

# St. Mary Catholic Church

## Mission Parish

815 St. Mary's Church Rd.  
Fayetteville (near Ellinger)



### MASSES

**Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.**

*No Mass*

**Thursday at 6:00 p.m.**

*No Mass*

**Friday at 7:00 a.m.**

*No Mass*

**Sunday at 8:00 a.m.**

*For the People*

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

60 to 20 minutes before Mass

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207 E. Bell St.  
Fayetteville  
www.stjohnfayetteville.com



### MASSES

**Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.**

*No Mass*

**Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.**

*Communion Service*

**Thursday at 7:00 a.m.**

*No Mass*

**Friday at 6:00 p.m.**

*Otis Maertz †*

**Saturday at 7:30 a.m.**

*Susan Buchanan & Emil Matura †*

**Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.**

*Kevin Klimek †*

**Sunday at 10:00 a.m.**

*Julia Ryza †*

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Wednesday 6:00-6:30 p.m.

First Friday: 4:00-5:30 p.m.



Pope Francis  
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe S. Vásquez  
Diocese of Austin



# St. Martin Catholic Church

World's Smallest Catholic Church

Historic Chapel

3490 S. Hwy 237

Round Top

(near Warrenton)

### MONTHLY MASS

**Wednesday, January 22, at 9:00 a.m.**

*For the intentions left on the altar*

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### Administrative Staff

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**Marriage preparation:** Contact the priest before setting the date and at least nine months before the date desired.

**Baptism Preparation Classes** will be held on the fourth Monday of each month. Parents & Godparents must have attended a Baptism Preparation class within three years of the Baptism. Contact the parish office to register.

**Parish Registration** forms available at the entrance of the Church and online.

# THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

## January 12, AD 2020

### ST. JOHN'S & ST. MARY'S NEWS

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** T.J. Beck, Brandon Benson, Brian Chovanec, Margie Chovanec, Adell Coufal, Bennie Daricek, Paul Estrada, Brian Fruge, Waldine Fruge, Hannah Glenn, Dan Hall, Randy Hoelscher, J.D. Kovar, Jordan Lee, Gail Marino, Dr. Tom Mueller, Garland Polasek, Louis Smith, El Gene and Mary Ann Sommerfeld, Judy Supak, Barbara Tieken, Randy Vasek, Bennie Volcik, and Maggie Williams. *(Though they will remain in our prayers, names will only remain on the prayer list for two months, unless a new request is received.)*

#### **FAITH FORMATION – Wednesday, January 15**

- ✓ **Grades K-6** will meet at 6:00 p.m. and attend the 7:00 p.m. Communion Service. Parents pick up your children in front of the church afterwards.
- ✓ **Grades 7-12** will meet at 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the **parish hall**.

**A CALLED TO PROTECT FOR YOUTH** session will be held on Wednesday, **January 29**, at 6:00 p.m. at the parish hall. **All 6<sup>th</sup> graders, as well as those 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who have not previously attended this workshop, are asked to attend. Additional information on the CTPY program has been mailed to the parents of the students.**

**CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS** at St. John will be removed after the 10:00 a.m. Mass **TODAY**. All high school students and anyone wishing to help should be at the church by 11:00 a.m.



**THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** will be celebrated on **November 8, 2020** by Bishop Joe Vásquez at the 10 a.m. Mass at St. John.

#### **CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS**

- **CDA EDUCATION CONTEST:** This year's topics are "Blessed are the peacemakers", and "Living in harmony with others". Students in grades 4-12 and CDA members may enter. Entry forms are at Fayetteville ISD and at the entrance of the church. **January 22** is the deadline to return all entries.
- **CDA SCHOLARSHIPS:** Graduating seniors related to a living CDA member in good standing are eligible to apply for the State Scholarship. Local Scholarships are offered to graduating seniors whose mother is a CDA member of Court 1440. Contact Donna at (713) 818-1470 for information. Applications are due by **January 31**.

#### **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS**

- **FOURTH DEGREE MEETING** is Wednesday, **January 15**, at the La Grange KC Hall. The meeting will begin with a reception at 6:30 p.m. followed by a meal and the Renewal of Obligation Ceremony. Spouses are invited. Knights wear Social Dress.
- **MONTHLY MEETING** is Tuesday, **January 21**, at 7:00 p.m. If you have not been to a meeting lately, please join us! We are having a fish fry for our meal, and we would love to see you.

