

St. Mary Catholic Church ~ St. Joseph Catholic Mission

P O Box 388, Plantersville, Texas 77363

August, 2022



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

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MASS SCHEDULE

St. Mary—Plantersville

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.

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 & Spiritual 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

Annulments

Call Parish Office 936-894-2223

Art & Environment...etc.

Liz Torres 936-894-2223

Baptism Preparation for Infants to 6

Email baptisms@smsj.org

CCE / RE

Cheryl Schratwieser 936-894-2223

Extraordinary Ministers —

Holy Communion & Sacristans

Kerry Masson 713-824-8599

Gabriel Project

Wanda O'Brien 936-597-6328

GriefShare/S.A.L.T. Ministry

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 prep, call:

Brenda Martinez 936-777-9720

Church Greeters

Call Parish Office 936-894-2223

Music/Wedding Director

Sue Langston 979-268-6886

Pro-Life Outreach

Nance Shaw 936-894-2512

RCIA / Adult Faith Formation

Don Picard 936-697-0195

Rummage Sale Coordinator

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 Shoppe

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 help. 936-894-2362)

Suzanne Hill 713-724-2589

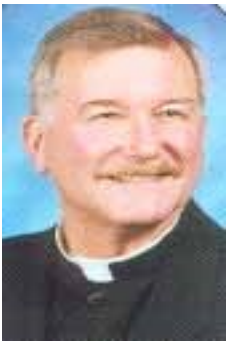
Write for Life

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...

I hope you're enjoying the new colored format of our bulletin. Now that the bulletin is being printed off-site, it definitely saves a lot of the staff's time, wear-and-tear on our copier and impels all of us who want our news item in the bulletin to meet a hard deadline. I'm doing my best to get my article in on time. When you're reading this August issue, I'm sure you're aware that St. Mary's Bazaar is close at handSunday of Labor Day!

Each of our Bazaars...St. Joseph's & St. Mary's...is that unique annual opportunity for each Community to come together for a common activity, witnessing to the *Weekly Activity* that binds us together each Sunday, the Eucharistic Celebration. As always, it's my role as pastor to not only encourage each individual, each family to help shoulder and participate in the one event which brings all organizations, ministries, young & old together, but to also to let you know how proud I am of the tremendous amount of work that is done by each of you each year ensuring a successful and entertaining Bazaar.

If you're new to St. Mary's, I encourage you and the entire family to seriously search out the many opportunities for you to be part of this great endeavor. *If you're an ole-timer (which means you've been around for at least one bazaar)*, you know how important you are for the Bazaar to be a success. I look forward to working side-by-side with you all and also doing my part.

You'll see in this bulletin 'INGREDIENTS FOR A SUCCESSFUL BAZAAR'. It's a listing of just some of the items that need to be gathered and in place before Bazaar day. Post it on the refrigerator or keep it handy in the car/truck. Call the office if you have something special you'd like to donate. Bazaar Central is set up to give you a place to go for information, turn in and get more raffle tickets, get questions answered, and help deciding which area to volunteer for. The countdown is running as this is being written.

On another note, a heads up on news in the forthcoming year of our Religious Education (RE) program. Discussion and planning have been going on concerning implementing and having available a Sunday morning session as well as the regular Wednesday evening session. Details are still being worked out and will be shared in the near future. We are very aware of the distance so many of you drive and the time involved in the trip to St. Mary.

The cost of gas is a factor that has brought about this discussion. We are also aware of how difficult it is for our youth to be free on Wednesday evenings with all the extracurricular activities in schools these days. We have the most hard-working, experienced and dedicated RE Director who has surrounded herself with outstanding volunteers who give her their advice and support in providing what I believe is one of the best RE programs for our children and youth in the Archdiocese. We are always open and searching for ways to improve our handing on the Faith to those entrusted to our care. As we unroll the details of our RE 2022-2023, please remember that you the parents are the primary educators of your children. We as a Community of Faith do our best to provide a supplementary level to the foundation you have laid. It takes us all cooperating and doing the best we can. Cheryl, our Director, always needs volunteers.

**Volunteers needed to make our
St. Mary's Bazaar 2022 a grand success.**
Yes, that means you and your family – all ages welcome!



Check out the QR code for access to the SIGNUP GENIUS, look at the weekly Flocknotes to get the link to the SIGNUP GENIUS, or drop by BAZAAR CENTRAL before and after EVERY Mass until Bazaar time to sign up for a spot.



