



First Holy COMMUNION

Holy Family Church

Lincoln, Illinois

Sunday, April 30, 2017 at 10 am

Tate Thomas Aue

Elena Lynn Grimaldi

Cameron Gideon Bell

Gisella Lane Grimaldi

Norah Elizabeth Block

Liam Scott Marquez

Hunter Byron Paul Clark

Joshua Dennis Niziolekiewicz

Holland Makelle DeValle

Luke Jamison Prestegaard

Emma Marie Eeten

Adalyn Elizabeth Varner

Kennadie Alyse Finchum

Izzak Todd Winebrinner

St. Patrick's Church

Elkhart, Illinois

Sunday, April 23, 2017 at 8:30 am

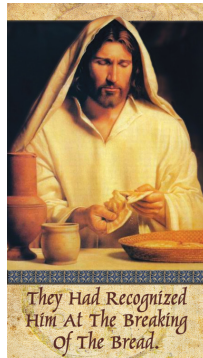
Claire Ann Bobell and Braden Alfred Olson

St. Thomas Aquinas Church

Mt. Pulaski, Illinois

Sunday, May 7, 2017 at 10:30 am

Liam Seamus Stern Doherty



MASSSES FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, May 1-St. Joseph the Worker

7:00 am James Lee by the Patrick Lee Family (Holy Family)
 9:00 am Recitation of the Rosary (Holy Family)

Tuesday, May 2-St. Athanasius

5:00 pm Betty Emmons by Guy & Sue Williamson (Holy Family)
 [followed with Our Lady of Perpetual Help Novena]

Wednesday, May 3-St. Philip and St. James

7:00 am Agnes "Ma" O'Donoghue by Tim & Shirley O'Donoghue (Holy Family)
 8:00 am All Souls (St. Patrick's)
 8:30 am Mass Transferred to Thursday, May 4 (Holy Family)
 6:45 pm CCD May Crowning [with Awards following] (Holy Family)

Thursday, May 4

7:00 am Jennifer L. Dehner by Crystal Tibbs (Holy Family)
 8:30 am Phyllis "Pat" Hickey by Jeff, Greg, Danny & Steve (Holy Family)
 12 Noon Recitation of the Rosary (Holy Family)
 2-5:30 pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament [with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament] (Holy Family)
 5:30 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet Meditation (Holy Family)

Friday, May 5

7:00 am Phillip "Punk" O'Donoghue by Tim & Shirley O'Donoghue (Holy Family)
 1:30 pm Connie McCullough by Lou Ann Reichle Mack (St. Clara's Manor)

Saturday, May 6

4:00 pm Rose Rupnik (St. Patrick's)
 5:00 pm In Thanksgiving [50th Wedding Anniversary of Gary & Patricia Freese] (Holy Family)

Sunday, May 7-Fourth Sunday of Easter

8:00 am Louis "Lou" Schick by Rick & Mary Jane Sheley (Holy Family)
 8:30 am Jeanie Smith by John T. Smith (St. Patrick's)
 9:00 am Harold Westerfield by Dorothy Westerfield (St. Mary's)
 10:00 am Frances Reichle by Lou Ann Mack (Holy Family)
 10:30 am Duane Jarnagin by Shirley Buckner (St. Thomas Aquinas)

[First Communion]

NOTE: Reconciliation at Holy Family Church, Lincoln, is held each Tuesday from 4:30-4:55 pm and each Saturday from 3:45-4:30 pm.

Reconciliation at St. Mary's Church, Atlanta, is held prior to the 9 am Sunday Mass.

Reconciliation at St. Patrick's Church, Elkhart, is held each Saturday from 3:15-3:45 pm.

Reconciliation at St. Thomas Aquinas Church, Mt. Pulaski, is held prior to the 10:30 am Sunday Mass.

Based on the availability of clergy, this schedule is subject to change. Please check the parish calendar on the website for any changes or additions.

