

News From Fabio

What separates us from God: Very often we say that God is important in our life, is this true? Because if so, I can not understand why some people bring their phone to the Church, instead of leaving it in the car. Some ,even answer the phone during our Mass celebration. He/she ends up leaving the Mass. I think the only ones who have a reason of having the phone in the Church are the doctors. Please, put your phone on vibrate. I also do not understand why some people arrive late and leave before the final blessing. What is more important that does not allow you to arrive on time, to pray and prepare for the Eucharist? Enjoy the Mass, dedicate time to God, and choose God.

No Flowers During Lent: I would like to remind you that during the time of Lent, the Church does not allow decoration with flowers on the altar, or for our Lady. Lent reminds us of the 40 days of Jesus in the desert.

When taking Communion: Some people sometimes scare me when it comes to receiving communion. The correct way to receive Holy Communion is: left hand above the right (open), right hand below in the form of a cross and at the end the Host is taken with the right hand. Which must be consumed immediately. When you receive it in your mouth, please open your mouth wide. The priest or the Eucharistic Minister, do not know if you want to receive Communion or only receive a blessing. To receive the blessing cross your hands and with the palms of your hands touch your shoulders.

Pray For: I would like to invite you to take time to pray to God during this Lenten Season. That He will help us to repent from the heart. To help us to accept the Gospel without conditions, and to forgive those who have offended us. And pray for the victims of the tragedy in Florida. Also, please pray for the family of Father Rudd.



Serving God By Serving Others

In Search for a Youth Minister

The Youth Ministry in the Mountains Program is the recipient of a \$5000 grant from the North Georgia Catholic Foundation! The search has begun for a part-time Youth Minister:

The Catholic Parishes of Saint Mark in Clarkesville and Saint Paul the Apostle in Cleveland seek to hire a part-time **Youth Minister responsible for ministry to students in grades 7 through 12.** Applicant should be a practicing, committed Catholic with an education in current Catholic theology, training in education or relative field, and experience working in a youth ministry program. Responsibilities include organization and implementation of the newly formed Youth Ministry in the Mountains program;, which is dedicated to the continuing formation of Catholic Teens in Northeast Georgia through outreach in the community, social activities and Catholic spiritual development. Must be willing to organize and work in collaboration with a team of volunteers. Computer proficiency is a must. Youth Minister will be directly responsible to the Pastors and supported by the Youth Ministry in the Mountains Commission. Please send resume/inquiries to: Mary Ruth Jones, St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church, 1243 Hulsey Road Cleveland, GA 30528, or by email: maryruthjones8@gmail.com

Saint Paul Outreach

The Saint Paul Outreach Group will hold a general meeting on **Wednesday, Feb. 28th at 10:00 a.m.** in the Our Lady of Grace education building. All former members and current members as well as anyone interested in joining the group are invited to attend. We will review our 2017 Financials and discuss how things went in general in 2017. Please come to the meeting with ideas you might have to improve our program in 2018.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION



Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament
Exposition is as follows:

1st Saturday from 4-4:45PM

Tuesday 5PM-7PM

Thursday 10AM-7PM

Friday 10AM-3PM

Followed by Divine Mercy Chaplet.

What do I do in Adoration? Sit quietly and just “be” in the presence of God. Think of a visit to the Blessed Sacrament as coming to see your best friend. Sit quietly and enjoy being in each other’s company.



ALTAR SERVER
A JOB SO BIG ONLY A KID CAN DO IT

Join our great group of altar servers who assist Father Fabio at Mass! Participation in church as a server builds self-discipline, responsibility and humility.

The only requirements: reception of First Holy Communion and a willingness to serve the Church! **The next training for current and new servers will be held on Sunday, February 25th at 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall.** Contact Mary Ruth Jones, 706-348-7384, maryruthjones8@gmail.com for more information.



Youth Ministry in the Mountains Upcoming Events and Activities! All youth grades 7-12 are welcome!

Saturday, March 3

Middle School Catholic Fest at Notre Dame Academy in Atlanta: this event is open to all Middle School students grades 6-8. \$10 per person. Transportation will be provided. Registration deadline, February 13. *Contact: Mary Ruth Jones, 706-892-4438*

2017 Contribution Statements

2017 Contribution statements, have been mailed. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY



This Thursday, February 22, the Mobile Food Pantry will be here at St. Paul the Apostle. The truck will arrive at 10:00 a.m. Volunteers should plan on arriving around 9:30 a.m. Hopefully we will be blessed with our usual tremendous turn-out of volunteers to help distribute the food to the needy of our community. We can use all the help we can get.