On the weekends of July 30/31 & Aug. 6/7, BAZAAR CENTRAL will be set up in the HALL for your convenience. You can drop off DONATIONS, drop off & pick up RAFFLE TICKETS and find the best spot TO SERVE.

TOGETHER we can do GREAT THINGS!

ALL HANDS ON DECK

We always need help with:

Bazaar set-up: Saturday, September 3rd

&

Take-down Monday, September 5th

Sign up for works days at Bazaar Central or on SIGNUP GENIUS

St. Mary Bazaar Raffle Tickets

Raffle Tickets will be available after all Masses at Bazaar Central.

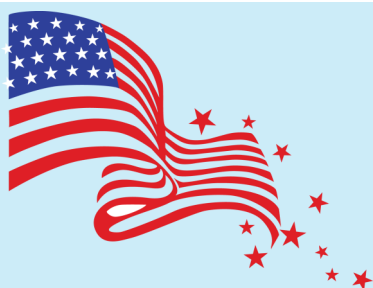
Pick up a ticket envelope to sell to family, friends and co-workers.

Tickets will also be available at the Parish office.

\$5.00 each or 5 for \$20.00

Let's make this years raffle better than it has ever been!!!!!!

**Please pray for all of our men &
women in the military.**



ST. MARY BAZAAR DAY (B-Day) SUNDAY, September 4, 2022

INGREDIENTS FOR A SUCCESSFUL BAZAAR
1300+ Families
Each doing their part
AN EASY BAZAAR RECIPIE 2022

Necessary Ingredients:

*****Selling your Raffle Tickets is critical***:**

Then,

- 1 Auction Item [*Something that will knock their socks off*]
- 1 Flowering or Green Plant
- 1 Toy
- 1 Bag of Groceries
- 1 Craft Item or homemade canned/baked item
[our country store depends on this!]
[It's what makes our bazaar 'country']
- 1 Hunting/Fishing/Sport Item
- 2 **Cakes or Pies on Friday or Saturday before B-Day.**
- 1 Restaurant Gift Certificate
- 2 Helping Hands
- 1 Positive Attitude and Welcoming Smile

**Bring these necessary ingredients and place on the
tables provided in the hall.**

Tag your item for its specific booth. [If you need help
unloading, please call ahead 936-894-2223.]

St. Mary Bazaar is quickly approaching!



Save the Date!

****Labor Day Sunday****

September 4, 2022

11:00 a.m. until ??

Come join us on this festive occasion where we have an old-fashioned country barbecue, games, live auction, silent auction, raffle and a heaping dose of fellowship.
Y'ALL COME AND HAVE A GREAT TIME!

Are you going to be out of town Bazaar Day?

Are you unable to work Bazaar Day?

Consider being a Sponsor for one of the following items:

Meat for Bazaar Dinner	4 x \$1000	KC's Concessions	2 x \$500
Bazaar Tents	3 x \$1000	Hunting/Fishing Booth	2 x \$500
Beer & Wine	3 x \$500	Plant Booth	\$500
Children's Area	4 x \$500	Restaurant Card Booth	\$300
Sno Cones & Drinks	2 x \$250	Grocery Booth	\$250


If you would like to be a sponsor of all or part of any of the above booths or items, please give your contribution to Bazaar Central or contact the church office at 936-894-2223.

Sponsor signs are displayed at the booth if requested.



HUNTING & FISHING BOOTH

\$15-\$20 NEW items
Lures ~ fishing rods ~
camo items ~
pocket knives...etc.



WINE BOOTH-

Bring a bottle of wine
or two for the wine toss
booth. Please place on
the table in the foyer of
the hall.



KOLACHE BOOTH

Kolache Pans with recipe are available at Bazaar
Central. Bake at home and bring back day of
Bazaar. One of our most popular
booths!



COUNTRY STORE

Canned jams, pickles, relishes, etc.
Crafts, sewing, etc.
Cookies, breads, etc.
Let's stock the store with great
items for everyone to buy!

Plant Booth

Calling all plants:
Hanging baskets,
Flowers,
Potted plant
Bring a nice size plant or
flower, or pick one up
at a local retailer.




Restaurant Booth

This popular booth is in need
of restaurant gift cards \$10-\$25 in value. Stop
by your favorite restaurant and pick one up or
ask for a donation.

CAKES! CAKES! CAKES!

