

# THE LITURGICAL WEEK

## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, September 24**  
*No Regularly Scheduled Mass*

**Sunday, September 25**  
 8:30am - Carter Stevens  
 11:00am - Christie Bethard  
 12:30pm - The People

**Monday, September 26**  
 8:30am - Kerry Franklin

**Tuesday, September 27**  
 8:30am - No Mass Intention

**Wednesday, September 28**  
 5:15pm - Kerry Franklin

**Thursday, September 29**  
 8:30am - Edward Driscoll

**Friday, September 30**  
 8:30am - Jerry McMahon†

**Saturday, October 1**  
 9:30am - No Mass Intention  
 4:30pm - Jessie Newton

**Sunday, October 2**  
 8:30am - Jerry Wood  
 11:00am - Taveta Moede†  
 12:30pm - The People

## CONFESSIONS

Wednesdays from 6:00 to 6:30pm  
 Saturdays from 3:30 to 4:15pm

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**“Behold the Lamb of God  
 who takes away  
 the sin of the world.”**

~St. John the Baptist (John 1:29)



## DEVOTIONS

**ADORATION**  
 Wednesday at 5:45pm

**MORNING PRAYER**  
 After Mass on Monday, Tuesday,  
 Thursday, & Friday

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET**  
 After Morning Prayer on Monday

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## THE SANCTUARY LIGHTS

Are lit this week for  
*The Stack Family*

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## PRAYERS FOR OUR SICK & SHUT-INS

Please remember the infirmed of our parish, especially those who, by request, have been placed on our parish prayer intention list.

Added to our prayer intention list, is  
 Patrick Boyce.

If you would like to be added to this list, please call the parish office.

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# SPIRITUAL READING & REFLECTION

## NEXT SUNDAY'S GOSPEL READING



### MATTHEW 21:33-43

**Jesus** said to the chief priests and the elders of the people: "Hear another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a hedge around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a tower. Then he leased it to tenants and went on a journey. When vintage time drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants to obtain his produce. But the tenants seized the servants and one they beat, another they killed, and a third they stoned. Again he sent other servants, more numerous than the first ones, but they treated them in the same way. Finally, he sent his son to them, thinking, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to one another, 'This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and acquire his inheritance.' They seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?" They answered him, "He will put those wretched men to a wretched death and lease his vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the proper times." Jesus said to them, "Did you never read in the Scriptures: The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; by the Lord has this been done, and it is wonderful in our eyes? Therefore, I say to you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that will produce its fruit."



## SAINTS OF THE WEEK • SEPTEMBER 29 MICHAEL, GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS

You should be aware that the word "angel" denotes a function rather than a nature. Those holy spirits of heaven have indeed always been spirits. They can only be called angels when they deliver some



message. Moreover, those who deliver messages of lesser importance are called angels: and those who proclaim messages of supreme importance are called archangels.

And so it was that not merely an angel but the archangel Gabriel was sent to the Virgin Mary. It was only fitting that the highest angel should come to announce the greatest of all messages.

Some angels are given proper names to denote the service they are empowered to perform. In that holy city, where perfect knowledge flows from the vision of almighty God, those who have no names may easily be known. But personal names are assigned to some, not because they could not be known without them, but rather to denote their ministry when they come among us. Thus, Michael means "Who is like God?"; Gabriel is "The Strength of God"; and Raphael is God's Remedy."

Whenever some act of wondrous power must be performed, Michael is sent, so that his action and his name may make it clear that no one can do what God does by his superior power. So also our ancient foe desired in his pride to be like God, saying: I will ascend into heaven; I will exalt my throne above the stars of heaven; I will be like the Most High. He will be allowed to remain in power until the end of the world when he will be destroyed in the final punishment. Then, he will fight with the archangel Michael, as we are told by John: A battle was fought with Michael the archangel.

So too Gabriel, who is called God's strength, was sent to Mary. He came to announce the One who appeared as a humble man to quell the cosmic powers. Thus God's strength announced the coming of the Lord of the heavenly powers, mighty in battle.

Raphael means, as I have said, God's remedy, for when he touched Tobit's eyes in order to cure him, he banished the darkness of his blindness. thus, since he is to heal, he is rightly called God's remedy.

**Excerpt from *The Office of Readings*  
From a homily on the Gospels by St. Gregory the Great, pope**

# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**If you or anyone you know is homebound or hospitalized, even temporarily,** please call the office so that we may arrange for them to be visited by one of our Extraordinary Ministers.

