not only our own. Our unity with God is also with each other.

TODAY'S READINGS

Sirach 15:15-20

Psalms 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34

1 Corinthians 2:6-10

Matthew 5:17-37 [20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37]

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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 Servers: Always looking for new altar servers and experienced altar servers. For more information contact church office at 912-882-4718

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

RCIA: Adults interested in learning about the Catholic Church call Parish Office 912-882-4718

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 September 11, 2022 ~ May 14th, 2023, 9:15am-10:30am at the Religious Ed Building. Email Bryant and Kristie Shepard at religiously@weareolss.org

Ladies Auxiliary: uses their skills and talents in a wide variety of roles. Anyone who is ill or in the hospital, if they would like a prayer blanket, Contact Sally Caez at caez@tds.net /912-552-1155

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 refugee relief, Catholic education, local parishes and dioceses, and global Catholic social and political causes. Membership is limited to practicing Catholic men. For more info Contact; Tom Jenkins or Norberto Caez at KofC@weareolss.org

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

THE GLORY OF THE DIVINE WAY

Today's readings draw us into ageless, vibrant depths. Followers of God's law, we belong to ancient traditions. Children of God, we marvel at the freshness of creation. The Old Testament readings, from Sirach and the Psalms, celebrate the rich blessings we receive when we observe God's commands—not because we are slaves to the law, but because the law gives life in abundance. Saint Paul's Letter to the Corinthians confirms the glory of divine law, but warns that God's ways tend to be unpopular and misunderstood in this world. Paul speaks of the ancient wisdom of God, which is mysteriously both "hidden" and "revealed." God does not have secret codes that we earthly mortals cannot understand; in love, God reveals the glory of the divine way in Jesus. Saint Matthew's Gospel emphasizes the importance of living in God's law, enlivened by a deep and personal relationship with Jesus.

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TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION





It's still months away, but parish ministers, especially if they are involved in the catechumenate, have their eyes on Lent and the Easter Triduum. Until fairly recent times, the last few days before Easter were shaped by an awareness of the Passion, but the faithful were left to their own devices about how to engage with these mysteries. A thousand years ago, the Easter Vigil as a solemn and central moment of initiation had vanished. By the early 1950s it was a minor moment in parish life, celebrated on Holy Saturday morning, usually with only the priests and a handful of invited guests. Most people understood it as necessary only for blessing the paschal candle and preparing the Easter water. People who were children during World War II sometimes remember that the weekly noontime test of the air-raid sirens on Holy Saturday signaled the end of Lent. Today, of course, we see Holy Saturday as entirely within the paschal fast, and hardly the time for children to be tearing through the plastic grass looking for jelly beans and chocolate eggs. These memories point to a total collapse of the once-central liturgies of the Christian year. This impoverishment of the liturgy was mostly an accident of history. The root cause was the loss of Lent as a time focused on the final formation of catechumens for the Easter sacraments. By 1880, scholars began to piece together a vision of what once had been, and slowly, at first in a handful of monasteries in Europe, pieces of the tradition were rediscovered and celebrated.

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8th grade – College Diocesan Youth Conference – DYC – April 21-23, 2023

Guest Speakers for the DYC this year include Fr. Agustino Torres and Mari Pablo. The conference is a great way to experience the joy of living our faith with other Catholic teens, listen to some great speakers and to get closer to Christ. ALL TEENS are encouraged to attend. Registration will be available at CYM meetings, 8th grade RE Class, or by contacting Chrissy Bundrick (912) 552-7783 or email ourladystaroftheseacym@gmail.com

OLSS COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR**SFoA COMPARISON FROM LAST YEAR**

FEBRUARY 5, 2023		FEBRUARY 6, 2022	FEBRUARY 5, 2023		FEBRUARY 6, 2022
COLLECTION - \$ 9,364.27		COLLECTION - \$ 8,696.50	COLLECTION - \$ 4,578.27		COLLECTION - \$ 925.00
		MORTGAGE - \$ 4,350.00			MORTGAGE - \$ 1,530.00
MAINTENANCE - \$ 11,941.77			MAINTENANCE - \$ 1,064.00		

OUR LADY STAR OF THE SEA JANUARY FINANCIALS

	JAN	FISCAL YTD		JAN	FISCAL YTD
COLLECTION	\$ 38,915.65	\$ 261,300.28	MORTGAGE	\$ 9,046.88	\$ 86,622.63
BUDGET	\$ 31,250.00	\$ 218,750.00	BUDGET	\$ 8,333.33	\$ 58,333.31
OVER/UNDER BUDGET	\$ 7,665.95	\$ 42,550.28	OVER/UNDER BUDGET	\$ 713.55	\$ 28,289.31

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI JANUARY FINANCIALS

	JAN	FISCAL YTD		JAN	FISCAL YTD
COLLECTION	\$ 5,161.00	\$ 40,221.83	MORTGAGE	\$ 2,776.00	\$ 19,466.40
BUDGET	\$ 2,333.33	\$ 16,333.31	BUDGET	\$ 2,166.66	\$ 15,166.62
OVER/UNDER BUDGET	\$ 2,827.67	\$ 23,888.52	OVER/UNDER BUDGET	\$ 609.34	\$ 4,299.78

