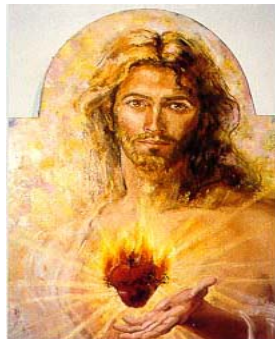


OCTOBER 2007

Newsletter



Connecting Young Adults to Jesus, the Catholic Church & One Another. For Anyone 18-40, Single or Married.



Thank God It's *First* Friday

Cathedral of Chris the King
Friday, October 5th
7:30pm Mass with Fr. Byrd
2699 Peachtree Rd., NE
Atlanta, GA 30305
Contact Sarah at:
hrhsarahmelissa@gmail.com

Dinner Social to follow after Mass at a local restaurant OR stay after Mass to learn about Divine Mercy, St. Faustina (Oct 5th is her Feast Day) and how she, Pope JP2 and St Maximillian Kolbe were interconnected.

SAVE THE DATE!

YAM Wine and Cheese Social

Thursday, Oct 18th at 7pm
St Jude Catholic Church
in the Ministry Hall
7171 Glenridge Drive NE
Atlanta, 30328



New to the area? Want to find out more about YAM? Calling all Young adults to "Meet and Mingle!" Come and kick off Fall with a Wine and Cheese Social with St. Jude's YAM. Hear about all the great YAM events coming up, and meet other young adults involved in Young Adult Ministry. All singles and marrieds are invited to attend and friends are welcome.

Please RSVP to Kathy Powell at kpowell@stjudeatlanta.net.

YAM Quarterly Networking Nite

Tuesday, Oct 23rd at 7pm
The YAM Office at One GA Center
600 Peachtree St. Suite 600
Atlanta, 30308

Please join us for our quarterly Networking Meeting! All YAM leaders (parish & YAM affiliated organizations) AND volunteers are invited to come and join us for dinner, networking, and an informational meeting. We are going to present the latest on Fall REVIVE & distribute promotional materials, follow up on our Diversity Team idea, and discuss Holy Grounds for the upcoming year. We rely on your ideas & suggestions! A lot of new YAM groups are springing up! Please come and network with other YAM leaders! Don't forget to RSVP (Ana@yam.org) for dinner.



"BE TRANSFORMED"

Saturday Night, November 17th
St Andrew's Catholic Church in Roswell
7p-11p (Doors open at 6p)

Incredible Speakers, Amazing Music from the REVIVE Band and Eucharistic Adoration!
• Confessions available • \$5 Donation for REVIVE includes dessert reception following evening
• Come kick off Revive with tail gating brought to you by On The Deck Entertainment starting at 5:30pm • BBQ plates available for \$5

"Do not conform yourselves to this age but **be transformed** by the renewal of your mind, that you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and pleasing and perfect." Romans 12:2

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Nov 7- BREATHE ≈ 2nd Quarter Kick-Off at CTK, 7p

Register NOW to participate in a BREATHE group! Go to www.ctksingles.org/breathe.php. Questions? Contact breathe.atlanta@gmail.com

The events on pages 2 and 3 are parish- or group-sponsored events.

Nov 9-11- TEC "To Encounter Christ" Co-Ed Young Adult Retreat



Applications are available at www.yam.org/tec or by contacting Robert Devine at chiron44@mindspring.com /770- 801-8443. The deadline for applying is **October 26, 2007**. TEC is for young adults ages 20-40. It is a 3 day retreat based on the Paschal Mystery of Christ. The weekend has talks, small group discussions, prayer, Mass, music, & more. Please contact Robert Devine if you have any questions. \$75 for the weekend.

OCTOBER Highlights

Oct 4- YAM Toastmasters, 7:45p

Meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month at St. Andrew in Roswell, from 7:45 PM to 9:00 PM. St. Andrew is located at 675 Riverside Road. We're in Building D, room 202. Contact yam_toastmasters@yahoo.com for more info.

Oct 6- Hands on Atlanta Day Bobby Dodd Institute, 9a-1p

Volunteer with YAM and CTK at the Bobby Dodd Institute, a non-profit agency that helps people with disabilities and economic disadvantages find meaningful employment. Volunteers are needed to paint both inside and outside, build picnic tables and benches, weed and clear liter, and make cards of encouragement for the students and a banner for their classroom. Kids over 8 are welcome! The Bobby Dodd Institute is located at 2120 Marietta Blvd NW, Atlanta 30318 (about 10 minutes west of CTK). For more info and directions, visit www.bobbydodd.org. Afterwards all volunteers are invited to join the 17,000 volunteers participating in Hands on Atlanta Day at a celebration at Centennial Park! To RSVP or for more info, please contact Ann Blasick at ablasick@gmail.com.

