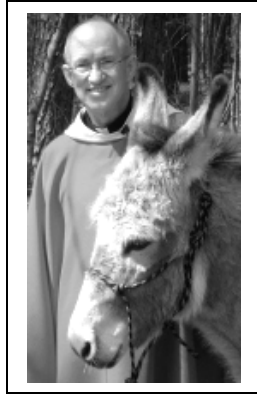


Pastor's Corner

My Dear Friends,

Congratulations to all those who are making your First Communion this weekend and last weekend! I hope you will always treasure this beautiful gift that Jesus gave us, and that through time, you will realize that you are to become more and more like Jesus every day.



Second, welcome to all the Maryknoll Affiliates who are coming to St. Mary's this weekend. I hope your visit with us will be productive and enriching. As the neighborhood of the co-founder of Maryknoll—Servant of God Thomas Frederick “Freddie” Price—St. Mary parishioners have a special attachment to Maryknoll, the Catholic Foreign Mission Society of America.

Third, welcome to the Ancient Order of Hibernians who will be back for their monthly meeting this week. We also welcome the affiliate chapter of women of AOH.

Fourth, a young doctoral student by the name of Chris Born is doing a research study on the effects of northern baby boomers on parish life in southern states. All adult English-speaking members of our parish are welcome to participate in the study by filling out a form. Chris is a doctoral candidate in Religion & Culture at The Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C.

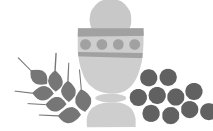
Finally, this week St. Mary's will welcome many people who are coming to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Welcome one and all! The parishes participating are: St. Brendan the Navigator in Shallotte; Immaculate Conception in Wilmington; Sacred Heart in Southport; and our own St. Mary. Congratulations to all those being Confirmed!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

- Father Bob



Liturgies & Paraliturgies Including Mass Intentions



Saturday, May 2:

- 8:00 am Mass for the Parishioners
 4:00 – 4:45 pm Sacrament of Reconciliation
 5:30 pm Mass – 50th Wedding Anniversary of Ray and Carol Pollack
 † Grace Franco
Offered by the Family
 7:00 pm Mass – Joseph Suy
Offered by Joseph

Sunday, May 3:

- 8:00 am Mass – † Helen Collins
Offered by Sean Kelly and Family
 9:30 am Mass – † Henry Vespia
Offered by Gordon and Donna Amiger
 11:00 am Mass – † Sam Caracciolo
Offered by Tony Caracciolo
 1:00 pm Mass – Mass for the Parishioners

Monday, May 4:

- 7:30 am Mass – † Margaret Damiani
Offered by Ettore Damiani

Tuesday, May 5:

- 7:30 am Mass – † Brigid Lundy and Family
Offered by Richard and Magdalen Twiss

Wednesday, May 6:

- 7:30 am Communion Service

Thursday, May 7:

- 7:30 am Mass – † Richard Close, Jr.
Offered by Sylvia Close

Friday, May 8:

- 8:30 am Mass – † Earl Haga
Offered by Faculty and Staff of St. Mary School

Saturday, May 9:

- 5:30 pm Mass – † Donna Cascone
Offered by Art and Pat Patrignelli
 7:00 pm Mass – Mass for the Parishioners

Sunday, May 10:

- 8:00 am Mass – † Barbara Lavan
Offered by Edward Lavan
 9:30 am Mass – Mass for the Parishioners
 11:00 am Mass – † Ruth O'Connell
Offered by Mr. and Mrs. O'Connell
 1:00 pm Mass – Mass for the Parishioners

Weekend Mass Schedule at a Glance

Saturday Mass in English – 5:30 pm
 Saturday Mass in Spanish – 7:00 pm
 Sunday Mass in English – 8:00 am, 9:30 am and 11:00 am
 Sunday Mass in Spanish – 1:00 pm

To schedule a **Mass Intention**, to donate the **Altar Flowers** in memory of a loved one or special occasion, or for information on **Baptism**, please come to the Parish Office or call 762-5491.

Today's Readings

First Reading — There is no salvation through anyone else (Acts 4:8-12).

Psalms — The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone (Psalm 118).