Bulletin Announcements

Due to a change in our bulletin deadline, bulletin announcements will be due by 2PM on Monday, for the following Sunday. Email items to: saintpaullivier@gmail.com or call the office at (706) 286-5-4474. Announcements may be edited.



**To the
Advertisers
for supporting
our Church
Bulletin!**



Please pray for our teens who are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on March 3, 10:00AM. You are all invited to attend the Mass Celebration. Out teens will be anointed by Bishop Schlessinger

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| <i>Frankie Jose</i> | <i>Karina Valencia</i> |
| <i>Maria Elena Juan</i> | <i>Josie Alcaraz</i> |
| <i>Armando Juan</i> | <i>Gabriel Alcaraz</i> |
| <i>Ricky Gomez</i> | <i>Alexis Laguna</i> |
| <i>Jose Diego</i> | <i>Adrian Steen</i> |
| <i>Ruby Espinoza</i> | <i>Gilberto Carrion</i> |
| <i>Esmeralda Espinoza</i> | <i>Alondra Delgado</i> |
| <i>Christopher England</i> | <i>Taylor Brown</i> |
| <i>Jesus Lara</i> | <i>Angela Torres</i> |
| <i>Eduardo Martinez</i> | <i>Ivan Calderon</i> |
| <i>Chase Lammers</i> | <i>Jonathan Perez</i> |
| <i>Mariella Flores</i> | |

Religious Articles Just Arrived for LENT and Confirmation



Be sure to stop by the religious Articles Cabinet after any Mass to check out the selection of devotional aids for Lent. We have wooden cross in assorted colors, new lanyards, "I am forgiven" bracelets, Stations of the Cross for children and an assortment of rosaries. **Confirmation March 3.** Confirmations gifts are available. Special orders welcome. Call Carol 706-865-0930 or leave a note in the cabinet to order. *Items will also be available for your convenience at the Fish Fry Fridays.*

Noticias de Fabio

Que nos Separa de Dios: Muy a menudo decimos que Dios es el más importante en nuestra vida, ¿será eso verdad? Porque de ser así, yo no puedo entender porque algunas personas se traen el teléfono para la Iglesia, en lugar de dejarlo en el carro. Peor aún, algunos hasta contestan el teléfono en plena celebración. Finalmente terminan saliéndose de la Santa Misa. Creo que los únicos que tienen la excusa de tener el teléfono en la Iglesia son los médicos, o aquellos que tienen una verdadera razón/excusa para hacerlo. Por favor, ponerlo en vibración. Tampoco entiendo porque algunas personas llegan tarde y se retiran antes de la bendición final. Qué fue más importante que no le permitiera llegar con tiempo, para orar y prepararse para la Eucaristía? O, qué o quién es más importante para que se salga de la Iglesia antes de la bendición final?. Disfrute la Misa, dedíquele tiempo a Dios, no lo cambie por nada ni por nadie.

No Flores: Quiero recordarles, que durante este tiempo de Cuaresma, la Iglesia no permite decoración con flores en el altar, ni siquiera para la Virgen. Ya que estamos en tiempo de Cuaresma, el cual nos recuerda los 40 días de Jesús en el desierto.

Cuidado con la Comunión: Algunas personas, a veces me asustan a la hora de comulgar por la forma en que reciben la comunión, tanto en la mano como en la boca. La forma correcta de recibir la Sagrada Comunión es: mano izquierda arriba de la derecha (abiertas), mano derecha debajo en forma de cruz y al final se toma la Hostia con la mano derecha. La cual debe ser consumida de inmediato. Cuando la reciban en la boca, abran bien la boca. Sea el sacerdote o el Ministro de Eucaristía no sabemos si quieren comulgar o solamente recibir la bendición. Para recibir la bendición se cruzan las manos y con las palmas se tocan los hombros.

Orar Por: Quiero invitarlos a que durante este tiempo, oremos a Dios para que él nos ayude a arrepentirnos de corazón por el mal causado. Para que nos ayude a aceptar el Evangelio sin condiciones, a perdonar a los que nos han ofendido. Y oremos por las víctimas y el causante de la tragedia en Florida, al igual que orar por la familia del padre Rudd.



