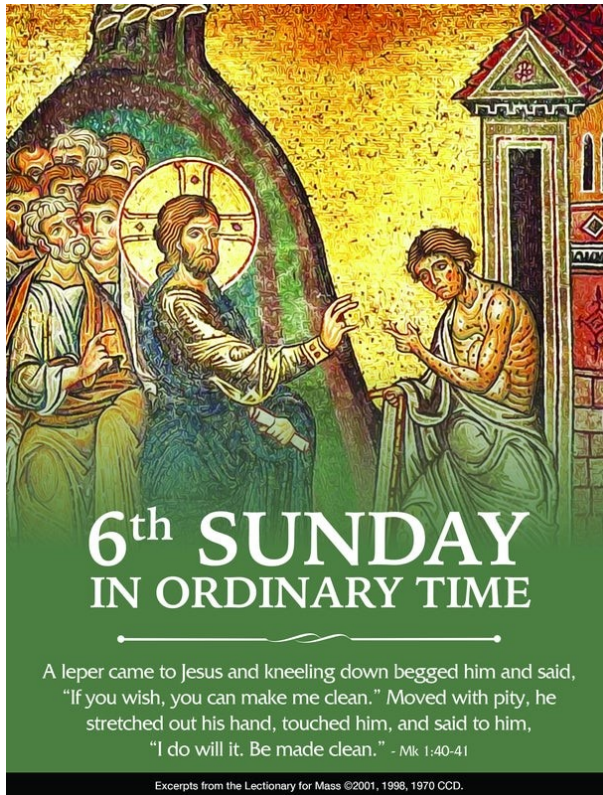


# St. James the Apostle Catholic Church

February 14, 2021



Parish Office (770) 957-5441  
Office hours:  
Monday— Thursday 9:00am — 4:00pm

Parish Staff

### Clergy

Very Rev. Liam A. Coyne V.F. ....ext. 105  
Rev. Mr. Charles Iner, Deacon .....ext. 201  
Msgr. Terry W. Young, Retired in Residence

### Staff

Amy Gordineer, Parish Secretary..... ext. 100  
Mara Martin, Parish Ministries Coordinator...ext. 101  
Beckey Petty, Business Manager ..... ext. 102  
Tasha Quinn, Accountant ..... ext. 120  
Diane Scarbrough, Music Director ..... ext. 104  
Gary Ames, Maintenance Coordinator ..... ext. 202

### Religious Education

Eric Bridwell, Director of Religious Edu. .... ext. 108  
Tracy Howard, Assistant ..... ext. 109  
Patti Lucas, Director of Preschool ..... ext. 121  
Krissy Upcraft, Youth Minister ..... ext. 110

### Outreach

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1000 Decatur Road

McDonough, Georgia 30252

Email: [parishoffice@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:parishoffice@stjamesapostle.com)

<http://www.stjamesapostle.com>

### MASS SCHEDULES

#### Weekends

Saturday 4pm,

Sunday 8am, 9:30am and 11am

*See our website for more information  
about attending mass at St. James*

9:30 Mass live streamed to our Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/St-James-the-Apostle-Catholic-Church-100811223336186>

#### Weekdays

Monday — Friday 8:30am

Wednesday 7pm

**\*\*No Saturday 8:30am Mass**

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE

Wednesday 6:00 — 7:00 pm

Saturday 9:00 — 10:00am

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wednesday 6:00pm — 7:00pm

### CRY ROOM" AVAILABILITY

Our "cry room" is available for use once again. To access the "cry room" you will need to enter through the doors in the church itself and NOT through the faith formation building. We are limiting access to that area as part of our COVID protocols.

