

You're invited—But Dress properly!

Since this parable follows the triumphant entry into Jerusalem and precedes the teachings of Jesus on the signs of the end times delivered on the Mount of Olives experts in the timeline of the Gospels put this time of controversy on the Wednesday morning of Passion week.

In this context wherein he was to be betrayed and crucified, the meaning is clear--it condemns the disrespect that Israel as a whole had for God's gracious invitation through Jesus the Messiah. [Disrespect shown for God's offer in every subsequent age is likewise condemned]

The focus of the parable is on the wedding banquet of the Son. The reference is to the Messianic banquet, which is mentioned in the Book of Revelation (Rev. 19).

Jewish tradition held, all the people of God --Israel--would enjoy a Messianic banquet in their transition from this life to the next. The special guests would be the Israelites who were expecting the Messiah; they claimed to be closely related to the King, God. But when the King prepared the banquet for his Son, they would not come. In the New Testament Christ is often portrayed as the stumbling stone--people might have embraced an offer of the kingdom, but they had to determine *what to do about Jesus?*

Those who continue to refuse turn violent; the Jews had often harmed and killed the prophets that God sent to them; and they were about to do the same with Jesus. That is why Jesus explains the kingdom would be taken from them and given to a people bearing fruit. The man who did not prepare properly failed to act on the invitation he received. So there was an invitation to the banquet, but not all who responded to the invitation were allowed to remain for the **proper attire corresponds to all that Jesus said was required for entrance into the Kingdom true repentance for sin, faith in Christ, and a commitment to love and obey the Lord as evidence of saving faith.** The King had the man tied and cast out into the darkness, where there would be weeping and gnashing of teeth!!!

MASS INTENTIONS:

Sat. 5:00pm for the soul of Jeff Morgan at Mary Jane Morgan's request.

Sun 9:00am Bernardina Rodriquez at Betty Tapia & family request

Sun 12:00pm for our parishioners

TREASURE STEWARDSHIP:

Offertory \$8,635.50

(Average of \$9,000 per week to balance budget)

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Class resumes TODAY for the students in the School of Religion.

Students in grades 6 (& students new to St. Anna's in grades 6-8) will participate in the Virtus Child Protection Class next Sunday, October 22nd. The Child Protection Class will be held in the 6th grade classroom beginning at 10:30 a.m. Parents are invited and encouraged to attend. Permission slips will be sent home with the students today. **NO CHILD** will be permitted to participate in the Child Protection Class without a signed parental permission slips.



A PARENT/STUDENT MEETING for ALL 9TH GRADE CONFIRMATION PARENTS & STUDENTS will be held on Thursday, October 19th at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. This important meeting we will discuss what is required of your son/daughter for 9th grade Confirmation



Confirmation



“Spiritual Short Courses for Christians” will continue today from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall. Join us for a cup of coffee and good conversation about our Catholic faith!

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

Our next **WYN (Wednesday Youth Night)** is **Wed. October 25th** beginning with Mass in the Chapel at 6:00 p.m. followed by pizza, fun and fellowship until 8:00 p.m. Join us for the fun!

Do you need some help around the house...raking leaves, cleaning out the gutters, cleaning out the garage? If so, I have the perfect solution for you!



“RENT-A-YOUTH”
On Sat., Nov. 11th, we will provide the youth to do whatever you may need done! Call David at 347-840-4794 or Delilah at 770-773-6259 to set up an appointment.



Priesthood Sunday: October 29

Following Noon Mass, join us in the Parish Hall to celebrate Fr. Dan and our Deacons. We will share words of love and appreciation, as well as Cake and Punch. This special day is set aside to honor priesthood : Fr. Dan and Deacons Tom and John. What to do as a family?: Write a note, find a special card, send of picture of celebrating an event with the clergy and join us in celebration on Oct. 29 after the noon Mass. Questions? Contact Jerry Hobbs: 678-858-3922 or Karen Straub: 770-377-3731

Will You represent St. Anna's? First Christian Church of Monroe is the host of the **FISH Soup Kitchen**. A warm meal will be served to those in need starting on Monday 10/23 and every Mon, Wed, and Fri. from 12-1pm. **FISH needs teams of 6-8 people from 11AM -2PM to do food prep, service, and clean-up for each meal time** . If God is calling you to Help: Call at **404-771-1258**



2018 Offertory Commitment Weekend Recap
The Results are in! The amount needed to cover operating expenses for 2018 is \$473,000. Total Pledged to date is \$307,788. We are currently **short \$165,212**. If you have not yet made your pledge for 2018 Offertory, please do so. Out of 480 register families; 147 families have pledged, 2 blank envelopes, and 6 families are unable to give at this time. Please listen at the Lord speaks to your family to help in furthering his Kingdom.