3rd Sunday of Easter Cycle A

The disciples on the road to Emmaus walked and talked with Jesus all day long, but it was not until they offered Him hospitality and He blessed and broke the bread that they recognized Him. Simple acts of loving kindness *still* reveal the presence of God in our midst.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday, May 1

Acts 6:8-15 /
 Psalm 119:23-24,26-27,29-30 / John 6:22-29

Tuesday, May 2

Acts 7:51—8:1 / Psalm 31:3-4,6-8,17,21 / John 6:30-35

Wednesday, May 3

1 Corinthians 15:1-8 / Psalm 19:2-5 / John 14:6-14

Thursday, May 4

Acts 6:26-40 / Psalm 66:8-9,16-17,20 / John 6:44-51

Friday, May 5

Acts 9:1-20 / Psalm 117:1-2 / John 6:52-59

Saturday, May 6

Acts 9:31-42 / Psalm 116:12-17 / John 6:60-69

Sunday, May 7

Acts 2:14,36-41 / Psalm 23:1-6 / 1 Peter 2:20-25 / John 10:1-10

NEXT FAMILY LUNCHEON

Parishioners, and families from all four parishes are invited to come to the Family Luncheon to be held on **Thursday, May 11**, in the Carroll Catholic School cafeteria. Lunch will begin at 11:45 am. No fee required, but donations will be accepted.



ST. MARY'S, ATLANTA

~Ministry Schedules for Sunday, May 7:

Reader-Susan Kuhlmyer; Servers-Nicholas O'Donnell & Andrew O'Donnell; Greeters & Gift Bearers-Byron Jodlowski & Family

~**Spaghetti Dinner:** Each parishioner family is asked to donate a dessert for the upcoming Spaghetti Dinner to be held **next Saturday, May 6**. Examples: brownies, cookies, cakes, Rice Krispy treats. You may drop off your goodies beginning at 1pm on that Saturday at the St. Mary's Church Hall. Thank you!!

~**Cleaning/Coffee & Donuts Committee** for May is Darlene Luttrell & Colleen Jodlowski

ST. PATRICK'S, ELKHART

~**Coffee & Donuts** will be held **this Sunday, April 30**, after the 8:30 am Mass.

~**Cleaning Schedule:** May 7 Janet & Steve Allen / May 14 Larry & Lori Bobell and Ben & Haylee Bobell. Please clean the week before you are assigned.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS,

MT. PULASKI

~**Coffee & Donuts** will be held next **Sunday, May 7** after Mass (last one till September). Come and join in the fellowship before summer begins.



ADA

(Annual Diocesan Appeal)

Thanks to the generosity of our families, each parish is well on their way towards their goals. Each gift is important to the mission of the diocese. If you have not yet had the opportunity, please return a pledge card with your response today. There are cards available at the entrances of each parish. Your gift helps support the central ministries of our diocese including religious education of our young people, faith formation of adults, training of our future priests, Newman Centers on our college campuses and much more. Together we can accomplish many works of faith, hope and charity. Every dollar raised over each parish's goal will be kept in that parish. To those who have contributed, we are most grateful.

Come Pray the Rosary!

Come join parishioners at 9 am this **Monday, May 1**, at St. Mary's Church, Atlanta, to pray the Rosary. A gathering to pray the Rosary takes place on the first Monday of each month.

INFANT BAPTISMS

Parents are asked to attend a baptism preparation session before the baptism of their child. Please call the parish office to register.



MARRIAGES

Please call the parish office at least six months prior to the desired wedding date.



MAY CROWNING 2017



The entire month of May is dedicated to Mary. Devotions include May Crownings that date back to the 16th century. Pope Pius VII originally sanctioned this tradition. May Crownings include prayers, a procession, singing Marian Hymns, and placing spring flowers on a statue of Our Lady. Even though the traditions of May Crownings go back centuries, many modern Catholics see spring flowers as reminders of our Lady. Violets are symbols of Mary's humility, lilies symbolize her purity, and roses symbolize her beauty. In fact, the rose is considered the queen of flowers. It is no surprise that Mary is sometimes identified as the Mystical Rose or the Queen of the Universe.

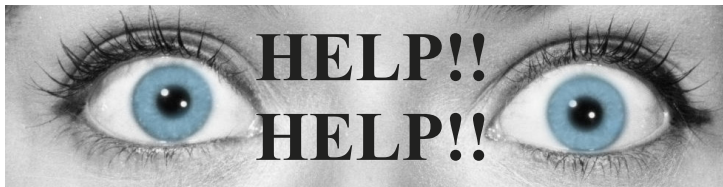
- * **Holy Family/St. Mary's CCD May Crowning and Awards** will take place **this Wednesday, May 3**, at 6:45 pm, in Holy Family Church.
- * **Carroll Catholic School May Crowning** will take place on **Thursday, May 11**, at 7 pm, in Holy Family Church.

