

READINGS FOR DAILY MASS

January 9 Is 42:1-4,6-7/Acts 10:34-38/Mk 1:7-11
January 10 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28/Mk1:14-20
January 11 1 Sm 3:1-10,19-20/Mk 1:29-39
January 12 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45
January 13 1 Sm 8:4-7,10-22a/Mk 2:1-12
January 14 1 Sm 9:1-4,17-19,10;1a/Mk 2:13-17
January 15 1 Sm 3:3b-10,19/1Cor 6:13c-15a,17-20/Jn 1:35-42

MASS INTENTIONS

January 7, Saturday 5:00 PM @ICC
+Mary Vecchio (ICC Faith Community)
January 8, Sunday 8:00 AM @SWM
*all Parishioners (Fr. Rich)
11:00 AM @ICC
+Ann Caldwell (The Tufanos)
January 9, Monday 9:00 AM @ICC
COMMUNION SERVICE
January 10, Tuesday 9:00 AM @ICC
*Angie Nelson (Fr. Rich)
January 11, Wednesday 9:00 AM @ICC
+Amando Duran (Vivian Thompson)
January 12, Thursday 9:00 AM @ICC
+Sophia Benchina (Fr. Rich)
6:00 PM @SWM
+Gioan Bitixita = Liem Vu (Nguyen Family)
January 13, Friday 9:00 AM @ICC
+Pat Roche (Fr. Rich)

Stewardship

In today's first reading, we hear Samuel respond eagerly, "Here I am!" each time the Lord calls him. May we, too, be listening for the call of God in our lives and be ready to say like the psalmist, "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will."
1 Samuel 3:4, Psalm 40

January 1, 2012

ICC

Average weekly offertory \$ 4711.00
Collection \$ 5045.06
Building Fund \$ 4180.78

SWM

Collection \$ 282.00
Building Fund \$ 20.00

THE PRAYER BOX

Lifting one another in prayer is a way to bind us together as a parish family. You are invited to leave your prayer requests and thanksgiving requests in the prayer box located at the back of the church. They are offered as part of the Prayers of the Faithful at the Sunday Mass. After the Mass the requests are burned as an offering to God.
-Sponsored by MCA

Diocesan Policy on sexual abuse of minors, call the toll free hotline number at 1-888-357-5330.

January 8, 2012

The Epiphany of the Lord

Malachi 3:1; 1 Chronicles 29:12

*The Lord and ruler is coming;
kingship is his,
and government and power*

Our Humble Servers

5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Ushers: Bud and Sue Schultz

Lector: Sue Schultz

Altar Server: Jomar Aracena

Communion Ministers: Wayne and Kathy Grosch

8:00 AM Mass at St. William

11:00 AM Mass

Ushers: Angie and Jim Nelson, Marsha Morris, Bob Wallace

Lector: Marge Plummer

Altar Server: Max Wallace

Communion Ministers: Rick Mimbs, Jack Cammack, Yvonne Coady, Annette Castillo

January 15, 2012

5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Ushers: Janet Martuscello, Phil Dowd

Lector: Karen Hightower

Altar Server: Nina Bayani

Communion Ministers: Wayne and Kathy Grosch

8:00 AM Mass at St. William

11:00 AM Mass

Ushers: Jim Caldwell, Tom Coady, Marge and Bob Plummer

Lector: Glenn Johnson

Altar Server: Karen Delgado

Communion Ministers: Rick Mimbs, Jack Cammack, Yvonne Coady, Annette Castillo

Music-We want to thank the music people for their dedication in providing the beautiful music during the celebration of Mass, you add so much more to our weekend Masses.

"To sing is to pray twice!" -St. Augustine of Hippo

The faith community of Immaculate Conception extends our love and prayers to the Nakoneczie family in the loss of Ann.

REQUIESCAT IN PACE (rest in peace)

The Feast of the Epiphany

celebrates the manifestation of Christ to the nations as symbolized by the visit of the Magi from the East. Did you Know: Magi were the scientific people of the ancient world; astrologers who not only studied the stars and planets but also used them to interpret great events. The notion that they were kings comes not from Matthew's gospel but from Psalm 72 used in the Liturgy: "All Kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him". The gospel never gives the number of magi. The number 3 comes from the number of gifts. There were probably more than 3 since it was dangerous for any small group to travel. People usually traveled in larger groups for protection from robbers. Why gold, frankincense, and myrrh? Gold for the King, frankincense for the Priest and myrrh (used to prepare a body for death) for the sacrifice of the cross. The gifts were both recognition of Jesus' identity as "God made man" and a prophecy of his coming sacrificial death. The magi visited not the animal shelter where Jesus was born but rather a house in Bethlehem where the Family later took shelter.

