

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 4, 2009



# ARCHDIOCESE OF ATLANTA

Congratulations Bishop Luis R. Zarama  
Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Atlanta



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MASS SCHEDULE  
Saturday: 5:30pm  
Sunday:  
8:30am, 10:30am,  
12:30pm 5:30pm

Holy Days of Obligation  
See Bulletin for schedule

WEEKDAY MASSES  
Mon. & Tues.  
9:00am & 6:30pm  
Wed. & Thurs.  
6:30am & 9:00am  
Fri.  
9:00am & 12:10pm  
Sat.  
9:00am

OFFICE HOURS  
9:45am- 4:30pm

Mision Catolica de  
Duluth  
4400 Abbott's Bridge Rd.  
678-417-7912  
Father Carlos Mario  
Bustamente  
678-992-2516

Sister Martha  
404-374-1714

Rafael Gaitan  
770-530-8509

Spanish Masses

at Mission  
Friday- 7:00pm  
Saturday- 6:30pm  
Sunday-  
9:00am & 11:00am

1700 Buford Highway  
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Masses For The Week



**Saturday October 3**  
 9:00 am Michael Desmond (SI)  
*By Courtney Desmond*  
 5:30 pm Dorothy Chase (D)  
*By Rose and Frank Hosey*

**Sunday October 4**  
 8:30 am Regina Higley (D)  
*By Ministry to the Infirm*  
 10:30 am Mary and Joseph Console (D)  
*By Rose Marie Bailey*  
 12:30 pm Salvatore Giglio (D)  
*By Gloria Giglio*  
 5:30 pm Barbara Kimble (D)  
*By Patricia Mills*

**Monday October 5**  
 9:00 am Joan Moran (D)  
*By The Moran Family*  
 6:30 pm Ella Warren (SI)  
*By Katherine Milby*

**Tuesday October 6**  
 9:00 am Harry Moran (D)  
*By Catherine Moran*  
 6:30 pm John and Theresa McAndrews (D)  
*By Maureen Alexander*

**Wednesday October 7**  
 6:30 am Mrs. Collins (D)  
*By Guy Conte*  
 9:00 am Flory Remedios (D)  
*By The Muzello Family*

**Thursday October 8**  
 6:30 am Special Intention  
 9:00 am Thomas Patten (D)  
*By Dave and Robin Lockhart*

**Friday October 9**  
 9:00 am William Clear (D)  
*By Ruth Clear*  
 12:10 pm Ray Kerker (SI)  
*By Carol and Bill Perkins*

**Saturday October 10**  
 9:00 am Michelle Rodriguez (D)  
*By Helen Nathan*  
 5:30 pm Dennis Roesler (D)  
*By The Roesler Family*

**Sunday October 11**  
 8:30 am The People of Saint Monica  
 10:30 am Rochelle Bertalini (SI)  
*By Maureen Alexander*  
 12:30 pm Our Priests & Deacons  
 5:30 pm Our Priests & Deacons

**Readings for the Week of October 4, 2009**

Sunday Gn 2:18-24; Ps 128; Heb 2:9-11; Mk 10:2-16  
 Monday Jon 1:1—2:2, 11; Ps 2; Lk 10:25-37  
 Tuesday Jon 3:1-10; Ps 130; Lk 10:38-42  
 Wednesday Jon 4:1-11; Ps 86; Lk 11:1-4  
 Thursday Mal 3:13-20b; Ps 1; Lk 11:5-13  
 Friday Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2; Ps 9; Lk 11:15-26  
 Saturday Jl 4:12-21; Ps 97; Lk 11:27-28  
 Sunday Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30



Contributions from September 20, 2009

Contributions	\$30,458.40
Actual Budget Need	\$40,209.96
Envelopes Used	650
Loose Checks	97
Families using envelopes	27%
Children's envelopes-	\$36.00..... 24 Envelopes

