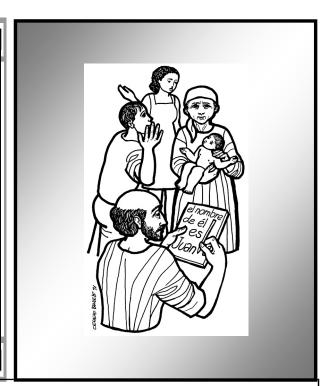


Nativity of Saint John The Baptist June 24, 2018



Reflection

On Sunday, a day we as a nation set aside to honor fathers and the bonds of family, I was among the millions of Americans who watched images of children who have been torn from their parents. In the six weeks between April 19 and May 31, the Department of Homeland Security has send nearly 2000 children to mass detention centers or foster care. More than 100 of these children are younger than 4 years old. The reason for these separations is a zero-tolerance policy for their parents, who are accused of illegally crossing our borders.

Americans pride ourselves on being a moral nation, on being the nation that sends humanitarian relief to places devastated by natural disasters or famine or war. We pride ourselves on believing that people should be seen for the content of their character, not the color of their skin. We pride ourselves on acceptance. If we are truly that country, then it is our obligation to reunite these detained children with their parents — and to stop separating parents and children in the first place.

People on all sides agree that our immigration system isn't working, but the injustice of zero tolerance is not the answer. I moved away from Washington almost a decade ago, but I know there are good people at all levels of government who can do better to fix this. - Laura Bush in the Washington Post

Mass Today-107

Offertory Helpers-Last Names Q-Z

Weekend Masses—Saturday—5pm & Sunday—9am & 10:45am **Weekday Masses**—Daily Mass Monday through Friday—8:15am

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Gathering:

Come to the River 655

Psalm: 139

I praise you for I am wonderfully made.

Preparation:

To You O God, I Lift Up My Soul 401

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In the Day of the Lord 575

PASTOR'S PARAGRAPH

My Dear Friends,

In our Diocese we rejoice in the ordination of three new priests on Saturday. Fathers Michael Coveyou, Christopher Koehn and Marlon Mendieta will soon be assigned to various parishes for their first ministry.

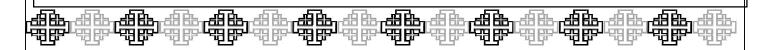


We are grateful to the Knights of Columbus for their generous gift of \$10,000 to our parish. We will use these funds for a prayer garden in back of the columbarium. The garden is now being designed and work will begin after all the many consultations that have to take place.

The Knights have been most generous to our parish endeavors – both in donations and in service at parish events. They are well known for their culinary endeavors.

Confessions: On Saturday June 30 and July 7 there will be Confessions at 10:30.

Father Donald Staib



IMPORTANT

PARISH DATES

June

30—Singles/Singles Again—7:30pm—Pullen Park

July

- 1—Registration opens for Youth Ministry
- 21—Men's Conference—10am—Activity Building
- 30—Mass & Mission
- 31-Mass & Mission

August

- 1—Mass & Mission
- 2-Mass & Mission
- 3—Mass & Mission
- 13—Parish Council—7pm— Church Room 1

Deadline for Bulletin submission is the Wednesday Morning prior to the weekend of publication (Send bulletin requests to info@stmm.net)



Mass Intentions

June 23—5pm—Bedie Joseph—Bill & Chris Pekala
June 24—9am—Betty Bedotto—Jim Bedotto
June 24—10:45am—Parishioners of StMM
June 26—8:15am—Matthew Gaggiano—Aurelia Cochrane
June 28—8:15am—Fred Leahy—George & Helen Lally

For Mass Intentions/Mass Cards—Call the Parish Office

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS – See the Guidelines on the Website – then email the Pastor. First time parents must attend a baptism class [a good time is during the 9 months prior to birth.] Baptisms are usually, not always, at 10am on Saturdays or at weekend Masses.

CONFESSIONS – Always check the Pastor's Paragraph in the weekly Bulletin or our E-News mailed on Fridays. Confessions are usually, but not every week, at 10:30am in the Church.