Cakes needed for the **DINNER
LINE** as well as for the **CAKE
BOOTH**. Bake ahead and freeze
and bring on Saturday before the
Bazaar. Sheet cakes
and cupcakes work
best for the dinner
line.



RAFFLE RAFFLE TICKETS TICKETS

**SELL ~ SELL ~ SELL
AND SELL SOME MORE!**

LIVE & SILENT AUCTION

A few of the larger auction items we are looking for are
weekend getaways, travel points for airline tickets, a
jewelry item, and hunting/fishing trip related items.
No item is too large or too small for our Auction!!

Bazaar 2022 Heads Up

We will be doing a couple of things a little differently at the bazaar this year. The spin booths, beer booth, wine toss booth, plant booth, kid zone booths, KC concessions, etc. will require a ticket to play or purchase. The tickets are valued at \$1.00 each. Each booth will be furnished with a ticket drop box; the tickets will be counted to determine the amount of sales from each booth.

The raffle tickets, dinner tickets, country store and the meat to-go window will all be able to take cash or credit cards. Additionally, the "Ticket Sales" stations for the various booths will also accept cash or credit cards.

There will be "Ticket Sales" stations in the following locations:

Kid Zone (1),

Sidewalk between the Hall and the Rectory (1)

Large pavilion (2)

****We will not have a check cashing booth this year.****

All of this will allow for tighter security and helps to expedite the money counting process.

Thank You

St. Joseph Mass Intentions for August, 2022

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Intentions</u>	<u>Requested by</u>
Sun., Aug. 7	7:30am	Cross & Martha Smith Helen "Alice" Mock	Tom & Kaky Wetuski Dave & MaryAnn Waters
Sun., Aug. 14	7:30am	Joe, Anna, Albert, Brunice & Floyd Yorek	Rick & Lisa Atkinson
Sun., Aug. 21	7:30am	Peter Joseph Imhoff Ellie M. Imhoff	Joette Jochen & Jacade Isbell Joette Jochen & Jacade Isbell
Sun., Aug. 28	7:30am	Foster Wade Harold Pavlock Jacob Diehl	Sandra Wade Thompson Sandra Wade Thompson Leonard Busa

Please keep our sick in your prayers:

Jeffrey Anderson, Bernie & JoAnn Borski, Meredith Buck, David Burland, Pat Davis, Margaret Fann, Clara Fridye, Holly Gilstrap, Barbara Hyde, Danny Keeling, Angeline Kotch, Jimmy & Carol Kubeczka, Grant Larson, Kim Leshick, Patti Lott Stafford, Natalie Mattern, Hailey Minor, Lance Miller, Aleen Herzog Mock, Chad Mock, Thomas Noble, Matthew Oliver, Josephine Rockett, Lisa Seigle, Fred & Marilyn Smith, Michelle Mock Tish, Marie Staples, Craig Strickler, Daniela Syzdek, Kenny Turner, Yvonne Villalobos, Clara Walkoviak

Names on the prayer list will be removed after two months.

If you want a loved one to remain on the list please contact the parish office.