**\*\*Please visit our website for PROTOCOLS regarding attending any functions at St. James.\*\***



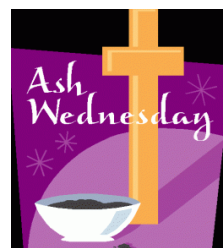
February 15 to February 21

Monday: Gn 4:1-15, 25, Mk 8:11-13  
Tuesday: Gn 6:5-8; 7:1-5, 10, Mk 8:14-21  
Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18, 2 Cor 5:20—6:2, Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
Thursday: Dt 30:15-20, Lk 9:22-25  
Friday: Is 58:1-9a, Mt 9:14-15  
Saturday: Is 58:9b-14, Lk 5:27-32  
Sunday: Gn 9:8-15, 1 Pt 3:18-22, Mk 1:12-15

Observances for the week of February 15

Monday: Presidents' Day

Wednesday: Ash Wednesday



**LENT BEGINS FEBRUARY 17**

**ASH WEDNESDAY  
MASS TIMES**

**8:30am, 5:00pm & 7:00pm**

Please see inside for details.



# Mass Intentions

**February 15 to February 21**

- Monday 8:30am Clayton & Barbara Fleury +  
by Elodia Upchurch
- Tuesday 8:30am Mike Naipawer +  
by Betsy Devore
- Wednesday 8:30am Joe Devore +  
by Betsy Devore  
5:00pm Luxman De Zoysa +  
by The Santha Family  
7:00pm A. L. & Christine Hotze +  
by Tim & Alice Mitchell
- Thursday 8:30am Jagatha Santha +  
by The Santha Family
- Friday 8:30am Bill R. Litteken +  
by Knights of Columbus  
Holy Trinity Council 7601
- Saturday 4:00pm Michael J. Sullivan +  
by The Iner Family
- Sunday 8:00am Our Parishioners  
9:30am Teresa Sammon +  
by Christopher Sammon  
11:00am Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Heider +  
by Pat Stagner




## Archbishop's Annual Appeal Commitment Sunday February 13 & 14

Serving over 1,000,000 Catholics, the mission of the Archdiocese of Atlanta is to proclaim the Gospel of the Lord, and grow all of North and Central Georgia in faith, hope, love, and service to others. Together, we are God's hands and feet, sharing God's compassion and mercy, and demonstrating that "Our Joyful Return to the Lord." Your gift to the 2021 Archbishop's Annual Appeal helps make it possible by supporting the ministerial, outreach, education, formation and discipleship work of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. We ask that you give prayerful consideration to your level of support to help fund the essential ministries and services supported by the Appeal. If you haven't already done so, please make a pledge to the 2021 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. To learn more about the appeal, and to donate online, visit [archatl.com/appeal](http://archatl.com/appeal). A video of the Appeal is also available online.




Laura Alvarez, James Baker, Ron and Jan Banister, Angie Basista, Joseph Basista, Pat Beauregard, Lura Blankenship, Jacqueline Boshears, Ann Marie Callahan, Micah Carroll, Kathleen Cawley, Patrick Chesley, Jr., Ronald Christopher, Patricia Clark, Dudley A. DeCastro, John Dessez, Mary Alice Dessez, Melanie Dunn, Wanda Ellis, Richard Evarts, Vicki & Tom Farah, Vince Farah, Gib Finley, Nikolas Fried, Michael Gillespie, Nancy Gillespie, Rodger Hallam, Chuck & Marlene Hargest, Sarah Hill, Lynn Hoffman, Madison Hoffman, Marty Huckaby, Connie John, Brenda Kent, Betty Kersey, Mike Lanasa, Joey Landon, Bob Largin, Ron Lawrence, Hilda Lee, Ken Mangan, Latina Mason, Frank and Eunice McCarthy, Mason McCurdy, Maria McKinney, Elva Medrano, Tracy Miller, Cathy Moeller, Gary Moeller, Betty Monteau, Mott Family, Ray Mrozek, John Murray, Sadie Alice Murtha, Irene Neilson, Edna Norton, Diane M. O'Connor, Margarita Papadimitriou, Bette Perkins, Hope Prudenti, Maureen Richardson, Valerie Ryczek, Eleanor Sinagra, Dan Sitler, Francesa Soares, Lou Sposaro, Anita Lenortavage Tarreto, Kalani Tejedor, Mike Tittiger, Ruth Van Liere, Sandra Vaughn, Greg Virag, Trish Voorhees, Mary Wagener, Jean Washo, Michelle Witman, Peggy Wofford, George and Kathleen Zanebis.