There are 2413 registered families

**2009 Archbishop's Appeal  
 As of September 11, 2009**

2009 Goal	Pledged	% Goal	+/-Pledged Goal
\$156,914.00	\$137,488.00	88%	-\$19,426.00

*Please Pray For*

For all those in our faith community who are serving our nation overseas and their loved ones here at home. For those among us who are sick and suffering, that by our ministry and the help of the Holy Spirit, they may be healed according to God's will especially, Maria Morrow, Joseph Pohrer, Rick Panele, Jake Peterson, Max Morris, Lisa Rhines, Toyah Bray, Erica Hurley, Paul Fronczak, Mary Anne Mason and Kathryn Fleming. And for friends and family who have gone before us including Grace Pomar, Mary McDaniel, Tommy Bendell, George Bingham, Shawn McClosky, Andy Waldman, Lucille Bauman, Randy Miller, Norma Askew, Kathleen Stratton, Ray Slater, and Michael Santiago, we pray to the Lord. Please become active in praying for those who are ill, deceased, or have special needs by joining the Prayer Chain Ministry by contacting Julie Perry at 678-473-9660 or [juliaperry@charter.net](mailto:juliaperry@charter.net). You can be notified of prayer intentions via e-mail or Calling Post.

**Children's Choir begins October 15!** All children of the parish in grades 3-8 are invited to register for our Children's Choir. Rehearsals are on Thursdays evenings from 6:00-6:50 p.m., starting October 15.

The Children's Choir sings at 10:30 or 12:30 Sunday Masses, 4 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass, LIFE events and Holy Day Masses from October through May. To register, please complete and return the bottom portion of the forms distributed in RE Classes this week to the Children's Choir box in the lobby of the RE building. Additional blank forms are next to the box. Please call or email Helen Nathan for more information: [hnathan@saintmonicas.com](mailto:hnathan@saintmonicas.com), or 678-584-9947 ext. 12.

Next weekend, October 10th & 11th, we will be celebrating the burning of our mortgage at all the Masses. Although our mortgage is paid our growth and development will continue. In a cost cutting measure the Stewardship letters will be available in the back of the Narthex for you to pick up for the next three weekends.



If you would like to commemorate a special event, anniversary or the memory of a loved one, by making a donation for the altar flowers, Please contact Cyndy Fugieule for more information 678-584-9947 ext 26, or [cyndyf@saintmonicas.com](mailto:cyndyf@saintmonicas.com).

**Religious Education News**

**Middle School News**

Events are held Saturdays after the 5:30 Mass  
Please check the bulletin frequently for updates!

**October 7**– Middle School Planning Meetings are now on Wednesday nights once a month at 7:15pm. We'd love for you to come and help plan!

**October 24**- "A- Mazing we will go!" **Family Event.** Corn Maze and hay ride. Time 6:30pm. RSVP to [middleschool@saintmonicas.com](mailto:middleschool@saintmonicas.com). Permission forms a must!

**November 4**– Middle School Planning meeting 7:15pm

**November 14**- " Extreme Spiritual Makeover." RSVP by November 12 to [middleschool@saintmonicas.com](mailto:middleschool@saintmonicas.com).

**November 28**– **No Youth Group!**  
**Happy Thanksgiving!**

**December 5**– **Service Project**– Nursing Home. **RSVP by December 3rd to [middleschool@saintmonicas.com](mailto:middleschool@saintmonicas.com).**

**The Living Rosary LIFE Event on Oct.19th will come alive with the Joyful Mysteries!**

Wanted: Families or individuals wishing to participate as characters in the Life of Christ, please contact [carol@saintmonicas.com](mailto:carol@saintmonicas.com) or call Carol (678-584-9947 x23) by Oct. 7th. We will joyfully try to include as many characters as we can to portray the Joyful Mysteries!

