St. Mary Catholic Church ~ St. Joseph Catholic Mission

P O Box 388, Plantersville, Texas 77363

~~~~ April, 2022 ~~~~



MASS SCHEDULE

<u>St. Mary—Plantersville</u> Monday through Thursday & First Friday—9:00 a.m.

Saturday ~ 5:00 p.m. & Sunday—7:30, 8:45, 10:00 & 11:30 a.m.

St. Joseph-Stoneham

Sunday—7:30 a.m.

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston Daniel Cardinal DiNardo Fr. Edward C. Kucera, Jr. ~ Pastor Deacon David G. Garvis

Parish Office ~ 936-894-2223 Monday ~ Thursday: 8:00 am ~ 5:00 pm Friday: 8:00 am ~ 12 pm ***Lunch: Closed from 12:00 pm ~ 1:00 pm***

Parish Fax ~ 936-894-3613 Website: www.smsj.org General E-Mail: info@smsj.org



SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

1st & 3rd Wednesday: 10a.m.-12p.m. & 5-6p.m. Or by Appointment—Please Call the Office.

SACRAMENTAL INFORMATION

Please call the parish office for information concerning Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony or Anointing of the Sick.

Church Organizations & Ministries at St. Mary's & St. Joseph's

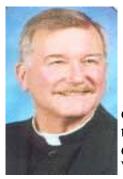
Parish Administrator

Bill Jones	936-894-2223
AA	
Leland Fougeron	936-870-5102
Adult Bible Study & Spiritu	ual Enrichment
Jim & Mary Barnette	936-851-0155
Adult Confirmation	
Sharon Skeans	281-467-0217
Altar Society-St. Mary	
Kim Kleimann	936-788-3520
Altar Society-St. Joseph	
Marcy Pavlock	936-661-6662
Altar Servers	
Steve Twining	713-344-6001
<u>Annulments</u>	
Call Parish Office	936-894-2223
Baptism Preparation for	Infants to 6
Email baptisms	s@smsj.org
<u>CCE / RE</u>	
Cheryl Schratwieser	936-894-2223

Extraordinary Ministers	=
Holy Communion & Sac	<u>ristans</u>
Kerry Masson	713-824-8599
Gabriel Project	
Wanda O'Brien	936-597-6328
GriefShare/S.A.L.T. Mini	<u>stry</u>
Mary Marshall	281-356-2497
Guardian Angels Senior	Group
Nancy Schlottman	936-525-0007
Homebound Ministry	
Larry & Patty Decker	936-228-9742
Lectors	
Richard Prokop	936-597-8688
Marriage Preparation	
Call Parish Office	936-894-2223
For Spanish speaking pre	p, call:
Brenda Martinez	936-777-9720
Church Greeters	
Call Parish Office	936-894-2223
Music/Wedding Director	
Sue Langston	979-268-6886

<u>Pro-Life Outreach</u>	
Nance Shaw	936-894-2512
RCIA / Adult Faith Form	ation
Don Picard	936-697-0195
Rummage Sale Coordin	ator
Lauren Twining	281-813-5355
St. Joseph's Cemetery	
Justin Mock	979-777-4993
St. Mary's Cemetery	
Rita Swonke	713-557-5817
St. Mary's Corner Shop	<u>pe</u>
Ethel Barbossa	936-588-4053
St. Mary's Men's Club	
Greg Houston	713-898-4172
Stitchin' Sisters	
Juli Murphy	936-206-0677
St. Vincent de Paul (for	<u>help, 936-894-2362)</u>
Suzanne Hill	713-724-2589
Write for Life	
Bob Dean	936-582-6314
Youth Ministry	
Susan Horne	281-536-0810

If you are new to the area and would like to become a member of our parish, please call the office or pick up a registration form in back of the church. A registration can be completed online at www.smsj.org.



AND NOW A WORD FROM YOUR PASTOR ...

Since my last bulletin's 'And Now a Word from your Pastor', the Ukraine conflict still rages. The Ukrainian people have been putting up a heroic resistance to the Russian invasion. The world's response has been remarkable considering the complexity of nations involved and the difficulty of obtaining any kind of consensus. We are still holding our breath on what the eventual outcome will be.

The response of our communities of St. Mary and St. Joseph has been not only remarkable but an example of what the world's response should be. The outpouring of generosity to aid the Ukrainian people is typical of our response to any pressing need that presents itself to us. If you remember when the Cathedral of Notre Dame was burned, our desire to help with the restoration was immediate and outstandingly generous. I am proud to report that as of this writing, as announced at the Masses this past weekend, our response to aid the people of the Ukraine has amounted to over \$31,000. The money is still coming in. These monies will be forwarded to Catholic Relief Services (CRS) of Poland to help in the care of the almost two million refugees flooding that country from the Ukraine. We will send the collection on April 4th. I will inform everyone of the final total collected. As soon as we receive a communique of reception of the monies, I will relay what we receive from the CRS of Poland.

As I am writing this article, I can hear the jack hammers breaking up the concrete parking lot behind the church at St. Mary's. This has been a project put on hold for many years due to other pressing needs. The time has come. Not all the parking lot will be re-concreted but the part that has been broken and in need of repair. Not only will some hazards of tripping and falling be taken care of, but an area where the big tent is set up for the bazaar will be safer and useable. The restriping will also make uniform parking easier. When we announced the redo of this parking lot, I had several mention they didn't know a parting lot was behind the church...lol. Well, it's there and very handy.

Another project on the horizon that I have had planned for quite some time is the redo of the entrance to the priest's sacristy at St. Joseph. The steps have been a hazard since the time I arrived over 22 years ago. When I was younger...lol...it wasn't as much a hazard, but now, because of the out-of-code steps, they become harder to navigate, especially if the weather is inclement or worse, icy. Actually, I should have had the sacristy entrance redone when Fr. Kelly was here. He would have been able to enter the sacristy by way of a ramp similar to the handicapped ramp at the side entrance. In the very near future the priest's sacristy entrance will be graced with a ramp and cover that not only I will greatly appreciate but also the pastors/priests that will come after me.

St. Joseph's guys are also in process of reconstructing the meat cutting room used during the bazaar. The bar-b-que pits have been completely redone. All will be ready in time for the annual bazaar the Sunday of Memorial Day Weekend. Great job, guys!