Second Reading — See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God (1 John 3:1-2).

Gospel — The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep (John 10:11-18).

Readings for the Week

Monday: Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10
 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30
 Wednesday: Acts 12:24 — 13:5a; Jn 12:44-50
 Thursday: Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20
 Friday: Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6
 Saturday: Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

Next Sunday

Acts 9:26-31; Ps 22; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8
 Readings for the week may be found on
www.thestmaryparish.org - Click on *Worship*

R U a Secular Franciscan, and looking for a local fraternity?
 or

R U wondering what it would be like to become one?

The local fraternity meets the
 third Sunday of the month at 2:30 PM
 In the RCIA room, Tileston School.

For more information contact:

Frank Bindewald at 452-7603 or fbindewald@ec.rr.com
 or Linda Perunko at 399-7695 or lperunko@ec.rr.com

Camillus Ministers Needed

If you are interested in becoming a Camillus Minister,
 please call Frank Grant at 392-6084

The St Mary Parish Book store

Sunday 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Tuesday thru Friday 10:00 am – 3:00 pm

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court 1036

will hold their next meeting on
 Monday, May 4 at 7:00 pm
 at the Clubhouse in Jumpin' Run.

All Catholic women are invited to attend.

Are you interested in reciting the Rosary after Daily Mass

Please join us after Monday, Tuesday,
 Wednesday Communion Service, and Friday Masses,
 All are welcome.

Eucharistic Ministers

If you would like to serve as a Eucharistic Minister,
 please contact Stephanie Watts at 799-7623 or
ewatts1949@aol.com.

INVITATION TO MEN WITH SPIRITUAL HUNGER!

Come join Fr. Bob and a growing group of men who meet each
 Friday morning from 7:00 am - 7:45 am in the Tileston Building. We
 study and reflect on scripture and simply share what is on our hearts
 and minds. Come join us as you are able. We welcome you!

Please Pray for Our Sick

Shirley Ammons	Madeline Dowell	Lindsay McDuffie
Ashley Ashton	Shari George	Elizabeth Militscher
Robyn Bailly	Mildred Gibbons	Kathy Murphy
Charles Baird	Betty Glasenapp	Katherine Oxx
Evelyn Baird	Louise Gordon	John Pavolonis
Stephanie Barrows	Kristal Grant	Geraldine Saburn
Cheryl Bezek	Michael J. Gressman	John Slaughenhoupt
Arenda Bingham	William Grundy	Adell Suhoski
Judy Brooks	Mary Haywood	John Leroy Trader
Lecia Burns	Andrew Kegl	Felix Usewicz
Bob Carey	Josephine Kidney	Paula J. Veltz
C.J. Carroll	Nancy Lange	Catherine Veres
Clara Carter	Anna Lenortavage	Chris Watson, Jr.
Robert Cary	Francis Leonard	Jim Watters
Joyce Christine	Louise Leonard	Jeff Weeks
Roy Clifton	Patrick Leonard	Sheila Weeks
Jeanne Currier	Anthony Mancini	Jeff Wiener
Barbara DeBellis	Mary Eugenia Mazur	Anne Williams
Janet Dowel	Gary McDaniel	Sheila Wolfe

To add or remove a name, please contact: bulletin@thestmaryparish.org or 395-2063.

St. Mary Nursery News

The nursery is now open for 9:30 Sunday Mass!

We are always in need of volunteers - contact

Allen and Kelly Sanderson at nursery@thestmaryparish.org or you may
 stop by the nursery before and after the 9:30 Sunday mass.

English as a Second Language Classes

Classes are Sundays from 11:00 am – 12:30 pm in the Tileston Building.

Volunteer teachers as well as clerical help is needed.

No experience is necessary.

Please contact the Church office.

Centering Prayer

An hour of contemplating prayer and the Centering practice
 Wednesday afternoons in our Chapel in Tileston. From the
 following web page, you can view a video, in three parts, about
 Centering Prayer. <http://www.centeringprayer.com/reachinout.htm>

When: Wednesday from 1:30 – 2:30 p.m.