The gifts we bring-our time and service and some share of what we earn for the work we do-are equally precious in His Sight.

GIVE THE "GIFT OF FRIENDSHIP"IN THE NEW YEAR: *There wasn't much Jesus wouldn't do for his friends. In fact, he was more concerned with being a good friend than with having one. He said..."love one another as I love you". No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.*

Ministers of Holy Communion

Why are there Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion? The answer is simple: "They are needed". EMHC commissioned by your parish provide assistance to the Priest during our Eucharistic celebration. These individuals serve Christ who is present in the assembly by ministering His Body and Blood to His sisters and brothers. Genuine ministry is a humble service. The model for all ministry is Christ, the Lord, who came to serve, not to be served. Please help us to serve our faith community and give faithful testimony to Christ's presence in the Eucharist as an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion. We are in need of ministers at all Masses, but especially at the 11 AM Mass. We ask that you consider assisting in this most valuable ministry. You may serve on a regular basis or only as needed. There will be preparation and training. Call Lorraine Ackerson at 272-9574. Thank You.

Happy Birthday

January

7-Cristian Garcia, Jodie Lysen, Joe Gatti IV
8-Sue Mickler, Frank Ackerson
9-Harold McLendon
10-Jesus Ibarra, Fatima Garza
12-Diana Loera
13-Becky Caralla

Happy Anniversary

7-Felipe and Mercedes Lleras(23)
8-Nilo and Maria Torres(21)
8-John and Jean NeSmith(29)

Bible Study

Wednesday Class- meets at 9:45 AM in FTH.

Sunday Class - Sunday Bible classes will resume in January. More details to follow.

Religious Education Classes (REP)

Wednesday - from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM in the Dampier House. Class will resume on January 4th.

Sunday - Confirmation Class from 10:00 AM to 10:45 PM at the new church,will resume on Jan.8th.

RCIA Class, Wednesday at 6:30 PM at the Dampier House. Class will resume January 4th.

March for Life: Washington, D.C. January 21-24, 2012

St. Patrick's Church in Kathleen, Ga. is sponsoring a 55 passenger bus to attend the annual March for Life. You will depart Saturday, January 21st and leave Washington the evening of Monday, Jan. 23rd. The cost is \$60 and reservations can be made by contacting St.Patrick's at (478) 987-4213.

New Parish Directory is coming to ICC and St. William. You can sign up for ICC December 31, January 1, 7, 8, 14, 15 ,21, & 22. St. William's dates to be announced later.

"We must then dig deeply in Christ. He is like a rich mine with many pockets containing treasures: however deep we dig we will never find their end or their limit. Indeed, in every pocket new seams of fresh riches are discovered on all sides." -St. John of the Cross

Rachel's Vineyard Retreat

A Post Abortion Healing Retreat is scheduled for March 9-11, 2012. Please contact Stephanie May 912-201-4059 scmay@diosav.org. Complete confidentiality will be honored. There is help, hope and healing waiting for you.

Prayer List

“For everything there is a season and a time for every purpose under heaven...

For those who are serving our country: *Marcus and Carrie Cornelius, Captain Robert H. Gregory Jr., Salvarado and Alice Upshaw, Johnny and Anna Sweat, John Ethan McCoy, Kevin Kelley, Lloyd Bane, Hilario Alvarado, Brian Sweat, Matthew Ueltzen, John Scott Adams*
a time to be born...
a time to heal...

Liam Coady, Kenneth Warden, Margaret Orr (son, brother and sister) of Yvonne and Tom Coady) Rose Johnson, Joann Difazio, Erin Kelly (daughter of Karen and Patrick), Esther Hardy, Carolyn Halasz, Kelley Sargent, Neill Sargent, Kathy Kois, Pat Rice, Julie Rice, Sharon Seifert, (mother-in-law) and friends of Julie Hardy), Camilla Allen (sister of Rebecca Harris), Deb and Ellie Avenarius, Johnny Johnson (friends of Sue and Bud Schultz), Elaine Jussaume, John Shaw (relatives of Pete and Adele Mitsin), Jim DeFauw, Mary Gough (mother of Carol Ingrando), Jim McMillan, (father of (Terry Kennedy), Bob Boyer, BJ Powell (cousin and friend of Glenn and Liz Johnson), Rosa Perez, Floralba Galindo (friends of Annette Castillo), Mary Morris and Sara Lowery (mother and friend of Marsha), Tom and Peggy Stewart (parents of Karen Haggard), Dovie Burton (mother of David Tobin), Isaac Jones, Jason Cage (son-in-law of Danny and Evie Hoffa), Lucille Rice, (mother of Mike Rice) William Auger (friend of Shorty

Fahey) Josephine Scopel (sister of Dom Ingrando), Johnny & Midge Starling (parents of Candy Traxler), Earle Taylor, Toni Smith, Nancy O’Driscoll, (mother of Cathy Clark and Helen Martin) Roy Auger, Ron Kowalski, Herb Hermsen (brother of Catherine Flanagan), Ruth Cummings, Marc Sack, Larry Hickman, Craig and Nancy Smith, Mary McEnrue, Emily Moore, Bob Meadows, Pete Frazier (Tim and Margee Edge) and all the sick.
and a time to die...
and a time of peace.”