**WOW– Word of the Week for 10/4**

Grade 1	Mass	Grade 5	Eucharist
Grade 2	Reconciliation	Grade 6	Eucharist
Grade 3	Sacraments of Healing	Grade 7	Evangelists
Grade 4	Anointing of the Sick	Grade 8	Holiness

**Register! Register! Register!**

Parents, please register your children for the spring session of RE.

If you have any questions don't hesitate to call Anne Hennessy.

**The Nursery is open after the 8:30 and 10:30 Masses each Sunday. This is open for anyone to use on a co-op basis. Please consider volunteering your time for this wonderful ministry. Contact Anne at the parish office.**



**Youth Group is immediately following the 5:30 PM Mass until 8:30 PM. All registrations for High School Youth Group are past due!**

**Upcoming Youth Nights**

- Oct 4<sup>th</sup>:** ISSUE NIGHT – Poverty
- Oct 11<sup>th</sup>:** **FUN NIGHT** – Movie Night on the Lawn of St. Monica's (long weekend, movie will go to at least 9 PM)
- Oct 18<sup>th</sup>:** SEALED – A night focused on the gifts and graces of Confirmation!



**Pizza and Prayer kicked off on Wednesday September 16<sup>th</sup>!** All grades 9 – 12, please join us every Wednesday from 6:30 – 8:30 PM. We will hang out, eat pizza, dive into the Word of God and Pray! This will continue every Wednesday throughout the fall, see Courtney for more details.



**Next XLT is Tuesday October 6<sup>th</sup>!** Come join other teens from around the diocese as we gather for adoration, worship, fellowship and prayer! We will depart St. Monica's at 5:45 PM and stop for dinner on the way to St. John Neumann.

**Adults of all ages,** do you have a love for the Lord and a desire to witness that to teens? Please contact Courtney in youth ministry if you're interested in helping on the CORE Team!

**ALL HIGH SCHOOL TEENS AND PARENT'S IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE ON THE YOUTH GROUP EMAIL LIST AND RECEIVE EMAILS ON UPCOMING YOUTH GROUP EVENTS, PLEASE EMAIL COURTNEY, THE YOUTH MINISTER AND ASK TO BE PUT ON THE LIST!**

[Courtney.desmond@saintmonicas.com](mailto:Courtney.desmond@saintmonicas.com)

**SAVE THE DATE FOR FALL RETREAT NOVEMBER 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup>!** All High School teens grades 9 – 12, you don't want to miss this weekend! Forms are available in the front of the RE building and at youth group. Sign up on or before October 11<sup>th</sup> for the early registration fee!

**Catechists Needed:** Do you have a burning desire to learn more about your faith? One of the best ways to learn is to teach. We need you As a Catechist for the **spring session**, starting January 20, 2010. We will provide the training. **Please call Anne Hennessy to sign up. (678) 584-9947, ex 16.**

## Schedule for the Week

<b>Sunday</b>	<b>October 4</b>		
Nursery	8:30 & 10:30		
PreK-K	8:30 & 10:30		
Special Needs	9:30am		11
Youth Group	after 5:30 Mass		
<b>Monday</b>	<b>October 5</b>		
Cub Scouts	6:00pm-8:00pm	1,2,4,5,7,8,10	
Returning Catholic	6:30pm		15
BSA	7:00pm	Lyke Hall, 11	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>October 6</b>		
RE Classes	4:30pm & 6:30pm		
Great Adventures Facil.	7:00pm		10
FPU	7:00pm		12/13
Holy Hour	after 6:30pm Mass	Church	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>October 7</b>		
Men's Rosary	6:00am	Church	
Seeker	9:30am	Lyke Hall	
RE Classes	4:30pm & 6:30pm		
8th Grade RE Class	6:30pm	Lyke Hall	
Pizza & Prayer	6:30pm	Narthex	
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>October 8</b>		
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED FOR RETREAT			
Little Rock Bible Study	10:00am		3/6
Great Adventures	7:00pm	Narthex,3/6,4,7,11,14,15	
Men's Club	7:00pm		12/13
SOUL	7:00pm		2
<b>Friday</b>	<b>October 9</b>		
PARISH OFFICE CLOSED FOR RETREAT			
Great Adventures	10:00am	Lyke Hall, 14, 12/13	
Vinny D's Pasta Dinner	5:30-7:30	Lyke Hall, 12/13	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>October 10</b>		