WEDDINGS – See the Guidelines on the Website – then email the Pastor.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

OUR NEW CHURCH – We have the obligation to make large monthly payments for 15 years for the construction of the church. In addition we are challenged to respond to new parish endeavors in all our parish programs. We are grateful to those who help us in the weekly Offertory for regular expenses and in the monthly white envelope for debt payments for the church.



Catechetical Corner

All Program Families the Religious Education Office is now operating on a summer schedule. Telephone messages will be answered on Wednesdays between 10am-2pm. Please use the email contact usischon@stmm.net for all daily communication Monday-Friday.

2018-2019 Elementary Program Registration for Returning Families & New Families will be available on www.stmm.church the week of May 20th. Registration will run until Aug. 31st. Our programs begin the week of Sept. 23rd. Please note in registering in May & June your instructional materials fee will be held until the new fiscal year begins on July 1, 2018. All forms will be updated on www.stmm.church the week of May 20 as well. To access the religious education page enter www.stmm.church / Select Religious Education / Select Elementary. You will see links to specific information.

Volunteer Catechists are always needed each catechetical year. Joining this ministry is a great way to meet other people. Requirements are minimal. You need to be a baptized Catholic in good standing with the Church. You need to Level C approved in our Safe Environment procedure. You need to be willing to give 75 minutes a week to a specific grade. Please give it some thought. The more volunteers...the smaller the classes...which is a plus for everyone!

Our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Program is a Montessori based catechetical program offered in levels of mixed grade groups. Each session is capped at 10 students/class. Students must be age appropriate by Aug. 31st. Level I for 3's/ PK/K is offered on Sun. from 8:45-10am OR 10:30-11:45am. Level II for grades 1/2/3 is offered on Sun. from 12-1:15pm as well as Tues. from 5-6:15pm. Level III for grades 4/5 is offered on Wed. from 5-6:15pm. Level II is required for Level III. Sessions take place in the Atrium (old chapel) in the Activities Building. Program runs from late Sept. through late April/early May depending on the Feast of Pentecost each liturgical year. Registration opens in June & runs through Aug. 31st each year. For more info about this second religious education program please visit www.stmm.church. Select Religious Education.

Parish Families with 1st Graders in 2018-2019!! – First Reconciliation & First Eucharist are typically received in 2nd Grade. It is a two-year preparation. Kindergarten is optional & does not meet sacrament requirements. Grade 1 is required for Grade 2. If your child is starting 1st Grade in 2018-2019 then you need to register for class instruction with the parish in our Traditional Rel. Ed Elementary Program. A Catholic baptism is required. Updated information will be posted in May 2018 for the new year. Access www.stmm.church. Select Religious Education. Select Elementary, Click on informational links to get a feel for the days & times class sessions are offered. You pick only one session & attend the same session each week.

Direct all questions to Celeste Usischon at Usischon@stmm.net





Youth Ministry

Our Youth Ministry Sunday gatherings have concluded for the school year. Registration for the 2018-2019 school year/Confirmation 2019 will open ONLINE July 1st at www.stmm.net

High School Beach Retreat is sold out! - Please contact Liz Sams at liz.sams@gmail.com to be put on the waitlist.

DAWG's: OPEN TO RISING 9th GRADERS OVER THE SUMMER!! Led by Danny Fitzpatrick & a team of college guys, DAWG's is for guys in HS who desire healthy brother-hood in their lives. You don't have to be a member of STMM YM to attend. Here you can be yourself, talk about the tough topics, share the ups and downs of your HS lives and of course just have some fun! DAWG's is scheduled to meet: 6/20. 6pm-8:30pm.(come for all or some) For more info please contact Danny Fitzpatrick at: dpfitzpa@gmail.com with questions.

E Circle IS OPEN TO RISING 9TH GRADERS OVER THE SUMMER!! E CIRCLE is a ministry open to all HS girls who desire healthy sisterhood in their lives. You don't have to be a member of STMM YM to attend. E Circle is a place for HS women where you can be yourself and talk about tough topics, share joys & concerns, & have some fun during these crazy busy HS years. E Circle is meeting at Leah Beavers house on 6/27. Follow E Circle on social media for more updates! E Circle is led by Leah Beavers & Claire Fitzpatrick.

Thank you so much to everyone who donated!!!!!!!!!

