



St. Paul of the Cross

Roman Catholic Church
551 Harwell Road, NW Atlanta, GA 30313

"... Welcome the stranger, serve the poor, free the oppressed, speak out for justice, and love one another."

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

September 14, 2014  14 Septiembre, 2014



IN TODAY'S GOSPEL: In "Up" and "down" are words that capture seeming contradictions in this gospel and on this feast. The space between up and down, heaven and earth, divinity and humanity is closed by the obedience, self-emptying, and fidelity of the Son. This feast day celebrates that on the cross the Son overcomes these contradictions. We ourselves are drawn into the mystery of the cross as exaltation by our belief in the Son. Our believing bridges the space between God and us, between Life and death, between being saved or perishing. How much do we believe?

Welcome! ¡Bienvenido!

*Opening Our Hearts to Christ and to the World
Abriendo Nuestros Corazones a Cristo y al Mundo*

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Served by the Passionist Community
Founded in 1954

Parish Information

MASSES

Sunday: 7:00 a.m. (*Español*)

10:00 a.m. (*English*)

1:00 p.m. (*Español*)

Monday - Friday: 7:30 a.m.

Wednesday: 7:30 a.m. *Communion Service*

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. *Communion Service*

4:30 p.m. *Saturday Vigil Mass (English)*

Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday Mass: 12:00 noon. (*followed by Exposition*)

Divine Mercy Chaplet: 3:00 p.m. *Benediction:* 8:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. (*or contact the office for an appt.*)

Sacrament of Baptism

First and Third Sundays (except during Lent)

Preparation Class: 2nd Saturdays of each month.

Contact the office for information.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Contact the Pastor at least six months before setting a date.

Anointing and Visitation of the Sick

Contact the Pastor or the Parochial Vicar

Adult Faith Enrichment

Bible Study: Thursdays, 3:00 p.m.

Prayer Group: Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m.

The Pastor's Corner

My dear Parishioners,

As you know, this past week Father Alberto and I attended the Convocation of Priests of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. It is a bi-annual gathering of all the priests with the Archbishop and the Auxiliary Bishops. Unlike a retreat, a convocation is an opportunity for the priests to spend some time together during which they can socialize, celebrate the Eucharist and pray together each day and, ordinarily, listen to several lectures on some topic of interest to them. This year's convocation was a bit different due to the fact that it occurred in the course of the Archdiocesan Pastoral Planning process, which many of you have already participated in. We were informed beforehand that we would be taking part in the planning process and so, during the hours usually reserved for lectures, we discussed and made recommendations on the four major issues that parishioners like yourselves had already discussed: Knowing the Faith, Living the Faith, Spreading/Keeping the Faith and the Evolution of our Parishes.

Given the makeup of the Archdiocesan clergy, and the fact that our table seating was predetermined so as to reflect the cultural mix of the group, the discussions were lively and enlightening. While each table discussed the topics, the voting was done individually and electronically so that we were able to see the results almost instantaneously. The results of our efforts will be put together by the staff of the Archdiocesan Planning Office and will serve as a basis for further meetings on the deanery level which will take place between the end of September and early November. St. Paul of the Cross is in the Central Deanery and our meeting is scheduled for November 8th at the Cathedral, and will be represented by myself as pastor and four delegates: Deacon Hilliard Lee, Faye Smith, Veronica Hodges Johnson, and Merlin Todd. Meanwhile, let us all keep this very important Pastoral Planning process in our prayers. - Fr. Jerome, C.P.

STEWARDSHIP

God bless you for your self-sacrificing generosity.

September 6-7: \$12,881.00 Needed: \$10,170.00

Offertory:	\$11,950.00
Georgia Bulletin:	\$120.00
Catholic Relief Services:	\$509.00
Catholic University:	\$87.00
St. Paul Conference of SVDPS:	\$195.00
Archdiocese of Military Services:	\$20.00
Capital Campaign Goal:	\$900,000.00
Pledges Received to Date:	\$626,699.00
Payments Received as of Sept 7, 2014:	\$512,272.89

**DON'T FORGET TO COMMIT TO THE
2014 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL.
Pledge Envelopes in the rear of the church**

THE FEAST OF THE HOLY CROSS AND THE PASSIONISTS

Would it surprise you to know that the original title of the Passionists was "The Discalced Clerks of the Most Holy Cross and Passion of Jesus Christ"? It was with that title that the Passionist Community was given official recognition by the Church. From the very beginning, Passionists have looked upon the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross as their "titular" feast—the feast that gives life and purpose to their existence as a religious community.

It was no mere whim that caused Paul Daneo, the founder of the Congregation, to refer to himself as "Paul of the Cross." He wanted to keep always in his mind's eye the Cross as the divinely chosen instrument of salvation. It was natural for his early companions and all who would later join the Congregation to be devoted to the Cross which symbolizes even to this day the unfathomable love of God for sinners.