*If you or a loved one is in the hospital, homebound or in an assisted living situation, please call the Parish Office to notify us.*

A One-Night  
**Lenten Mission** 

**"The Most Powerful  
Word in the English Language...and  
It's Not Love"**

**Presented by  
Dr. Allen Hunt  
from Dynamic  
Catholic**



**Sunday, February 28th 7:00pm  
at St. James Catholic Church**  
Masks and social distancing required.



**BABY BOTTLE  
BOOMERANG  
CAMPAIGN 2021**

**Return your Changelope to the basket located in the Parish Hall by February 28th .**

# This Week's Reflection....

One of my most favorite ministries is working with the RCIA. RCIA stands for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. It is a program through which adults who desire to become Catholic learn about our faith and come into full communion with the Church.

I especially love the questions that are asked by the candidates in RCIA. A couple of weeks ago I was asked, "Since we did not participate in the sin of Adam and Eve why do we suffer the consequences of their actions?" That is a great question. We call the sin committed by Adam and Eve original sin. Original sin is unlike personal sin, original sin is not an evil thing we have done but an absence of God's grace in our souls. It may be more helpful to think of original sin not as a "stain" on our souls but as a missing piece of essential fabric or a "hole" in our souls. Baptism "removes" original sin, therefore, by filling our souls with the love and life of God, or grace. The reason this absence of grace is called original sin is because it is a consequence of the very first sin humans committed.

When our first parents, Adam and Eve, disobeyed God, they lost the gift of God's favor that protected them from death and suffering. After losing this grace, they could not pass it down to their descendants, who in turn could not pass it down to us. Adam and Eve's disobedience corrupted our human nature and made it possible for humans to suffer and die. Baptism cannot prevent our physical deaths because it does not change our physical nature. However, it does change our spiritual nature, so through baptism we are saved from spiritual death by being united to Jesus Christ.

*Deacon Charles Iner*

**JOB OPENING** St. James Catholic Church in McDonough, Ga is looking for a part time Business Manager. Applicant needs to have a bachelor's degree in business administration or a related field. Some experience in human resources, facilities management or financial administration is preferred. The position calls for sound interpersonal communication and organizational skills and an ability to relate effectively with others. The Business Manager is expected to share a personal commitment to the vision and mission of the Catholic Church and the parish of St. James. Please, send resume to Beckey Petty at [bstonecipher@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:bstonecipher@stjamesapostle.com).

2019 - 2020		FISCAL YEAR END	
<b>Income</b>		<b>Expenses</b>	
Offertory	\$891,696	Liturgy / Music / Evangelization	118,681
Other Donations / Income	25,625	Admin/Clergy Payroll & Benefits	270,662
Restricted (Building Remodel)	289,755	Pre-School	101,716
Faith Formation	20,310	Utilities / Maintenance / Grounds	218,666
Preschool	71,147	Archdiocesan Assessments	98,914
		School Subsidy	56,070
		Religious Education	137,326
		Georgia Bulletin	7,784
		Phase II Remodel	226,912
General Operating Total	1,298,533	General Operating Total	1,236,731
Mortgage Reduction Donations	177,244	Mortgage Payment	\$152,772
		<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>\$ 1,389,503</b>
		<b>Accured ARCH Assessments owed</b>	<b>\$63,150</b>
		<b>Accured Mortgage Paymenst</b>	<b>\$60,450</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$1,475,777</b>	<b>Total expenses for the year</b>	<b>\$ 1,513,103</b>
<b>Current Mortgage Debt</b>	<b>\$175,639</b>	<b>NET INCOME/(LOSS)</b>	<b>\$37,326</b>





## WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

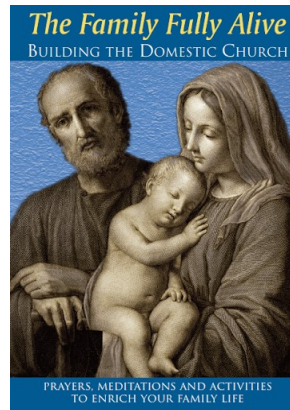
For February 7, 2021

Offertory	\$21,553
YTD Offertory	\$529,215
Over/ (Under)	-\$104,641
Mortgage	\$5,983
YTD Mortgage	\$99,277
Over/ (Under)	-\$53,496
% Online Giving	44%
Phase III—Statues	\$57,820



### Life, Time & Money Management Personal Finance For Teens

An 8-week course on Saturdays from 10-11am beginning February 27th at St. James the Apostle. Presented by Bill Renje, Directory of LifeChange Concepts. Bill is a Ramsey Solutions Master Financial Coach. \$50 per person / \$75 per couple. For more information and to register, visit: [lifechangeconcepts.com](http://lifechangeconcepts.com) Registration deadline is February 20th.



The Family Fully Alive program was launched in our parish in December. The Family Fully Alive program asks families to invite God into their homes and cultivate each family as a miniature domestic church. Each month a new theme, scripture readings and family activities are presented in the program booklet. For the month of February, the theme is *The Sacrament of*

*Marriage*. The foundation of the domestic church is the sacrament of marriage. It is therefore important to reflect often on the mystery and calling of this sacrament. Also, our children may be called to become spouses and parents, so it is important to help them understand the type of love that is necessary in marriage and family life. Scripture readings for the month are Psalm 128. The family activity for the month recommends a reading of nuptial prayer from the Order of Celebrating Matrimony. Share your memories about your wedding day with your family over a nice meal. Booklets are available in the Parish hall.



### The Little Flower Women's Bible Study

meets in person on Fridays from 9:30 - 11am or via Zoom on Tuesdays from 6:30pm - 8pm. We are studying The Bible Timeline by Ascension Press narrated by Jeff Cavins.

Please contact Diane Scarbrough for more information at [dscarbrough@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:dscarbrough@stjamesapostle.com) or (770) 318-2577.



SVDP wants to thank our parishioners for making our toy drive a great success! Your

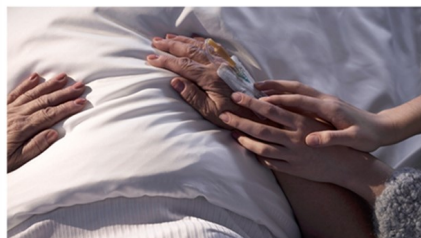
generosity with the toys and the gift cards made it possible for us to work with Connecting Henry to ensure each child had gifts for Christmas. SVDP donates the gift cards to families in need, to help with food, gas and other family needs and will continue to use these gift cards in the coming months to help families in emergency situations. Your generosity through your monthly envelope donations made it possible for us to help:

- 21 families (73 family members) with utilities
  - 10 families (27 family members) with rent
  - 1 person with car insurance enabling them to go to work
  - 1 person with a medical emergency
- On behalf of all those who we were able to help we say, "Thank you and may God richly bless you!"

## Catholic 101 Topic for February Decisions of Life & Death

Tuesday, February 16 from 6:45-9:15 PM on ZOOM

Families are confronted with many challenging questions and crises when it comes to making end-of-life decisions for their loved ones. What does the Church teach about this? Join us for a very informative webinar with Professor Steven Bozza.



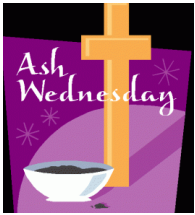
6:45 PM - Zoom session opens  
7:00 PM - Opening Prayer followed by "Decisions of Life and Death Webinar" with Professor Steven Bozza  
8:15 PM - Q & A with Professor Steve Bozza (he will be with us on the ZOOM call)



### Interested in becoming Catholic?

RCIA classes have begun but it is not too late to join us. Contact us by phone or email for an interview appointment. The interview assists us in how to best serve our Inquirers in the RCIA process.

Sacrament of Confirmation: Complete your full initiation into the Catholic faith with the Sacrament of Confirmation. Contact Deacon Charles Iner at [charles@inerfamily.com](mailto:charles@inerfamily.com) or 770-957-5441 ext. 201.



