Second Sunday of Lent
March 12, 2017

THE SHRINE’S MISSION STATEMENT
The Catholic Shrine of the Immaculate Conception strives to live the Gospel of Jesus Christ as a welcoming community of diverse Christians, seeking spiritual growth and providing compassionate outreach.

SCHEDULE OF THE EUCHARIST
Sunday
8:30 & 11:00 AM
Monday-Friday
12:10 PM
Saturday
9:00 AM

WELCOME
Whether you have traveled from across the street, across the county, or across the country, we are honored that you have chosen to spend part of your weekend with us.

PASTORAL AND OFFICE STAFF
Msgr. Henry Gracz 
Pastor
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Deacon
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ANDREW THE APOSTLE

LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES
ADULT FAITH FORMATION
TODAY at 9:45am in the Parish Hall Carl McColman, local Catholic author, returns to the Shrine before St. Patrick’s Day to share with us some insight into Celtic spirituality. Carl will share with us some insights into the spirituality of the Irish saints, and will reveal how the popular 20th century Christian writer C.S. Lewis used stories from the life of St. Brendan to write one of his popular “Narnia” books. Carl McColman is also author of a popular blog, “A Contemplative Faith” which appears on the Patheos website. He and his wife direct the RCIA program at St Thomas More Parish. He loves the Shrine and says that his annual speaking visit here is highlight of his year!

THIS THURSDAY: FOOD & FLICKS

FISH FRY
ST. THOMAS MOORE Parish invites you to their Friday Fish Fries March 17-24th. Meals served in Mulhern Hall. Little ones no charge and $10 for adults; $30 Family maximum.

RECONCILIATION SERVICES & CONFESSION
are held in a variety of parishes in our area with numbers of priests who gather to be a sign of forgiveness and reconciliation. Upcoming services include:

Monday, March 13, 7pm
Our Lady of the Assumption, Hearst Dr., Atlanta, 404.261.7181
Monday, March 20, 7pm
Immaculate Heart of Mary
North Druid Hills, 404.636.1418

DAILY READINGS
You can locate the Daily Scripture Readings at www.usccb.org>Bible. This website of the U.S. Conference Of Catholic Bishops gives you reflections and other helps for studying scripture.

LENTEN DAILY READINGS AT ENTRANCE OF CHURCH
LENTEN RICE BOWLS
One Dollar a day can provide 3 months of clean water for four families.

OUTREACH MINISTRIES
St. Francis Table served 274 guests.
The Food Pantry helped 163 households.
Morning Sandwiches were given out to 1205.

We thank those from all over Atlanta and our own Shrine members who helped with these ministries. To help with St. Francis Table please call Parish Center at 404.521.1866.

MORNING SANDWICH MINISTRY and ST. FRANCIS TABLE are in NEED of COFFEE DONATIONS, SANDWICHES, and BOTTLED WATER.

REMINISCENCES OF LITURGY
Our Food Pantry Outreach has a basket at the entrance of the Church. For MARCH please bring GROUND OR INSTANT COFFEE, instant grits and oatmeal, any kind of pasta, and Hamburger Helper. Thank you!

“One Ministry—Two Locations.” Central Night Shelter. Please consider making a commitment to prepare a meal or stay overnight.
CONTACT Jerry Arias if you have questions or want to sign up: Jerryarias99@yahoo.com.

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**SHrine Stewardship**

Our offertory collection for last Sunday was $11,793.41

Our needs each week are $9,884.00.

Thank you for your generosity which keeps us growing and serving.

**Sister Parish in Haiti**

“We, the children of your sister Church in Malferty Haiti, send our Shrine Church family greetings and a big basket of Thank you’s for sponsoring us this school year. Because of your generosity we are able to get a good education.”

Please consider sponsoring one of the remaining children. Your donation will provide for tuition, books, school supplies, uniforms, and teachers’ salaries for the 2016-2017 school year. Without your assistance, we would not reach our educational goals. A member of the Haiti Outreach Committee will be at the back of the Church with more information after both Masses. The March 26th second collection will be for the benefit of our sister church in Haiti.

**SHRINE EASTER MUSICAL**

A "GOSPEL LINE" by GAVIN BYRNE

"SAVE THE DATE"

Friday, April 7th at 8pm
Saturday, April 8th at 8pm

TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW.

Visit catholicshrineatlanta.org to get your tickets now. Seats are limited for each performance so get your tickets early to avoid being disappointed!

We are looking for sponsors—individuals or companies—to help sponsor “A Gospel Line”, our Easter musical, which will be performed at the Shrine on Friday, April 7th and Saturday, April 8th. You will be recognized in the program (or can be anonymous if you prefer). No donation is too big or too small; all are tax deductible. Ads and dedications also available. Respond by Friday, March 24th to searchsosouth@msn.com or call 404.524.6288.

**Music Ministry**

Join our BELL CHOIR! We practice every Thursday at 7:30pm in the church! No previous experience necessary—just the desire to have fun and praise God. Contact Dónal at (727) 744-9328.

**Exploring Our Bible**

The final session of the continuing series on the gospel parables will be held downstairs in the church hall at 9:45am on Sunday, March 19th. Brian Turcott will facilitate a discussion about the often-overlooked implications of the parables in Luke chapters 16-18 of the Rich Man and Lazarus, the Pharisee and the Tax Collector, the Persistent Widow and the Judge, and the puzzling parable of the Dishonest Steward who is about to lose his job for squandering his master’s property. The session will conclude with a review of lessons learned during the series.

**Visit the Shrine Gift Shop**

Great Gift Ideas!

**Fortunate and Faithful Families**

Fortunate and Faithful Families will host a meeting in Lent on Sunday March 26 entitled “Building Bridges of Hope and Love in a World of Uncertainty and Division.” Beginning with 11:00 Mass at The Shrine, the meeting will continue in the fellowship hall. Msgr. Henry Gracz will present on the topic and there will be time for dialogue and sharing. This gathering is specifically planned for parents and families with LGBT members but is open to all allies and friends of Fortunate and Faithful Families. Please join us for this time of spiritual nourishment and fellowship on your Lenten journey. For further information, go to our website fiat.org.

**Betti Knott**

One of our long time members who is working for St. Vincent de Paul Society in Australia, has been battling cancer. We ask you to join friends around the world in praying for her healing through the intercession of Frederick Ozanam as one of the miracles leading to his canonization.

**Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Frederic Ozanam**

God, our Father, you alone have the power to bestow those precious gifts of yours which we rightly call miracles. If it be your will, be pleased to grant such a gift on behalf of Betti Knott. We humbly ask that you grant this favor so that Blessed Frederic Ozanam may be canonized by our Holy Mother the Church. We make this prayer through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son. Amen.