Questions regarding the **EDGE & ASP**—Janine McGann janine.mcgann@gmail.com 919-357-2611

Questions regarding **Apostello**, **The Way**, **& Confirmation**—Liz Sams at liz.sams@gmail.com, 919-349-5030





RCIA

Our RCIA process is now completed for the 2017-2018 catechetical year. New Inquiry Sessions for the 2018-2019 Process are set for Mon, Aug 20th & Mon, Aug 27th from 7:30-8:30pm in Room 4/Church Building. Please use the entrance behind the statue of Jonah. If you are interested in the process you need to attend only one of the Inquiry Sessions. We will begin again on Mon, Sept 10th from 7:30-9pm each week. Questions please contact Celeste at usischon@stmm.net.



Today's Announcements



Job Opening - Coordinator of Elementary Religious Education - St. Mary Magdalene is accepting applications for the position of Coordinator of Elementary Religious Education. This full time position is available the end of summer

to train with our long tenured incumbent who will retire the end of 2018. This person will coordinate this program from preschool to Grade 5, and have full responsibility for religious education, sacramental preparation, and work in partnership with the Youth and Teen ministries. For a more detailed job description and additional information visit http:// www.stmm.church/editoruploads/files/ Coordinator_for_Elementary_Religious_Ed.pdf Candidates should apply to jobs@stmm.net with a letter of interest, and resume of education and experience.



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create an account using our parish code. Go to www.formed.org and click on "Enter Code" and enter our parish code: ff3f1. They website will direct you from there & you'll have access to some great resources to enjoy at home!



Singles/Singles Again Upcoming Events—June 30th 7:30pm Theatre in the Park (Pullen Park) for the funny musical "It Shoulda Been You" For group rate of \$23.60, contact Andrea at TITP 919

-831-6058 and identify yourself as Single/Singles Again Group. Questions contact Mike at 919-349-2500.



Prayer Line—miriambeck24@gmail.com, 919-924-



Men's Conference hosted by StMM— Attention All Men 16 years and older! We've got an incredible day for you! We are excited to announce that StMM is hosting a Men's Conference, "Man Fully Alive" on Sat, July 21st from

10am-4pm. Tickets cost \$35, includes lunch, and can be purchased here: http://thetentengroup.com/event-dates. This conference is being led by some fantastic male speakers & leaders: Joe Farris, Chris Benzinger, & Dom Quaglia. You can visit their website at thetentengroup.com. The bravest thing you can do is ask vourself. 'What would my life look like if I was fully alive?



As you consider your offertory/pledge giving, we remind you that we offer Electronic Giving as a way to automate your contributions. It is conven-ELECTRONIC GIVING for the perick O. " ... It is convenfor the parish. Collection basket contributions

can fluctuate significantly from week to week, especially in the summer, but when contributions are automated, the church receives funds on a steady basis. Electronic giving helps us forecast, with confidence, the level of financial support our parish receives in the year ahead. Forms are available in the Narthex or email info@stmm.net and a form will be emailed to



Now is the perfect time to become a registered parishioner of St. Mary Magdalene! You can pick up a parish registration form in the Narthex or email info@stmm.net and registration form will be emailed to you. The easiest

way to return the form is to drop it in the collection basket when you come for Mass. Once you are registered you will receive a Welcome Packet in the mail and will be added to the Email Distribution list to receive our 'almost' every week E-News!



Do you receive Father Staib's E-News? If not, let us add or update your email address in the StMM directory for online communication. Email info@stmm.net and we can add or update our Email distribution list.



Live stream StMM's 10:45am Mass at: https:// www.youtube.com/channel/ UC7wpkWA5NgzXgQgmlxtNRZA?

view as=subscriber or Search YouTube for 'STMM CHURCH LIVE.'



Next week, we will take the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sis-

ters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.



Respect Life News



Pray the Rosary for Life at 10:10am on the 2nd Sunday of the month in the Chapel. Our next Rosary for Life is Sunday, July

8th. It is a beautiful way to start the day whether you come before Mass or stay after. Prayer sheets are provided and families with children are welcome.