ALTAR SERVER
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¡Únete a nuestro gran grupo de servidores del altar que ayudan al Padre Fabio en la Misa! La participación en la iglesia como servidor fortalece la autodisciplina, la responsabilidad y la humildad. Los únicos requisitos: haber recibido la Primera Comunión y tener voluntad de servir a la Iglesia!

La próxima reunión para monaguillos nuevos o actuales se llevará a cabo el domingo, 25 de febrero a las 2:00 p.m. en el Salón Parroquial.

Comunicarse con Adriana Jimenez (706) 949-1760 para obtener más información.



Ministerio de Jóvenes en las Montañas

Próximos eventos y actividades!

¡Jóvenes de los grados del 7-12 son bienvenidos!

Sábado, 3 de marzo

Middle School Catholic Fest en la Academia Notre Dame en Atlanta: este evento está abierto a todos los estudiantes de la escuela intermedia de los grados 6-8. \$ 10 por persona. Se proporcionará transporte. Fecha límite de inscripción, 13 de febrero: Contactar: Mary Ruth Jones, (706)-892-4438

Sacramento del Bautismo

Clase Pre-Bautismal: Último sábado del mes

Hora: 10:00am **Lugar:** En la Iglesia

Celebración del Sacramento de Bautismo:

Último domingo del mes

Hora: Después de la Misa de 12:30pm

Sacramento del Matrimonio

Comunicarse con el Padre Fabio por los menos seis meses antes de la fecha de la boda.

Sacrament Reminders:

CONFIRMATION

Have your child at the Covecrest Retreat Center between 7 and 8:30 pm on Friday evening, February 23. Pickup time is Sunday, February 25 at noon. Please make sure your teen packs according to the checklist, including bedding. There is a store at the retreat center if your child would like to bring some extra spend money to buy something.

Rehearsal – Must Attend!

ALL TEENS must be present for Confirmation Mass Rehearsal at the church on Thursday, March 1 at 6:30 pm. Sponsors/godparents are encouraged to attend. The rehearsal will last about 1 hour.

Mass:

Teens must arrive at 9:00 am on Saturday, March 3. Please come to the parish hall with your sponsors only. Family and friends should take a seat in the church in their designated pews. Bishop Schlessinger will speak to the teens before Mass.

Dress:

Boys: dress shirt and pants, with necktie. You can wear a suit if you choose. Please, no khakis, shorts, flip-flops or tennis shoes. You can choose to wear something white if you like. White is the color which is a reflection of your baptism.

Girls:

dress or skirt and blouse. You can choose white if you like. No mini-skirts, or 5 inch heels. Shoulders should be covered, either by sleeves or with a sweater or shawl. *Please keep your dress, makeup and jewelry modest.*

Reception:

There will be cake and punch served in the parish hall after the Confirmation Mass. Your child's Confirmation Certificate will also be there for you to pick up.

Pictures:

You are welcome to have your photo taken with your family and the Bishop. Please bring your own camera.

Recordatorios Sacramentales:

RETIRO DE CONFIRMACIÓN

Favor de estar en el Centro de Retiro Covecrest entre las 7 y las 8:30 PM la noche del viernes 23 de febrero. El horario de llegar por su hijo/a es el domingo 25 de febrero al mediodía. Por favor, asegúrese de que su hijo/a empaque de acuerdo con la lista de verificación, incluida la ropa de cama. Hay una tienda en el centro de retiro si a su hijo/a le gustaría traer algo de dinero extra para comprar.

Ensayo - ¡Debe asistir!

TODOS LOS ADOLESCENTES deben estar presentes para el Ensayo de Confirmación en la Iglesia el jueves 1 de marzo a las 6:30 p.m. Se anima a los padrinos / madrinas a asistir. El ensayo durará aproximadamente 1 hora.

Misa:

Los adolescentes deben llegar al salon parroquial a las 9:00 a.m. el sábado, 3 de marzo. Por favor, venir con su madrina o padrino. Los familiares y amigos deben tomar asiento en la iglesia en sus bancas designadas. El obispo Schlessinger hablará con los adolescentes antes de la Misa.

Jóvenes:

Ccamisa y pantalones de vestir, con corbata. Puede usar un traje si lo desea. Por favor, no khakis, shorts, chanclas o tenis. Puede elegir ponerse color blanco si así lo desea. El color blanco es el color que refleja nuestro bautismo.