**The Knights of Columbus Car Raffle**

The **Knights of Columbus** have joined forces with Chick-Fil-A, Gwinnett Place Ford and Jeff Francoeur in a **raffle** to benefit the Knights of Columbus' charities. **Gwinnett Place Ford** donated a 2010 Mustang LX and each \$10.<sup>00</sup> ticket has \$10.<sup>00</sup> in Chick-Fil-A coupons effectively making it a **free ticket**. See the Knights of Columbus after all Masses to get your raffle tickets today.

The October meeting of the Menuettes will take place at Barrington Subdivision Clubhouse on Thursday October 29th at 11.30 a.m.

The theme will be Octoberfest.

Our Hostesses will provide Bratwurst and Knockwurst and ask that those attending take either appetizers, side dishes or dessert.

Our Hostesses will be Gloria Gancarz, Judy Andrews and Eileen DeVille.

Please call Gloria at 770-614-6142 [gloria346@charter.net](mailto:gloria346@charter.net) or Judy Andrews at 770-338-2301 or Eileen DeVille at 770-962-3379 for reservations and directions.

Ministry Leaders pick up the new Facility Guidelines in your mailboxes ( if you were not at the Parish Assembly). Make sure you read it and follow the facility policies.

**A MESSAGE FROM THE ARCHBISHOP GREGORY CONCERNING FLU-**

"With the approach of cold and flu season, please exercise appropriate precautions at Mass, especially if you have been ill. Please refrain from personal contact during the Our Father and the Sign of Peace, and please feel free to refrain from receiving Communion from the cup. Your fellow parishioners will appreciate your consideration. Anyone experiencing flu-like symptoms (fever, headache, tiredness, cough, sore throat, runny nose, etc.) should not attend Sunday Mass or other parish activities. The possibility of infection with influenza represents a sufficient reason not to attend Sunday Mass, and obviates the Sunday obligation."

My office will keep you informed should the situation change. The U.S. bishops' Committee on Divine Worship has posted on the Web a series of 10 questions and answers related to participation at Mass during the time of the swine influenza (swine flu). The 10 questions and answers can be found at <http://usccb.org/liturgy/swineflu.shtml>

I urge you to keep in prayer all those affected by this outbreak and those involved in responding to it.

**Little Rock Scripture** meets on, Thursday, from 10:00-11:30am. Hebrews: Examine and enter into the priestly ministry of Jesus and consider your role in the Kingdom of God today. Contact Julie Stewart for information [julieastewart@hotmail.com](mailto:julieastewart@hotmail.com) or 404-368-9226.

**SSAT PREPARATION WORKSHOP will be offered for middle school students at several church locations throughout the fall and winter. All students applying to a Catholic high school next fall must take this test as part of the admissions process. Upcoming session locations include All Saints Church, St. Brigid Church, St. Peter Chanel Church, Notre Dame Academy, and Peachtree Presbyterian Church. Please visit: [www.prepatlanta.com](http://www.prepatlanta.com) for complete dates and times, or call Lori Crunk, 770 396-3330 for registration.**

**Holy Spirit Prep College Lecture Series** welcomes **Father Thomas D. Williams, LC THD**, analyst for Vatican affairs for CBS news, professor of theology and ethics and author of numerous books. Father Thomas will discuss his most recent work "**Can God Be Trusted?: Finding Faith in Troubled Times**" on Tuesday, October 13 at 7:30 p.m. Holy Spirit Preparatory School will host this event at the lower school campus located at 4820 Long Island Drive, Atlanta. All are welcome and invited to attend. To learn more about Father Thomas Williams, please visit his website at [www.thomasdwilliams.com](http://www.thomasdwilliams.com)



The St Monica's Men of the Rosary will be offering rosary prayer on Wednesdays at 6:00am. All are invited to join in pray.