With your help we can make certain everyone is taken care of. Thank you!

**For sacramental emergencies, please call 828-859-2422.**

## ROSARY DURING OCTOBER

The rosary will be prayed before every Mass during the month of October. **We need volunteers to lead the**

**rosary at the Sunday Masses,** please contact

the parish office at 859-9574.



## OFFERTORY COLLECTION

SEPTEMBER 17<sup>TH</sup> & 18<sup>TH</sup>

\$5,887.06

*"...while Abel, for his part, brought one of the best firstlings of his flock. The Lord looked with favor on Abel and his offering..."*

—Genesis 4:4

**The Parish Office has new telephone extensions,**

that are not yet updated on our bulletin cover. Our new voicemail extensions are:

Fr. Winslow - ext. 5

Andrée Harrison - parish office - ext. 2

Theresa Fitch - faith formation - ext. 3.



Our phone number remains the same at 828-859-9574.

## FACEBOOK

To keep up with the **latest news and information** in real time, join our Facebook page by visiting our web site, and selecting the "Join us on Facebook" tab.

*Try to guess the Facebook Mystery Person picture & win a prize!*

## • MASS INTENTIONS •

In order that Mass Intentions may be accurately recorded and accounted for, they must be made in person during office hours. If you are homebound, please call and we can help you secure a Mass time. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



**Bulletin deadlines** are Wednesdays by 12:00 noon, in writing. Please submit announcements to [stjohnchurch@windstream.net](mailto:stjohnchurch@windstream.net), attn Bulletin, or bring to the Parish Office.

## ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS USHER MEETING

THIS SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup> @ 9: 45 AM

We invite all USHERS, who are currently serving in this ministry, to attend a meeting in the church with Fr. Winslow this Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup> between the Masses @ 9:45am. If you cannot attend, please contact Theresa Fitch in the church office @ [stjohnff@windstream.net](mailto:stjohnff@windstream.net) or 859-9574 ext 3. *Thank you.*

**If you have recently moved** or changed your phone number or e-mail address, please call Andrée in the Parish Office at 828-859-9574, with your updated information. Thanks!

# PARISH EVENTS

**—PROVIDED FREE TO ST JOHN PARISHIONERS—  
NEW TRANSLATION OF THE ROMAN MISSAL**

*My Catholic Faith Delivered* offers training on the new translation of the Roman Missal. This online course is provided to all parishioners, courtesy of the parish. Each of the four lessons can be completed in about 15 minutes of time. Video presentations are delivered by some of the major leaders in the translation of the new Roman Missal including Msgr. James Moroney, Fr. Jonathan Gaspar, Cardinal George Pell, Cardinal Francis George and others. The presentations and additional materials assist Catholics in understanding the Why, the How, and the What of the upcoming changes.

**In order to register for the course:**

- Go to [www.mycatholicfaithdelivered.com](http://www.mycatholicfaithdelivered.com)
- Click on the sign-up button in the top right of your browser.
- Type in your name, email address and the coupon code in this announcement.
- Coupon Code for St John Parishioners: **1073-MC-NT-7ZT6**
- We suggest you use a number and a symbol in your password.
- After your account is created, sign in and click on the My Curriculum button to see the course on the left hand side.
- Click on the *My Catholic Faith Delivered* entry to expand the course.
- Click on *The New Translation* and then one of the lessons.
- Finally, click on the Start Lesson button to begin.



If you have general questions, please call Theresa in the church office (859-9574). If you have any questions or problems related to the course, please call My Catholic Faith Delivered toll-free at 1-866-981-8964 or email them at [support@mycatholicfaithdelivered.com](mailto:support@mycatholicfaithdelivered.com).



## PARISH LIFE AT A GLANCE

Mon	Sept 26	6:30pm	Schola Choir Practice, Church
Tue	Sept 27	6:30pm	Schola Choir Practice, Church
Wed	Sept 28	6:00pm 6:00pm	Faith Formation Classes, Parish Center RCIA, Social Hall
Thur	Sept 29		
Fri	Sept 30		
Sat	Oct 1	9:30am	First Saturday Mass followed by Circle of Mary



# FAITH FORMATION



## YOUTH GROUP MEETS TONIGHT! SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25<sup>TH</sup> 5:30 TO 7:00 PM—PARISH CENTER

All high school youth (9<sup>th</sup> –12<sup>th</sup> Grade) are invited to be part of YOUTH GROUP! Every year is a new year so if you missed one or two years—no problem! Simply come out and join us! Youth Group will MEET in the CHURCH @ 5:30pm to start...the parish center will not be 'open' until after we have concluded our prayer. Registration forms must be completed and can be picked up in the church office Monday through Friday, 9:30 to 3:00pm. All forms need to be RETURNED ASAP.

