

### Weekend Mass Intentions

#### Saturday, May 13

5:00 p.m. Lindsay Schouten, healing  
Caitlin Cook, graduation (5/11)

7:30 p.m. Para todas las Madres

#### Sunday, May 14

9:30 a.m. For all those who are Mothers

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6:00 p.m. College students

### Weekly Parish Activities

#### May 14 to May 20

**Sunday:** Fifth Sunday of Easter;

#### **Mother's Day**

Bible Study

9:30 a.m. SPANISH Bible Study

11:00 a.m. Mass - Sacred Heart

#### **Our Lady of Guadalupe**

11:00 a.m. Mass - Our Lady of  
Guadalupe

#### **St. Brendan:**

6:00 p.m. Mass- St. Brendan

#### **St. Mary:**

9:30 a.m. Mass - St. Mary

**Monday:** St. Isidore the Farmer

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass (St. Brendan)

#### **Tuesday:**

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

#### **Wednesday:**

7:00 p.m. Holy Mass

6:45 p.m. Bible Study at OLG

7:00 p.m. Youth Group OLG

#### **Thursday:** St. John I

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

6:30 p.m. Español-Estudio Biblica en St.  
Brendan

7:00 p.m. Grupo de Oración St. Mary

#### **Friday:**

8:00 a.m. Holy Mass

**Saturday:** Blessed Virgin; St. Bernardine  
of Siena; Armed Forces Day

5:00 p.m. St. Brendan (English)

7:30 p.m. Santa Misa en St. Mary  
(español)

*Feliz día de  
la Madre*



Padres  
Matthew y James, y  
el personal de la  
Iglesia desea desear  
a todas las madres  
un feliz día de la  
madre! Gracias por  
su arduo trabajo en  
educar a sus hijos a  
amar su Fe  
Católica.

*Happy  
Mothers  
Day*

Fathers Matthew  
and James, and  
the Church Staff  
would like to  
wish all mothers  
a Happy  
Mother's Day!  
Thank you for  
your hard work  
in raising your  
children to love  
their Catholic

### THE WAY

May 14, 2017

Today we sense the apostles' trepidation as they begin to realize that the Lord would soon be leaving them. In their fear, they ask, "Master, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?" (John 14:5). Jesus tells them that he is the way. The Easter season has been a time of growing in Easter faith so that we, too, may learn to know that Jesus is the way. We can take comfort in the Lord's promise that he is going to his Father's house to prepare a place for us, his chosen people who have been called out of darkness into God's wonderful light. As the paschal candle continues to burn during this holy season, let us remember that in baptism we were given the light of Christ. With Christ our light as the beacon lighting our way, let us march toward the glory of Pentecost.

### TODAY'S READINGS

**First Reading** -- To meet their growing needs, the community chooses seven reputable men to serve the new Greek believers (Acts 6:1-7).

**Psalm** -- Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you (Psalm 33).

**Second Reading** -- We, like living stones, let ourselves be built into a spiritual house (1 Peter 2:4-9).

**Gospel** -- "Show us the Father," Philip asks Jesus. To which Jesus replies: "Whoever sees me, sees the Father" (John 14:1-12).

### ST. MARY NEWS

**Quince Años Prep Class** will meet in St. Mary's FLC, 6:30pm-8:00pm **on Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup>** this month because our usual meeting night (the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday) will be the evening of our Confirmation Mass Celebration.

### 2017 GRADUATES

All area 2017 High School graduates are invited to attend the 9:30 a.m. Mass at St. Mary on Sunday, May 21st where they will be recognized. Please bring your cap and gown and arrive at least by 9:15am. Thank you.

### SECOND COLLECTION FOR TORNADO VICTIMS

There will be a second collection for tornado victims in East Texas. This collection will immediately be sent. Thank you for your generosity.

**EWTN will have special programming** during the Month of May commemorating the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima and the seers, Lucia dos Santos, and Jacinta and Francisco Marto. Go to [www.ewtn.com](http://www.ewtn.com) for more information about shows and reading material about the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Fatima

### SECOND COLLECTIONS: THIS WEEKEND

\***Basilica of the Ntl. Shrine of the Immaculate Conception**---- May 13-14, 2017  
**Catholic Communication Campaign** ----- May 27-28, 2017  
**Annual Collection for the Holy Father (Peter's Pence)** ----- June 24-25, 2017

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Acts 14:5-18; Ps 115:1-4, 15-16; Jn 14:21-26

**Tuesday:** Acts 14:19-28; Ps 145:10-13ab, 21; Jn 14:27-31a

**Wednesday:** Acts 15:1-6; Ps 122:1-5; Jn 15:1-8

**Thursday:** Acts 15:7-21; Ps 96:1-3, 10; Jn 15:9-11

**Friday:** Acts 15:22-31; Ps 57:8-10, 12; Jn 15:12-17

**Saturday:** Acts 16:1-10; Ps 100:1b-3, 5; Jn 15:18-21

**Sunday:** Acts 8:5-8, 14-17; Ps 66:1-7, 16, 20; 1 Pt 3:15-18 or 1 Pt 4:13-16; Jn 14:15-21 or Jn 17:1-11a



## **CONFIRMATION FOR ALL PARISHES**

**Confirmation practice date** is Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 6 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at St. Mary. All parishes must attend.

The **Holy Sacrament of Confirmation** will be celebrated at St. Mary Catholic Church on May 22, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. Candidates and Sponsors need to be at Family Life Center by 6:00 p.m. The confirmandi from the four parishes will be confirmed by Bishop Most Reverend Michael Olson, who will celebrate Holy Mass with Fathers Matthew and James. All are encouraged to attend and support the Confirmandi in their continuing journey with Christ.

