

11:00 AM MR. ALBERT & MRS. SALLIE WASHINGTON 57TH WEDDING ANNIVER-SARY THANKS GIVING MASS

> Eastern Shore Medical Weight Loss

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A special words of appreciations and thanks to Benefit night team, Parish Pastoral Finance council, All Parishioners, Knights and Ladies Auxiliaries and all pious associations of the parish for making the our event so joyful and colorful

Fr. Prabhu is wishing you all "A very Happy Thanksgiving"

There are a lot of mass openings for your special intentions, if you would faithfully, spiritually, and prayerfully consider praying for those intentions, you're requested to pray through Mass. 1621 Boykin Blvd Mobile, AL 36605 Church Email: <u>ollparish@att.net</u> Church Phone Number: 251-479-9885 Www.ourLadyoFLourdesParish.com <u>Office hours:</u> Monday : Office Closed Tuesday— Friday : 9AM to 1PM SATURDAY & SUNDAY : OFFICE CLOSED





RDES Catholic Parish

# EUCHARISTIC ADORATION, SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION AND MASS

SATURDAY <u>3:15PM</u> EUCHARISTIC ADORATION & CONFESSION <u>3:30 PM</u> – HOLY ROSARY <u>4:00 PM</u> – HOLY MASS

#### SUNDAY

8:00 AM – EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 8:30 AM - HOLY MASS 10:30 AM – EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 11:00 AM - HOLY MASS

> REGULAR WEEKDAYS MONDAY-COMMUNION SERVICE TUESDAY-FRIDAY <u>8:00 am</u> - HOLY <u>ANNOUNCEMMESTS</u>

## 21st Annual Benefit Night 18 November 2023 @ doors open @ 5:30pm

## \$ 100 a ticket which admits 2 to Dine with

Beer & wine– Dinner served at 6:00pm Drawings begins at 7:00pm. A valid ticket must be presented for entrance & to claim any prize. Need not be present to win. Two

## (2) tickets drawn every half hour- \$500.00 each Final ticket drawn– winner gets \$ 5000.00

Must be 21 to attend.

#### **ENCYCLICAL LETTER FRATELLI TUTTI OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON FRATERNITY** AND SOCIAL FRIENDSHIP

147. Let us realize that as our minds and hearts narrow, the less capable we become of understanding the world around us. Without encountering and relating to differences, it is hard to achieve a clear and complete understanding even

ourselves and of our native land. Other cultures are not "enemies" from which we need to protect ourselves, but differing reflections of the inexhaustible richness of human life. Seeing ourselves from the perspective of another, of one who is different, we can better recognize our own unique features and those of our culture: its richness, its possibilities and its limitations. Our local experience needs to develop "in contrast to" and "in harmony with" the experiences of others living in diverse cultural contexts.[128]

#### Foot Note : Encyclical Letter Laudato Si' (24 May 2015), 189: AAS 107 (2015), 922

**148.** In fact, a healthy openness never threatens one's own identity. A living culture, enriched by elements from other places, does not import a mere carbon copy of those new elements, but integrates them in its own unique way. The result is a new synthesis that is ultimately beneficial to all since the original culture itself ends up being nourished.

That is why I have urged indigenous peoples to cherish their roots and their ancestral cultures. At the same time, though, I have wanted to stress that I have no intention of

proposing "a completely enclosed, a-historic, stat 'indigenism' that would reject any kind of blending (mestizaje)". For "our own cultural identity is strengthened and enriched as a result of dialogue with those unlike our- selves. Nor is our authentic identity preserved by an im- poverished isolation".[129] The world grows and is filled with new beauty, thanks to the successive syntheses pro- duced between cultures that are open and free of any form of cultural imposition.

#### Foot Note : Address to the Members of the General Assembly of the United Nations Organization, New York (25 September 2015): AAS 107 (2015), 1037.

149. For a healthy relationship between love of one's native land and a sound sense of belonging to our larger human family, it is helpful to keep in mind that global society is not the sum total of different countries, but rather the communion that exists among them. The mutual sense of belonging is prior to the emergence of individual groups. Each particular group becomes part of the fabric of univer- sal communion and there discovers its own beauty All in- dividuals, whatever their origin, know that they are part of

the greater human family, without which they will not be able to understand themselves fully.

#### Foot Note : Encyclical Letter Laudato Si' (24 May 2015), 175: AAS 107 (2015), 916-917

**150.** To see things in this way brings the joyful realization that no one people, culture or individual can achieve everything on its own: to attain fulfilment in life we need others. An awareness of our own limitations and incompleteness, far from being a threat, becomes the key to envisaging and pursuing a common project. For "man is a limited being who is himself limitless".[130]

## Foot Note : Cf. BENEDICT XVI, Encyclical Letter Caritas in Veritate (29 June 2009), 67: AAS 101 (2009), 700-701.

## Starting with our own region

**151.** Thanks to regional exchanges, by which poorer countries become open to the wider world, universality does not necessarily water down their distinct features. An appropriate and authentic openness to the world presupposes the capacity to be open to one's neighbour within a family of nations. Cultural, economic and political integration with neighbouring peoples should therefore be accompanied by a process of education that promotes the value of love for one's neighbour, the first indispensable step towards attaining a healthy universal integration.

#### Foot Note : Cf. BENEDICT XVI, Encyclical Letter Caritas in Veritate (29 June 2009), 67: AAS 101 (2009), 700-701.

152. In some areas of our cities, there is still a lively sense of neighbourhood. Each person quite spontaneously perceives a duty to accompany and help his or her neighbour. In places where these community values are maintained, people experience a closeness marked by gratitude, solidarity and reciproci ty. The neighbourhood gives them a sense of shared identity. [131] Would that neighbouring countries were able to encourage a similar neighbourly spirit between their peoples! Yet the spirit of individualism also affects relations between countries.