Place: Chapel - Tileston – 1st floor

More information: contact Joan Regan – 383-2804

Adoration

Why not “watch and pray” an hour with Jesus in the Blessed
 Sacrament? We have Adoration on First Friday from after the
 8:30 am Mass until 3:30 pm.

Senior Singles Meeting

Sunday, May 3rd

12:30 pm

Olympia Restaurant

5629 Oleander Drive

For more information

Call Gloria at 395-4307

C.A.R.E. Camp 2009

Supplies Needed

C.A.R.E. will have 20 campers participating at the Christian Family Living
 Center in Topsail Beach from June 15 - 19

We are gathering supplies for our campers and are in need of:

20 Beach Towels, 20 Goggles, 20 Bottles of Sunscreen (30+), 20 colorful
 water bottles, 20 packs of watercolors, 20 glue sticks, 20 small photo
 albums, 20 disposable waterproof cameras, 20 kites, hand sanitizer, wipes,
 and paper towels.

You may bring any items to church next weekend.

The Week Ahead In Our Parish

Saturday, May 2:

Share Sunday – All Masses

Youth Gospel Choir Rehearsal* - 9:00 am in the Church

Brooke Harris and Justin Luttmmer Wedding – 10:00 am in the Church

Gospel Choir Rehearsal* - 10:15 am in the Church

Courtney Carter and Jonathan Kaefer Wedding – 2:00 pm in the Church

First Communion – 5:30 pm Mass

Sunday, May 3:

First Communion – All Masses

Nursery* – Available at the 9:30 am Mass

Faith Formation – 9:30 – 10:30 am – St. Mary School – LAST DAY OF CLASS

Faith Sharing* - 9:45 am in Tileston

English as a Second Language Class* - 11:00 am – 12:30 pm in Tileston

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* - 2:00 pm – 5:00 pm in the Church

Middle and High School Youth Group* - 6:00 pm – 7:15 pm in Tileston

Monday, May 4:

Rosary following Mass (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday)

Baptism Class – 9:00 am and 7:00 pm in the Amy Bradley Room (Tileston). Please RSVP

Contemporary Choir Rehearsal* - 7:00 pm in the Church

Hispanic Young Adult Group (El grupo de jóvenes adultos)* - 7:30 pm in Tileston

Grupo De Alcohólicos Anónimos* - 8:00 – 9:30 pm en el gimnasio

Tuesday, May 5:

Divine Mercy Chaplet* – 12:30 pm in the Chapel at Tileston

Adult Education* – 6:00 pm in Tileston

Practica de la Banda Latina de Domingo* - 7:00 pm in Tileston

Wednesday, May 6:

Centering Prayer – 1:30 – 2:30 pm in the Tileston Chapel

Confirmation – 6:30 pm in the Church with Reception to follow

Practica de la Banda Latina de Sabado* - 7:00 pm in Tileston

Thursday, May 7

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament* - 8:00 am – 9:00 am in the Church

Renaissance Choir Rehearsal* - 7:30 pm in Tileston

Friday, May 8:

First Friday Adoration following 8:30 am Mass

Saturday, May 9:

Youth Gospel Choir Rehearsal* - 9:00 am in the Church

Gospel Choir Rehearsal* - 10:15 am in the Church



Knights of Columbus Council 1074

Come learn a little about your faith with Knights of Columbus Council 1074. On the first Wednesday of each month, we will study the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Our guide will be the Compendium of the Catechism and discussions by Bishop William E. Lori Supreme Chaplin of the Knights of Columbus. The sessions will start promptly at 7:30 pm in the Council Chambers in Tileston. All Parishioners are welcome to attend.

National Catholic Youth Convention Pilgrims Spaghetti Dinner and Karaoke Night Fundraiser Saturday, May 23

6:30 pm

St. Mary School Cafeteria



All You Can Eat Spaghetti with Meat Sauce
Tossed Salad
Italian Bread
Desert
\$6.00 Adult
\$3.00 Children (5-12)
Free – 4 and under
No Family will be Charged More Than \$20.00

**Tickets will be on sale after Mass
or you can call Sandy O'Leary at 395-2063**

Under the supervision of Kenny O'Leary
Proceeds will directly benefit the pilgrims
attending the NCYC in November of 2009



National Catholic Youth Convention Pilgrims

Bake Sale

Sunday, May 10th

Following the 8:00, 9:30 and 11:00 am Masses
The pilgrims and chaperones will be selling goodies to raise money to
help pay for this once in a lifetime trip.