GOOD SAMARITAN OUTREACH REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY

Elderly(65 and Over)	Adults (18 to 64)	Children (Under 18)
25	71	33
TOTAL FOOD 54		TOTAL PEOPLE: 129

OUR AIRCONDITIONING UNIT IN THE MAIN CHURCH BROKE DOWN, IT WILL COST A LOTS OF MONEY TO REPLACE IT, ONLY WITH YOU FINANCIAL SUPPORT IT WILL BE POSSIBLE TO DO IT. THIS WEEKEND SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR THE MAINTENANCE FUND, ALSO IN THE NARTHEX WILL BE PLACED OUR WOODEN BOX FOR COLLECTING FUNDS FOR THIS URGENT PROJECT. THANK YOU



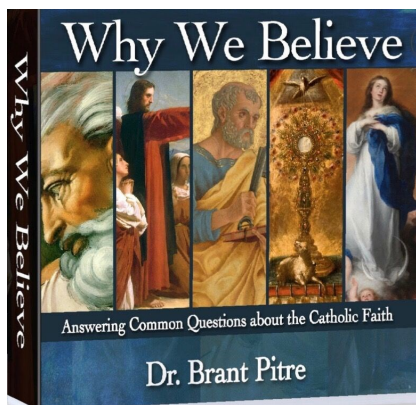
The Ladies Auxiliary is offering scholarships to deserving Catholic High School seniors from class of 2023. The scholarship is open to any catholic student residing Charlton Counties and OLSS, St. Francis of Assisi, Chapel. You can find the app church or Camden County H Website. You can also contact at caez@tds.net for application.



The English word "Lent" means "Spring Season", a time for new growth or renewed life and fresh beginnings. As Catholics, Lenten season is traditionally the time we promise to give up something that is meant as penance, that will deepen our faith while we grow closer to God, A regrowth or new beginning of sorts.....However do we have to give up something? How about we do something? Lent is a great time to deepen your faith experience and grow closer to Christ.

Join us Tuesday nights beginning February 7th after Mass at 6:30PM for our 8-week Lenten bible study **"Why We Believe"** We will begin at the beginning with the existence of God and walk step by step through the foundations of faith. Along the way we will explain: Does God Exist? Is Jesus God? Did Jesus claim to be God? Peter and the Papacy? Did Jesus establish the Catholic Church? How Did We Get the Bible? Is the Eucharist Jesus' Real Presence? What does the Bible teach about Jesus' Real Presence in the Eucharist? Why Confess to a Priest? Purgatory and Prayers for the Dead? Where is Purgatory in the Bible?

Make that promise to "Do" something for Lent, and bring new life into your Catholic faith. We will begin with a light meal at 6:00PM so don't worry about dinner then enjoy an evening of fellowship while you discover how just reasonable, biblical, and beautiful the Catholic faith really is.



"Nonetheless, I'd appreciate it if you'd stop upsetting folks by asking "Is that your *final* donation?" "



New Pictorial Directory! Pictures will be taken March 2 to March 7

Sign up for your family portrait today! Everyone who participates will receive a complimentary 8x10 professional family portrait, one printed directory, smart phone app, and online directory. All appointments are on a first-come, first-serve basis, so make your appointment today. We need everyone to participate to help make this directory complete. Additional quality family portraits will be offered at competitive prices. Thank you for your participation! Quick Tip for your photos: Please avoid wearing green, as we will be using Green Screen Technology to photograph (Like what they use in action and superhero movies!) Please go to the following link to make an appointment.

<https://www.appointmentquest.com/scheduler/2250055825.1?schedule=ourladystaroftheseacatholicchurch>

*****IMPORTANT***** When on the website to schedule an appointment, an email address is required to go to the next page and confirm the appointment, so anyone who doesn't have an email address can use ours: office@weareolss.org.

If you would prefer to set up an appointment by phone, please call the office: 912-882-4718

Need Help at home?

CYM will be having their annual service retreat on March 11, 2023. We'd love to come and help you with things around the house: yard work, cleaning, organizing, minor repairs, painting, pressure washing, putting things in the attic, etc. Please call

(912) 552-7783 OR email your requests to ourladystaroftheseacym@gmail.com to get on the list for us to come to you home. We'd love to come help you and look forward to it. POC Chrissy Bundrick



Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 12, 2023

What eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and what has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love [God], this God has revealed to us through the Spirit.

— 1 Corinthians 2:9-10

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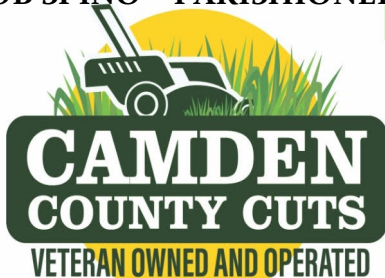
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