ALL IS DONE FOR THE HONOR AND GLORY OF GOD...AND THROUGH YOUR GENEROSITY.

"CONGRATULATIONS FR. ED"

Congratulations on 49 years of Priesthood; you have been, and continue to be a blessing to so many people. We pray that God will continue to bless you as you shepherd your flock for years to come. ~Your Flock

One Solitary Life

He was born in an obscure village The child of a peasant woman He grew up in another obscure village Where he worked in a carpenter shop Until he was thirty

He never wrote a book He never held an office He never went to college He never visited a big city He never travelled more than two hundred miles From the place where he was born He did none of the things Usually associated with greatness He had no credentials but himself

He was only thirty three

His friends ran away One of them denied him He was turned over to his enemies And went through the mockery of a trial He was nailed to a cross between two thieves While dying, his executioners gambled for his clothing The only property he had on earth

> When he was dead He was laid in a borrowed grave Through the pity of a friend

Nineteen centuries have come and gone And today Jesus is the central figure of the human race And the leader of mankind's progress All the armies that have ever marched All the navies that have ever sailed All the parliaments that have ever sat All the kings that ever reigned put together Have not affected the life of mankind on earth As powerfully as that one solitary life

Dr James Allan ©1926.

St. Joseph Mass Intentions for April, 2022

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	Intention
Sun., 4/3	7:30am	JB Langley
Sun. 4/10	7:30am	Anton Fridye Edna Marie Casey &
		Colleen Casey Syzdek
Sun. 4/17	7:30am	Frank Imhoff
	7:30am	Mary & Steve Pavlock
		Bill BJ Pavlock
Sun. 4/24	7:30am	Rufus Uilkie

Requested By

Jacade Isbell & Joette Jochen Mary Ann & Raymond Gurka Barney Syzdek

Jacade Isbell & Joette Jochen Greg & Joy Walkoviak

Russell & Patsy Bartkowiak

Please keep our sick in your prayers:

Bernie & JoAnn Borski, David Burland, Pat Davis, Margaret Fann, Holly Gilstrap, John D. Herzog, Barbara Hyde, Angeline Kotch, Elizabeth Kowis, Jimmy & Carol Kubeczka, Florence Lara, Grant Larson, Kim Leshick, Patti Lott Stafford, Hailey Mattern, Lance Miller, Aleen Herzog Mock, Chad Mock, Thomas Noble, Matthew Oliver, Josephine Rockett, Fred & Marilyn Smith, Michelle Mock Tish, Marie Staples, Craig Strickler, Daniela Syzdek, Clara Walkoviak



Israel Trip with Fr. Ed

Fr. Ed's trip to Israel: Come see the SCRIPTURES COME TO LIFE !!! The trip is set for Feb. 4-14, 2023. There is room for a few more. Please email Cecilia Maddox to be put on the list or with any questions at Maddoxrc5@gmail.com. You may also call or text at (210) 383-8079.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS, LENT 2022



As a Community, we will be praying the Stations of the Cross during Lent **each Friday at 7:00 pm and each Wednesday after 9:00 am Mass.** Stations on Wednesdays will be guided by our Parish Members, and on Fridays by the groups indicated below. All Stations of the Cross will be at St. Mary Church with one exception, April 15th, Good Friday. These Stations will be at St. Joseph, at 7:00 pm.

Station Guides will be provided for use in Church on Friday evenings and Wednesday mornings. Do use your own Station Guides when you, your families and groups pray together in Church and at home. Our Corner Shoppe and shops in other parishes can show you a choice of Station Guides.

Every life has suffering, temptation, burial and resurrection. We pray and meditate at each Station, that Jesus may guide us to live our lives in His Service as He Wills.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Leader</u>
April 1	7pm	Stations of the Cross/Mary's Way ~ St. Mary's Altar Society
April 8	7pm	Scriptural Stations of the Cross ~ ACTS
April 15	7pm	Good Friday Stations of the Cross ~ St. Joseph's Catholic Church

St. Mary Mass Intentions for April, 2022

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	Intention	<u>Requested by</u> :
Fri. 4/1	9:00am	Patty Jones Joe Lynch	Ron & Kathy Arnoldi Mary Lynch
Sat. 4/2	5:00pm	Sigmond Przyborski	Lynn & John Logan
Sat. 4/2	5.00pm	Joan Bashor	Tobe & Dianne Bashor
Sun. 4/3	7:30am	Dolores Hoffart	Linette "Tootsie" Mock
	8:45am	Jacob Diehl	Bobby & Irene Janecek
	10.00am	Irene Doris	Kevin & Mary Frances Doris
	11:30am	Edward A. Mock	Johnny Mock
Mon. 4/4	9:00am	Zella Klein	John & Holly Kolodczak
Tues. 4/5	9:00am	For the People	·
Wed. 4/6	9:00am	Mary Kucera Brandesky	Kucera Family
		Ulises Ocampo	Stella Yorek
		[Adyta Szladewski]	Lillian Clark
Thurs. 4/7	9:00am	Cecillia Wagner	John & Holly Kolodczak
		Toby Seale	Karen Seale & Children
Sat. 4/9	5:00pm	Lavail Lott	Betty Lott
		Carol Groves	Doug, Ruth & Rachel Hermes
Sun. 4/10	7:30am	Elizabeth Furman	Pat & David Sydlik
	8:45am	John Hlebichuk	Ramona Hlebichuk
	10:00am	Mary Ellen Lundquist	SM Altar Society
	11:30am	Kathy Driskell	Rick & Barbara Herzog
Mon. 4/11	9 :00am	Annie Demny	Dense Durel
Tues. 4/12	9 :00am	(Charles & Lucy Mascarella Family)	Jackie & Niels Nielsen
Wed. 4/13	9:00am	Bill Malek	JoAnn Wiseneske
Thurs. 4/14	7:00pm	Monica Diehl	Tootsie Mock
Fri. 4/15	3:00pm	Josephine Swonke	Ethel Barbossa
Sat. 4/16	8:00pm	Anna Smith	Late Phillip & Martha Diehl Family
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Sun. 4/17	6:30am	Lorraine Allphin	James & Brenda
	0.00	Teresa Schwertner	Frank Giglio Families
	9:00am	Fr. William (Bill) Kelly	Stella Yorek
	11.00	Neil Rosenberg	Linda & Danny Massingill
T 4/10	11:00am	Pat Holt	Kayla McCormick & Family
Tues. 4/19 Wed. 4/20	9:00am 9:00am	Joseph Johnson Robert Kadlubar	Everette & Mary Jo Johnson
Thurs. 4/20	9:00am 9:00am	Anna Mae Smith	Marie & Ed Traywick Ann Smith
Sat. 4/21	5:00am 5:00pm	Marion Kolodczak	John & Holly Kolodczak
Sat. 4/23 Sun. 4/24	5.00pm 7:30am	Jack Siersma	Kathy Wallace
Sun. 4/24	7.50am	Charles Mock	Johnny Mock
	8:45am	Amber Hoffart	Laveta Malek
	0.45am	Wm. & Mary Smith Family	Carolynn Katkosia
	10:00am	Theresa Marquez	Stella Yorek
	10000	Thomas & Sport Diehl & Marcy, Ronald Canatella	Sonny Diehl
	11:30am	Joe Barbossa & Ann Barbossa	Ethel Barbossa
		Irene Doris	Kevin & Mary Francis Doris
Mon. 4/25	9:00am	For the People	······································
Tues. 4/26	9:00am	Marie, Frank & Tony Cannistra	Nick & Olive Cannistra
Wed. 4/27	9:00am	Loretta Upton	Surrey & Susan Ewing
Thurs. 4/28	9:00am	Anita Hill	Ethel Barbossa
Sat, 4/30	5:00pm	Tom Schwartz	Ann Schwartz
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THE INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL



<u>*Pope's Intention:*</u> We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.