**NEW PARISH DIRECTORY for 2020:** We have contracted with Lifetouch to have a 2020 Parish Directory. So, please help us out by taking and sending in pictures of parish events we have this year. Preferably, email the pictures to the parish office digitally. The following photography dates for families & individuals have been scheduled: August 27-29, 2020 at St. Mary's Parish Hall and September 10-12 & 17-19 in Fayetteville. You can have your pictures taken at either location.

**MARK YOUR NEW CALENDARS** for *Vacation Bible School 2020* to be held **July 20 – 24!**

**THE TEXAS CATHOLIC PRO-LIFE DAY** in Austin is Saturday, **January 25**. Join thousands of Catholics to pray for an end to abortion. The day starts with a prayer vigil at 8:00 a.m. in front of an abortion facility at 501 E. Ben White in Austin. Then two Masses will be offered at 10 a.m. – one at San José Parish in Austin (2345 Oak Crest Ave.) and the other at St. Louis King of France Parish in Austin (7601 Burnet Rd.). The Divine Mercy Chaplet will begin at 9:15 a.m. before each Mass. Next, join us for the March for Life at 1:00 p.m. at 14th Street and San Jacinto in downtown Austin. We will march to the Rally for Life, which begins at 2:00 p.m. on the south steps of the State Capitol. For more information visit <https://www.austindiocese.org/texas-catholic-pro-life-day>.

*Gather family members together on this inspirational day! Meet at St. John's parking lot by 10:30 a.m. to caravan with other parishioners going to the March for Life and the Rally.*

#### **FAMILY MEMBERS UNABLE TO ATTEND MASS?**

If you have family members who are homebound or in a nursing home who would like a visit from Father Nock or Deacon Robert, please contact the parish office. The priest and deacon are always willing to visit and bring Holy Communion to parishioners who are not able to attend Mass on their own.

**START THE NEW YEAR** by developing a closer relationship with God and our Catholic faith! Come check out our resources to learn more about the history and teachings of the Catholic Church, to enrich your prayer life, or to start a bible study with a few friends.

We can't always offer the exact class or workshop for everyone in the parish, but we can help you facilitate a gathering to grow in your faith through prayer, scripture, discussion and fellowship. If you have an idea for a group study or would like to review some of the many resources the parish has available, please contact the office. Our parishes are blessed to have the facilities and the materials to assist you in starting a small group to help you grow in your own faith, learn the teachings of the Church, and deepen **your** relationship with Jesus. Your Baptism calls you to share in Jesus' ministry, why not start here?

**SENIOR CITIZEN SOCIAL** is on Thursday, **January 16**, from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall. All senior citizens are invited for an afternoon of games, fellowship and refreshments.

#### **ADCCW FOR THE BRENHAM/LA GRANGE DEANERY**

will meet at Sacred Heart Parish Hall on Tuesday, **January 28**, for its quarterly gathering. The board meeting starts at 9:30 a.m., followed by the general session at 10:00 a.m. All ladies of our parishes are welcome to attend. Please bring a non-perishable item for the food pantry. Call Donna Shula at (713) 818-1470 if you have questions.

#### **TOTAL CONSECRATION TO JESUS THROUGH MARY**

Join others from throughout the diocese as they prepare for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary. The 33 days of preparation prayer for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary begins **February 20**. Visit [www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org](http://www.TexasToJesusThroughMary.org) by **January 23** to get a free Montfort preparation prayer book by mail.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR 2020** are available. Please come by the parish office if you would like to have a Mass said for the intention of a living or deceased relative or friend.

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**TOGETHER ENCOUNTER CHRIST (TEC)** Retreat will be held **January 18 – 20** at Eagles Wings Retreat Center. TEC is a high energy and spirit filled retreat in which young adults (age 17 and up) explore and deepen their faith. The retreat cost is \$125 and includes two nights, meals and supplies. For details go to [www.tecofctx.wordpress.com/](http://www.tecofctx.wordpress.com/).

**THE 9 DAYS FOR LIFE NOVENA FOR LEGAL PROTECTION OF HUMAN LIFE**, starting **January 21**, is a multi-faceted novena for the respect and protection of every human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. Sign up to receive the novena by email, text message, or via an app at [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com). Join thousands as we pray for the respect of human life!



**HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CORN HILL** invites you for a BBQ Pork meal with all the trimmings on Sunday, **January 26**. The meal will be served from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. in their Parish Activity Center. Adult plates are \$9 and Children's plates are \$5. Adult to-go plates will be available in the drive-thru from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. All proceeds benefit the Holy Trinity Cemetery Fund.