St. Mary Mass Intentions for August, 2022

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Intentions</u>	<u>Requested by</u>
Mon., Aug. 1	9:00am	Albert Wayne Young	Diane & R Solarczyk
Tues., Aug. 2	9:00am	Gary Nelson	Deborah Nelson
Wed., Aug. 3	9:00am	Neil Rosenberg	Ellen & Steve Schlader
Thur., Aug. 4	9:00am	Charles Brookshire	Kucera Family
Fri., Aug. 5	9:00am	Yolanda Vargas	Yolanda Trivino Petro
Sat., Aug. 6	5:00pm	Thomas Sr. + Sport Diehl Marcy Diehl Ellis, Ronnie Canatella	Betty Lott
Sun., Aug. 7	7:30am	Jack Demny	Denise Durel
Sun., Aug. 7	8:45am	Christine Demny	Her Family
Sun., Aug. 7	10:00am	Bob Riedle	Riedle Family
Sun., Aug. 7	11:30am	Anna Mae Smith	Late Anna Smith
Mon., Aug. 8	9:00am	For the People	_____
Tues., Aug. 9	9:00am	Amber Hoffart	Laveta Malek
Wed., Aug. 10	9:00am	Jack Siersma	Kathy Wallace
Thur., Aug. 11	9:00am	Bill Mahoney	Marilyn Mahoney
Sat., Aug. 13	5:00pm	Anna Smith	Stanley Diane, Linda, Susie Massengill Family
		Sam Blair	The Blair Family
Sun., Aug. 14	7:30am	Dolores Hoffart	Elizabeth Paukert
Sun., Aug. 14	8:45am	Ernie Lucas	Paul & Kathy Magliolo
Sun., Aug. 14	10:00am	Joe Gaetz	Linda Gaetz & Carl Brown
Sun., Aug. 14	11:30am	Edward Tedo & Katie Smith	Thomas Smith
Mon., Aug. 15	9:00am	Harold Moore	Bill & Barbara Novero
Tues., Aug. 16	9:00am	Monica Diehl	Tootsie Mock
Wed., Aug. 17	9:00am	Tom Schwartz	Ann Schwartz
		Florine Hock	Sharon Hock
Thur., Aug. 18	9:00am	Beth Ramsberg	Melinda & Mike Donnellan
Sat., Aug. 20	5:00pm	Elizabeth Swonke & Floyd Swonke	Charles & Rita Swonke
Sun., Aug. 21	7:30am	Louis Goodmuth	Paul & Kathy Magliolo
Sun., Aug. 21	8:45am	Bill Malek	Laveta Malek
Sun., Aug. 21	10:00am	John D. Herzog	Tootsie Mock
Sun., Aug. 21	11:30am	Joe Barbossa	Marilyn Mahoney
Mon., Aug. 22	9:00am	Elizabeth Kowis	SM Altar Society
Tues., Aug. 23	9:00am	Grace Walker	Paul & Kathy Magliolo
Wed., Aug. 24	9:00am	Antone Lebeck	Jerry & Martha Vickery
Thur., Aug. 25	9:00am	Mike Castleberry	Paul & Kathy Magliolo
Sat., Aug. 27	5:00pm	Josephine Swonke	Betty Lott
Sun., Aug. 28	7:30am	Sammy Blair	Deborah & Natalie Mock-Davis
Sun., Aug. 28	8:45am	Rob McMahan	Paul & Kathy Magliolo
Sun., Aug. 28	10:00am	Larry Bruggman	Pat & David Sydlik
Sun., Aug. 28	11:30am	Gerry Mattern	Patricia Bruce
Mon., Aug. 29	9:00am	For the People	_____
Tues., Aug. 30	9:00am	Joe Lebeck	Jerry & Martha Vickery
Wed., Aug. 31	9:00am	Maureen Magee	Nick & Olive Cannistra



THE INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST

Pope's Intention: *For small businesses*

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.



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

Terry Frank Gabriel: husband of Mildred Gabriel, who passed away on Monday, July 4th, whose funeral mass was on Friday, July 8th at St. Mary.

Manuel Bustillo: son-in-law of Mildred Rosenberg, who passed away on Friday, July 8th, whose funeral mass and burial was on Friday, July 15th at St. Mary.

Philip James Diehl: father of Philip Diehl, Jr., who passed away on Saturday, July 9th, whose funeral mass and burial was on Saturday, July 16th at St. Mary.

Lucia Zeballos: wife of R. Jorge Zeballos, who passed away on Friday, June, 24th, whose funeral mass was on Friday, July 15th at St. Mary. Interment to be held at a later date in El Paso, TX.

Sean Schratwieser: son of Michael & Cheryl Schratwieser, who passed away on Thursday, July 14th, whose funeral mass and interment was on Thursday, July 28th, 10:30am at St. Mary.



CONFESSIONS

Confessions will be heard Wednesday
August 3rd & 17th
10:00am-noon &
5:00-6:00pm

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

Call the office for an appointment
at 936-894-2223.

Anointing Mass for the Sick and Elderly

Wed., August 3rd at 9am

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First Friday Mass - August 5th



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.



**St. Mary's Men's Club
Blood Drive
Sunday, August 14th.**

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*





## **ST. JOSEPH ALTAR SOCIETY**

### **No Altar Society Meeting in August**

#### **AUGUST ALTAR CARE:**

Donna Burzynski & Kathy Burzynski

#### **COFFEE SERVERS:**

|         |                              |
|---------|------------------------------|
| Aug. 7  | Dianne Phillips              |
| Aug. 14 | Sharon Kroll                 |
| Aug. 21 | Debra Meekins & Julie Coombs |
| Aug. 28 | Michele Wetuski              |



The Parish office will be closed Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Feast of the Assumption

### **UPCOMING SECOND/ SPECIAL COLLECTIONS**

August 14—Infirm Priest Collection



### **AA MEETINGS:**

**Every Monday evening  
@ 8 p.m. in St. Mary's  
Kelly House.**



***Please visit:***

***<https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading>***

***For August's Liturgical  
Readings***



### **MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LOANER PROGRAM**

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 walkers, bedside commodes,  
& various other items available.**



## ST. MARY'S GUARDIAN ANGELS SENIOR GROUP NEWS

There will be no Guardian Angels meetings or activities in July or August.  
We will meet again in September and continue our activities then.