All are invited to both services.

For Catholics, our devotion to Mary is just a part of us and our faith. Mary is a true model for us in the way that she lived her life and accepted God's invitation to become the Mother of His Son, Jesus.

Mary's name in Hebrew is *Miriam*. Mary's people were from Israel, so she was of the Jewish faith believing in one living God, told down through the generations from the time of Abraham and Sarah. She was devout in her faith following the Torah, observing the Sabbath and festivals, reciting prayers, lighting candles, and going to synagogue according to the custom in Galilee.

A most important Jewish prayer that Mary would probably have recited is called the *Shema*: "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord; and you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might" (Deuteronomy 6:4-5).



Now that your attention has been captured, please consider becoming a volunteer for Vacation Bible School that will be held from **June 19-23** from 8:30-11:30 am at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Lincoln. If you are high school age & up, enjoy working with children & you are an **enthusiastic, patient and loving person** you are just who we are looking for!!!! Contact Kathy Buse as soon as possible at (217) 732-4019 if you are interested in helping.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

"Maker Fun Factory Created by God - Built for a Purpose" Vacation Bible School will be held from 8:30-11:30 am, **Monday, June 19 thru Friday, June 23.**

TO SIGN UP YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN . .
go to the www.logancountycatholic.org website, then click on the Vacation Bible School icon at the bottom right corner of the page and then you can fill out the application.

COOKBOOKS FOR SALE!

If you wish to purchase a St. Thomas Aquinas Parish cookbook, they are \$15 each and available at St. Thomas Aquinas Church and the Parish Office. If you are unable to come to the Parish Office during working hours, please cut out the order form below, fill it out and place it in the Sunday collection basket.

ST. THOMAS AQUINAS COOKBOOK ORDER FORM

Name _____

Phone _____

Parish Church _____

How many cookbooks do you wish to purchase? _____



Do you recognize Christ in your life and hope to make Him known to others? Perhaps you are being called to the priesthood or consecrated life. If you are considering this possibility, call Father Tim Hepner at (309) 671-1550 or email fr_hepner@cdop.org. **St. John Vianney, Patron of Priests, pray for our priests.**

EMMAUS DAYS 2017

Sessions 1 & 2 are held at Nazareth House in Henry, Illinois. Participants deepen their faith and focus on discerning God's will through prayer and the sacraments. By listening to and spending time with priests and seminarians, participants get a glimpse into their lives. Session 1 is for those who are in college, as well as single men in their 20's and 30's who are discerning their vocation.

Session 1 (June 9-12) College Age & Young Adult @ Nazareth House, Henry, Illinois

Session 2 (June 16-19) High School Juniors & Seniors @ Nazareth House, Henry, Illinois

Sessions 3 & 4 are held at St. Bede Abbey in Peru, Illinois. Led by seminarians, participants hear God's call to become real Christian men. The experience includes prayer, talks and activities like basketball, swimming, soccer, ultimate Frisbee and card game.

Session 3 (July 9-12) High School Freshmen & Sophomores @ St. Bede Abbey, Peru, Illinois

Session 4 (July 12-14) Seventh & Eighth Graders @ St. Bede Abbey, Peru, Illinois

For more information/registration call the diocese Office of Vocations at (309) 671-1550 or go to www.cdop.org then click on the white lettering "Vocations" then click on "Priestly Vocations" box, then click on the orange lettering "Emmaus Days".

Through the mercy of God, may they rest in peace.

Ronald Eimer, Betty Hoaglin,
Glenn Hurt and Loren Proefrock

Remember the following in your prayers:

Anne Lowry, Anna Beckers, Les Jarnagin, Steve Coogan, Tom Romer, Mike Lowry, Paul Lowry, Gay (Ruble) Conder, Matthew Lowry, Elijah Cox, Harriett Richardson, Guinevere Decker, Laura Saladino, Joan Lewis, Boone O'Donoghue, Ruth Young, David Olson, Rodney Alberts, Jill Alberts, Jan Loeffelholz, Linda Wright, Ben Velasco, Steve Schmidt, Ryan Butler, Donna Burr, Paula Rutherford, James Thean, Gavin Fox, Greg Patterson, Kevin McCrary, Spencer Harris, Joe Bell, Mark VanRheeden, Rita Johnson, Diana Brown, Crystal Tibbs, Pat Caveny-Nye and all the members of the armed forces of our country. If you would like to add a name to the list, call the Parish Office at (217) 732-4019 or email mklohrenz@logancountycatholic.org