**LENT BEGINS  
FEBRUARY 17  
ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES  
8:30am, 5:00pm & 7:00pm**

The 5:00 pm mass will be live streamed to our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/St-James-the-Apostle-Catholic-Church-100811223336186>

**WE WILL NOT HAVE HOLY HOUR OR CONFESSIONS ON ASH WEDNESDAY.**

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. Lent runs from Ash Wednesday until the Mass of the Lord's Supper exclusive on Holy Thursday.

- ◆ Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and the Fridays of Lent by all Catholics 14 years of age and older.
- ◆ Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics 18 years of age but not yet 59 years of age. Those bound by this rule may take only one full meal. Two smaller meals are permitted as necessary to maintain strength according to one's needs, but eating solid foods between meals is not permitted.

*Due to the Pandemic, the Diocese of Atlanta will follow the instructions from the Vatican for the distribution of ashes:*

*The priest "cleanses his hands, puts on a face mask, and distributes ashes to those who come to him or, if appropriate, he goes to those who are standing in their places. He then sprinkles the ashes on each person's head."*

**WE WILL NOT HAVE A LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE ADDED CONFESSION TIMES DURING LENT**

March 15 & 16 from 6 - 7pm  
March 22 & 23 from 6 - 7pm

March 17 & 24 - beginning at 6pm with 2 priests available

Saturdays, March 20 and 27 at 9am, 10am & 11am  
*Saturday confessions will begin at each hour. The priest will hear confession until the line ends and return at the beginning of the next hour.*

For your safety, confession takes place in a well ventilated room with ionic air purifiers. Masks, social distancing, and a protective screen are used.



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS each Friday of Lent**  
Following the 8:30 am Mass and at 6:30 pm



**FISH FRY FRIDAYS**

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus

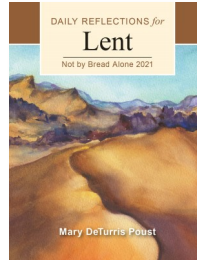
**— All meals will be take out only —**  
Meals will be handed out in a safe manner so all virus protocols are observed.

Menu

Baked or Fried Fish, French Fries, Cole Slaw and Hush Puppies.

Cost is \$7.00.

Serving will take place from 5:00-7:30pm every Friday during Lent. Come before or after the Stations of the Cross.



**"Daily Reflections for LENT Not by Bread Alone 2021"**

A Lenten resource is available at the Lenten resource table in the Parish Hall. Donation: \$1. Pick up a copy for your Lenten journey! (Quantities are limited.)

DON'T GIVE UP CHOCOLATE THIS LENT.

INSTEAD, DO SOMETHING LIFE CHANGING.

BestLentEver.com

Join Matthew Kelly and the Dynamic Catholic team through an incredible Lenten journey.

**BEST LENT EVER**



**"WE ARE CALLED"**

Join our faith community—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up a rice bowl from the table in the parish hall as part of your family's Lenten experience. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on how hunger and malnutrition affect our human family, and on the need to take action to end it. Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.



**What we are doing at St. James Life Teen!**

**Small Groups February 2021 Calendar!**

~We will not have Small Groups or Confirmation Classes February 14, 16<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> due to Winter break and Ash Wednesday.

**Life Nights:** We will have Small Groups the week of Feb 21<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>th</sup> 24<sup>th</sup>

In Person - Sunday morning / Sunday Night / Wednesday Night

Virtual only class - Tuesday at 3:45.

**Confirmation Classes:** the week of Feb 21<sup>th</sup> 23<sup>th</sup> 24<sup>th</sup>

Virtual (Tuesday 6:30) and In person (Wednesday 6:30).

