

St. Mary Catholic Church

Mission Parish

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



MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.

Johnnie & Estella Svrcek †

Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

*Living & deceased members
of the Janacek Family*

Friday at 7:00 a.m.

F.C. Knippel †

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

Susan Lee (healing)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

60 to 20 minutes before Mass

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

207 E. Bell St.

Fayetteville

www.stjohnfayetteville.com



MASSES

Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

Poor Souls in Purgatory †

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Mass for Life

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.

Daniel, Christina & Norris Mascheck †

Friday at 6:00 p.m.

Leonard Sr. & Donald Malota †

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

Dorothy Svrcek & Leonard Svrcek, Jr. †

Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.

Frank & Agnes Stastny †

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

For the People

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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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 SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
January 19, 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, Leo Miller, Veronica Miller, 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 22

- ✓ Grades K-6 will meet at 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. in the RE building.
- ✓ Grades 7-12 will meet at 7:00 – 8:30 p.m. in the RE building.

WEDNESDAY'S FAITH FORMATION COLLECTION benefiting Pro-Life activities totaled \$67.78.

A CALLED TO PROTECT FOR YOUTH session will be held on Wednesday, **January 29**, at 6:00 p.m. at the parish hall. **All 6th graders, as well as those 7th and 8th 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.**

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 can be found at Fayetteville ISD and at the entrance of the church. The deadline to return entries is **January 22**.
- **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**.
- **QUILTING** of the CDA raffle prize quilt will be at St. Mary's Parish Hall beginning at 9:00 a.m. on Monday, **February 10-February 14**. The quilt will be set up after Mass on Sunday, February 9. If you don't quilt, you can help by bringing refreshments. Please call Mildred at (979) 270-1705 for more information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Monthly Meeting is Tuesday, **January 21**, at 7:00 p.m. If you have not been to a meeting lately, we would love to see you! We are having a fish fry for our meal, so please join us!

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!** Adults and 5th to 12th grade students are asked to consider volunteering for this year's VBS adventure.

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?

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. For more information, call Donna Shula at (713) 818-1470.

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 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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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. 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 for more information.

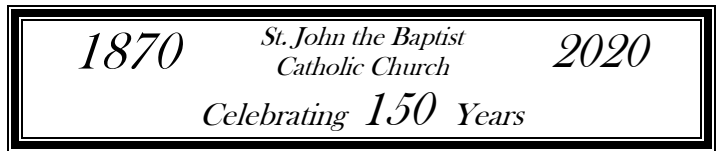
AN EVENING FOR MARRIED COUPLES will be offered **February 8** from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Belton. This gathering is for celebrating the sacrament of marriage. The event begins with a talk, followed by Mass with Franciscan Father Albert Haase and then dinner. The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

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**



THE SECOND ST. JOHN CHURCH BUILDING was completed in 1911, took about a year to build, and cost \$8,000. The first Mass in the new church was celebrated on Thanksgiving Day.

REPORT ABUSE

Report abuse of a minor, elderly adult or an adult with a disability to local law enforcement or to the Texas Abuse Hotline at www.txabusehotline.org or (800) 252-5400 and to the diocese at www.austindiocese.org/report-abuse or (512) 949-2447.

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$ 3,994.53
Online Giving: \$ 250.00

ST. JOHN'S PASTORAL COUNCIL met on Thursday, **January 9**. Items discussed included:

- 150th Anniversary of St. John Parish
- Update on Ambo and other Sanctuary furnishings
- Update on restroom renovations in parish hall and pavilion
- Directory for 2020
- New council members Jonathan Noska, Wanda Fritsch, and Leslie Little were nominated and accepted.
- A special thanks to the departing council members Pat Geistmann, Robert Kasmiersky, and Lee Matocha.

The next meeting will be on April 23 at 7:00 p.m.

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

ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$ 1,012.00
Online Giving: \$ 135.00

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**.

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

January 18-19, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's psalm, we respond "Here am I, Lord; I come to do your will." How is the Lord calling us to respond to him this week? May the Holy Spirit guide our thoughts and actions as we listen for the Lord.

Enero 18-19, Segundo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

En el salmo de hoy, respondemos "Aquí estoy Señor, para hacer tu voluntad". ¿Cómo está el Señor llamándonos a responderle esta semana? Que el Espíritu Santo guíe nuestros pensamientos y acciones mientras escuchamos al Señor.

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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Wednesday – Grade 6
Saturday – Theresa Keilers
Sunday – Kathy Kneblík

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Wednesday – Pat Geistmann, Carrol Hollimon, Nikki Beseda
Saturday – Tiffany Nigh(H), Addie Dybala(H), Andrew Keilers(H), Kathleen Kramr(C), Ronnie Kramr*(C), Theresa Keilers(C), Yvonne Smith(C)
Sunday – Paulette Keilers(H), Lori Spiess(H), Jim Mattair(C), Cindy Garwood(C), Kathy Kneblík(C), John Spiess*(C)

ALTAR SERVERS

Wednesday – Grade 3 (3), Grade 6 (1)
Saturday – Jacob Nigh, Dustin Canik, Lydia Huebner
Sunday – Logan Poncik, Mackenzie Poncik, Cole Brackman

GIFT BEARERS

Wednesday – Grade 3
Saturday – Andrew Keilers Family
Sunday – Kenneth Noska 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

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K.J.T.	Emil Sodolak	979-249-3952
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Sunday – Robert Balzer

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sunday – Luke Orsak, Aimee Korenek, Jan Jurecka

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday – Emily Polasek, Rylee Fritsch

GIFT BEARERS

Sunday – James Wunderlich Family

USHERS FOR JANUARY

James Korenek, Luke Orsak, James Wunderlich, Bruce Kubena

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Iglesias que ofrecen Misas en Español

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

FAMILY CONNECTION

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

John 1:29-34; *John testifies that Jesus is the Lamb of God, God's own Son.*



The ministry of John the Baptist prepared for and pointed to the ministry of Jesus. In a similar way, our lives are to offer testimony to who we know Jesus to be for us and for the world. How does the witness of our lives give testimony to the reconciling presence of Christ?

As a family, identify as many titles for Jesus as possible, such as Lamb of God, Son of God, Prince of Peace, and so on. Talk together about what these different titles mean and what they tell you about Jesus. Then read together today's Gospel, and consider how John the Baptist gives testimony to who Jesus is. Talk about what people might come to know about Jesus by observing your family life. Pray together that your family life will show others that Jesus is the Son of God, the lamb who takes away the sins of the world.



BLESSING OF CANDLES

This year the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, celebrated annually on February 2, falls on a Sunday and will replace the 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time. This feast is always celebrated 40 days after Christmas and celebrates the presentation of Jesus in the Temple and His manifestation as the light of revelation to the world. In honor of this feast, candles will be blessed at all Masses on the weekend of **February 2.**



Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
January 22, 2020

The over 56 million abortions since the 1973 decisions of *Roe vs. Wade* and *Doe vs. Bolton* reflect with heartbreaking magnitude

what Pope Francis means by a "throwaway culture." However, we have great trust in God's providence. We are reminded time and again in Scripture to seek the Lord's help, and as people of faith, we believe that our prayers are heard.

"A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from every Christian community, from every group and association, from every family and from the heart of every believer." -Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium Vitae*, no. 100