Oct 6- Rosary Hike with St Michael's Humble Hearts, 10a-2p

Join us to pray a rosary on the way to a TBD hiking location. Please bring a picnic lunch for yourself. Contact Karen at Kassia525@yahoo.com for directions.

Oct 6- Scott's Run Event to Aid Victimized Children, 8a (rain or shine)

The 5k run and 1 mile walk will take place at the Carter Center. Scott's Run participants may register at the event beginning at 7a, online in advance at www.active.com, or download a registration form from www.catholiccharitiesatlanta.org. Participation fees begin at \$25 and range to \$500. For additional information call 404.885.7474.

Oct 6- Amigo's For Christ All Day (FREE) Music Festival, 10a-11p

Suwanee Town Center Park with 104.7 the Fist & Caedmon's Call. Contact Kristin@AmigosForChrist.org for more information.

Oct 6- Starlight Six Drive-In Theatre with Holy Spirit Young Professionals, 5:30p

We'll have a tailgate and then watch a double-feature from the comfort of our cars. A carpool will leave from Holy Spirit at 5:30p. HolySpiritYP@hotmail.com

Oct 12- TGIF Mass at Holy Spirit on "The Latin Mass," 6:30p-9p

Have questions about the Latin Mass and the recent changes made by Pope Benedict? Please come out and support our first speaker of the season at our monthly TGIF series. Fr. Augustine Tran will be speaking on Pope Benedict's recent announcements concerning the Latin Mass and it's place in the Church. The evening will start with drinks and dinner at 6:30 in McDonough Hall, with Fr. Tran speaking at 7:00. The cost of the event is \$10 and includes food and drinks (a \$5 donation is appreciated from anyone not eating). Please RSVP to HolySpiritYP@hotmail.com.

Oct 20- Stone Mountain with Holy Spirit, 10a

Stone Mountain Scottish Festival & Highland Games. \$15 per person and \$8 per vehicle. Includes viewing of all athletic, music and dance events and competitions. We'll meet in the church parking lot at 10a to carpool to the park. Please RSVP to HSYPSocial@hotmail.com if you plan to attend.

For more detailed information on these events and many more, visit the YAM website at www.yam.org

Featured YAM Group: St Brigid YAM

Young Adult Ministry at St. Brigid's seeks to gather all Young Adults in the parish to connect with each other, the Church and most importantly - with Christ.

Join us on Oct 14th for Supper after the 5pm Mass!

www.saintbrigid.org - you'll find our Young Adult page under 'Ministries' Contact Stephanie Kelly at skelly19@gmail.com or 404-455-3598

Sunday	Monday
	1 Spirit and Truth at KSU, UGA and St Andrew's, 7:30p
7 Teach ESL w/ SVdP, 11a SCYA Supper after 5:30p Mass New Member Wine and Cheese- Holy Spirit, 6:30p	8 Spirit and Truth at KSU, UGA and St Andrew's, 7:30p <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; text-align: center;">YAM OFFICE CLOSED Columbus Day</div>
14 Teach ESL w/ SVdP, 11a SCYA Supper after 5:30p Mass Mass and A Meal with St Jude YA's after 6p Mass Supper after 5p Mass with St Brigid	15 Spirit and Truth at KSU, UGA and St Andrew's, 7:30p
21 Teach ESL w/ SVdP, 11a SCYA Supper after 5:30p Mass	22 Spirit and Truth at KSU, UGA and St Andrew's, 7:30p
28 Teach ESL, 11a Atl French Mass, 4:30p SCYA Supper after 5:30p Mass HSYP Dinner after 5:30p Mass	29 Mass & Trivia on the South-side at Holy Trinity, 7p Spirit and Truth at KSU, UGA and St Andrew's, 7:30p

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>2 Liturgy of the Hours with St. Michael's Humble Hearts, 6 p HSYP Scripture Study, 6:45p-8:15p North East Atlanta Spirit and Truth Lite, 7:30p SCYA Trivia, 7:45p</p>	<p>3 SCYA Bible Study, 7:45p</p>	<p>4 YAM Toastmasters, 7:45p <i>*(See Highlights)</i> Spirit and Truth at St. Philip Benizi 7:30p</p>	<p>5 Thank God It's <i>First</i> Friday! Cathedral of Christ the King 7:30pm Mass with Fr. Byrd Dinner Social to follow. <i>(See front page for more information)</i></p>	<p>6 Scott's Run, 8a* Infant Prayer Vigil, 10a Hands on Atlanta Day* Amigo's 4 Christ Festival * Rosary Hike, 10a* Drive In Movie, 5:30p* TOBE- 7p <i>*(See Highlights)</i></p>
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<p>23 YAM Quarterly Networking Nite 7pm at the YAM Office  <i>(See front page for more information)</i></p>	<p>24 SCYA Bible Study, 7:45p</p>	<p>25 Spirit and Truth at St. Philip Benizi, 7:30p Pizza and Prayer with St Jude YA's, 7p</p>	<p>26 Respect Life SOS Prayer Vigil, 6:30a Deadline to register for TEC Retreat!</p>	<p>27 Helper of God's Precious Infants Prayer Vigil, 10a-Noon TOBE- Theology of the Body for Everybody, 7p</p>
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So That Our Joy May Be Complete

Jesus Entrusts Mary to Each of Us

(John 19:26-28)

When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple there whom he loved (John), he said to his mother, "Woman, behold your son." Then he said to the disciple (John), "Behold, your mother." And from that hour the disciple took her into his home."