~We will not have Adoration Night February 28<sup>th</sup> due to the **Parish Mission- Please join us for that!**

**All Confirmation Paperwork was due February 9<sup>th</sup>!**

\*No Wednesday Fun Night until March 3<sup>rd</sup> due to Confirmation Preparation

**From Confirmation Class: Discipleship**

The world needs you and me and every single person to start caring for the each other better, for the future and for those who need us. The anger and hate we see now has nothing to do with Jesus. People keep saying this is our new normal. Moving forward, why don't we create a better normal? Better than it has ever been. I don't want to settle for this culture telling me what to do, or what to believe. We know the truth! I don't want to let it tire me, so I'm too exhausted to fight for truth. There is so much emptiness, discouragement and sadness. People have no idea that they are first and foremost a son or daughter of God, who was created for good and purpose. People who don't feel loved but are loved. Let's introduce them to him. To love... This is our call to discipleship.

Krissy Upcraft ~ Youth Minister

[kupcraft@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:kupcraft@stjamesapostle.com) 770 957 5441 x110

**Flocknote: text SJACC to 84576 and choose Life Teen**

<https://stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com>

Instagram:stjames\_lifeteen

**Attention Faith Formation Families**

Assuming that there are no changes to Henry County School schedules after winter break, I am shooting for a tentative start date for in-person learning on **February 28th.**

Faith Formation & EDGE will resume on February 21st but will do so digitally.

I will reach out to all Faith Formation and EDGE families with any updates as they occur.

Please continue your in-home Faith Formation studies through our digital portal at <https://www.mycatholicfaithdelivered.com/>

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out to me at any time.  
[ebridwell@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:ebridwell@stjamesapostle.com)

Thank you for your time and May God continue to bless you and your family always!

**Eric Bridwell**

Director of Religious Education

**NEW BEGINNINGS MINISTRY**

We at New Beginnings want to thank you so much for the donations. They have actually come in so fast we can't get them out quick enough to keep up with the incoming. As someone who grew up in a different Christian church I am continually amazed by the generosity shown by the parishioners here.

What we are really in need of now is travel size shaving cream and children's clothing and baby food. Some of the families we are helping have children without basic clothing and nutrition. I pray that our Lord continues to direct your efforts.

Thank you,

Michael Reholz-Director of N.B.M.



**Scripture Study**

Monday evenings via zoom from 7:15 pm to 8:00 pm with nationally known speaker, bestselling author and St. James the Apostle parishioner **Dr. Allen Hunt.** The link to the meeting will be sent out via flock note, email and will be on the parish website each week. Join us as we grow in our love and knowledge of Holy Scripture!



**That Man is You!** meets on Saturday mornings at 7:45am. The TMIIY! spring semester of the Battle Over the Bride has begun but it's not too late to join. The Spring Semester helps men rediscover the true desires of their heart, identifies the major challenges in the spiritual life and the means for overcoming them, reveals to men the structured approach used by saints to make true progress in the spiritual life, and opens men to an encounter with Our Lady and the Holy Family that will transform their lives and that of their families. For more information or to register email Deacon Charles at [ciner@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:ciner@stjamesapostle.com) or visit the TMIIY! section of our parish website.

# St. James Preschool

 *“Growing a Heart for Jesus  
and a Love of Learning”* 

## **Enrollment for the 2021-2022 School Year Opens February 15th.**

Our preschool classes are for children ages 1-4 years old (they must be that chronological age by September 1st). Registration forms and information are available on our website at [www.stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com/preschool](http://www.stjamesapostleatholicchurch.com/preschool).

**For more information, please call (770) 957-5441 ext 121 or email the director at [plucas@stjamesapostle.com](mailto:plucas@stjamesapostle.com). You can also find additional information on our website at: [www.stjamesapostle.com/preschool](http://www.stjamesapostle.com/preschool). We also have a Facebook page and Instagram!**



## **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS® INFORMATION NIGHT**

The Knights invite you to join a virtual

Information Knight on Thursday, February 18, at 8PM. The Knights' mission, founded by a Catholic Priest, Blessed Fr. Michael McGivney, is to protect the faith and finances of Catholic families. We do this through our many faith-building initiatives, our charitable works (living out our faith), and our exclusive insurance benefits (holding Catholic families together and strong).

For more information, and to Secure your spot for this virtual event, please use one of these 2 options to register:

Use the QR Code below or email [Stephen.Hill@KofC.org](mailto:Stephen.Hill@KofC.org)