**Don't miss these upcoming LIFE Events!**

- October 19th: Mass & Living Rosary, 6:30pm
- 29th: Saints Alive, 7pm



**ST. VINNY D'S HOUSE OF PASTA REOPENS**

Come one, come all as ST. VINNY D'S HOUSE OF PASTA reopens this Friday, October 9th from 5:30 to 7:30pm in Lyke Hall. Bring your appetite and enjoy a home cooked meal of assorted pastas and sauces with garlic bread, salad and all the trimmings. We ask only for a free will offering. There'll be plenty of beverages to wash your dinner down. For more information call Joe Lenzi at 770-330-0846 or John Volpert at 770-652-3485.

**WEDS NEWS!** If you have been to a marriage encounter and want to continue that wonderful experience with your spouse, come visit the Saint Monica's WEDS group. Our next meeting will be on Saturday, October 17th, 7:00pm, at the home of Victor & Alessandra Alcoreza.

**ANNULMENT QUESTIONS/ANSWERS**

Prince of Peace Catholic Church is sponsoring a presentation on Marriage Annulments by the Metropolitan Tribunal of Atlanta on Thursday, October 22, 7:30 PM. The program will cover who and why someone may need an annulment in the Catholic Church, how to begin the process and what to expect once your case is submitted and more. Questions are encouraged. All persons interested are welcome to attend. Space is limited. Please contact Bonnie Noble (770) 967-3306 or Jan Nichols (770) 965-7362 as soon as possible.

**MENS CLUB MEETING:** All men of the parish over age 21 are invited to join us at our monthly meeting this Thursday, October 8th in the RE building. The social starts at 7pm with light finger foods and assorted beverages. Business meeting follows at 7:30 pm. Come share in the fellowship, fun and faith as we plan future activities supporting our parish mission and funding of its activities. Please direct any questions to Joe Lenzi at 770-330-0846 or joelenzi@charter.net.

**GRACE Scholars, Inc.**, a Student Scholarship Organization formed between the Archdiocese of Atlanta and Diocese of Savannah in 2008, enables children with need to attend Catholic school through tuition assistance. Individuals and "C" Corporations who pay income tax to the State of Georgia can support GRACE and **receive a 100% dollar-for-dollar tax credit.** Unlike a typical charitable deduction, a tax credit reduces your Georgia tax liability by 100% of the amount you donate. Simply put, your tax dollars are going out the door – either to the state or to the GRACE Scholarship program. Why not give a child the gift of a faith-filled, academically challenging Catholic education?

For more information on how to make a donation to GRACE and obtain a 100% tax credit, please visit [www.gracescholars.com](http://www.gracescholars.com) or contact us at 404-885-7410.

**Severe Weather closing information, if Gwinnett County Schools are closed- all activities at the church are cancelled for that day and evening. This is done for the safety of our parishioners. If the Gwinnett County authorities deem that the road conditions are not safe to travel we abide by their decisions. Safety of the children and the adults is our primary reason for having this policy.**

**“CHANGE YOUR WORLD” ~ Baby Bottle Campaign ~**

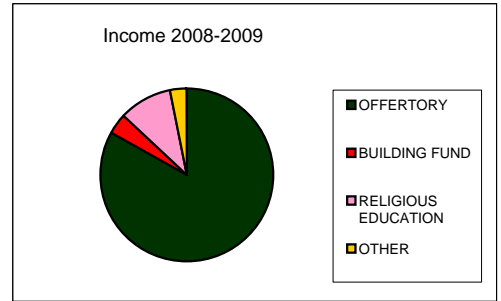


**Pick up your BABY BOTTLE after Mass and spend Respect Life Month (October) putting your change into the bottle – when it is full simply bring it back to church.** Your extra change can save an unborn child's life, educate a teen so they can choose to respect their bodies by living the virtue of chastity, help a single mother in need, provide free pro-life education materials for our