After this, aware that everything was now finished, in order that the scripture might be fulfilled, Jesus said "I thirst."

Upon the Cross of Calvary, Jesus gives us the gift of his mother so that we too, as sons and daughters of the living God, may inherit and experience the love of the mother of all humanity. Mary is the spiritual mother of each and every one of us and is very much in our midst at every moment, at this moment. She has made her presence known all over our world, and we hear her heavenly messages through the testimony of the children of Medjugorje, Lourdes, Fatima, Guadeloupe. The one who is "full of grace" is also our mother and she calls us to pray, to fast and to enter more deeply in our relationship with her son Jesus. And as a mother she takes our hand and shows us the way. We hear her words to the servants at the Wedding of Cana "do whatever He tells you," repeated to each one of us, pointing us in the direction that we are to go.

From her rosary flow the fruits of faith, purity, humility, love of neighbor, patience, courage, joy, perseverance and all the graces that we need to keep us on the path to our loving God that she traveled first. She asks us to pray the rosary every day for the conversion of our own hearts and the hearts of our brothers and sisters so that we may all inherit the divine graces of her intercession.

When I reflect upon my own spiritual journey, I can see how much deeper and richer my faith life became when I began to pray the rosary daily and meditate on its Divine mysteries. At the time, I was unaware of the degree to which my spiritual transformation was occurring, but can now see quite clearly that Mary was leading me closer to her Son.

Mary is truly a gift to each and every one of us, and she was given to us by our Redeemer in the summit of His act of redemption. As we hear in the scripture of John, the mission of Jesus was not finished until he had entrusted Mary to us. On the Cross, in Jesus' final words we discover a most glorious gift - the love of a Mother.

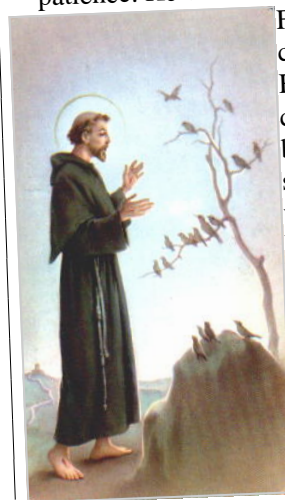
Much Peace,
Jennifer Kilfin
Holy Trinity, Peachtree City

Prayer of St Francis of Assisi
*"O Lord, make me an instrument of Thy Peace!
Where there is hatred, let me sow love;
Where there is injury, pardon;
Where there is discord, harmony;
Where there is doubt, faith;
Where there is despair, hope;
Where there is darkness, light, and
Where there is sorrow, joy.
Oh Divine Master, grant that I may not
so much seek to be consoled as to console;
to be understood as to understand; to be loved
as to love; for it is in giving that we receive;
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned;
and it is in dying that we are born to Eternal Life."*

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

Oct 4th

Saint Francis is called the little poor man of Assisi. He was born in the year 1182 in the town of Assisi in Italy. Francis was brought up in luxury and gaiety. He spent a considerable portion of his wealth in extravagant pleasures. One day Francis was joking and laughing with his friends. A beggar came along crying for alms. Francis, who was soft-hearted, gave whatever he had in his pocket to the beggar. Dispassion dawned in his heart. The sight of the beggar set him thinking about the poverty and misery of mundane life. He gave much money to the poor. Sometime after this, Francis was laid up in bed for many months on account of some serious disease. He was about to die, but the Lord saved him as he had to carry out a definite mission in his life. The nature of Francis was entirely changed. Francis prayed to the Lord for light and guidance as to his future. He had a vision of Lord Jesus. He made a strong determination to renounce his old way of living to tread a life of purity and to dedicate his life to the service of humanity. Francis gave up his old ways and habits and set up to serve God. He distributed clothes, goods and money to the poor. Francis' friends mocked at him and teased him. His father turned him out of the house. Francis lived like a beggar. His old friends even pelted him with stones and mud. He bore everything with patience. He wore a coarse dress and ate simple food.



Francis was humble. He loved God's creatures. He loved birds and beasts. He loved the depressed and the outcasts. He treated the birds, the beasts and all beings as brothers and sisters. Francis went from village to village preaching the love of God. He invited people to join him in his life of service if they were willing. The gospel of kindness and love of Francis soon spread all over Europe and earned for him the name of St. Francis. People called him the little poor man of Assisi. He lived for ever in the hearts of all men.