



SAINT MARY MOTHER OF MERCY CATHOLIC CHURCH

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lex orandi, lex credendi, lex vivendi ✨ The law of prayer is the law of belief is the law of life!

OCTOBER 04 ✓ 27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR A): READINGS ARE FOUND IN THE HYMNAL AT #1026

ISAIAH 5:1-7 ✨ PSALM 80:9,12-16,19-20 ✨ PHILIPPIANS 4:6-9 ✨ MATTHEW 21:33-43

The Church dedicates the month of October to the Holy Rosary

Fixing our hearts and minds on Christ Jesus our God and Lord,

Let us maintain sacred silence in the church before, during, and after Holy Mass!

Pope's October prayer intention: Pray For mental health ministry

ST. MARY OF EDESSA:

FROM ANCHORESS TO PROSTITUTE TO MIRACLE WORKER

St. Mary of Edessa was born to a noble family in 4th-century Syria. Orphaned at age seven, she was adopted by her uncle, Saint Abraham Kidunaia, and began a remarkably holy life. For 20 years, Mary lived as an anchoress, following her uncle's hermit lifestyle in a deep routine of prayer and sacrifice. Her life changed when a rogue monk visited Father Abraham. Determined to seduce Mary, he spent a year befriending her and gaining her intimacy until she finally gave in. Horrified by her sin, Mary was consumed by intense shame and despair. Believing she had lost all hope of salvation and could never face her holy uncle, she fled her sacred desert home for a foreign land. She ended up in a brothel, diving headfirst into sin because she was convinced she could never be holy again. Meanwhile, Father Abraham was initially oblivious but soon had a vision of a dragon consuming a dove, and later, the same dragon with its belly torn open to release the unharmed dove (*CONTINUED ON PAGE 4*).

BASIC MINIMUM NEEDED PER WEEK \$ 4,000.00

LAST WEEK OFFERTORY

IN CHURCH \$ 2,364 & ONLINE \$ 405

TOTAL: \$ 2,769 .00



HALL RENOVATION (REQUIRED) \$ 1,500,000

RAISED SO FAR \$ 718,657

IN CHURCH \$ 400 & ONLINE \$ 130

BALANCE TO BE RAISED \$ 780,813

BINGO: 6 PM ☛ IN THE PARISH HALL ☛ FRIDAYS! WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS TO HELP RUN IT. KINDLY HELP

☛. **HAVE YOU A PRAYER REQUEST?** Contact Ms. Susie Taylor, 9049454327. Your request will be added to the prayer-request-text-line, and our prayer team will pray for your requests!

☛. **PRAY FOR:** Kenneth Baier, Geraldine Lombard, Brendan Bonner, Nancy Carrasquillo, Beth Spreitzer, Trish Thorpe, Asia Paige, Abby Keller, Angelo Tauro, Mary Roberts, Rose Johnson, John Payne, Monte Willey, Julie, Jim & Bonnie Palleschi, Mary Baeb, Theresa Taylor, Kathy Johnson, Joan Fiore, Joanie McCarthy, Stacie Adams, Karen & Richard Dolan, Daniel Harrigan, Allan Lahoski, Ann Smith, Bob Rozumek, Christy Long, Cindy Schillig, Dawn Phillips, Diana Rumpt, Sarah Zarrella, Edward Robinson, Gladys Page, Janis Price, Jeannie Hendrix, Joanne Hodges, John Singleton, Judy Gentile, M. Akridge, Marge Keller, Marianne Glass, Mary Ford, Mary Knoche, Mifuk Huh, Pat Doyle, Paul Boehnke, Sandra Schwarz, Xavier Smith, Schaidy Parme, James Nelson, Mary Pregler, John Norton, Alex Robinson.

☛. **JOIN OUR PRAYER TEAM:** CONTACT MS. KAREN DOUGHERTY AT K.DOUGHERTY200@COMCAST.NET

✓. **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** Meet on the first Sunday of the month. We encourage all men of the parish to attend. Contact: STEVE HUDSON ON 9049932512 AND SKHUDSON7@GMAIL.COM

✓. **INTERESTED IN PRISON MINISTRY?** PLEASE CONTACT JOHN CHICK AT JCHICK@DOSAFI.COM

CATHOLIC CHRISTIAN DOCTRINES (CCD) FOR CHILDREN

CLASSES ARE HELD ON SUNDAYS BEFORE HOLY MASS FROM 8:45 AM TO 9:45 AM IN THE LEARNING CENTER

CONTACT: PEG DECURTINS (PEGDECURTINS@NEFCOM.NET) or MICHAEL MCKENDREE (904) 400-9250

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (OCIA)

CLASSES ARE HELD ON SUNDAYS AFTER HOLY MASS FROM 11:30 AM TO 12:30 PM IN THE LEARNING CENTER

CONTACT: PEG DECURTINS (PEGDECURTINS@NEFCOM.NET)

AD JESUM PER MARIAM : TO JESUS THROUGH MARY

ORATORY: A MINISTRY FOR CHILDREN

WEDNESDAYS 5:15 PM-7.45 PM) HOLY MASS 5.30 PM;