PLEASE REMEMBER THOSE WHO HAVE PRECEDED US IN DEATH. KEEP THEM AND THEIR FAMILIES IN YOUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS.

Floyd Darling: died Sunday, December 26th, 2021, whose funeral service will be Saturday April 9th at 10:30am at St. Mary

Loretta Upton: parishioner, died Friday, February 25th, whose funeral service will be Saturday, April 2nd at 10:30am at St. Mary

<u>Richard "Ted" Stephen:</u> parishioner, husband of Arlene, died on March 3rd, whose funeral service was on Thursday, March 24th

John Wayne Baynham: parishioner, husband of Barbara, died on March 9th, whose funeral service was on Saturday, March 26th

<u>Gerry Mattern:</u> died on Sunday, March 13th, whose funeral service was on Thursday, March 17th <u>Dr. Scot Allen Pott:</u> died on Sunday, March 26th, whose funeral service is on April 2nd at 2:00pm at St. Mary <u>Gary Nelson:</u> parishioner, husband of Deborah, died on Tuesday, March 29th. Funeral plans are TBD.



CONFESSIONS

Confessions will be heard the following Wednesdays: *April 6th & April 13th* 10:00am-noon & 5:00-6:00pm to provide opportunity for confession prior to Easter.

Otherwise, if available, Fr. Ed would be happy to hear confessions after daily Mass.

Call the office for an appointment at <u>936-894-2223.</u>



Anointing Mass for the Sick and Elderly Wed., April 6th

<u>First Friday Mass</u> is scheduled for Fri., April 1st @ 9am.



If you are new to our Parish or have been thinking about getting involved with one of our many Church Organizations or Ministries, please refer to the front page of the bulletin. You will find a complete list with the contact information of the person that can get you signed up.

We must remember that God has no other hands but ours, no other feet but ours, no other mouth but ours. Therefore, God is still going to work miracles of love, miracles of freedom and liberation through people like you and me." ~~~Blessed Mother Theresa





2022 St. Mary Men's Club Aggie Baseball Game



Tuesday, April 19, 2022 Texas A & M vs. Dallas Baptist

FISH FRY @ Bob & Linda Armstrong's Ranch (2:00pm-5:00pm)

FISH FRY-COMPLIMENTS OF THE SMMC

Cost: General Admission Baseball Ticket—\$10 each (includes \$3 donation to SMMC)

Cost to have a great afternoon of fellowship, food, drink, fishing, horseshoe tossing, golf ball hitting and a fun evening of Aggie Baseball - **PRICELESS**

Contact: Charlie Parada 832.594.4603





St. Mary's Men's Club Blood Drive Sunday, April 10th.



The Parish office will be **closed** at Noon on Thurs., April 14th, all day on Fri., April 15th & Mon., April 18th

AA MEETINGS:

Every Monday evening @ 8 p.m. in St. Mary's Family Life Center.

Social distancing is observed.



MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

St. Mary's has a loaner program for anyone who is in need of medical equipment. For equipment availability, contact the

office at 936-894-2223.

We have electric scooters, walkers, 1 booster recliner, bedside commodes, & various other items available.





THE GABRIEL PROJECT is a pro-life parish-based apostolate of the

Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston offering assistance to women experiencing difficult circumstances during pregnancy. Gabriel Project volunteers act to provide practical advice and help, as well as spiritual support and Christian witness to mothers in need.

Our St. Mary's Gabriel Angels are trained to provide some of the following:

** Be a resource to answer questions about pregnancy, child care, and parenting

** Provide friendship, emotional, and spiritual support ** Help with items for a new baby

** Knowledge about available community resources to meet your needs

Pregnant and need maternity clothes? We have a large supply of items. Please phone to set up a time to come and pick out what you need.

Thank you for your donations. Our families are very grateful! Call Wanda O'Brien 936-597-6328 for more info.

Rowan's PrayerOne day God will Bring us back together,
United with your child, you'll cry no more.Till then, may we draw strength from each other,
knowing that they wait by
Heaven's door.If you have or you know of someone who just ex-
perienced a miscarriage, still birth or infant loss or
you know someone with a neonatal
diagnosis.Contact Bonnie Haytcher:
by calling 941-302-6310,
or emailing
haytcherb@gmail.com



ST. JOSEPH ALTAR SOCIETY

Altar Society Meeting Tuesday, April 5th @ 6:30pm

Anyone who is not currently a member of Altar Society but would like to be, please plan on attending.

