The Magnificat





You're Invited this Sunday

The women of St Mary's are warmly invited to join us this Sunday, October 4th at 10:00am for a Daughters of the King (DOK) Meet and Greet in the Rectory. A full breakfast will be provided. So come enjoy a meal, fellowship, and learn more about this special ministry. No commitment is required!

Founded in 1885 in the Episcopal Church, the Order of the Daughters of the King is a lay religious order dedicated to prayer, service, and evangelism. Daughters seek to deepen their relationship with Christ through a life of prayer and intentional service to others, both within the Church and in the wider community.

This gathering will be a relaxed opportunity to hear about the history and mission of DOK, learn what membership involves, and meet women who are already part of the Order.

Come with your question, your curiosity, and an open heart.

Stewardship at St Mary's 2026

As we enter our Season of Stewardship at St Mary's, we invite everyone to prayerfully consider how God may be calling you to participate in the life and ministry of our church through Time, Talent, and Treasure.



Time: Your presence is a gift. Whether you are worshipping the Lord during one of our three weekly Worship Services, participating in our many ministry offerings, or lending a hand at parish events; you are appreciated! Every hour that you offer is a blessing to the life of the church and our community, and helps us to fulfill our mission of "Building up one another in Christ".

Talent: God has blessed each of us with gifts and talents. You may enjoy singing, teaching, organizing, volunteering, cooking, sewing, gardening, or listening and encouraging others; your skills help our ministries to flourish. There is a place for you at St Mary's.

Treasure: Our church relies on the generous financial gifts from our parishioners to sustain St Mary's. Your financial generosity pays the light bills, keeps our insurance current, pays salaries, and other operating expenses. In addition to meeting our operating budget, your special gifts support our ministries like the food pantry, Milton High School, and Creative Ministries.

Stewardship is much more then a yearly pledge. It is a joyful response to all that God has gifted us so that we may work together to love, serve, and grow. We look forward to entering this season together with gratitude, hope, and generosity.



Thank you for attending the Blessing of the Pets Service! If your pet did not receive the St. Francis medal, please let the office know, we have more on order for you!

We received an amazing amount of pet food, treats, and supplies, the animals in need thank you!

Please help St. Mary's look beautiful!
As the weather gets cooler, it is a great time to spend an hour or so as a St. Mary's Lay Weeder!
Come as a family or come alone at your leisure to pull a few weeds around the St. Mary's campus.
Weeding is very much appreciated.
Thank YOU!





Youth Group News!

Check out the Youth Group Schedule for October!
Donations for the Fall Bonfire can be brought to the church office during business hours.
Speak with Mother Leanne or Mimi for more information.



St. Mary's supports many Milton High School students who may be in need. As the weather gets cooler some of these students do not have warm outerwear.
We will be collecting Hoodies and light jackets of all sizes for these students. Hoodies/Jackets can be brought into the church on Sunday's or to the church office. See Jean Gillis for more info.
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Thank you for supporting this ministry!





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Thank you to all of our Patrons who Support historic St. Mary's Church.



Upcoming—All Saints Sunday--Reminder about ALL SAINTS Sunday-- Nov. 1st , All Saints Day, is the day the Church has remembered Christians of all traditions who have passed into the Life Triumphant. This remembrance at St. Mary's will be in the context of the Sacrament of Holy Communion and the ringing of a bell as names are read.
You are invited to bring a picture of your loved one to be placed on the altar during the All Saints Sunday services.
Please submit names of your loved ones who you'd like read at the Nov. 1st , All Saints services. Names can be placed in the offering plate or you may email/call them into the church office. Deadline for submission is October 26th. stmarysmiltonflorida@gmail.com 850-623-2905

October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	Office Closed 2	3
4 9am Worship 10:10am DOK Meet & Greet Breakfast-Men's Host 11am Worship	5 9am pantry Volunteers	6 9am pantry Volunteers	7 8am Food Distribution 10:30am Centering Prayer 11am Bible Study Noon: Holy Eucharist No Youth Group mtg 5:30pm Choir 6:30pm Bell Choir	8	Office Closed 9 School for Ministry	10 School for Ministry Pastoral Care Lay Sch. --Hall
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Pledge Sunday 25 9am Worship *10:10am Breakfast – Vestry/DOK host* 11am Worship	26 9am pantry Volunteers	27 9am Pantry Volunteers 5:30pm Vestry Budget Mtg	28 8am Food Distribution 10:30am Centering Prayer 11am Bible Study Noon: Holy Eucharist 5:30pm Youth Bonfire! 5:30 pm Choir 6:30pm Bells	29	Halloween 30	.

Prayer Requests

Family
Beth & Emma Reeves
Beverly Samuelson
Carol Culton
Christina MacNeil
Deanna H.
David Manassa
Harold Whalen
Janette Cusack
Jim & Julia Longshore
Jesse & Jennifer Reeves
Jim Johnson
Jim Tucker
Ken & Kristi Odom
Kolby & Brittany Odom
Lorraine Whalen
Melissa Rowland
Merrill Keen
Pam White
Phillip Odom
Robert Lenzo
Sam Klauss
Scott Deloatch
Susan Armstrong
Sylvia Stern
Teddy Taylor

Our Friends
Lauren Drake
Liz Ohlhorst
Mariah Shontz
Maryann Hoopingarner
Rachel Kaiser

Military
Bradley James
Cade Campbell
Colin Cline
Gabriel Bustillo
Caleb Parks
Edward Estrada
Fischer Morgan Lay
Gage
Kevin Murphy
Lena Ryan
Leo
Lou Andrade
Mark Nelson
Joshua Krause
Nick Rinaire
Phillip Holmes
Taylor Emerson
Tyler Hart
Tom Ryan



This month we celebrate Mother Leanne! All of us at St. Mary's extend our gratitude and thanks for all you do! You are a blessing to St. Mary's and we love you!

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

10/1 ADAM BROWN
10/7 DAVID PRESLEY
SONNY BROWN
10/10 BETH RYAN
10/12 CHRISTINE FIRMIN
10/18 CHRISTIAN KLAUSS
10/23 GENE JAMES
10/27 MAUREEN O'DONNELL
10/28 FAITH O'GARA
10/28 NICK CAMPO
10/29 LUCY ROOKEY
10/31 WESLEY MCCRAY
CATHY BROOKS

ANNIVERSARIES

10/24 TED & MANDIE REESE



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