The danger of thinking that we have to protect ourselves from one another, of viewing others as competitors or dangerous

enemies, also affects relations between peoples in the same region. Perhaps we were trained in this kind of fear and mistrust.

Foot Note : PONTIFICAL COUNCIL FOR JUSTICE AND PEACE, Compendium of the Social Doctrine of the Church. 434.

## TO NEW CONFISCHED IN ENTRY EEK

12/31/2023 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph 8:30 & 11:00am Masses

12/31/2023 New Year Eve mass @ 3:30pm only one mass 1/1/2024 New year day mass @ 9:00am

## **GOSPEL RFLECTION**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ In Jesus Christ, This week's Gospel speaks of how Jesus' disciples are to conduct themselves as they await the Kingdom of Heaven. In the preceding passages and in last week's Gospel, Jesus taught that there is no way to predict the coming of the Kingdom of Heaven. His disciples must, therefore, remain vigilant and ready to receive the Son of Man at any time.

Jesus' parable talks about Christian discipleship using economic metaphors. Before he leaves on a journey, the master entrusts to his servants a different number of talents, giving to each according to their abilities. A talent is a coin of great value. Upon the master's return, he finds that the first and second servants have doubled their money, and both are rewarded. The third servant, however, has only preserved what was given to him because he was afraid to lose the money. He has risked nothing; he did not even deposit the money in a bank to earn interest. This servant is punished by the master, and his talent is given to the one who brought the greatest return. Read in light of last week's parableof the wise and foolish bridesmaids, this parable teaches that God's

judgment will be based on the service we render to God and to one

another in accordance with the gifts that God has given to us. Our gifts, or talents, are given to us for the service of others. If we fail to use these gifts, God's judgment on us will be severe. On the other hand, if we make use of these gifts in service to the Kingdom of Heaven, we will be rewarded and entrusted with even more responsibilities. This Gospel reminds us that Christian spirituality is not passive or inactive. Our life of prayer helps us to discern the gifts that have been given to us by God. This prayer and discernment ought to lead us to use our gifts in the service of God and our neighbor. God's grace allows us to share in the work of serving the Kingdom of Heaven In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy

Spirit-Amen

Rev. Prabhu Arockiasamy Fourth Sunday of Advent & Christmas Mass Sched-

ules 4th Sunday of Advent 12/24/2023 Only one Mass at 10:00am Christmas Eve mass 12/24/2023 Two Masses 3:30pm & 5:00pm Christmas Day Mass 12/25/2023 @ 9:00am

#### PRAYER LIST

Anita Barclay, Campbell Berger, Katherine Berger, Bethany Ann Boltz, Roy Williams, ., Logan Bowers, Jerry Boyes, Patrick Webb Brownlie-Carey, Noli Causay, Teresa Coleman, Lee Cooley, Peter Cooley, Anita Cowart, Anne Davidson, Daniel Dorriety, Marguitta Dukes, Dodie Dumas, Louise Frontz, Janet Gafford, Tony Golemon, Mary Ann Keith, Dennis Keith, Liz Kilborn, Edward Kimbrough, Debora Klaus, Steven Kuszynski, Shirley Lacy, Michael Langan, Alfred Leonard, Margie Lord, Rodney Lundy, Mary McKeough, Patricia McRoy, Craig Miley, Archie Moore, Elaine Moore, Wally Neese, Kenny Nixon, Tiffany Neese, Darlene O'Rourke, James M. O'Rourke, Alex Paneda, Lita Paneda, Scott Peck, Ursula Quintana, Kaitlyn Reynolds, Simon Schum, Cindy Snow, Mandy Spotswood, Curtis Steiner, Rita Steiner, Todd Stringfellow, Barbara Thomas, Katelyn Tillman, Tyler Upton, Norma Villanueva, Anna Visperas, Rudy Visperas, Melanie Wacker, Albert Washington, Heather Washington, Darlene Watson, Lou Watt, Brad Wells, Bubba Williams, Bobby Zarate, Diane Little, Joyce Ladnier, Roy Still, William Patrick A, Fred L. Lorge, Joan A. Lorge, Barbara Smith, Frank Seltzer, Dennis Cottrell, Pete, Sam Barksdale, Joev Murphy, Chuck Simmons, Damian Turk, John O'Conner, Fr. Francis J. Sofie Jr. Megan, Stephen Wiese, Matthew wiese, Raymond Floyes, Kay K Shaw, Lloyd J. Thompson, Ruby P Thompson, George E. Merren, Jr, Flora Decker, Mary Ann Fletchery, Pat McKeough, Mathew Wilson, Eddie Booth Jr, Helen Bender, Paige Ellis, Eunice Miles, Gloria Leslie, Diana Holifield, Bea Burton, Janet & John Frazier, Henry Hoven, Mark Westbrook, Ronnie Hudson, Jewanda Taylor Jowe Nicholas Balch ,Jean Stanley , Colleen O'Rourke, Perry Hockaday, David Curtis, Kristi D Young, Beth Kenny, Chad Gorlett, Angie Beasley

# **MASS OPENINGS**

November 28 2023—Opening November 29 2023—Opening December 10 2023—Opening December 13 2023—Opening December 14 2023—Opening December 15 2023—Opening December 16 2023 — Opening December 17 2023—Opening