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The Domino Group will continue to play every Tuesday,
11am to 3pm, through
August 9th, when preparations will begin for the Labor Day
Bazaar, and will resume on Tuesday, September 13th.

Remember to bring a dish to share with everyone

SAN ANTONIO TRIP

The Guardian Angels is sponsoring a 3-day, 2 night trip to San Antonio from Nov. 29 - Dec. 1.
The Christmas lights & decorations will be out at this time, so it'll be beautiful!

The cost is \$269pp double occupancy & \$329.00 for single occupancy. A \$75pp deposit is due by July 22nd. Make checks out to St. Mary Guardian Angels and mail it to Nancy Schlottman at 22149 Stone Creek Ln, Montgomery, TX 77316. You can also purchase trip insurance if you choose. It's only \$38 and that is paid for separately.

All participants are required to sign a COVID-19 Waiver of Liability. This form needs to be signed and mailed along with your deposit. There will be flyers, COVID forms and insurance forms available in St. Mary's Hall and at the church office.

If you have any questions, please call Nancy Schlottman at 936-525-0007.

St. Vincent de Paul Society

NEXT MEETINGS:

August 5th after First Friday Mass

No Regular Meeting in August

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.*

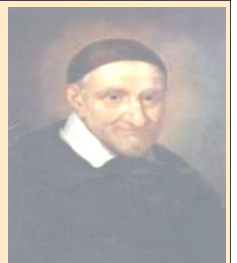
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*Reflection: "Each of you knows that the foundation of our faith is charity. Without it, our religion would crumble. We will never be truly Catholic unless we conform our entire lives to the two commandments that are the essence of the Catholic faith: to love the Lord, our God, with all our strength, and to love our neighbor as ourselves."*

*—Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati*



**For assistance, call:  
(936) 894-2362**





## 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 936-206-0677 or email julimurphy1988@gmail.com.**

## Monday, August 15th: Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

On this great feast day, the Church commemorates the Happy departure from mortal life of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and Her translation into the kingdom of Her Son, where He crowned Her with immortal glory and enthroned Her above all the other Saints and heavenly spirits.



*The Gabriel Project*

**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.**

***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; Brushed Brass Vase \$140.**



# KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

COUNCIL #4054 NEWS AND MEMBER UPDATE

## Upcoming Activities

|                           |          |                                                                           |
|---------------------------|----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Council Meeting           | Aug 9th  | Columbus Hall, 1962 Hwy 90 South, Anderson, Texas                         |
| Fr. McGivney Memorial     | Aug 13th | Commemoration of Bl. Michael. McGivney,<br>(Aug. 12, 1853 - Aug 14, 1890) |
| <b>Assumption of Mary</b> | Aug 15th | <i>Our Blessed Mother is taken body and soul into heaven</i>              |
| Pancake Breakfast         | Aug 21st | St. Stanislaus Parish Hall, Anderson, Texas                               |
| <b>Blood Drive</b>        | Aug 21st | St. Stanislaus Parish Hall, Anderson, Texas                               |
| Social Meeting            | Aug 23rd | Columbus Hall, 1962 Hwy 90 South, Anderson, Texas                         |

## ST. MARY MEN'S CLUB

The St. Mary Men's Club will be  
holding their regular meeting in the hall at St. Mary's on  
August 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm.

Social period is ahead of the meeting with dinner served at 6:30pm.  
All parish men are members of the Men's Club and are encouraged to  
participate in our monthly fellowship.

## *RCIA Meet and Greet*

*August 14, 2022 10am in Family Life Center*

### *Rite Of Christian Initiation for Adults*

*Are you thinking of becoming a Catholic?*

*Or do you know someone interested in the Catholic Faith?*

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A MEET AND GREET AND LEARN ABOUT THE PROCESS IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC

RCIA "The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults" is the process of educational formation and spiritual formation by which adults become full members in full communion with the Roman Catholic Church.