## FAITH FORMATION CLASSES 2011-2012

*Classes started two weeks ago.* If you have not registered your child, please contact Theresa Fitch in the church office without delay. Registration for Faith Formation closes this week. Registration forms are available in the church office M-F, 9:30am to 3:00pm.



## RCIA

**RCIA classes will meet on WEDNESDAYS  
starting this week**

Meet in the church social hall 6:00pm to 7:30pm, September 28<sup>th</sup>. Any questions, please contact Theresa in the church office.

## ATTENTION FAITH FORMATION & YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAMS

In order to provide a positive, proper and respectful environment for studying our Faith, **all youth** in Faith Formation and Youth Ministry are to be modest in their speech, dress and behavior. To be modest is to be free from conceit and vanity and is to be humble and respectful, not only to self but to others. As we begin a new year in our programs, all youth are expected to be respectful in their attire.

When attending Mass are all encouraged to wear his/her 'Sunday best'. However, as FF classes and Youth Group do not meet before or after Mass, your attire (clothing) may be casual but should always be respectful:

- *Length of shorts should be mid-thigh or longer*
- *No 'cutoff' shorts*
- *No tank tops or spaghetti strap tops*
- *No inappropriate wording or pictures on clothing*

All clothing (male/female) should be modest as befits honoring the body and reverencing God. We thank you for your cooperation and efforts to provide a respectful environment for the parish.



## CIRCLE OF MARY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup>

### Understanding the Mystery of the Mass Revisited

Ladies of the parish are invited to join us for the Rosary at 9:00am followed by First Saturday Mass at 9:30am. Following the Litany we will move down to the Social Hall for refreshments, fellowship and our presentation on Understanding the Mystery of the Mass Revisited.



## THE FOOD BANK COLLECTION IS OCTOBER 1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup>

Please bring your canned goods and/or donate by way of the Second Collection at Masses.



*Thank you from Thermal Belt Outreach Ministry*

# ADDITIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

## CALL TO ACTION



September 21, 2011

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We respectfully request your assistance with a matter that is before the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). HHS is seeking comment on proposed regulations for the 2010 Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (the new national health care law). One of those new regulations would require Churches and Catholic institutions to pay for abortion and birth control pills for their employees.

These new HHS regulations would ignore the conscience rights of individuals as well as the teaching of our Church on the sanctity of human life. Never before has the federal government required private health plans to include such coverage.

Kindly ...send an email directly to HHS regarding this important issue. Timing is important on this matter as HHS is only accepting comments until September 30, 2011. Thank you for your participation and for making your voice heard today.

(...)

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend Peter J. Jugis  
Bishop of Charlotte

*Please see the bulletin insert from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops and respond per the Bishop's request to [www.usccb.org/conscience](http://www.usccb.org/conscience).*



### 2011 Rosary Congress

The 2011 Carolina's Rosary (Marian) Congress of the Diocese of Charlotte will be held on September 30<sup>th</sup> and October 1<sup>st</sup> at the Cabarrus Arena & Event

Center in Concord, N.C. His Excellency, Bishop Peter J. Jugis will be the main celebrant of the Holy Sacrifice of the Vigil Mass and Homilist Saturday evening after the procession. To prepare for this Rosary Congress, we are in need of volunteers. If you are interested, please contact 704-794-6687 or Email at [carolinarosary@windstream.net](mailto:carolinarosary@windstream.net)

### LIFE CHAIN 2011

On Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, between 2:00 and 3:00pm, people across this nation and Canada will stand alongside city streets holding messages for life, unified in a silent prayer chain. The route this year will be in two locations along US 25 in Hendersonville: 1) the entrance to Patton Park at Clairmont Ave. and 2) Hendersonville High School Football Field. Signs will be provided at these locations. For further information please contact Sharon Asbury at [sasbury@morrisbb.net](mailto:sasbury@morrisbb.net) or 697-6188 or go to [www.lifechain.net](http://www.lifechain.net). This is a simple and powerful opportunity to put into action your beliefs about the sanctity of preborn life.