APRIL ALTAR CARE:

Julie Coombs and Debra Meekins

COFFEE SERVERS:

April 3: Lorraine Siegle April 10: Anne Mannina and Jane Urbanosky April 17: Mary Gorney April 24: Altar Society Donut Day



Some helpers are needed to occasionally assist with the SUN-DAY FUNDAY ministry.

This is the ministry to children in the Hall on Sunday mornings after all the Masses. Great for teens or any age who like working with children! If interested, please call Wanda O'Brien 936-597-6328 (no texting).

Rummage News

Rummage Sale is open and accepting new or gently used items. Drop offs are accepted every Wednesday from 9-noon at the Rummage Barn or on Sundays in the carts located under the small pavilion. Follow the signs.



The Rummage Sale Committee is always looking for amazing volunteers. Please prayerfully consider joining this team of dedicated servants. No time commitment required, hours are

Contact Lauren Twining if you have any questions: 281-813-5355

ST. MARY ALTAR SOCIETY

Come join the St. Mary's Altar Society for Our <u>April meeting</u> on:

Wednesday, April 20th

12:00pm lunch in the church hall This month's speaker is Betty Hollas on "Aging with Grace"

All ladies of the parish are welcome!

Meeting hostesses: Patty Kalich, Nita Leschinger and Sherry Henderson

MARCH ALTAR CARE: Alana Presley, Karen Smith, Karen Ruffner

THE MONTGOMERY COUNTY WOMEN'S CENTER is a parish supported ministry of the St. Mary's Altar Society offering support to women/families experiencing difficult circumstances with domestic violence. To support the urgent needs of Montgomery County Women's Center, the Altar society has placed a basket in the hall and in the church. At this time, the most needed items are women's flipflops sizes 9, 10, 11; baby monitors and women's underwear. They are always in need of cleaning supplies and disposable masks.

Thank you for your donations. The Women's Center and families they care for are greatly appreciative of your support.



The Corner Shoppe

EASTER IS RIGHT AROUND THE <u>CORNER</u> So come to the <u>Corner</u> Shoppe to purchase gifts and cards to celebrate this special season!



FIRST COMMUNION IS APPROACHING The Corner Shop has special gifts and more to commemorate the special sacrament of First Holy Communion. Come over after Mass and see the various articles suitable for boys and girls that make thoughtful gifts.



St. Mary's Men's Club 20th Annual Golf Benefit

Monday, April 25, 2022 (Rainout Date: Monday May 23, 2022) Registration: 9:00-9:45am - Shotgun Tee-Off at 10:00am

Entry Fees: \$150 per person ******Limit: 120 Golfers***** ****Ladies Welcome**** Sponsorship: \$300 (Hole sign & dinner table advertisement)

Exhibitors: Sponsors will be eligible to get a spot on one of the tees, or in prominent, high-traffic location—at the Walden on Lake Conroe Golf Course during the event, an opportunity for you to interact with participants.

Includes: Breakfast Tacos Range Balls Green Fees Drinks Cart Box Lunch Dinner



Prizes:

Hole-in-One wins a Golf Cart!

Silent Auction

1st, 2nd & 3rd Place Foursome Trophies

> Format: Four Golfer Scramble

All proceeds support the charity efforts of St. Mary's Men's Club, which supports the youth and needy in our area.

Checks Payable to: St. Mary's Men's Club

Mail checks and entry forms to: Eric Gensheimer, 706 The Cliffs Ct., Montgomery, TX 77356 (ericg@tamericgroup.com, 713-416-5280 For Inquiries Contact: Charlie Parada at 936-582-6022 or cell 832-594-4603 (cparada68493@cebridge.net)

Holy Name Women's Retreat

last weekend of February.

On February 25th through February 27th a few ladies attended our annual St. Mary's Women's Retreat at the Holy Name Retreat Center in Houston. The retreat was led by the Passionist priest and staff. There is a new theme each year and is always very inspiring, uplifting and sometimes very humorous but always fanning the flame of love for Christ, for us to grow in faith. You will find peace, spirituality, council and moving worship. There are talks, discussions, music, silent time and wonderful food, all wrapped up in this special weekend.

You will leave refreshed with the love of Jesus and fervor to serve Him always. The Retreat

Center offers private bed and bath. Snacks and coffee are available daily. We invite all the ladies of St. Mary's and St. Joseph's to join us next year on this wonderful journey of love and faith, on the

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CCE Calendar

- April 6 CCE Classes
- April 13 Easter Week No CCE Classes
- April 20 CCE Classes

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April 27 CCE Last Night

Visit the Religious Education website page: http://smsj.org/cce-children-youthsacraments/ *Welcome to our newly baptized little ones!*



Jacob Bradley Martinez Javier Sanchez Juliet Camila Sanchez Logan Allen Urbanosky Cooper James Williams



Faith Formation

<u>Baptism:</u> Infant baptism through age 6. Baptisms and preparation classes occur quarterly. To register go online to: smsj.org/baptism/. Baptism for ages 7 and older register through the CCE Program: http://smsj.org/cce-children-youth-sacraments/. For more information, contact: Cheryl Schratwieser - smsjcce@gmail.com

BAPTISMS ARE ON THE FOLLOWING SATURDAYS:

MAY 21 AUGUST 20 NOVEMBER 19

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS: ONLINE

<u>C.C.E.</u>: The C.C.E. office may be contacted at: smsjcce@gmail.com.

All CCE First Communion and Confirmation information can be found at: http://www.smsj.org/cce-children-youth-sacraments/

ADULT CONFIRMATION

ADULT Confirmation preparation sessions began in March; celebration of this sacrament by our Cardinal is scheduled for Pentacost June 5, 2022.

If you are a practicing Catholic and have been baptized and received Holy Eucharist, contact Sharon Skeans, <u>skeans@consolidated.net</u> to be fully initiated in our Roman Catholic faith.



<u>NEXT MEETINGS:</u> <u>April 1st after Mass—SM Hall</u> <u>April 26th @ 3:30pm - SM Hall</u>



Our St. Vincent de Paul Conference welcomes new members. If you are interested in becoming a Vincentian, please call our President: Suzanne Hill at 713-724-2589.