Ecclesiastes 3.11

Names will remain on the list for 30 days. Please notify the office if additional time is needed.

“Pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective.
-James 5:16

We pray, Lord, that you touch them with your healing Hand. The Spirit of the Lord is upon Jesus and may His Spirit come upon the Church and inspire its members to proclaim the sanctity of human life from the moment of conception until natural death.

“We must then dig deeply in Christ. He is like a rich mine with many pockets containing treasures: however deep we dig we will never find their end or their limit. Indeed, in every pocket new seams of fresh riches are discovered on all sides.” *-St. John of the Cross*

Celebration of the Sacraments

Holy Communion

As Catholics, we fully participate in the celebration of the Eucharist when we receive Holy Communion. We are encouraged to receive devoutly and frequently. In order to be properly disposed to receive Holy Communion, one should not be conscious of grave sin and normally should have fasted for one hour. A frequent reception of the Sacrament of Penance is encouraged for all.

Baptism

Requesting the Sacrament of Baptism for a child involves a serious obligation and a faith commitment on the part of both parents. In order to prepare the parents for this task, they will be requested to attend a Baptismal Preparation Class prior to the baptism. To register call the Parish Office (272-0266). A date for the Baptism cannot be set until the necessary preparation has taken place. Parents are encouraged to begin preparation prior to the birth of their child.

Confirmation

Candidates are those already baptized and who have received the necessary information in religious education. Candidates must be at least in the 7th or 8th grade to receive the Sacrament.

Reconciliation

The Sacrament is celebrated each Saturday at 4:00 PM until 4:45 PM at Immaculate Conception in Dublin. It is celebrated on Thursday afternoon at 5:00 PM at St. William in Sandersville. Additional opportunities for receiving this Sacrament are made available during Advent and Lent.

Anointing of the Sick

The Sacrament is administered on request to those who are ill at home, in the hospital or nursing home. Please call the Parish Office (272-0266).

Matrimony

Congratulations on your engagement! Call the Parish Office (272-0266) to make arrangements at least six (6) months in advance! It is necessary that either the prospective bride or groom or their family be registered members in good standing of Immaculate Conception or St. William Parish.

Holy Orders

If you desire help in discerning God's will for your life and that He may be calling you to a vocation to serve the people of God in the Priesthood of Jesus Christ, contact Fr. Mike Ingram, Holy Spirit Church, rectory: (478)788-6683 or church office: (478)788-6386.

Precepts of the Church

***You shall** attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation and rest from servile labor.

***You shall** confess your serious sins at least once a year.

***You shall** receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist at least during the Easter Season.

***You shall** observe the days of fasting and abstinence established by the Church.

Updating our Office Records: Moving?

Please let us know if you are leaving the area. Or, if you are moving locally, please let us know your new address and telephone number. By letting us know you have moved, we can save money on postage returns and keep our membership roster up to date. Accurate church records enable us to assist you when you have a need of verifying your registration. The absence of verifiable records has rendered ineligible persons seeking to be sponsors for Baptism and Confirmation, as a participating parish member and such like.

If in doubt about your parish record, contact the office at 272-0266. We ask that all families of our parish be registered before attending REP or sacramental preparation classes. Thank you.

Welcome New Parishioners

If you are new in the parish please introduce yourself to Fr. Hart after Mass and come to the parish office to register. We want to know who you are to be able to better serve you. We hope you will support your parish by your prayers, your presence, your talents, and your financial gifts.

Hospital Visits

Hospitals may not give patient information; therefore, we have no way of knowing your needs. Please call the office if you or a family member is in the hospital. If you are scheduled for surgery, please contact Fr. Hart to receive the Sacrament of the Sick.

Leave A Legacy

We appreciate the thoughtfulness of parishioners who have made bequests to the parish. Their gifts help us build a solid foundation for future generations.

After Hours Emergency

If you need to inform the parish of an emergency situation outside of office hours, please call 275-9252 and leave a message. You will receive a return call as quickly as possible.

Traveler's Mass Schedule www.masstimes.org

"It is not possible to live and grow in the faith without the support of a group, of a Christian community. It is here that you will learn together to build a better world."