Proceeds will directly benefit the pilgrims attending the
NCYC in November of 2009

From the Office of Social Outreach**Fourth Sunday of Easter****By: Sister Isaac**

As I visited my sister in Illinois last weekend, I picked up a copy of the May 2009 MONEY magazine. Her oldest child, Pat Regnier who is also my Godson, is an Assistant Managing editor of the journal. I came across an interesting article entitled “How the Crisis is Changing YOU” by Dan Kadlec. Here are a few sentences that caught my attention:

“A new set of American values is emerging from the ashes of 600,000 layoffs a month, a lost decade in stocks, and worst housing crash ever. These values may ring familiar to anyone who lived through the Great Depression. But for most of us amounts to a large-scale makeover of the way we think about money and life. We’re not just cutting our bills, we’re rejecting materialism. We’re placing safety and intrinsic rewards like relationships and personal growth ahead of profit. We’re embracing family and community and asking how we can help others, not just ourselves....

The new values transcend money. Nearly 10% said they were giving more time for charities. More than half said they now feel plain guilty buying things they don’t need. Seven in 10 said they consider spending time with family more important than ever. Collectively, the poll data suggests that Americans are recalibrating the worth of everything from their job and investments to their family relationships and what really makes them happy.” (p. 86)

Now to put all this in the context of what we are celebrating this Easter Season. We lit the new fire four weeks ago on Holy Saturday evening, and each week the Easter candle burns before us reminding us of our Baptismal obligations. St. Catherine of Siena put all this symbolism into words: “If you are what you are meant to be, you will set the world on fire.” Are we up to the challenge?

Special Need of the Week

Small tables and chairs



World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Sunday, May 3rd, 2009

O Jesus, divine Shepherd of the spirit, you have called the Apostles in order to make them fishermen of men, you still attract to you burning spirits and generous young people, in order to render them your followers and ministers to us.

----Pope Paul VI, 1964

Diocesan Events***Are you Celebrating 25, 50 or more years of Marriage?***

Bishop Michael F. Burbidge invites all couples celebrating 25, 50 or more years of marriage to honor their vocation of marriage. The Wedding Anniversary Mass will take place on Sunday, May 17 at 3 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 2718 Overbrook Dr. Raleigh. Family Members are welcome to attend. Please register through your parish office by Friday, May 1.

**Tileston Health Clinic
Executive Director
Job Announcement**

Executive Director for the Tileston Health Clinic, a free clinic serving the poor and uninsured in this area. Requires successful experience in operations and management in the health care sector. Salary commensurate with education and experience. Benefits package. Email résumé or inquiries to tilestonexecdir@hotmail.com.

Please no phone calls.

Project Rachel Retreat for Healing After Abortion

Project Rachel weekend retreat on May 15-17, at the Short Journey Center in Smithfield. For more information or to register for the retreat, contact Project Rachel at (919) 852-1021 or projectrachel@nc.rr.com.

The cost is \$95 for lodging, meals and all retreat materials.

Registration deadline is May 8.

**International Adoption Information Meeting
Monday, May 11, 2009**

Lewis Room**St. Raphael Catholic Church in Raleigh**

Catholic Charities of Raleigh and Children's Home Society and Family Services of Minnesota are partnering to provide international adoption services to local residents. Representatives from both agencies will be here to discuss several programs, including adoptions from Russia, China, Ethiopia, India, and Korea.

Please call Catholic Charities at 919-790-8533 to register and for directions.

Don't Know Where to Turn?

Catholic Charities' Family Support Services can assist or direct you to assistance with all the difficulties that follow job loss. All programs are available to individuals and families regardless of race, creed, religion, ability to pay. Go to www.dioceseofraleigh.org/how/social/regional_offices.aspx for contact information or call the Raleigh Office of Catholic Charities at 919-790-8533 for information about the Regional Office nearest you.