**SACRED HEART SCHOOL IN LA GRANGE** is having their 2nd Annual Reverse Raffle, Dinner and Dance on Saturday, **February 8**, at the KC Hall in La Grange. Happy Hour Starts at 5:30 p.m. Cost is \$125 for two meal tickets (Bacon Wrapped Pork Tenderloin) and one entry into the Reverse Raffle. Contact Karissa Kleiber at (979) 966-9800 for tickets and/or questions.

**HOLY ROSARY WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT** is scheduled for **February 20 – 23** at Cathedral Oaks Retreat Center in Weimar. This retreat is an opportunity for spiritual renewal and making new friends. Applications are available at the entrance of the church. For questions, please contact Tracey Lanham at (512) 665-2059.

**EIGHTH ANNUAL CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE** entitled "No Man Left Behind: Go Make Disciples", will be held on Saturday, **February 8**, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Travis County Expo Center. The conference is presented by the Central Texas Fellowship of Catholic Men. It will feature Mass with Bishop Joe Vásquez, and presentations by Dr. Edward Sri and Father Ken Geraci. Tickets are \$45 in advance, with discounts for students under 18 and for groups. Visit [www.centexcatholic.com](http://www.centexcatholic.com) for more information.

**AN EVENING FOR MARRIED COUPLES** will be offered **February 8** from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. This gathering is for celebrating the sacrament of marriage. The event begins with a talk, followed by Mass with Franciscan Father Albert Haase and then dinner. The cost is \$50 per couple. For more details, please visit [www.cedarbrake.org](http://www.cedarbrake.org) or call (254) 780-2436.



**ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE** for your weekly, monthly or one-time donations. Don't worry about writing checks or forgetting envelopes! Just fill out an authorization form found at the entrance of the Church and return it to the parish office, or sign yourself up on the parishes websites'

"Make a Donation" page.

1870 *St. John the Baptist* 2020  
*Catholic Church*  
Celebrating 150 Years

**THE CURRENT BELL TOWER** outside of **St. John Church** houses three bells manufactured in 1872. The smallest bell measures 18" and weighs 150 pounds; the medium bell measures 22" and weighs 250 pounds; and the largest bell measures 27" and weighs 400 pounds. The bells were consecrated in 1883.

### ST. JOHN'S NEWS

**Sunday Offering:** \$ 6,337.00  
**Religious Education:** \$ 724.50  
**Online Giving:** \$ 625.14

**ST. JOHN'S ALTAR SOCIETY** monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, **January 14**, at 2:00 p.m. at the parish hall.

**ST JOHN'S FINANCE COUNCIL** meets Tuesday, **January 28**, at 6:45 p.m.

### ST. MARY'S NEWS

**Sunday Offering:** \$ 3,602.00  
**Cemetery:** \$ 420.00  
**Online Giving:** \$ 130.00

#### ST MARY'S COUNCIL MEETINGS

The Pastoral Council meeting will be on Thursday, **January 23**, at 6:45 p.m. in the parish hall. All parishioners are welcome to attend. St. Mary's Finance Council will meet on Thursday, **January 30**.

*Come Gather in Prayer with Us!*

\***Saturday** night – pray the Rosary for the intention of religious vocations before the 6:00 p.m. Mass  
at **St. John Church**

\***Monday** evening – pray the Angelus, the Rosary, the Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and other prayers at 6:00 p.m.  
at **St. Mary Church**

\***Tuesday** evening – pray the Rosary at 5:30 p.m.  
at **St. John Church**

### Catholic Social Teaching Corner

#### January 11-12, The Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Today we celebrate the baptism of Jesus in the Jordan. Let us also remember our own baptism, which unites Christians as brothers and sisters of Christ. For it is through our baptism that our lives are intimately united with Christ.

#### Enero 11-12, La Festividad del Bautismo del Señor

Hoy celebramos el bautismo de Jesús en el Jordán. Recordemos nuestro propio bautismo, el que une a los Cristianos como hermanos y hermanas de Cristo. Por que es a través de nuestro bautismo que nuestras vidas están íntimamente unidas con Cristo.