"We must stand up for the rights of our neighbour who is suffering from injustice; we must defend them all the more vigorously because we see Jesus present in them. Surely this is our duty because of our love for others for his sake. We have no right to be 'sleeping watchmen' or dumb watch-dogs. Whenever we see evil we must sound the alarm." –Blessed Charles de Foucauld

ST. JOSEPH'S EARLY BIRD RAFFLE TICKET DRAWING

OPEN TO ALL ST. JOSEPH MEMBERS AND SUPPORTERS. FOR EVERY \$100 WORTH OF BAZAAR RAFFLE TICKETS YOU SELL, YOUR NAME WILL BE ENTERED INTO A DRAWING FOR THE FOLLOWING PRIZES:

<u>1ST PRIZE:</u>

CHOICE BETWEEN: A GUIDED DOVE HUNT FOR 4 IN BROWNSVILLE, TX- OPENING WEEKEND 9/17/2022 & 9/18/2022 (LODGING IS NOT INCLUDED) OR

\$500 CASH

<u>2ND PRIZE:</u> PREMIUM PARKING SPOT IN FRONT OF HALL ON BAZAAR DAY

MONEY AND TICKETS WILL BE TAKEN UP EVERY SUNDAY FROM APRIL 10 TO MAY 8

DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON SUNDAY, MAY 8TH





 $\label{eq:adoration} \textit{Adoration} \bullet \textit{Community} \bullet \textit{Theology} \bullet \textit{Service}$

The Men's ACTS retreat date was incorrect in the March bulletin. The correct dates are below. Director Michael Fortunato will begin assembling the ACTS team, please pray for him and the men who will accept the call to serve others during the retreat.

The ACTS Retreat is open to all men aged 18 and above and you do not need to be Catholic. The retreat begins on Thursday night, **July 14th and ends on Sunday July 17th** after the 11:30 am mass. The retreat will help bring you spiritually closer to God and remind you of what is important in your life. For more information, or to register, please contact Michael at mfortunato@bobcatofhouston.com

We are delighted to announce that the **Women's ACTS Retreat** was a successful event filled with the Holy Spirit! We praise God for bringing these beautiful women closer to Him during this time, and we also thank Him for the hard working, dedicated group of amazing women who teamed and served as disciples of Christ. If any women would like to attend the next ACTS retreat, it will be held in 2023 and information will be forthcoming.



JOIN THE STITCHIN' SISTERS

Are you interested in bringing back a lost art? Are you interested in having a good time with a great group of ladies?

Think about joining the Stitchin' Sisters. Hand quilting seems to be a lost art that we are trying to keep alive. We are a group of ladies that hand quilt three donation quilts a year. One for the Plantersville Fire Department Auction, one for St. Joseph's Bazaar Auction and one for St. Mary's Bazaar Auction.

If time permits between those quilts, we will quilt member's quilt for a nominal fee. If you do not know how to quilt, we will do our best to help you out. We all have opinions! We can show you how to put up a quilt on a frame, how to mark it, how to quilt it, and how to finish it.

We meet every Wednesday from 9:30 to 2:00 at the *St. Joseph Hall.* Bring your own lunch. WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

For more info, Juli Murphy: at <u>936-206-0677</u> or email <u>julimurphy1988@gmail.com</u>.

2022 ST. JOSEPH'S ANNUAL BAZAAR

To Parishioners: The 2022 Bazaar Auction will include this year both a Silent and a Live Auction. Our Pre-Auction focus this year continues to be on the extremely generous donations from all our parishioners, both St. Joseph's and St. Mary's. Here are a wide variety of potential donation ideas from our parishioners, their friends, neighbors, and relatives for our Live and Silent Auctions:

- Cash for Purchases of Power Equipment, Tools, and Purchases of Weekend Getaways
- Homemade Food Items (e.g., Jelly, Jams, Cakes, Pies, Grape Juice, Cookies, Brittle, Rolls, All Canned Vegetables and Salsa, etc.)
- Homemade Furniture
- Donation towards Livestock for "Raising", Particularly a Young Calf or Pig for showing at a County Level by a Young Future Farmers/Ranchers Boy or Girl of our Parish (More on this if we get a donation)
- Homemade Quilt, Afghans, and Wall Hangings
- Donated Weekend Getaways
- Donated Weekend Hotel Stays
- Group Tours
- Winery Group Events
- Sports Event Tickets (Texans, Astros, Rockets, The Roughnecks, etc.)
- Time Share Donations
- Fishing Trips and Hunting Events
- Group Meal Events
- Weekend Getaways Using Family or Friends' 2nd Homes
- Group Spa Gift Certificates
- All Kinds of Sports Teams Autographed Equipment
- Travel Points for Airline Tickets
- Jewelry Items

No Item is Too Large or Too Small for Our Auction! Donation Documentation Forms will be available in the Church Hall. If you Cannot Donate an Item, Please Consider CASH Donations for the Purchase of Auction Items.

Please see Theresa Rausheck, Mike Wetuski or Bo Imhoff with questions or suggestions. Thank You!

S.A.L.T. Ministry

(Single Adults Living Truth)

The S.A.L.T. Ministry will be having a Social Event in April at the Bernhardt Winery.

More details will be announced in the upcoming Flock Notes.

If you have any questions please contact Mary Marshall (281) 356-2497.





WE MANT YOU



May all the tears I cry, and all the tears I have not cried but hold within, pour forth into Your hands. Please take each painful thought and unhealed wound, and send Your Angels here to me. I long for peace

Amen (Poem by Marianne Williamson)

We will be starting a monthly Grief Support gathering to help you through your grief journey on Sundays beginning in May at the Kelly House. **Please watch Flock Notes for more details** Our next session will be in the Fall September 7 – December 7, 2022 Wednesday 10:00 -12:00pm At the Kelly House Hopefully you can join us, For more information or to register for St Mary's Fall session, Call 936-894-2223 or stop by the Church office If you want/need to talk to someone please call Mary Marshall To locate a Spring GriefShare session and resource please go to www.griefshare.org

The GriefShare Community is currently offering a Spring Session for GriefShare in Anderson, TX

March 9 – June 1, 2022 5:30 – 7:30 pm on Wednesday At Anderson Baptist Church At the Parker House 379 S. Main Street Anderson, TX 77830

Contact person Chrissy Cogdell 936-661-9263 GriefShare teachings are biblical based on grief and recovery topics. You are welcome to join the group at any time.