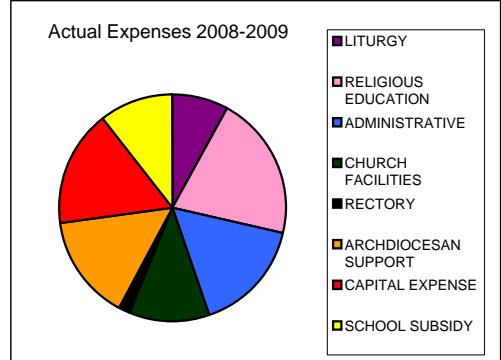
parish and community, support those caring for terminally ill babies, host events which educate adults and teens on the dignity of all life, and work towards building a **CULTURE OF LIFE!**

Join St. Monica's Knight of Columbus and Respect Life Ministry as we seek to **CHANGE OUR WORLD, one life at a time!! Pick up your BABY BOTTLE after Mass at the Respect Life table in the Narthex the first two weekends in October.**

	Original Proposed Budget 2008-2009	Approved Budget 2008-2009	Actual Income and Expenses 2008-2009
<b>INCOME</b>			
OFFERTORY	\$ 1,980,062	\$ 1,968,079	\$ 1,859,572
BUILDING FUND	-	27,500	90,710
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	225,150	238,050	220,854
OTHER	49,000	64,152	70,198
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,254,212</b>	<b>\$ 2,297,781</b>	<b>\$ 2,241,334</b>



	Original Proposed Budget 2008-2009	Approved Budget 2008-2009	Actual Income and Expenses 2008-2009
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
LITURGY	\$ 230,457	\$ 184,960	\$ 179,099
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	511,505	481,163	468,162
ADMINISTRATIVE	496,538	386,518	363,010
CHURCH FACILITIES	258,029	259,255	259,273
RECTORY	54,671	34,971	37,119
ARCHDIOCESAN SUPPORT	318,553	330,613	336,821 *
CAPITAL EXPENSE	403,757	383,547	380,144
SCHOOL SUBSIDY	237,050	236,754	236,754
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 2,510,560</b>	<b>\$ 2,297,781</b>	<b>\$ 2,260,382</b>



<b>NET REVENUE</b>	<b>-\$256,348</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>-\$19,048</b>
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Principal Loan Outstanding is \$113,077.22 as of June 30, 2009 with loan payoff scheduled for October 2009

Because of decreasing offertory, items totaling \$256,348 were eliminated from the 2008-2009 budget including amounts for specialized furniture to accommodate cremains for funerals, replacement of worn and fraying vestments, replacement of aging office equipment, carpet replacement in both buildings, salary and benefits for one part-time staff position and a third priest.

\* Of the \$336,821 Archdiocesan Support \$28,734 was to pay for the shortfall of our 2008 Annual Appeal Goal of \$149,177.

	Original Proposed Budget 2009-2010	Approved Budget 2009-2010
<b>INCOME</b>		
OFFERTORY	\$ 1,968,079	\$ 1,771,000
STEWARDSHIP GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT	25,000	41,000
SCHOOL OF RELIGION	236,303	235,254
OTHER	49,875	47,875
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,279,257</b>	<b>\$ 2,095,129</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>		
LITURGY	\$ 202,171	\$ 169,296
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	540,374	503,316
ADMINISTRATIVE	424,388	384,531
CHURCH / ADMIN BUILDING	304,953	282,321
RECTORY	52,286	39,462
ARCHDIOCESAN SUPPORT	356,016	352,816
CAPITAL EXPENSE	488,547	121,694
SCHOOL SUBSIDY	237,481	237,482
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 2,606,216</b>	<b>\$ 2,090,918</b>
<b>NET REVENUE</b>	<b>\$ (326,959)</b>	<b>\$ 4,211</b>