CONSCIENCE-CHARACTER 6.15 PM; FUN ACTIVITY 6.45—7:30 PM; DINNER/REFRESHMENTS 7:35 PM

CONTACT: CATHERINE CHICK (904) 293-3827 (CHICKCA@GMAIL.COM)

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY (WWW.RESPECTLIFE.ORG)

CONTACT: TRUDY HUDSON (904) 614-5125 (TRUDYHUDSON7@GMAIL.COM)

ADORATION ★ CHAPLET ★ ROSARY

4:30 PM SATURDAY & 9:30 AM SUNDAY

4:30 PM MONDAY & WEDNESDAY

8:00 AM TUESDAY & THURSDAY



HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE EUCHARIST

5:00 PM SATURDAY & 10 AM SUNDAY

5:30 PM MONDAY & WEDNESDAY

9:00 AM TUESDAY & THURSDAY

FRIDAYS: ADORATION 9 AM TO 5:25 PM ☞ HOLY SACRIFICE OF THE EUCHARIST 5:30 PM

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION ☞ ADORATION 5:00 TO 5.45 PM & HOLY MASS 6 PM

ANOINTING OF THE SICK & HOLY COMMUNION: ANYTIME UPON REQUEST

CONFESSION ☞ 45 MINUTES BEFORE HOLY MASS & BY APPOINTMENT

OCT.03

27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

✠. Joel & Julia (*Thanksgiving*) ✠. Paul Mackey

OCT.04

✠. For the People (*Pro Populo*)

OCT.05 MON. *SAINT MARIA FAUSTINA KOWALSKA, Mem.*

✠. Don and Sandy Miller

OCT.06 TUE. *OF THE 27th WEEK IN IN ORDINARY TIME*

✠. Aaron Sautter ✠. Eliza Rose Boldt

OCT.07 WED. *OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY, Mem.*

✠. Michael Johnson ✠. Linda Willey ✠. Anna Bolduc

OCT.08 THU. *OF THE 27th WEEK IN IN ORDINARY TIME*

✠. Bill & Betty Grimes

OCT.09 FRI. *STS. DENIS & CO., ST. JOHN H. NEWMAN, Mem.*

✠. Dawn Sautter ✠. Sherri Davis



Thank you very much to Peg DeCurtins for flowers this weekend! Donations for flowers are greatly appreciated! Kindly sign up for any available weekend you want in the note book in the hallway, and give \$70-75 (cash), in the envelope provided, to Linda Voeltz shortly before your designated dates. Thank you!!

LECTORS

MAY GOD BLESS US ALL EVERYONE!

ALTAR SERVERS

B. LANCHO, M. STECK & J. MACKEY

SAT: OCT.03

B. LANCHO

M. MCKENDREE, J. CHICK SR & C. CHICK

SUN: OCT.04

J. SMITH, D. CHICK & K. HORKAN

K. & M. DOUGHERTY & B. PALLESCHI

SAT: OCT.10

B. LANCHO

H. WILLIAMS, M. MCKENDREE & J. MACKEY

SUN: OCT.11

A. MCKENDREE, A. WHITE & A. CATES

The Diocese of St. Augustine treats all allegations of sexual misconduct seriously and deal with all allegations in a prompt, confidential, and thorough manner. TO REPORT ABUSE, call the police or the Department of Children and Families at (800) 962-2873 or call the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (904) 208-6979 or email inquiries@dosafl.com. To report abuse by a bishop, call (800) 276-1562 or visit www.reportbishopabuse.org

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1) When Mary did not answer his calls, he realized she was the lost dove and prayed for her constantly for two years. Eventually, a report reached Abraham that Mary was living as a prostitute. Instead of reacting with disgust, Abraham immediately left his hermitage for the first time in decades. Disguising himself as a soldier, he made an appointment with Mary at the brothel. She did not recognize him until he began to weep, begging his lost lamb to come home. Moved by his powerful love, Mary returned to her hermitage and began a life of intense penance. Within three years, God testified to her true conversion by granting her the gift of miracles, bringing her through wickedness to an even greater virtue and power in Christ. Her story perfectly embodies the reminder St. Abraham gave her in that brothel: ***"There is nothing new in falling down in the contest; the wicked thing is to keep on lying there."***

Their shared feast day is celebrated on October 29

 CATHOLIC WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY: FAITH, FRIENDSHIP & FELLOWSHIP

WOMEN OF THE PARISH ARE WARMLY INVITED TO JOIN A BRAND-NEW BOOK STUDY!

KICK-OFF GATHERING: IN THE PARISH HALL ✓ AFTER SUNDAY HOLY MASS ✓ OCTOBER 4

FOR MORE INFO: Trudy Hudson ✉ TrudyHudson7@gmail.com or (904) 614-5125.

Annual Priests' Retreat: October 5-9

Bishop Erik and the priests of our diocese will gather at Marywood Retreat Center for our annual retreat from October 5-9. Due to the retreat, the parish schedule for the week will be modified as follows:

Monday, October 5: Holy Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 AM (instead of 5:30 PM)

Tuesday, October 6 - Friday, October 9: No daily Holy Mass will be offered at the parish.

However, Holy Mass will be offered at the retreat center for all parish intentions.

Thank you for your prayers and spiritual support!