Scholarship Opportunities

2022 St. Mary's Men's Club Scholarship

Applications are now available in the parish office (see Karen Molina).

Applicants must be active members of the parish of St. Mary's, Plantersville/St. Joseph's, Stoneham Catholic Church for a minimum of one year.

This scholarship is for each of the first two years of enrollment at a state-accredited trade school, college or university and is to be used for tuition, school fees, required class books and living expenses directly related to school. Grades are not the major criteria in the award of this scholarship. Rather, emphasis is placed on work ethic, attitude and need.

Completed applications are to be returned to the parish office to Karen Molina by *Thursday, April 14, 2022, by noon.*

Do not wait until the last minute to submit your applications!



Knights of Columbus ~ Fr. William Kelly Memorial Scholarship -

Council 4054 will award the Fr. William Kelly Memorial Scholarship to qualified students for the fall or spring semester of academic year 2022-23.

Eligibility requirements:

- 1. Applicants must meet at least <u>one</u> of the following requirements:
 - a) A son/grandson or daughter/granddaughter of or have a legal guardian who is a member of the Knights of Columbus, Council #4054

b) A son/grandson or daughter/granddaughter of or have a legal guardian who is a member of one of the parishes affiliated with Council #4054 (St. Stanislaus, St. Mary, or St. Joseph).

- c) A member of the KC Council #4054.
- 2. Applicant must be accepted by or be currently enrolled in an accredited 2 year or 4-year university or college, or an accredited vocational or nursing school prior to payment of the scholarship.
- 3. Applicant must fill out the application entirely and submit it along with all other required information asked for in the application.
- 4. Applicant, if selected as a finalist, must be willing to be interviewed by the scholarship committee if requested to do so.
- 5. Scholarship funds shall be designated for the recipient's tuition and may be paid by Council #4054 directly to the university, college, accredited vocational or nursing school.
- 6. Application deadline is April 15, 2022. No late submissions will be accepted. See below for delivery instructions.

The application forms are available upon request by sending an email to \sim

ScholarshipKC4054@gmail.com. Completed applications can be delivered to the Parish Offices at St. Mary's or St. Stanislaus by closing time on April 15th. Applications can also be sent to the email above. Mailed applications must be post marked by April 15, 2022. Mail completed applications to: Knights of Columbus, Attn: Scholarship Committee, Council #4054, P. O. Box 553, Anderson, Texas 77830

April is Child Abuse Awareness Month . . .

... It began when a report about abused and neglected children caught the attention of President Ronald Reagan in 1983. Sadly, since that first Child Abuse Prevention Month, the number of abused victims has grown from half a million children to over six million new reports of abuse along with 1600 child abuse related deaths annually. One is too many.

On behalf of the Grimes County Child Welfare Board (GCCWB), I am requesting your participation in recognizing the month of April as National Child Abuse Prevention Month and Sunday, April 24, 2022 as National Blue Ribbon Sunday Day of Prayer. National Blue Ribbon Sunday is the day churches across our nation take a moment to pray for the victims of child abuse and pray for those who rescue them. The Grimes County Child Welfare Board takes this opportunity each year to remind all of you of the ongoing need for prayer, support, and action to help us address the often -critical needs of the vulnerable, abused, and neglected children in our community as well as the families and individuals who work to assist them.

TEXAS CHILD ABUSE HOTLINE:

To report suspected abuse of a minor (person under 18 years of age): Contact the "Child Protective Services" CPS of the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services: 800-252-5400

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL #4054 NEWS AND COMMUNITY UPDATE

Upcoming Activities

Council Meeting	Apr 12th	Columbus Hall, 1962 Hwy 90 South, Anderson, Texas
Scholarship Apps Due	Apr 15th	Last day to submit applications for the KofC Fr. Kelly Memorial Scholarship
Easter Sunday	Apr 17th	He is Risen! He is Risen indeed!
Social Meeting	Apr 26th	Columbus Hall, 1962 Hwy 90 South, Anderson, Texas
KofC State Convention	April 29th-	- May 1st Corpus Christi, Texas
Blood Drive	May 1st	St. Stanislaus Parish Hall, Anderson, Texas
Pancake Breakfast	May 1st	St. Stanislaus Parish Hall, Anderson, Texas
Mothers Day	May 8th	
Council Meeting	May 10th	Columbus Hall, 1962 Hwy 90 South, Anderson, Texas
Pancake Breakfast	May 22nd	St. Mary Parish Hall, Plantersville, Texas
Social Meeting	May 24th	Columbus Hall, 1962 Hwy 90 South, Anderson, Texas

Liturgical Readings for April





- •Apr 1: Wis 2:1a,12-22 Ps 34:17-18,19-20,21,23 Jn 7:1-2,10,25-30
- Apr 2 [St. Francis of Paola]: Jer 11:18-20 Ps 7:2-3,9-10,11-12 Jn 7:40-53
- + Apr 3 Fifth Sunday of Lent: Is 43:16-21 Ps 126:1-2,2-3,4-5,6 Phil 3:8-14 Jn 8:1-11
- Apr 4 [St. Isidore]: Dn 13:1-9,15-17,19-30,33-62 Ps 23:1-3,3-4,5,6 Jn 8:12-20
- Apr 5 [St. Vincent Ferrer]: Nm 21:4-9 Ps 102:2-3,16-18,19-21• Jn 8:21-30
- Apr 6: Dn 3:14-20,91-92,95 Dn 3:52,53,54,55,56 Jn 8:31-42
- Apr 7 [St. John Baptist de la Salle]: Gn 17:3-9 Ps 105:4-5,6-7,8-9 Jn 8:51-59
- Apr 8: Jer 20:10-13 Ps 18:2-3,3-4,5-6,7 Jn 10:31-42
- Apr 9: Ez 37:21-28 Jer 31:10,11-12,13 Jn 11:45-56

+ HOLY WEEK +

The final days of Jesus' life are the Church Year's final days of penitence but also the most important. If Our Lord had never died, we would still be in debt to sin. Had he not risen from the dead, we would have no hope for new life, now or after our own death.