MASS INTENTIONS

Week of September 14, 2014

SATURDAY, 4:30 p.m., Vigil Mass: +David Obonna

SUNDAY, 10:00 a.m.: People of the Parish

MONDAY, 7:30 a.m.: Dorothy Shea, 81st Birthday

TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY, 7:30 a.m.:

Living and Deceased Passionist Benefactors

WEDNESDAY, 7:30 a.m. and SATURDAY, 9:00 a.m.

Communion Service

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sunday, September 14, 2014

—Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

9:00 a.m.: Rosary

11:30 p.m.: KPCLA meeting (Spiritual Center)

Monday, September 15: Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows

2:00 p.m.: Legion of Mary (Media Room)

7:00 p.m.: Fundraising Committee

Tuesday, September 16

7:00 p.m. PASTORAL COUNCIL

7:00 p.m.: English Prayer Group (*Rectory Chapel*)

Wednesday, September 17

6:00-7:30 p.m.: Black History meeting (*Spiritual Center*)

7:00 p.m.: Adult Religious Education Course (*Media Room*)

7:00 p.m.: Choir Rehearsal (*Church*)

Thursday, September 18

3:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.: Bible Study (*Spiritual Center*)

6:00 p.m.: KPC/KPCLA meeting (*Media Room*)

7:00 p.m.: FINANCE COUNCIL

Friday, September 19

6:30 p.m.: Hispanic Prayer Group (*Church*)

OUR SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Daisy Johnson, Mary Williams, Philip Wiltz

**ONGOING ADULT
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

**VATICAN II
AND**

THE CHURCH OF THE THIRD MILLENNIUM

The sixth presentation of this series, “A Pilgrim Church” will be given this coming Wednesday, September 17th, at 7:00 p.m. A led discussion follows each lecture. Participants are provided with study guides. Come and explore the enduring power of Vatican II’s teachings in our day and age. Capture the Council’s bold new vision of the church and discover how to make that vision a reality in today’s world.

Meet you in the Media Room Wednesday at 7!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 21st: Catechetical Sunday

(Commissioning of Catechists during 10:00 a.m. Mass)

Sept. 27th: Feast of St. Vincent de Paul

(Members of St. Vincent de Paul Conference will attend the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sept. 28th as a group)

Oct. 5th, 5th: Respect Life Sunday

Oct. 12th: New Altar Server Initiation

Oct. 19th: Diamond Jubilee Celebration

10:00 a.m. Bilingual Mass followed by Picnic on Parish Grounds & Car Raffle

**2015 KIA Sportage
SUV Auto Raffle
Tickets**

are on sale following each weekend Mass. Donation: \$10. Drawing: 12:30 p.m., Sunday October 19th—Parish Picnic Day! Winner need not be present. You may also go **ONLINE** to purchase tickets.



6 tickets—\$50 (saving of \$10)
13 tickets —\$100 (savings of \$30)

GO to:

<http://saintpaulofthecross.org/car-raffle>
to purchase online



Favorite Recipes Needed: In our effort to assist our Church in the ongoing fund raising endeavors, the Altar Rosary Society is compiling recipes that will be published and sold in personalized cookbooks. Please submit your recipes to any member of our Altar Rosary Society cookbook committee.

OUR PARISH STAFF

- Ms. Alison Mason, *Adult Faith Formation*
- Ms. Veronica Hodges-Johnson, *Religious Education*
- Ms. Kristi Crawford, *Youth Ministry*
- Dr. Lawrence Weaver, *Music Director*
- Dr. Gregory Nash, *Music Associate*
- Ms. Brenda Kelly, *Parish Secretary*
- Mr. Elmer Cortez, *Bookkeeper*
- Mr. Eric Mannings, *Facilities Manager*

**LEAD ME,
GUIDE ME**
-Second Edition

**2nd Edition
Lead Me, Guide Me Hymn**

In honor of St. Paul of the Cross Parish’s 60th Anniversary, the Worship Commission has asked parishioners to donate the 2th Edition *Lead Me, Guide Me Hymnal* in memory of or in honor of their family and/or family member(s). Each donated hymnal will include a label on the inner cover page acknowledging the donor. **Already more than 150 hymnals have been reserved.** Please see a member of the Worship Commission or a Choir member in the Baptistry to complete a donation form and make your check payable to St. Paul of the Cross Catholic Church. The cost of each hymnal is \$20.00. Please donate as many as you can.

Promise to Protect. Pledge to Heal.

We want to help you get your life back.
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We are here to listen and take action!