Diocesan Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry

The Diocese of Raleigh is seeking candidates for the position of Directory of Youth and Young Adult Ministry. Responsibilities include assisting parishes by developing, coordinating and administering an effective and comprehensive ministry for both junior and senior high youth and young adults. Requirements include a master's degree in pastoral ministry, theology or related fields, and a minimum of five years of ministry experience.

Send cover letter and resume to:

Sr. Rose Marie Adams, IHM

Directory of Evangelization and Catecheses

Catholic Diocese of Raleigh

715 Nazareth Street

Raleigh, NC 27606

The May episode of Carolina Catholic features Joseph Pearce and Brad Watkins

In May 2009, Carolina Catholic will finish its Ignited by Truth series of interviews with two exciting and fascinating Catholic men: Professor Joseph Pearce and Brad Watkins. Joseph Pearce is an English-born writer and a Writer in Residence and Professor of Literature at Ave Maria University in Naples, Florida. Twenty years ago, he was a radical activist, a twice incarcerated felon, a skinhead, and the editor of two hate-filled, extremist magazines. Today, Joseph Pearce is the author of several critically acclaimed, best-selling biographies of great nineteenth- and twentieth-century Christian authors. He became a convert in 1989. His journey from angry agnosticism to joyful Catholicism is an incredible conversion story.

Brad Watkins is currently the Administrative Secretary to Bishop Burbidge and the Assistant Director of Vocations for the Diocese of Raleigh. Prior to his current positions with the Diocese of Raleigh, he taught at Cardinal Gibbons High School in Raleigh. While at CGHS, he began the Frassati Society, a youth group with Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati as its patron and model. This foundation led Brad to discern and ultimately enter formation for the Permanent Diaconate. God willing, he will be ordained as a Permanent Deacon, with 14 other men from the Diocese of Raleigh, in June of 2010. His talk will focus on his experience that true peace and happiness are found by discerning and following the path Christ has laid out for your life.

This episode of Carolina Catholic will air in May: Saturday, May 9th at 11 a.m. and Sunday, May 3rd and 10th at 6 p.m. Carolina Catholic can be heard on WBPL-LP, Wilmington Catholic Radio, 92.7 FM, or you can listen to this or any of our shows at www.wilmingtoncatholicradio.com; just click on the Carolina Catholic tab.

Catholic Family Retreats

The Christian Family Living Center
Topsail Island, NC
910-328-1584

May 8-10, 2009

Mother's Day Retreat – A Family Affair

June 19-21, 2009

Celebrate Father's Day Weekend

\$70 ages 2-7; \$100 ages 8-adult. Family max is \$490.

Summer Retreats

Come to the ocean and join us for a Catholic family vacation while enjoying affordable, faith-based programming on Topsail Island, NC. All-inclusive packages include private bedroom with private bath, meals and snacks, program material, trained staff and much more.

Options:

5 nights/6 days: \$240 ages 8 and older. \$100 ages 2-7.
Under age 2 are free. The family maximum is \$980.

3 nights/4 days: \$145 ages 8 and older. \$60 ages 2-7.
Under age 2 are free. The family maximum is \$590

Our staff and resident priest lead a Christ-centered program with activities for children of all ages, social time for adults and peer groups. Each day includes prayer time and celebration of the Eucharist. Afternoons are free for families to swim, surf and relax together along our pristine shoreline.

Office of Youth Ministry

John Walsh, DRE
762-5491 ext. 14
jwalsh@thestmaryparish.org

Confirmation for Adults

Confirmation classes for adult Catholics who have been baptized will begin Thursday, May 7th at 7:00 p.m. in the Tileston building with Confirmation being celebrated on Pentecost Sunday (May 31).

You will be required to have a baptism certificate on file with the religious education office. Pre-registration is mandatory.

Preparation classes for the Sacrament of Baptism of infants and young children (in English)

Beginning on **Monday May 4, 2009** the mandatory preparation class for the Baptism of infant and young children (in English) will be held on the first Monday of each month at 9:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. in the Amy Bradley Room located in the Tileston building. If the first Monday is a holiday then the class will be given on the next Monday that is not a holiday.

You must RSVP ahead of time to take the class.