Fetal Development of Abigail—Baby Abigail is almost three inches long and growing very fast. She will continue to grow until about 23 years of age. Her vocal cords are beginning to

form. Her mother is feeling better and has more energy. "And the Child grew and became strong in spirit, filled with wisdom; and the grace of God was upon him." (Luke 2:40)



COURAGE is a prayer and fellowship group that assists individuals with same-sex attractions (or SSA) to live chaste lives in

accordance with the teachings of the Catholic Church. Meetings are for men and women and strict confidentiality is maintained. For more information email: age.sacred.heart@gmail.com. Or call: 919-289-9489.

EnCourage is the affiliate support group for parents, friends and family members of loved ones with SSA. EnCourage helps members to focus on their own spiritual development and offers a supportive environment to share information and guidance for maintaining healthy relationships with our loved ones. Email encourage.sacred.heart@gmail.com. Or call: 984-221-0730. Strict confidentiality is maintained.

Abortion is one of the most common procedures PE in the US, experienced by millions of women, many of whom are Catholic. Abortion creates a wound in post-abortive women, (and men) resulting in spiritual and emotional problems. The Project Rachel ministry assists women and men who have been wounded by abortion to find truth and healing. There is a support group beginning in the Triangle area in August. If you have experienced an abortion and would like more information about the support group, contact Project Rachel at (919) 852-1021 or email prohttp://projectrachelnc.org/ iectrachel@nc.rr.com or Calls and appointments are kept strictly confidential.

Calling all high school students: Camp Joshua is a weekend summer camp for high school teens which provides pro life education and fun times with new friends from all over NC. Registration is now open for two locations/dates: Morganton, July 19-21; and Fayetteville July 26-28. For more information go to http://ncrtl.org/campjoshuanc/ or contact Will Moore at wmoore@ncrtl.org. Thank you for supporting life!



Diocesan News

"My God is now my strength!" Let God be the strength of your marriage. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends are: Aug 3-5 in Chapel Hill and Nov 9-11 in Atlantic Beach. Early sign up is recommended. For more information visit our website https://NCMarriageDiscovery.org or contact us at applications@NCMarriageDiscovery.org or 704-315-2144.

You Can Help Your Marriage – Do you feel ALIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue or have you just stopped talking to each other? Retrouvaille helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. For confidential information or to apply to attend the program beginning with a weekend on October 12 call 800-470-2230 or email: retrouvaillenc@msn.com or visit the web site at www.retrouvaille.org.

CURSILLO 55th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Sunday, JULY 29th 3pm - Holy Name Cathedral De Colores Mass with Bishop Luis Rafael Zarama After Mass - ULTRA ULTREYA until 7 pm with mu-

sic and food. Bring your own chairs. Please reply to Face-Cursillo de Cristiandad - Diocese of Raleigh book: paulbrantsi@vahoo.com o r

Save the Date! October 20th-The Catholic Diocese of Raleigh Charismatic Renewal We are pleased and excited to announce our upcoming Conference Guest Speaker Peter Herbeck: "From a New Pentecost to an Unshakable Kingdom" St. Michael the Archangel Church, 804 High House Rd. Cary Conference Registration begins in June. For more information about Peter Herbeck and this event please visit our webwww.ccsraleigh.weebly.com site:



Attention Catholic Scouts & Venture Crew Members! 2019 St. George Trek at Philmont The St. George Trek is an 11-day High Adventure back-packing experience placed within the context

of a retreat program dedicated to assisting a scout's awareness of his or her Christian vocation. You'll be hiking the Sangre de Cristo range of the Rocky Mountains with members of other dioceses around the U.S, as well as with priests, religious men & women, and seminarians experiencing the sacraments and the church's life of prayer daily. Interested? Required "Letters of Interest" are due no later than Sept 15th! Find out more at: http://www.dioceseofraleigh.org/offices/ catholic-scouting/st-george-trek

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News From Other **Organizations**



Pitch in for Charity and support Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Raleigh by coming to an evening of baseball with the Carolina Mudcats on Friday, July 13th at 7:00 p.m. or the Durham Bulls on Friday,

July 27th at 7:05 p.m. A portion of every ticket purchased through the Catholic Charities link will support our work! Be sure to stay for fireworks after each of the games! For more information, please visit www.CatholicCharitiesRaleigh.org/ PitchIn4Charity or contact Daniel Altenau at (919) 821-9767 or at Daniel.Altenau@raldioc.org.