TRUNK OR TREAT for The Entire Family is this Friday, October 20th at 7PM

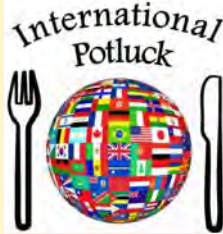
All parishioners and the community are invited to decorate their vehicles from 5:30 to 6:45 in the back parking lot. All are encouraged to wear costumes. We are praying for 75 vehicles to participate this year. Questions? Call/Text Shauna Cantrell at 770-905-6603.



A.C.E.S. ACTIVE, CATHOLIC, ENTHUSIASTIC, SENIORS!
HALLOWEEN FESTIVAL in the Parish Hall on Friday, Oct. 20th, from 1-3pm
COSTUME OPTIONAL! Contacts: Beverly Sabatino (770) 313-2384 or Aida Villarini (770) 267-2341.



International Potluck Dinner
 Saturday, Nov. 4 following we ask for each family to bring a covered dish from your heritage/background to share. If you are planning to attend, place contact Terri Dippel 770-855-5588, Aida Villarini 770-267-2341, or Marie Jeanni 404-667-1143 404-786-7020.



Submit your Church Photo for the Capital Campaign IV photo contest. The winner's photo will be used for a Thank You Prayer Card to those who pledge to the Campaign. You can post your 4x6 photo on the contestant board in the back of the Parish Hall or email it to Mary Lynne Reinagel at misteredd102@comcast.net



Meeting times for the week:
 OLPH - Every Mon. @ 3pm (102/3)
 Centering Prayer - Every Mon. @ 7pm (Chpl)
 CC4 Mgmt Team - Tues. @5:30pm (Lib)
 CC4 Steering Com Mtg (102/3)
 RCIA (PH) & RCIC (105) - Every Tues. @ 7pm
 Parish Bible Study - Every Wed. @ 10am (105)
 Choir Rehearsal- Wed. 10/11 - Kids @ 6:30; Adults @ 7pm
 9th Grd Parent/Std Mtg. - Thurs. @ 7pm (PH)
 Stewardship Council- Thurs. 10/19 @ 7:15pm(Lib)
Call the Church Office at 770-267-7637, To add your items

Vince Ambrosetti Concert and Awaken Our Hearts Parish Mission in Jefferson, GA at St. Catherine Laboure Catholic Church. The Mission will be Monday, Oct. 30th through Wednesday, Nov. 1st starting at 7pm night. **Vince will be performing in concert at 7pm on Sunday, October 29th.** This is a free event for the whole family. For more info call 706-367-7220 or www.FaithonFireMissions.org



Children's Liturgy of the Word Schedule

10/15	10/22
9AM- Fr. Dan & Patricia Buttner	Deacon John Regina Duffield
12PM-NO CLW	Barbara Ginn & Marielena Broome

MONSIGNOR DONOVAN
 Tuesday, October 24, 2017
 3:30 — 7:30 PM
An Afternoon Of
 Pumpkin Carving • Hay Rides •
 Haunted Trails • Live Music •
 Costume Contest • And More!
 Monsignor Donovan Catholic High School
 590 Lavender Road, Athens, GA 30606
\$10 Entry Fee Includes Meal Ticket & 5 Event Tickets
 Additional event tickets will be available at the carnival for \$1

WEEKLY VERSES
 A week's worth of God's Word

Oct. 15 thru Oct.th
Saturday: Confessions begin at 4 PM

Sunday: Is 25:6-10a. / Ps 23(22):1-6. / Philip. 4:12-14.19-20. / Mt 22:1-14.
Monday:Rm 1:1-7. / Ps 98(97):1.2-3ab.3cd-4. / Lk 11:29-32.
Tuesday: Rm 1:16-25. / Ps 19(18):2-3.4-5. / Lk 11:37-41.
Wednesday: 2 Tim 4:10-17b. / Ps 145(144):10-11.12-13ab.17-18. / Lk 10:1-9.
Thursday: Rm 3:21-30. / Ps 130(129):1-2.3-4b.4c-6. / Lk 11:47-54.
Friday: Rm 4:1-8. / Ps 32(31):1-2.5.11. / Lk 12:1-7.
Saturday: Rm 4:13.16-18. / Ps 105(104):6-7.8.9.42-43. / Lk 12:8-12.