RCIA formation classes are going to start August 14, 2022 at 10:00am in the family life center.

We invite all those who are not baptized, those who are baptized in other faiths and those baptized in the catholic faith that would like to increase their knowledge in Catholicism.

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](mailto:dpicard0710@gmail.com) or 936-697-0195.







## Israel Trip with Fr. Ed

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.

## ALL THINGS RUMMAGE

### Rummage News

The rummage **barn will be closed from August 20-September 9th** while volunteers work at the bazaar. **Carts will not be available** under the pavilion and the barn will be closed on Wednesdays.

Rummage barn workers will return on Wednesday, September 14th. Please consider saving your donations until then.

Special arrangements can be made if needed,  
by appointment only:

Please call Lauren Twining 281-813-5355

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**BENTWATER FAMILIES:** Donation drop off is located at North Shore Church the second Wednesday of each month from 9:00am to 10:00 am. The next drop off date is **August 10th**, please text Bob Daves at 832.205.2791 so the team will know how much transportation is required and if assistance is needed for heavy items.



## ST. MARY ALTAR SOCIETY

Come join the St. Mary's Altar Society for our August meeting on:

**Tuesday, August 9th**  
**at 6:30pm in SM Hall**

All ladies of the church are welcome!

### AUGUST ALTAR CARE:

**Rita Swonke, Faith Rose, Sharon Hock**

### **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 t-shirts & leggings sizes large and extra-large, and women's flip-flops.

They are always in need of tennis shoes sizes 9, 10, 11, and underwear.

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



## The Corner Shoppe

***ORDINARY TIME IS NOT  
SO ORDINARY IN  
THE CORNER SHOPPE***



In the month of August, not only do we celebrate many different Saints, but we observe the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on August 15 and her Queenship on August 22.

You are invited to The Corner Shoppe all month after Mass to explore the books and other Catholic items that will deepen your awareness of the great Saints of this month and Mary's unique role in Salvation history.



## **Rowan's Prayer**

*One 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 experienced 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](mailto:haytcherb@gmail.com)



*Faith Formation  
&  
Children's Sacraments*



**CCE Calendar**

**HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!**

Be on the lookout for registration dates

Visit the Religious Education website page:  
<http://smsj.org/cce-children-youth-sacraments/>

Contact the Religious Education Office-  
by phone: 936-894-2223  
or by email: [smsjcce@gmail.com](mailto:smsjcce@gmail.com)

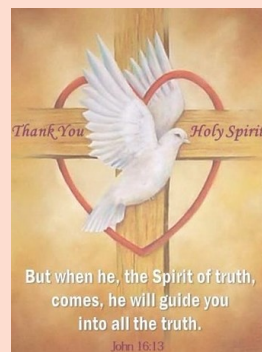
**Calling all ADULT Catholics**

(18 years of age or older) who have celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism and First Eucharist, but somehow missed Confirmation!

Don't worry: St. Mary's Adult Confirmation Team is here to help you become a fully initiated Catholic.

If you are interested in celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation in January 2023, preparation sessions begin in October 2022 and will conclude by Christmas.

For more information, email Sharon Skeans at [Skeans@consolidated.net](mailto:Skeans@consolidated.net).



**Baptisms:**

**Infant baptism through age 6.**

Baptisms are scheduled quarterly and are usually on Saturday mornings.

Parents must take a preparation class beforehand. Our program currently consists of an online course followed by one in-person session. Godparents are asked to attend this session as well.

Information and a link to the registration form can be found on our webpage at this address:

<http://smsj.org/baptism/>

We will also need a copy of the child's birth certificate. This may be uploaded to the registration form in the spot provided. You may also send it as an attachment to this email address: [baptisms@smsj.org](mailto:baptisms@smsj.org)

**Age 6 and over:**

The preparation for these children is facilitated through the CCE program. For registration information visit the CCE webpage: <https://smsj.org/cce-children-youth-sacraments/>

For more information contact: Cheryl Schratwieser – [smsjcce@gmail.com](mailto:smsjcce@gmail.com)

**BAPTISMS ARE ON THE FOLLOWING SATURDAYS:**

AUGUST 20  
NOVEMBER 19

**BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS: ONLINE**

**C.C.E.:** The C.C.E. office may be contacted at: [smsjcce@gmail.com](mailto:smsjcce@gmail.com).



## Spend time in prayer with our Blessed Mother

Our Lady of Fatima statue is available for check-out to parishioners.