Single/Single Again Ministry – If you are single, separated, divorced or widowed person, please join us for our 23rd Annual Single/Single Again Beach Retreat. August 24-26 at Trinity Retreat

Center in Salter Path NC. It is a weekend of prayer, renewal and relaxation. The theme this year is SAY YES 2 YOUR LIFE: HOW TO EXPERIENCE GOD IN YOUR LIFE EVERY-Our Facilitator is Ms. Sally Orcutt, O.P DAY. For additional information please contact Celia Keator at ckeator@nc.rr.com.



Can you paint and swing a hammer? Or NC Catholics are you interested in learning these skills VOLUNTEER and more? Join Catholic Chari-

ties and the Knights of Columbus as we help repair homes damaged by Hurricane Matthew in the Tar River and Cape Fear Deaneries. Volunteers of all experience levels are encouraged to participate!





Holy Infant Catholic Church Car Raffle-Report The Holy Infant Catholic Church in Durham is running a raffle to benefit the building fund for

their new church. The grand prize is a 2018 Acura MDX (threerow SUV). The 2nd place winner will walk away with a oneweek vacation Beech Mountain chalet vacation and the 3rd place winner will take home \$500. Tickets are \$100 each and can be purchased online or through the Parish Office during business hours. Only 1200 tickets will be sold! Visit HolyInfant-Church.org/raffle or call the Parish Office 919-544-7135 for details. The winner will be announced on July 15th.



Traveling St. John Vianney Project—We are looking for a few more families to join our ministry. Each family takes turns hosting our traveling statue of St John Vianney for a month. He is the patron saint of priests. While you are hosting, display the statue in

your home as a visual reminder to pray for our priests and an increase in vocations. This is a great way for families to participate in a ministry together. If you are interested please email Megan Brinkley m.brinkley@hotmail.com



Join the CPO family—Volunteer! - You are invited to volunteer at CPO! Volunteers must to be at least 9 years old. Because CPO has a warehouse, all volunteers under 16 years old must be

accompanied by an adult. You can volunteer one time, once a month, once a week, or as frequently as your schedule permits. CPO is open Monday through Saturday. Volunteers are scheduled from 9:30am to 1:30pm To schedule your time at CPO, please contact our Volunteer Coordinator by phone at 919- 847-1466 weekdays between 8am & 5pm, or by email at cpovol.coordinator@raldioc.org.



St. Padre Pio Prayer Group—Join us on Saturday, July 7th for the 8am Mass at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Raleigh. Confessions at 9am, Rosary and Adoration of the Blessed Sac-

rament, followed by Benediction. Contact Janette Perez at (919) 906-7060 or prezignette1@gmail.com

Holy Infant Catholic Church in Durham is seeking a part-time Next Generation (NXT GEN) Youth Ministry Coordinator. The Next Generation (NXT GEN) Youth Ministry Coordinator is responsible for the development, organization and administration of programs for YOUTH (high school students) and YOUNG ADULTS to fulfill the catechetical mission of the parish. This includes community building, service opportunities, planning and implementing programs and events, and leading youth and young adults into deeper life of discipleship. Applicants should have prior youth ministry experience; training in youth and young adult ministry or willingness to acquire and continue training. To apply, send your resume and letter of interest to: Blaine Short, Parish Administrator, BShort@HolyInfantChurch.org.

Birthchoice is seeking volunteers for various positions. There is no obligation, just an informational meeting scheduled for Tuesday evening July 17th from 7-8pm. Women and men of all ages are welcome. If you are interested please call Mona, at 919-781-5433. Location: Birthchoice office, 2304 Wesvill Court, Suite 340, Raleigh.



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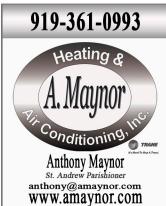
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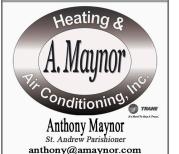


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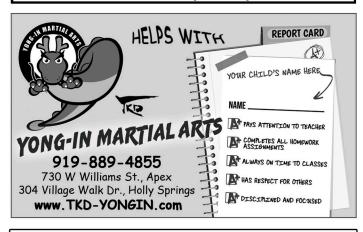
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