**PLEASE
PRAY
FOR
THE
SICK**



Prayer Chain

Request prayers by sending an email to lcc4- prayer-chain@googlegroups.com. If you would like to subscribe to the prayer chain, follow the "Join Prayer Chain" link located on www.logancountycatholic.org. When your web browser opens click on "Subscribe to this group" option, then follow the instructions in the pop-up box. You should receive an email within 48 hours that indicates you have been accepted as a member of the prayer chain. If you have any questions please call or email the Parish Office.

The sanctuary candle on
the altar at . . .

Holy Family Church is lit this week

In Honor of the 50th Wedding Anniversary
of Gary & Patricia Freese

The Holy Family Food Pantry is in need of food staples such as: fruit, macaroni & cheese, vegetables, soup, cereal, and other such nonperishable items. To collect these items, at Holy Family there is a shopping cart located to the right in the main entrance, at St. Mary's a box is provided in the gathering area, St. Patrick's and St. Thomas Aquinas items may be left in the main entrance. Thank you for all your past support.

**FEEDING
THE
HUNGRY**



*Blessings on Your
Wedding Anniversary*

Congratulations to Gary and Patricia Freese
who will celebrate their 50th Wedding
Anniversary on Thursday, May 6.

Check~In Travel

Certified Caribbean & Disney Specialist

My name is Britta Langley. I work full time for an insurance company and I am an independent travel agent out of my home. I grew up in Lincoln attending Carroll School (Go Crusaders!) and Lincoln High School (Go Railers!). My husband and I now live in Hartsburg. I have three daughters, two of whom attend Hartem High (Go Stags!), and the other is a teachers' aide and assistant coach there. I am very proud to say I have been a member of Holy Family Church my entire life, and my husband and I were married there.

In thinking of how to give back to my church family, here's what I'd like to do: for all of 2017, for every trip you book with me, I am going to give 10% of my travel commission (which comes from my vendors, not my clients) to the church. You will request which church and project/fund you would like this donation to be applied. With your help, my goal is to assist the church with as many projects as possible. I can help you with your travel needs. I book ALL types of travel. I'll make the plans, you make the memories!!! Contact me at checkinwithbritta@gmail.com or www.checkinwithmetravel.com or call (217) 314-9040.

COUNCIL

C O R N E R

The following are notes from the March 16th Parish Council meeting:

- * There will be a Harvest Mass for our Logan County Parishes on Sunday, September 10th at Holy Family. Mass will be at 10 am followed by a potluck meal at the Knights of Columbus Hall, Lincoln.
- * Father Laible shared the good news that Father Simon will not be leaving us until September.
- * Wendell Lowry's ordination as a deacon will be celebrated by our four parishes on May 28th at Carroll Catholic School.

See your Parish Council members for questions, to add an item you'd like addressed at the next meeting, and to VOLUNTEER!

Holy Family: Bob Barger, Julie Benedict; St. Mary's: Joe Bell, Jan Bicknell, Phyllis Biever; St. Patrick's: Lori Bobell, Judy Horcharik, Blane Olson; St. Thomas Aquinas: Amanda Doherty, Karen Edgecombe, Kathy Miller; and, Youth Member: Zachary Craig

YOUR SUPPORT IS NEEDED for Carroll Catholic School

Your offertory envelopes each month contain a pink envelope, labeled: "CCS Student Scholarships." Your offering in this envelope greatly assists the school in providing a Catholic education to all who desire it for their child. It remains a guiding principle that no child will ever be denied an education at Carroll Catholic School as a result of a family's financial situation. As such, the school offers tuition assistance to families who demonstrate economic need. In a typical year, assistance is offered to around one-fourth of our families, comprising nearly one-third of all CCS students. While this assistance is not without cost, the return on our investment is immeasurable! Thank you to all who support the students and mission of Carroll Catholic School through your pink envelope offerings.

Earn Cash for Our School!



Remember to save your "Box Tops for Education" labels to help Carroll Catholic School. Check the outside packaging of all your products to possibly find Box Top labels. Send your collected labels to Carroll School, Parish Office or you may place them in the Sunday

collection basket and they will be sent over to Carroll School. Thank you for all your past support in this project.