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Archdiocese of Atlanta
24 Hour Reporting Hotline
888-437-0764



¡BIENVENIDOS!**Santa Misa en Español:**

Domingos, 7:00 a.m. y 1:00 p.m.

Todos los Miércoles a las 7:30 p.m. en la capilla.**Horas de Oficina:** Lunes - Jueves, 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.**P. Alberto Cabrera, cp.:** 347.819.5968*Numero de Teléfono (Oficina):* 404-696-6704*Numero de Teléfono (Emergencia):* 304-280-3588**Educación Religiosa:** Se ofrece a niños desde los 4 a los 18 años. Las clases son antes de la Misa de 11:45 - 12:30, de Agosto 24 a Mayo.**ACTIVIDADES PASTORAL HISPANA****Preparación para el Sacramento del Matrimonio**

Octubre . Lunes = 6 - 13 - 21 - 27 a las 7:30 p.m.

Curso de Evangelización

Septiembre = 2 - 9 - 16 - 23 a las 7:30 p.m.

Noviembre = 4 - 11 - 19 - 25 a las 7:30 p.m.

Curso - Bíblico**Cursillo**

Cada 1er y 3er sábado en la escuela a las 7-9 p.m.

**BAUTISMO:**

Para toda información y preparación tiene que comunicarse con:

Alma Robles: 678-717-9619 o con
Antonia Pacheco: 770-891-6765**SANTO ROSARIO: Todos los Domingos**

a partir de las 12:30 p.m. nos prepararemos para la celebración de la Santa Misa con el rezo del Santo Rosario. Como la Santísima Virgen acompaña a los Apóstoles en la espera de la resurrección del

Señor, así **queremos que Ella nos acompañe el para encuentro con Jesús en la Eucaristía.****CONFESIONES:**

- * Durante la semana a cualquier hora en la Rectoría.
- * Los domingos antes de la Misa de 1:00 p.m.

**MATRIMONIOS:**

Juan O. y Luz Pacheco: 770-823-1938

**PRESENTACION DE LOS NIÑOS:** Llamar, por favor a Ofelia Gonzalez: 706-659-6043**QUINCEAÑERAS:** Las responsable son:Araceli Hernandez: 404-964-8121 o
Mirna García: 678-791-6110**EXALTACIÓN DE LA SANTA CRUZ**

Celebramos hoy una fiesta del Señor que, este año, coincide en domingo y por tanto, todas las lecturas y oraciones de la misa corresponden al propio de esta festividad y no a los textos dominicales. Me refiero a **la Solemnidad de la exaltación de la Santa Cruz de nuestro Señor Jesucristo**. Es además, una fiesta muy Pasionista. El origen de esta fiesta proviene de la dedicación, en Jerusalén, el año 335, de las basílicas del Calvario y del Santo Sepulcro. La cruz del Señor, ensalzada en el centro de la vida cristiana, nos conecta con el Viernes Santo desde la perspectiva de la realeza de Cristo, manifestada en el triunfo del amor. Aquella cruz que fue instrumento de tortura se revela ahora como la fuente de la luz y se convierte en lugar glorioso desde el cual Jesucristo se entrega gratuitamente, haciéndonos don de su amor incondicional. Desde la cruz, **“Él nos ha salvado y liberado.”**

Todos los textos que hoy escuchamos giran alrededor de la visión de la cruz ensalzada de Cristo. El libro de los Números nos narra la célebre escena de la imagen de la serpiente forjada por Moisés en forma de estandarte en el desierto, figura de la cruz salvadora de Jesús, que permitía curarse a los israelitas que la miraban. Esta imagen es retomada por Jesús en su largo diálogo con Nicodemos, miembro notable del grupo de los fariseos y doctores de la ley. San Pablo recoge en su carta a los Filipenses el célebre himno cristológico que hable del anonadamiento, “kénosis” de Cristo, que aceptó la muerte en cruz de su exaltación gloriosa con su resurrección, para que todos, en el cielo y bajo la tierra lo reconozcan como Señor, a gloria de Dios Padre (segunda lectura).

Mis Hermanos, miremos de un modo especial, en este día la Cruz de Cristo y que surja desde lo más profundo de nuestro corazón esta expresión tan rica y alentadora: **“En la Cruz está mi Salvación.”** Que sea una oración simple y rica de fe que esté en nuestros labios todos los días de nuestra vida.

—P. Alberto, cp.

MINISTROS EL 21 SEPTIEMBRE 2014**Lectores:** Antonia Pacheco y Humberto Ozuna**Ministros de la Eucaristía:** Armando y Yulma Delgado;
Luisa Coronado; Amalia Pérez**Guías:** Roberto González; Araceli Hernández; Juan Pacheco; Antonia Pacheco**Monaguillos:** Luz Ramírez y Fátima Gervacio Ramón