+ Apr 10 Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion:

Lk 19:28-40 (Procession) • Is 50:4-7 • Ps 22:8-9,17-18,19-20,23-24 • Phil 2:6-11 • Lk 22:14- 23:56

- Apr 11: Is 42:1-7 Ps 27:1,2,3,13-14 Jn 12:1-11
- Apr 12: Is 49:1-6 Ps 71:1-2,3-4,5-6,15,17 Jn 13:21-33,26-38
- Apr 13: Is 50:4-9a Ps 69:8-10,21-22,31,33-34 Mt 26:14-25
- Apr 14 Holy Thursday: Ex 12:1-8,11-14 Ps 116:12-13,15-16,17-18 1 Cor 11:23-26 Jn 13:1-15
- Apr 15 Good Friday: Is 52:13-53:12 Ps 31:2,6,12-13,15-16,17,25 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1-19:42
- Apr 16 Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil): Gn 1:1-2:2 Ps 104:1-2,5-6,10,12,13-14,24,35 <u>or</u> Ps 33:4-5,6-7,12-13,20,22 • Gn 22:1-18 • Ps 16:5,8,9-10,11 • Ex 14:15-15:1 • Ex 15:1-2,3-4,5-6,17-18 • Is 54:5-14 • Ps 30:2,4,5-6,11-12,13 • Is 55:1-11 • Is 12:2-3,4,5-6 • Bar 3:9-15,32-4:4 • Ps 19:8,9,10,11 • Ez 36:16-17a,18-28 • Ps 51:12-13,14-15,18-19 • Rom 6:3-11 • Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23 • Lk 24:1-12



Liturgical Readings for April



+ EASTER +

The magnitude and import of the Resurrection is not quickly grasped. The Church devotes fifty days-the longest season of the year-to this task. Just as Jesus revealed himself gradually, in numerous ways, we slowly build our understanding of God's awesome Creation, mysterious design and will for his people.

+ Apr 17 Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord:

Acts 10:34a,37-43 • Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23 • Ps 118:1-2,16-17,22-23 • Col 3:1-4 <u>or</u> 1 Cor 5:6b-8 • Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12

- Apr 18 Monday within the Octave of Easter: Acts 2:14,22-33 Ps 16:1-2,5,7-8,9-10,11 Mt 28:8-15
- Apr 19 Tuesday within the Octave of Easter: Acts 2:36-41 Ps 33:4-5,18-19,20,22 Jn 20:11-18
- Apr 20 Wednesday within the Octave of Easter: Acts 3:1-10 Ps 105:1-2,3-4,6-7,8-9 Lk 24:13-35
- Apr 21Thursday within the Octave of Easter: Acts 3:11-26 Ps 8:2,5,6-7,8-9 Lk 24:35-48
- Apr 22 Friday within the Octave of Easter: Acts 4:1-12 Ps 118:1-2,4,22-24,25-27 Jn 21:1-14
- Apr 23 Saturday within the Octave of Easter: Acts 4:13-21 Ps 118:1,14-15,16-18,19-21 Mk 16:9-15
- **+** Apr 24 Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Devine Mercy): Acts 5:12-16 Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24 Rv 1:9-11a,12-13,17-19 Jn 20:19-31
- Apr 25 St. Mark: 1 Pt 5:5b-14 Ps 89:2-3,6-7,16-17 Mk 16:15-20
- Apr 26: Acts 4:32-37 Ps 93:1,1-2,5 Jn 3:7b-15
- Apr 27: Acts 5:17-26 Ps 34:2-3,4-5,6-7,8-9 Jn 3:16-21
- Apr 28 [St. Peter Chanel; St. Louis Grignion de Montfort]: Acts 5:27-33 Ps 34:2,9,17-18,19-20 Jn 3:31-36
- Apr 29 St. Catherine of Siena: Acts 5:34-42 Ps 27:1,4,13-14 Jn 6:1-15
- Apr 30 [St. Pius V]: Acts 6:1-7 Ps 33:1-2,4-5,18-19 Jn 6:16-21



RCIA: Rite Of Christian Initiation for Adults

Are you not baptized and thinking you would like to become a Baptized Catholic? Are you thinking of becoming a Catholic? Do you know someone interested in Baptism in the Catholic Faith? Or you have been away from the Catholic Faith and would like to inquire on returning to the faith?

Anyone interested in learning more about the possibility of joining the Roman Catholic Church or is interested in increasing their adult faith formation are invited to contact RCIA director Donald A. Picard, Jr. at dpicard0710@gmail.com or 936-697-0195.



The Empty Tomb, Church of The Holy Sepulchre

You are invited to join Fr. Paul Lockey on an 11-day PILGRIMAGE TO THE HODLY LAND December 5–15, 2022

The itinerary includes visits to Akko, Mt. Carmel, Nazareth, Magdala, Mt. Tabor, Jericho, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Ein Karem, and Emmaus. Pilgrims will have the opportunity to worship God in holy places providing graces to return home transformed!

Peter's Way Tours

To request a brochure call 516-605-1551 or email peter@petersway.com (Ask for tour code 9791)



Don't wait until the last minute . . .

Get your cemetery plots & niches at St. Mary's as soon as possible.

Prices on each are:

PARISHIONER—\$1,200 NON-PARISHIONER—\$4,000

Urn prices are: Brass Box \$100 and Brushed Brass Vase \$140.

Dear Parishioners,

We are going to be updating our key system soon, and to make it a smooth transition we are asking everyone that has a key or keys to drop a note in the drop box out front or at the office with your name and the number stamped on the key you have. The current, Best Keys, are designated as M, M1, 1-1, 1-2, etc. If you no longer have a need for the key signed out to you, please turn it into the office.

Our key system was developed years ago when we only had a couple of structures and is not working efficiently with our current layout. Our key system is a security key that cannot be cut unless with an official locksmith certified by Best Locks.