Baccalaureate Mass Graduating High School Seniors Sunday, June 7th 11:00 am

All graduating Seniors of St. Mary Parish are invited.

You will be recognized for your hard work and will receive a special blessing from Father Bob.

A Reception for all family and friends will follow in the St. Mary School Cafeteria.

Please RSVP to John Walsh by May 31st.
762-5491, ext. 14

Mission Trip Opportunity

All rising 10th graders & up, are encouraged to join the Homeworks America team in June for a mission trip to Fayetteville, NC. Since 1996, Homeworks has improved the living conditions of over 1,000 elderly & indigent homeowners. We are excited to offer this potentially life-changing opportunity to our youth.

The St. Mary team will be in Fayetteville from June 21-28. Work typically involves all aspects of home repair & renovation. To insure safety, teen participants are guided by experienced adult leaders. For more details, & before & after pictures of a few of their projects, please visit their website: www.homeworksofamerica.org.

Space is limited, so please complete your application (online @ homeworks) & place it in John Walsh's box by **May 8th**. Please submit a \$50 deposit. Total cost for the week is \$150. All meals are included & the students need to bring an air mattress, pillow, & sleeping bag.

In addition to our student team, 2 adult chaperones are needed-1 male, 1 female. For more details, please contact John Walsh-ext. 14, or Lisa Andree 686-9226.

Celebrations
April 25 – April 26

First Communions

Laura Sandra Angeles	Chelsea Kramer
Madelaine Arroyas	Yair Leiva
Pedro Barragán	Nicholas Mahoney
Laura Blackman	Leonel Merada
Luke Bourgeois	Laura Meyer
Anna Carucci	Laura Mittman
Emma Chalmers	Daniel Morrison
Alec Cortner	Eamon Murphy
Victor Andy Cruz	Jocely Osorio
Wendy Anahí Cruz	James Ramsauer
Bailey Folan	Connor Riso
Clair García	Joseph Rodrigues
Damián García	José Enrique Sánchez
Jenny García	Yara Sánchez
Pedro García	Dalia Santiago
Clemente González	Gerardo Santiago
Heidi González	Juan Carlos Santiago
Maria González	Olivia Schnitzler
Miguel Ángel González	Suzy Szymeczek
Grace Goulding	Ryan Swank
Alexius Haden	Nick Tisdale
Verónica Humphrey	José Miguel Tovar
Rebecca Jackson	Maria Tumminello
Shallon Jacques	Paulina Sofía Vela
Bryant Jiménez	Juan Vera
Jason Jiménez	Clara Wheelock
Haleigh Jones	Daniel Alejandro Zapata



Fourth Sunday of Easter
May 3, 2009

See what love the Father has bestowed on us that we may be called the children of God.

--I John 3:1

Stewardship of Treasure

"For everything is from you and we only give you what we have received from you."
 ---- 1 Chronicles 29:14-16

April 19, 2009

Envelopes Mailed: 1261 Children's' Envelopes Received: 0
 Envelopes Returned: 413 Total Children's Offertory: \$ 0.00

	OFFERTORY	BUDGET	EDUCATION
04/19/2009	\$ 13,472.32	\$ 17,500.00	\$ 45.00
07/01/08 to present	\$ 670,390.90	\$ 635,400.00	\$ 25564.08

Thank you for generously supporting the Church with your time, talent and treasure.

Liturgical Minister's Schedule
Weekend of May 2 – May 3

For Masses in English
 Fourth Sunday of Easter

-Schedule does not show substitutions-

	Saturday 5:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:00 a.m.	Sunday 9:30 a.m.	Sunday 11:00 a.m.
Eucharistic Minister	D. Bryant M. Chandler S. Hartung J. Lachance D. Snell D. Thompson D. Wiggins	J. Bost F. Bua J. Bua M. Gittings L. Newton L. Parker S. Parker	L. Dezio E. Flewellin P. Gross B. Murtagh J. Murtagh Y. Sims L. Vacek	T. Bruhn R. Clifton T. Crossland A. Edwards M. Metzgar J. Turbeville C. Walsh
Lectors	C. Lively K. Hartung	P. Bolan T. Connette	P. McTigue F. Militscher	C. Stiles C. Mercer
Altar Servers	L. Strader S. Strader M. Truman	K. Black R. Fry S. Young	J. Daley E. Dowd M. Harris	A. Haden A. Haden C. Marlow

Wedding



Shaym Gelot & Jennifer Edralin

Baptisms



Mari'yina Ellen Castillo
 Krew Hostetler
 Alexander Madrigal
 Moiralena Miles
 Guadalupe Parada-Garnica
 Logan Christopher Petty

Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and Altar Servers

Please contact Stephanie Watts at 799-7623 or ewatts1949@aol.com with your email address so the monthly schedules can be sent electronically.