**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**  
**January 12, AD 2020**

**ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES**

**LECTOR**

**Wednesday** – Grade 5  
**Saturday** – Herman Schramm  
**Sunday** – Christine Wied

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

**Wednesday** – Nikki Beseda, Karley Kasmiersky, Cindy Garwood  
**Saturday** – Leslie Little\*(H), Annette Little(H), Lexxus Zika(C), Daniel Zika(C), Pat Geistmann(C), Madeline Kovar(C)  
**Sunday** – Rick Schilling(H), Mary Quiros(H), Lee Matocha\*(C), Becky Matocha(C), Christine Wied(C), Jeanne Schilling(C)

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Wednesday** – None  
**Saturday** – Peyton Jurecka, Emma Jurecka, Kara Jurecka  
**Sunday** – Luke Beseda, Dal Brackman, Ricky Schilling

**GIFT BEARERS**

**Wednesday** – None  
**Saturday** – Vincent Orsak Family  
**Sunday** – Willie Socha Family

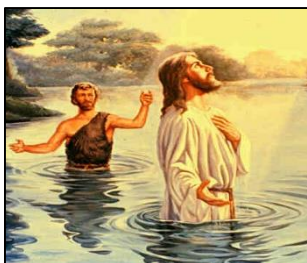
**ALTAR DUTY FOR JANUARY:** Theresa Keilers, Mary Georig, Lexxus Zika, Kathleen Kramr

**USHERS FOR JANUARY**

**Saturday** – David Stastny, Peter Chovanec, Erwin Kovar, Betty Kovar  
**Sunday** – Roy Wied, Kory Kaspar, David Holub, Rick Schilling

**ST. JOHN CONTACTS**

Pastoral Council Chair	John Spiess	979-836-8702
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K.J.Z.T.	Rose Rohde	979-249-3635
K.J.T.	Emil Sodolak	979-249-3952
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152



**THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

*Christ, you humbled yourself and received baptism from your servant to show us the way of humility. Grant us the spirit of humble service to our fellow men.*

*Christ, through your baptism you cleansed us of every blemish and made us children of your Father. Bestow your spirit of adoption on all who seek you.*

*Christ, through your baptism you revealed to us the Holy Trinity when the Father called you his beloved Son, and the Holy Spirit came down upon you. Renew the spirit of adoption among the royal priesthood of the baptized! Amen.*

**ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES**

**LECTOR**

**Sunday** – Donna Shula

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS**

**Sunday** – Donna Shula, Lee Roy Shula, Jo Ann Divin

**ALTAR SERVERS**

**Sunday** – Kole Schmitt, Klayten Schmitt

**GIFT BEARERS**

**Sunday** – Dennis Orsak Family

**USHERS FOR JANUARY**

James Korenek, Luke Orsak, James Wunderlich, Bruce Kubena

**ST. MARY CONTACTS**

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K.J.Z.T.	Mildred Walla	979-378-4202
K.J.T.	James Korenek	amskorenek@yahoo.com
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
Cemetery	Vlasta Korenek	979-732-2836

**Iglesias que ofrecen Misas en Español**

<b>Sab.</b>	7:30 PM	St. Mary Our Lady of Lourdes	Caldwell
<b>Dom.</b>	11:00 AM	St. Margaret	Giddings
<b>Dom.</b>	11:30 AM	Sacred Heart	La Grange
<b>Dom.</b>	12:00 PM	Saint Anthony	Columbus
<b>Dom.</b>	12:30 PM	Sts. Peter & Paul	Frelsburg

**FAMILY CONNECTION**

**The Baptism of the Lord**

Matthew 3:13-17

*The Spirit of God comes upon Jesus as he is baptized by John.*



At Jesus' baptism, God affirms his Son's mission for salvation. God announces his pleasure with Jesus and, in Matthew's Gospel, announces to all that, "This is my beloved Son" (Matthew 3:17). With this affirmation, Jesus is able to resist the temptations described next in Matthew's Gospel and to begin his public ministry. As family members, we can support one another in our Christian living by affirming the importance of each person in our eyes and in God's. Confident that through our Baptism we too were made children of God, we can resist temptation and share in Christ's mission.

Gather as a family to read today's Gospel, Matthew 3:13-17. Recall that God's message about Jesus was meant for us, "This is my beloved Son." It was also an affirmation for Jesus about his role in God's plan.

Place each family member's name on a slip of paper and put the names in a bowl. Invite each person in the family to choose another family member's name and to prepare a message for that person, affirming their importance in God's eyes and in your family life. Pray together that your family will continue to support one another in your baptismal promises to be disciples of Jesus, and then invite each person to read aloud the message they prepared. Conclude by praying together the Lord's Prayer.