Thursday, May 4, is National Day of Prayer

~Jimmy Carter states, "God answers all our prayers. Sometimes the answer is yes. Sometimes the answer is no. Sometimes the answer is, you've got to be kidding!"

~"Prayer should not be merely an act, but an attitude of life."

—Billy Graham

FROM OUR PARISH NURSE

Southern Illinois University Center for Family Medicine began operation of its family medical clinic at the Logan County Department of Public Health, 109 3rd Street, Lincoln, on April 3. The SIU clinic offers a variety of services to include women's health, newborns and children, school and sports physicals, adolescent care and adult and geriatric medicine. SIU accepts Medicaid, Medicare and provides access to care regardless of insurance status or ability to pay. "Having primary medical care, public health and dental services all under one roof will help further assure the community has easy access to a full range of treatment and prevention services," stated Don Cavi, Public Health Administrator. For an appointment, call (217) 735-2317 Extension 4 and you will be directed to the scheduling desk.



LOOKING AHEAD

The Holy Family Food Pantry, has in the past and, will continue to accept garden produce for its patrons. If you wish to donate garden produce you may bring it to the pantry on any Wednesday. The food pantry is open from 10 am to 2 pm each Wednesday. Or you may bring your donations on a Tuesday. However, if you choose Tuesday, you must first call ahead at (217) 732-9592 to make arrangements to have someone meet you at the food pantry to accept your donations.

Our food pantry serves patrons in all of the Logan County area. Thank you to everyone who supports the Holy Family Food pantry in any way.

Bringing Christ to the Hospitalized, Nursing Home Residents and Homebound!

Do you know any Catholic homebound, nursing home resident or hospital patient who would like to receive Holy Communion? Please call the Parish Office at 732-4019 if you, or someone you know, is in the hospital, in a nursing home or is homebound.

April 22/23, 2017 Weekly Offering Versus Budget Requirement

Parish	Budget Requirement	Weekly Offering	Weekly Online Giving	Weekly Budget Surplus/
Holy Family	\$7,900.00	\$5,903.32	\$335.00	(\$1,661.68)
St. Mary's	\$1,175.00	\$862.00	\$445.00	\$132.00
St. Patrick's	\$1,270.00	\$1,357.90	\$105.00	\$192.90
St. Thomas Aquinas	\$1,025.00	\$766.00	\$0.00	(\$259.00)

Totals do not include donations for: Easter, Memorials, Food Pantry, Diocesan Collections, Estates, Utilities, Missionary Collections, Building Funds, Capital Campaigns and Miscellaneous Donations.

OTHER AREA & DIOCESAN EVENTS:

- ♦ **First & Third Thursdays each month**, 9 am-3 pm @ (Car Dealership) 1200 South Dirksen Parkway, Springfield a **Car Seat Checkup Event** takes place. Get your child's safety seat inspected by a trained technician!
- ♦ **Tuesday, May 2**, beginning at 9 am, The Logan County Department of Public Health will sponsor a **Blood Drive** in the Bloodmobile which will be parked at 109 3rd Street, Lincoln, for all who wish to donate blood. To donate call (217) 735-2317 or go to www.bloodcenterimpact.org using sponsor code 60595.
- ♦ **Saturday, May 6**, the Living Alternatives Pregnancy Resource Center will host **Walk for Life** at Lincoln Christian Church. It takes funds to provide and maintain an excellent standard of service; that is why they are working hard to offset costs with their annual fundraiser. This is an event of celebration and fun, complete with music, balloons, face painting, food, silent auction and lots of door prizes. For information about participating in the "Walk for Life" call (217) 735-4838.
- ♦ **Saturday, May 13**, beginning at 1 pm, a **Benefit for the Stacy Presswood Peacock Family** will take place at the Knights of Columbus Hall (Lincoln). There will be auctions, 50/50 drawings, raffle items, food (food included with admission donation), entertainment and more. Stacy suffered a severe spinal cord injury in a car accident last October leaving her paralyzed from the chest down. She is raising three daughters, ages 6, 10 and 14, while learning to adjust to daily life in a wheelchair. For more information go to the Stacy Presswood Peacock Family Benefit Facebook Page.
- ♦ **Wednesday, May 17**, from 9 am-2 pm, an age **50 Plus Central Illinois Senior Celebration** will take place at the Illinois State Fairgrounds Orr Building (Springfield). There will be free health screenings, informational displays, Parking & shuttle service, refreshments, entertainment and door prizes. Free admission with a can of food for the food pantry. For more info call (217) 787-9234 or (800) 252-2918.
- ♦ **Friday, May 19**, at 11 am, a free **Diabetes Support Group** will meet at the Oasis Senior Center (2810 Woodlawn Road, Lincoln). The meeting is for people with diabetes, their family members and caregivers. This group meets the third Friday of every month. The topic for May is Planning for Summer "Break". For more info call (217) 605-5535.
- ♦ **Saturday, June 3**, a **Diocesan Summer Institute "The Splendor of Truth"** will be held at the Peoria Civic Center. This is designed to help us integrate the richness of our Faith in all we say and do with Mass celebrated by Bishop Jenky, keynote speaker Jennifer Fulwiler, breakout sessions, Adoration, Sacrament of Reconciliation, meals, vendors and more. With admission and meals, cost is \$20. Register online and by mail is available at cdop.org. Registration is required to attend.