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From the Desk of Joyce Price, Principal

I have just returned from a very interesting presentation to our middle school students by Mr. Lee Ielpi, retired NYC firefighter, and Mr. Fred Sager, NY volunteer fireman. Both of these gentlemen were involved with the aftermath of the 9/11 attacks at the World Trade Center. Their presentation was a first hand history lesson which included the message of responding to tragedy in a positive way. They spoke of learning from the past so as to move on promoting peace. As I listened intently to the many facts and the stories of the event as it unfolded, I thought about how their underlying message to our students went along with what we teach at St. Mary School, having patience and respect for one another while being tolerant of differences. Parents and teachers share the awesome responsibility of teaching these lessons to our children/students so that they will model our patience, tolerance, and respect for others.

I hope that you will consider supporting our school for a fun night of activities on May 9, 2009. **Viva St. Mary** will include gaming tables (not for winning cash) for fun, hors d'oeuvres, silent and live auction, as well as music for dancing. As I mentioned last week, the tickets are very reasonable at \$25 per person, \$45 for a couple. Tickets can be purchased after the Masses and at the lower school office.

On Thursday, we welcomed Sr. Sophy, principal of the Auxilium School at Home of Hope, India. Our music students and liturgical dancers entertained her as part of our welcome to our school. This was one of many stops that she will make while visiting our country thanking those who have helped her school.

Next week I will announce the winners of the Wilmington Elks Lodge Americanism Essay Contest, where our students won 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes. For now I will close by sharing the work of one of our 1st graders who won in the New Hanover Young Authors Contest:

Seeing Bridges

I like to watch bridges. I read books about bridges. Because we have bridges, people know each other. They can hold hands together. Bridges bring people together and take them to new places.

Conrad Young
Gr. 1 – Mrs. Evers

St. Mary School Sports News

Spring training for the volleyball team - Wednesdays immediately after school. Please report dressed to play with knee pads and a drink. Practice will run until 4:45 pm.

All athletes should check the website weekly for updates on practice and games. Click on weekly events link.

Thursday Basketball

Come and join a group of St. Mary parents who get together every Thursday from 7:00 -9:00 pm for pick-up basketball in the Tileston Gym. Middle school students are welcome, accompanied by a parent.

Dates to Remember

May 19 – Spring Concert
May 25 – Memorial Day – No Classes

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Community Events



Spring Surf Camp

910-274-3565 or indojaxsurfschool.com

St. Mary School Teachers:

Jack Viorel (1) and Kevin Murphy (5)



Fencing Class

3:30 -4:30 pm

Two days per week until school ends

Mon. or Tue. & Wed. or Thurs.

M-W, M-Th, Tu-W, Tu-Th

Beginning April 13th or 14th

All equipment provided

\$50

2nd grade and up

No experience necessary

Basement of the Tileston Gym

For more info contact Greg Spahr

799-8642 or gregoryspahr@yahoo.com

Viva St. Mary!!! Vegas Casino Night



May 9th, 2009
7 - 11pm

Tileston Auditorium
Great Food, Great Fun!!!

Live and Silent Auctions
\$25.00 per person or \$45.00 per couple
Price includes heavy hors d'oeuvres
Music for Dancing
Cash Bar

It is casual and all about fun!
All proceeds benefit our teacher's wish list!
"Helping our teachers make our children's dreams come true!"

The St. Mary School Spring Gala committee "Viva St. Mary"
Casino Night is looking for auctions items for this event.
If have any auctions items or talents to donate, please contact
Christy Kramer at 910-520-4616.