Contact: **Anthony Alvarez**  
(713) 256-7139

*Prayer is the raising of one's mind and heart to God in thanksgiving and in praise of his glory. It can also include the requesting of good things from God. It is an act by which one enters into awareness of a loving communion with God. [United States Catechism for Adults, USCCB, p. 523-24].*

While liturgical prayer at daily or weekend Mass provides Catholics the opportunity for communal prayer, personal prayer throughout the day enables us to be in a consistent conversation with God, our Creator. St. Francis de Sales reminds us that "Everyone needs half an hour of prayer each day...except when we are busy; then we need an hour!"

Parishioners of St. Mary/ St. Joseph are invited to take part in a home-based time of prayer with your family. A statue of Our Lady of Fatima is available for check-out. Plan for time with this image of Our Lady to promote a deeper love for her Son. *Because of Mary's singular cooperation with the action of the Holy Spirit, the Church loves to pray in communion with the Virgin Mary, to magnify with her the great things the Lord has done for her, and to entrust supplications and praises to her...We do not pray to Mary; we invoke her intercession on behalf of our needs. [USCA, p. 671-72].*

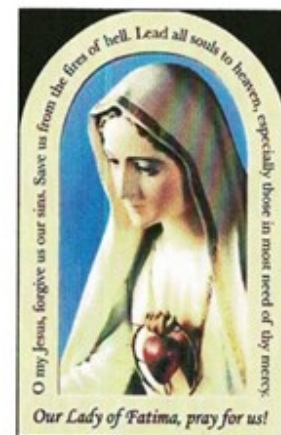
### The Story of Our Lady of Fatima



Our Lady appeared to three shepherd children — Lucia (9), her cousin Francisco (8) and his sister Jacinta (6) — in the village of Fatima, Portugal. Six apparitions occurred between May 13 to October 13, 1917.

Our Lady challenged the children to say the rosary every day and to add the Fatima prayer to the end of each decade in order to bring peace to the world. She shared a vision of Hell and told them that God wishes all to pray for these souls. She then predicted WWII and the persecution of the faithful in Russia. During the final apparition (10/13/1917), more than 70,000 witnessed "The Miracle of the Sun" when the sun changed colors and rotated, a vision that was seen by those more than 10 miles away. By 1930, these apparitions were deemed authentic by the Church.

Our Lady of Fatima confidently declared that "My Immaculate Heart will triumph."



### Fatima Prayer

Pope Benedict explains, "The Heart open to God, purified by contemplation of God, is stronger than guns and weapons of every kind. The fiat of Mary has changed the history of the world because it brought the Savior into our world. The Evil One has power, as we see and continually experience; he has power because our freedom continually lets itself be led away from God. But since God himself took a human heart and has thus steered human freedom towards what is good, the freedom to choose evil no longer has the last word. From that time forth, the word that prevails is this: *In the world, you will have tribulation, but take heart; I have overcome the world.*" (John 16:33) The message of Fatima invites us to trust in this promise!

[Catechetical Framework for Lifelong Faith Formation]  
**Did you know that...**

Prayer is a reciprocal call between God and people in which God's initiative of love always comes first, to which people respond in a manner that engages the entire person, including the heart. (CCC#2567, 2591)

The Christian family constitutes a specific revelation and realization of ecclesial communion, and for this reason is called "the domestic church." (CCC#1666, 2204)

The Christian is called to center one's heart on Christ in prayer with the desire to live faithfully in union with God and to build God's Kingdom. (CCC#2699, 2803)

Marian devotions find expression in the major feasts of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Rosary, and apparitions of Mary. (CCC#971)

### Recommended Procedure:

- Contact Anthony to schedule a pickup (and return ) date and time.
- Create a special prayer space in your home (adding candles, flowers, pictures of loved ones, etc.).
- Gather as a family to pray the Rosary daily.
- Consider inviting Catholic neighbors to participate on a specific date, if possible; conclude with a potluck meal.
- In the accompanying binder, write comments of your experience with Our Lady.





## GriefShare Ministry

**Join us for a Summer Grief Program**

**1:00 – 2:00pm, August 14 in The Kelly House. You can grab a bite to eat in the Parish Hall after Mass and then head on over.**

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In death there is certainly the very real pain and sorrow of physical separation. But it is equally true that our loved ones remain with us. They do not just go off to some dark and distant place, they simply continue into eternal life. We do not see them because we are still in the darkness of this world. But their spiritual eyes, filled with the light of heaven, are always aware of us as they wait for the day when we shall share their perfect joy. We are born for heaven and we end this life of tears to begin our life of endless happiness.