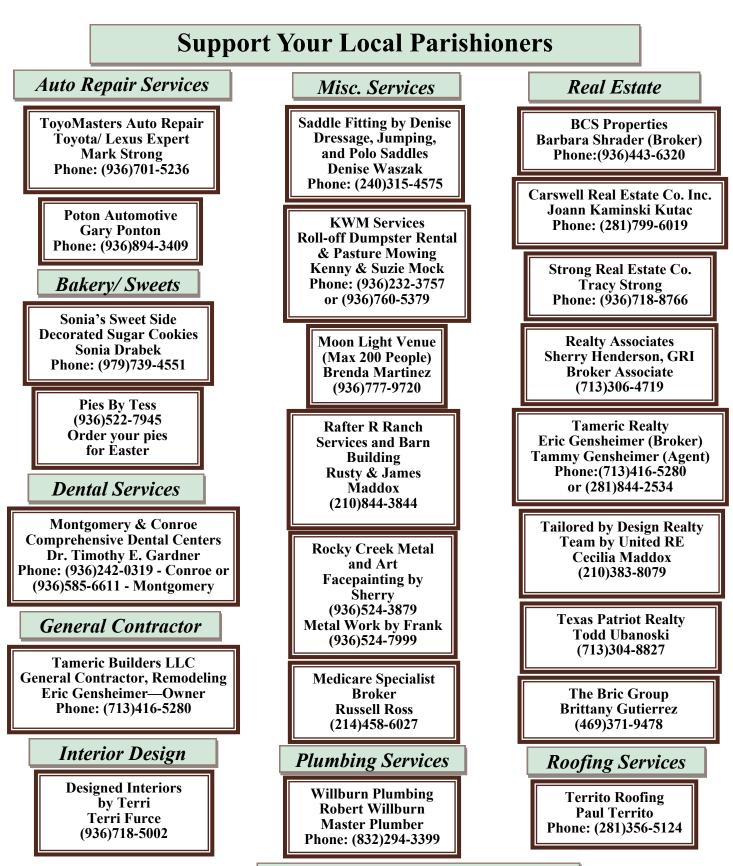
We are installing realtors key lock boxes on our various structures that use a (4) digit tumbler; we intend to hang a key inside each box. The boxes will be installed on all structures except for the Church office and the maintenance barn office.

Thank you to those who have responded and to those who have not please let the office know as quickly as possible.



The Following Ministries Are Looking for Volunteers:

- <u>SUNDAY FUNDAY</u>: Sunday Funday Ministry is in need of assistance after masses on Sunday. If you enjoy working with children or need more information please give Wanda O'Brien a call 936.597.6328 (no texting please)
- <u>Rummage Sale</u>: The Rummage Sale Team is still in need of more volunteers to assist. No time commitment required, hours are flexible. Contact Lauren Twining if you have any questions or would like to volunteer 281-813-5355
- <u>The Corner Shoppe</u>: The Corner Shoppe would like to open Wednesdays from 10:00am—1:00pm and are in need of volunteers to assist. Training will be provided. Please contact Ethel Barbossa @ 936-588-4053 for more information.



Veterinarians & Boarding Services

Animal Hospital of Montgomery & The Lodge Luxury Boarding Retreat Veterinary Hospital & Pet Boarding, Grooming & Day Care Facility Joey L. Romero D.V.M. and Mandy Romero Phone: (936)582-1555 South Central Veterinary Services Veterinary and Boarding Services John L. Walla, DVM (936)870-4033

Regular Weekend Mass Schedule Saturday: 5:00pm (SM) Sunday: 7:30am (SJ) (SM) 7:30, 8:45, 10:00 & 11:30am	dule Oam		April 2022			
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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-Regular Mass Schedule	-9am Mass -8pm – AA Mtg - FLC	-9am Mass -Guardian Angles Mtg - FLC -10-3pm Domino Club - FLC -6:30p SJ Altar Society Mtg & Dinner – SJ Hall	-9am Anointing of the Sick & Elderly -Stations of the Cross after mass -10am – noon & 5pm – 6pm Confessions -9:30am – 2pm Stitchin' Sisters – SJ Hall -CCE Classes	-9am Mass	-No Mass	-5pm Mass
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
-Palm Sunday -Regular Mass Schedule -Blood Drive – St. Mary Men's Club – SM Hall	-9am Mass -8pm – AA Mtg - FLC	-9am Mass -No Domino Club SM Altar Society Meeting moved to April 20th	-9am Mass -Stations of the Cross after mass -10am – noon & 5pm – 6pm Confessions -9:30am – 2pm Stitchin' Sisters – SJ Hall -No CCE	-Office Closing at Noon -7pm-Holy Thursday Mass	-Office Closed -3pm- Good Friday - Celebration of the Lord's Passion	-8pm Easter Vigil – reception to follow
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
EASTER SUNDAY -6:30am – SM Sunrise Mass -9:00am – SM Mass -11:00am – SM Mass (SM Masses under pavilion) -7:30am – SJ Mass	Office Closed No Mass -8pm – AA Mtg - FLC	-9am Mass -2:00pm - St. Mary Men's Club BBQ & Aggie Baseball Game (details in bulletin) -10am Guardian Angels - Game Day – FLC -10am Domino Club - FLC	-9am Mass -9:30am – 2pm Stitchin' Sisters – SJ Hall -Noon – St. Mary Altar Society Mtg – SM Hall -7pm - CCE Classes	-9am Mass	-No Mass	-5pm Mass
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
-Regular Mass Schedule	-9am Mass -8pm – AA Mtg – FLC -9:00am St. Mary Men's Club 20 th Annual Golf Benefit – Walden Golf Club	-9am Mass -10am Domino Club – FLC -3:30pm SVdP Mtg – SM Hall	-9am Mass -9:30am – 2pm Stitchin' Sisters – SJ Hall -7pm – Final CCE Classes	-9am Mass		-5pm Mass

St. Mary/Plantersville & St. Joseph/Stoneham



TRIDUUM SCHEDULE:

Holy Thursday, April 14, 2021 Mass of the Lord's Supper: St. Mary – 7:00pm

Good Friday, April 15, 2022

Celebration of the Lord's Passion: St. Mary – 3:00pm Stations of the Cross: St. Joseph – 7:00pm

Holy Saturday, April 16, 2022

Easter Vigil: St. Mary – 8:00pm ~Reception in SM Hall following Mass honoring the newly received~

Easter Sunday, April 17, 2022

Mass Times:

*St. Mary 6:30am (Sunrise) 9:00am 11:00am St. Joseph 7:30am

*All Masses will be held under the pavilion as it has been our custom for the last 10 years.