### **Catholic Charities of Fort Worth Scholarship**

Catholic Charities is offering opportunities for students who are in need of scholarship opportunities. The requirements are:

1) Must have work authorization; 2) Be at or below 200% of federal poverty line; 3) Be willing to commit to program goals; 4) not hold a degree from a school within the United States; 5) Be willing to obtain a High School degree or GED if not a high school degree or GED holder; 6) Some criminal backgrounds not accepted per licensure/certification requirements or other legal mandates. Deadline to apply is **June 15, 2017**. Please mail application to: Laura Sotelo, 907 Holiday Street, Wichita Falls, Texas 76301 or fax to (940)761-6151. Call (940)716-9669 for applications and more information.

### **VOCATIONS**

**+Priesthood and Religious Life – Come and See +**

June 16-18, 2017 at the University of Dallas, Irving, A Catholic University

The Vocations Awareness Program helps single Catholic men and women, ages 18-40, find answers to questions they may have about life as a Priest, Sister, Brother or Consecrated Lay Woman. Application deadline is Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>. Sponsored by Serra Clubs and Vocations Offices of DFW. Visit [vapinfo.org](http://vapinfo.org)

**PRAYER CORNER:** Please pray for the different intentions of each person this week for: Dan Chester, Teresa Villadesanchez, Marisol Sanchez, Ester Pulido, Tino Bernal, Lupita Ojeda, Maria Bernal, Ben Hamrick, Paul Ballard, Clemente Jiménez, Rudy Guerrero, Filegonio Cardenas, Josefina Basulto de Solorio, Maria Inez Hernandez, Maureen Bole, Billy Joe Fulfer, David Gonzales, Jeanna DeVinney, Lisa Lagarde, Bill Luther, Kate B., Pete Sanchez, Teresa Sanchez, Anne Blount, Robert Gifford, Walter Serratt, Bonnie Kennedy, Claire Davis, Ed Withers, Lindsay Schouten, Jaime Dittrich, Nursing Home Patients, homebound parishioners, and all those who are ill

**Bulletin:** Send to: [stsbrendanmarybulletin@yahoo.com](mailto:stsbrendanmarybulletin@yahoo.com) Please call or text (512) 652-8006. Give name, announcement and parish, or prayer intention. Deadline: Wednesdays. Thank you!

## **Catechism of the Catholic Church – What the Catechism says about**

### **Honoring our Parents:**

#### **The duties of children**

2214 The divine fatherhood is the source of human fatherhood;<sup>16</sup> this is the foundation of the honor owed to parents. The respect of children, whether minors or adults, for their father and mother<sup>17</sup> is nourished by the natural affection born of the bond uniting them. It is required by God's commandment.<sup>18</sup>

2215 Respect for parents (*filial piety*) derives from *gratitude* toward those who, by the gift of life, their love and their work, have brought their children into the world and enabled them to grow in stature, wisdom, and grace. "With all your heart honor your father, and do not forget the birth pangs of your mother. Remember that through your parents you were born; what can you give back to them that equals their gift to you?"<sup>19</sup>

2216 Filial respect is shown by true docility and *obedience*. "My son, keep your father's commandment, and forsake not your mother's teaching.... When you walk, they will lead you; when you lie down, they will watch over you; and when you awake, they will talk with you."<sup>20</sup> "A wise son hears his father's instruction, but a scoffer does not listen to rebuke."<sup>21</sup>

2217 As long as a child lives at home with his parents, the child should obey his parents in all that they ask of him when it is for his good or that of the family. "Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord."<sup>22</sup> Children should also obey the reasonable directions of their teachers and all to whom their parents have entrusted them. But if a child is convinced in conscience that it would be morally wrong to obey a particular order, he must not do so.

As they grow up, children should continue to respect their parents. They should anticipate their wishes, willingly seek their advice, and accept their just admonitions. Obedience toward parents ceases with the emancipation of the children; not so respect, which is always owed to them. This respect has its roots in the fear of God, one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

2218 The fourth commandment reminds grown children of their *responsibilities toward their parents*. As much as they can, they must give them material and moral support in old age and in times of illness, loneliness, or distress. Jesus recalls this duty of gratitude.<sup>23</sup>

For the Lord honored the father above the children, and he confirmed the right of the mother over her sons. Whoever honors his father atones for sins, and whoever glorifies his mother is like one who lays up treasure. Whoever honors his father will be gladdened by his own children, and when he prays he will be heard. Whoever glorifies his father will have long life, and whoever obeys the Lord will refresh his mother.<sup>24</sup>

16 Cf. Eph 3:14., 17 Cf. Prov 1:8; Tob 4:3-4., 18 Cf. Ex 20:12., 19 Sir 7:27-28., 20 Prov 6:20-22., 21 Prov 13:1., 22 Col 3:20; Cf. Eph 6:1., 23 Cf. Mk 7:10-12., 24 Sir 3:2-6., 25 Sir 3:12-13, 16., 26 Prov 17:6., 27 Eph 4:2., 28 2 Tim 1:5.

## **NEWS FOR ALL PARISHES**

### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BLOOD DRIVE**

The Knights of Columbus along with the Carter Blood Care Center will host a blood drive Sunday June 4, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Newman Hall. A full breakfast will be provided for all those participating. Contact Mike Hill for more information at (254)485-9007. Thank you.

### **HOUSING FOR MEDICAL STUDENT**

Health Careers of West Texas is looking for someone to house a student. The student is a Physician Assistant in need of housing from May 22- June 15 (roughly 4 weeks). The student will be on rotation with Dr. Smith in Stephenville. A small commute from one of the surrounding communities is perfectly fine. Please contact Veronica Aguirri, M.A., Health Careers/Education Coordinator, West Texas AHEC-Big Country, Phone: 325-672-0495, Cell: 325-660-6772. Thank you.