Parish Office, 316 South Logan Street, Lincoln, IL 62656 - (217) 732-4019 ~ www.logancountyCatholic.org

Rev. Jeffrey G. Laible, Pastor ~ **Rev. Geoffrey Horton**, Parochial Vicar ~ **Rev. Simon Taabu**, In Residence

Sister Mary Lou Owens, Spiritual Life Coordinator ~ **Kathy Buse**, Religious Education Coordinator

Wendell Lowry, Business Manager ~ **Pam Coogan**, Bookkeeper

Alicia Baker & Mary Kay Lohrenz, Secretaries ~ **Ruth Freesmeier**, Director of Music

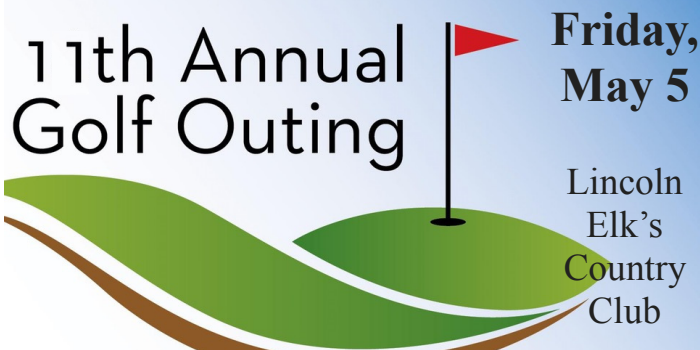
Carroll Catholic School (217) 732-7518 - **David Welch**, Principal ~ **Jennifer Craig**, Secretary

Holy Cross & St. Mary Cemeteries (217) 737-5946 - **Tom Larson**, Sexton

CARROLL CATHOLIC SCHOOL

GOLF BALL DROP

Join us at 5 pm at the putting green next to the Proshop to watch the golf balls drop from the sky. We are excited to team up with the Lincoln Fire Department to use their ladder truck. \$5,000 closest to the pin, \$1,000 next closest and \$250 furthest. Only 500 balls sold with \$50 per ball or \$75 for two. Includes a Golf Outing Raffle Ticket. Tickets will be available at Carroll School, Spirited Republic and the Lincoln Elk's Country Club.



- Time:** 1 pm (check-in time @ 12:30 pm)
Cost: 100 per golfer (due by April 28th)
Format: 4-person Scramble Event, Foursome is preferred
Dinner: Dinner & Raffle Drawing will follow at the Knights of Columbus Hall (Ribeye Steak, Baked Potato and Salad)
Prizes: A wide variety of exciting prizes will be given away following the golf tournament.
Proceeds: All proceeds from this event will go to the support of Carroll Catholic School
Deadline: Friday, April 28th (Entry form and fee must be turned in.)

In the event the golf outing is canceled, rainchecks will be issued for Friday, May 19th. The dinner and raffle of prizes will remain on Friday, May 5 at the Knights of Columbus Hall.



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC
CHURCH, ATLANTA

SATURDAY,
MAY 6TH

4-7 PM

A Delicious Menu of:
**Spaghetti, Salad, Green Beans,
Applesauce, Garlic Bread,
Homemade Dessert**

\$\$ DONATIONS \$\$

DINE IN OR TAKE OUT



Proceeds go towards purchase of new church pews.