Chicas:

Vestido o falda y blusa. Puede elegir color blanco si desea. No minifaldas, o tacones de 5 pulgadas de alto. Los hombros deben estar cubiertos, ya sea por mangas o con un suéter o chal. Por favor, mantenga su vestido, maquillaje y joyas modestos.

Recepción:

Serviremos pastel y jugo en el salón parroquial después de la Misa de Confirmación. El Certificado de Confirmación de su hijo/a se lo daremos en el salon parroquial durante nuestra recepción.

Forografias:

Le invitamos a tomarse una fotografia con su familia y el Obispo despues de la Misa de Confirmación. Por favor traer su propia cámara.

2017—A Look Back
St. Paul's Outreach at St. Paul's the Apostle Catholic Church

We wish to thank all of our parishioners and visitors for your continued support and contributions to St. Paul's Outreach of St. Paul's Catholic Church. Without your help, we could not have completed the following activities during 2017.

We continued the once-monthly **Mobile Food Pantry**. Volunteers at this event are members of Women's Guild, Knights of Columbus and various other church members. We distributed 100,900 pounds of food to 860 families in White County in 2017.

We also continued the **Brown Bag Program** once a month. Church members distribute brown bags to parishioners at each Mass. Parishioners then fill the bags with non-perishable food items. Parishioners return the bags the following Sunday. The bags are then gathered and delivered to those in need. During 2017, we delivered 316 Brown Bags (a total of approx. 7,000 pounds of food).

Client Interviews- We have a team of six parishioners who meet once a month to interview clients that need help with prescription costs, power, propane, water bills, and food. In addition, we have a list of resources to which the clients are referred where there is more help available. In 2017 we interviewed 92 families and were able to help 70 families.

Jessie Tree - During the 2017 Holiday season, Christmas gifts were distributed to 95 parishioner's children. Our gratitude goes to the Women of St. Paul's, St. Paul's Outreach, the Knights of Columbus, employees of NOK along with our own parishioners who generously donated to this effort.

We encourage everyone in the parish to pray about how you can give back. Consider donating a few hours one day a month at the Mobile Food Pantry or at the Outreach Client Interviews one morning a month.

Again, a sincere thank you for all you do in a time of such great need.

We hope that you will continue to use the blue envelopes or online for donations to St. Paul's Outreach.

Mirando Hacia Atrás—2017
Ministerio de St Paul Outreach en
San Pablo el Apóstol

Deseamos agradecer a todos nuestros feligreses y visitantes por su continuo apoyo y contribuciones a St. Paul's Outreach de la Iglesia del San Pablo el Apóstol. Sin su ayuda, no podríamos haber completado las siguientes actividades durante el 2017.

Continuamos la despensa de **Comida Móvil** una vez al mes. Los voluntarios en este evento son miembros del Gremio de Mujeres, Caballeros de Colón y otros miembros de la iglesia. Distribuimos 100,900 libras de alimentos a 860 familias en el Condado de White en el 2017.

También continuamos el **Programa Bolsas Café** una vez al mes. Los miembros de la iglesia distribuyen bolsas a los feligreses en cada Misa. Los feligreses llenan las bolsas con alimentos no perecederos. Los parroquianos devuelven las bolsas el domingo siguiente. Las bolsas se juntan y se entregan a los necesitados. Durante el 2017, entregamos 316 bolsas (un total de aproximadamente 7.000 libras de alimentos).

Entrevistas: contamos con un equipo de seis feligreses que se reúnen una vez al mes para entrevistar a personas que necesitan ayuda con los costos de recetas, energía, gas propano, facturas de agua y alimentos. Además, tenemos una lista de recursos a los que se remiten las personas donde hay más ayuda disponible. En 2017 entrevistamos a 92 familias y pudimos ayudar a 70 familias.

Jessie Tree - Durante la temporada de vacaciones de 2017, se distribuyeron regalos de Navidad a 95 niños de la parroquia. Nuestra gratitud va para las Mujeres de San Pablo, St. Paul's Outreach, Caballeros de Colón, empleados de NOK junto con nuestros propios feligreses que donaron generosamente para este esfuerzo.

Alentamos a todos en la parroquia a orar sobre cómo pueden ayudar. Considere donar algunas horas un día al mes en Mobile Food Pantry o en las entrevistas de Outreach Client una mañana al mes.

De nuevo, un sincero agradecimiento por todo lo que hacen en un momento de tanta necesidad.

Esperamos que continúe usando los sobres azules o en línea para las donaciones a St. Paul's Outreach.