Reflecting on this beautiful truth has been the greatest and surest comfort in time of mourning. A firm faith in the real and continual presence of our loved ones has brought the conviction and consolation that death has not destroyed them, nor carried them away. Rather it has given them life! A life with power to know fully and love perfectly. With this new life and new power our loved ones are always present with us more than ever before.

The tears that dampen our eyes in time of mourning are tears of homesickness, tears of longing for our loved ones. But it is we who are away from home, not they! Death has been for them a doorway to an eternal home. They are still with us, lovingly and tenderly waiting for the day when we, too, will enter the doorway of our eternal home. It is such a mistake to see death as separation and nothing more. For us who believe, death is preparation for eternal union with those we love, in the peace and joy of heaven.

Preface, Mass for Christian Burial, From the Roman Sacramentary

Our Fall GriefShare session will be:

September 7 – December 7, 2022

Wednesday 10:00 -12:00pm

At the Kelly House

We hope you can join us.

GriefShare teachings are biblically based on grief and recovery topics.

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 at 281-356-2497

To locate a GriefShare session & resource please go to www.griefshare.org

S.A.L.T. Ministry

(Single Adults Living Truth)

We are finalizing the following activities for August so mark your calendars!

More details to come through Flocknotes & emails.

Week of August 8th: We will be partnering with Live Oak Senior Care in Conroe on one of their activities

August 17th: Wednesday Lunch in Montgomery (time & place to be announced)

August 30: Tuesday Lunch in Navasota (time & place to be announced)

We Hope you can Join us!

If you are not on the email distribution list, please contact

Mary Marshall at 281-356-2497.

Support Your Local Parishioners

Auto Repair Services

ToyoMasters Auto Repair
Toyota/ Lexus Expert
Mark Strong
Phone: (936)701-5236

Poton Automotive
Gary Ponton
Phone: (936)894-3409

Bakery/ Sweets

Sonia's Sweet Side
Decorated Sugar Cookies
Sonia Drabek
Phone: (979)739-4551

Dental Services

Montgomery & Conroe
Comprehensive Dental Centers
Dr. Timothy E. Gardner
Phone: (936)242-0319 - Conroe or
(936)585-6611 - Montgomery

Interior Design

Designed Interiors
by Terri
Terri Furce
(936)718-5002



Misc. Services

Saddle Fitting by Denise
Dressage, Jumping,
and Polo Saddles
Denise Waszak
Phone: (240)315-4575

KWM Services
Roll-off Dumpster Rental
& Pasture Mowing
Kenny & Suzie Mock
Phone: (936)232-3757
or (936)760-5379

Moon Light Venue
(Max 200 People)
Brenda Martinez
(936)777-9720

Rafter R Ranch
Services and Barn
Building
Rusty & James
Maddox
(210)844-3844

Rocky Creek Metal
and Art
Facepainting by
Sherry
(936)524-3879
Metal Work by Frank
(936)524-7999

Medicare Specialist
Broker
Russell Ross
(214)458-6027

Plumbing Services

Willburn Plumbing
Robert Willburn
Master Plumber
Phone: (832)294-3399

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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

Real Estate

BCS Properties
Barbara Shrader (Broker)
Phone: (936)443-6320

Carswell Real Estate Co. Inc.
Joann Kaminski Kutac
Phone: (281)799-6019

Strong Real Estate Co.
Tracy Strong
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or (281)844-2534

Tailored by Design Realty
Team by United RE
Cecilia Maddox
(210)383-8079

Texas Patriot Realty
Todd Ubanoski
(713)304-8827

The Bric Group
Brittany Gutierrez
(469)371-9478

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Territo Roofing
Paul Territo
Phone: (281)356-5124

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		August 2022				
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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	*9:00am - Mass *8pm AA Meeting – Kelly House	*9:00am - Mass	*9:00am – Mass *Anointing of the Sick & Elderly *Confessions 10am – noon & 5 – 6pm *9:30am Stitchin’ Sisters – SJ Hall	*9:00am - Mass	*9:00am - 1 st Friday Mass *After Mass - SVdP Meeting – SM Hall	*5:00pm - Mass
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20
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