

St. Mark

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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AUGUST 9, 2026

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



THE ASSUMPTION OF
THE BLESSED VIRGIN
MARY

AUGUST 15

ST. MARK CHURCH

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday Vigil— 4 pm
Sunday— 9 am, 11 am (Español)

DAILY MASS

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - 9 am
Friday - 6:30 pm (Español)

RECONCILIATION & ADORATION

Friday - 5:00-6:30 pm

24 HOUR ADORATION

Sunday 4pm—Monday 4pm

ST. DOMINIC CHAPEL

427 CASH STREET, CORNELIA, GA 30531

VIGIL MASS

Saturday Vigil - 6 pm , 7:30 pm (NCW)

DAILY MASS

Tuesday - 6 pm (Español)

ADORATION

Tuesday— 5:00-6:00 pm

PARISH OFFICE

Monday thru Friday— 10am—4pm
Saturday - Closed

WELCOME!

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, August 8

4:00pm (+) Ann Ott

Sunday, August 9

9:00am (+) David Miller

(bd) Christian Gonzalez

PRAYER LIST

Please remember the following parishioners in your prayers:

Yesenia Retana, Santiago Torres, Richard Adams, Leonel Hernandez, Kim Shirley, Bob Hensley, Reyes Ramirez, Rosa Huerta, Carmelo Alvarez, Ana Deleon, Guadalupe Banda, David Insardi, Natalia Nuñez, Sharon Shank, Michaela Andres, Angelina e Isace Jimenez, Jeanette Vetrano, Deacon Rich Marinchak, Gia Bengoa (Boston), Blanca Gonzalez

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

August 15 celebrates the Assumption of the Blessed Mother, body and soul, into heaven. In 2026, this solemnity is not obligatory since it falls on a Saturday.

SCRIPTURE READINGS & CALENDAR

SUNDAY: YEAR A DAILY: YEAR 2 PSALTER: WEEK 3

Monday, August 10 Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr

2 Cor 9:6-10 | Jn 12:24-26 (R)

Adoration until 4:00pm

Tuesday, August 11 Saint Clare, Virgin

Ez 2:8-3:4/ | Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14 (W)

9:00am Mass

No Bible Study Class

5:00pm Adoration, Confession & 6:00pm Mass
(St. Dominic) (Español)

Wednesday, August 12 Saint Jane Frances de Chantal, Religious

Ez 9:1-7; 10:18-22 | Mt 18:15-20 (G/W)

9:00am Mass

Thursday, August 13 Saints Pontian, Pope, and Hippolytus, Priest, Martyrs

Ez 12:1-1 | Mt 18:21-19:1 (G/R)

7:30pm P3 Meeting

Friday, August 14 Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr

Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63 | Mt 19:3-12 (R)

9:00am Mass

5:00pm Adoration, Confession & 6:30pm Mass
(St. Mark)

Saturday, August 15 The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Morning: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab | 1 Cor 15:20-27 |
Lk 1:39-56 (W)

4:00pm Mass

6:00pm Mass (Español) (St. Dominic)

Sunday, August 16 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a | Rom 9:1-5 | Mt 14:22-33 (G)

9:00am Mass

9:00am RCIA Class (Español) (St. Dominic)

11:00am Mass (Español)

4:00pm 24 hour Adoration begins (St. Mark)

SPECIAL INTENTIONS

This month, we pray for:
All the intentions of the Holy Father
For the month of August:
For evangelization in the city

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH PICNIC

This year's parish picnic will be held on Sunday, August 30, at 1pm at Tugaloo State Park at 1763 Tugaloo State Park Road in Lavonia. Sign up sheets are being made available for those who would like to attend.

For those who wish to bring food to the picnic, use the list below to determine what food to bring, using the first letter of your last name:

Salads : A-F

Drinks: G-L

Desserts: M-R

Fruit: S-Z

RCIA CLASS START TIMES

The following are the start dates for the upcoming RCIA classes:

English: Monday, August 31 6:00pm St. Dominic

Spanish: Sunday, August 16 9:00am St. Dominic

BIBLE STUDY CLASS

There will be no bible study class this week. The next class will be held on Tuesday, September 8.

FRANCISCAN JUBILEE 2026

PILGRIMAGE

Join us September 4-7, 2026 as we celebrate the feast of the *Divino Niño* at the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament during the Franciscan Jubilee of 2026 with the Franciscan Friars of the Eternal Word in Hanceville, Alabama. Pilgrimage will be bilingual. Cost is \$600 per person. For more information or to sign up, contact Antonella Skinner at 943-300-9945.

FROM A SERMON ON CHARITY BY SAINT BASIL THE GREAT, BISHOP

Man should be like the earth and bear fruit; he should not let inanimate matter appear to surpass him. The earth bears crops for your benefit, not for its own, but when you give to the poor, you are bearing fruit which you will gather in for yourself, since the reward for good deeds goes to those who perform them. Give to a hungry man, and what you give becomes yours, and indeed it returns to you with interest. As the sower profits from wheat that falls onto the ground, so will you profit greatly in the world to come from the bread that you place before a hungry man. Your husbandry must be the sowing of heavenly seed: *Sow integrity for yourselves*, says Scripture.

You are going to leave your money behind you here whether you wish to or not. On the other hand, you will take with you to the Lord the honor that you have won through good works. In the presence of the universal judge, all the people will surround you, acclaim you as a public benefactor, and tell of your generosity and kindness.

Do you not see how people throw away their wealth on theatrical performances, boxing contests, mimes and fights between men and wild beasts, which are sickening to see, and all for the sake of fleeting honor and popular applause? If you are miserly with your money, how can you expect any similar honor? Your reward for the right use of the things in this world will be everlasting glory, a crown of righteousness, and the kingdom of heaven; God will welcome you, the angels will praise you, all men who have existed since the world began will call you blessed. Do you care nothing for these things, and spurn the hopes that lie in the future for the sake of your present enjoyment? Come, distribute your wealth freely, give generously to those who are in need. Earn for yourself the psalmist's praise: *He gave freely to the poor; his righteousness will endure for ever.*

ANUNCIOS PARROQUIALES

HORARIOS DE INICIO DE LAS CLASES DEL RICA

A continuación se indican las fechas de inicio de las próximas clases del RICA:

Inglés: lunes 31 de agosto, 6:00pm, St. Dominic

Español: domingo 16 de agosto, 9:00am, St. Dominic

CLASE DE ESTUDIO BÍBLICO

Esta semana no habrá clase de estudio bíblico. La próxima clase se impartirá el martes 8 de septiembre.

FIESTA DE LA ASUNCIÓN

El 15 de agosto se celebra la Asunción de la Santísima Virgen María, en cuerpo y alma, al cielo. En 2026, esta solemnidad no es obligatoria, ya que cae en sábado.

PICNIC PARROQUIAL

El picnic parroquial de este año se celebrará este domingo 30 de agosto a la 1:00 p.m. en el Parque Estatal Tugaloo, ubicado en 1763 Tugaloo State Park Road, Lavonia.

Para quienes deseen llevar comida al picnic, utilicen la siguiente lista para determinar qué alimentos traer, usando la primera letra de su apellido:

Ensaladas: A-F

Bebidas: G-L

Postres: M-R

Frutas: S-Z

INVITACIÓN AL RETIRO INTRODUCTORIO

La Renovación Carismática Cristiana les invita a un retiro introductorio los días 15 y 16 de agosto, de 8:00 am a 17:00 pm en la Capilla de Santo Domingo.

DE UN SERMÓN SOBRE LA CARIDAD DE SAN BASILIO EL GRANDE, OBISPO:

El hombre debe ser como la tierra y dar fruto; no debe permitir que la materia inanimada parezca superarlo. La tierra produce cosechas para tu beneficio, no para el suyo propio, pero cuando das a los pobres, das fruto que recogerás para ti, pues la recompensa de las buenas obras es para quienes las realizan. Da a un hambriento, y lo que das se convierte en tuyo, y de hecho te será devuelto con creces. Así como el sembrador se beneficia del trigo que cae en la tierra, así te beneficiarás tú grandemente en el mundo venidero del pan que pongas delante de un hambriento. Tu labor debe ser la siembra de la semilla celestial: «Siembra integridad para ti mismo», dice la Escritura.

Dejarás tu dinero aquí, lo quieras o no. Por otro lado, te llevarás al Señor el honor que has ganado con tus buenas obras. Ante el juez universal, todo el pueblo te rodeará, te aclamará como benefactor público y hablará de tu generosidad y bondad.

¿Acaso no ves cómo la gente malgasta su riqueza en representaciones teatrales, combates de boxeo, pantomimas y peleas entre hombres y fieras, espectáculos repugnantes, todo por un honor efímero y el aplauso popular? Si eres tacaño con tu dinero, ¿cómo puedes esperar un honor similar? Tu recompensa por el uso correcto de las cosas de este mundo será la gloria eterna, una corona de justicia y el reino de los cielos; Dios te recibirá, los ángeles te alabarán, todos los hombres que han existido desde el principio del mundo te llamarán bienaventurado. ¿Acaso no te importan estas cosas y desprecias las esperanzas del futuro por el disfrute presente? Ven, distribuye tu riqueza libremente, da generosamente a los necesitados. Gánate la alabanza del salmista: Él dio generosamente a los pobres; Su justicia perdurará para siempre.