

St. Mary Catholic Church

Est. 1855

Mission Parish

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



Weekly Offering: \$ 725.00
Online Giving: \$ 306.51

MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.

Doris, Leonard, & Lennie Svrcek †

Friday at 7:00 a.m.

Peter Janish †

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 p.m.

Christians in the Holy Land

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

John H. Cook †

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Available before every Mass
(in parish hall)

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Est. 1870

207 E. Bell St.
Fayetteville

www.stjohnfayetteville.com



Weekly Offering: \$ 4,506.00
Online Giving: \$ 910.18

MASSES

Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

The Kulhanek Family †

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Julia Ryza †

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.

*Anton Halfmann &
Jurline Halfmann Huebel †*

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

Robert & Bernice Kovar †

Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.

Sylvester & Alma Schmitt †

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

For the People

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday 6:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:15-9:30 a.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

Tuesday, September 1, at 7:00 a.m.

For the intentions left on the altar

Mailing Address and Contact Information

P.O. Box 57

Fayetteville, Texas 78940

Phone: 979-378-2277 Fax: 979-378-4407

Email: stsjm@stjohnfayetteville.com

Office Hours: Tues-Fri, 8:30-4:30 (closed for lunch)

Rev. Steve Sauser, Pastor
pastor@stjohnfayetteville.com

Deacon Robert Jasek

Administrative Staff

Amy Babin

Lexxus Zika

Sue Zapalac

Faith Formation

Lexxus Zika lzika@stjohnfayetteville.com

Knights of Columbus

Jim Sula jsula@aol.com

Catholic Daughters of the Americas

Suzanne Mattair njm18@flash.net

Marriage preparation: Contact the priest before setting the date and at least six 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 TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
August 23, AD 2020

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Gilbert Belota, Judy Chovanec, Margie Chovanec, Bennie Daricek, John Dennis, Brian Fruge, Waldine Fruge, Regina Gerik, Hannah Glenn, Dan Hall, Bernita Hlinsky, J.D. Kovar, Evelyn Krenek, Robert Krenek, Sr., Johnny Marek, Doris Matocha, Helen Mikus, Leo Miller, Veronica Miller, Dr. Tom Mueller, Garland Polasek, Kaycee Roesler, Larry Sodek, El Gene and Mary Ann Sommerfeld, Elroy Spanihel, Shelley Spears, Martha Staley, Judy Supak, Joyce Terrell, Barbara Tieken, Kathy Vasek, Larry Vitek, 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 2020-2021: The first day of classes will be Wednesday, September 9.

- **Grades K-1** will meet every Wednesday at 6:00-6:50 p.m. These students will be dismissed each week at 6:50 p.m. and will not attend Mass as a class. However, parents are welcome to attend Mass with their child.
- **Grades 2-6** will meet every Wednesday from 6:00-7:30 p.m. These students will attend Mass each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m., except for the first Wednesday of the month.
- **Grades 7-12** will meet every Wednesday from 7:00 until 8:30 p.m. These students will attend the 7:00 p.m. Mass on the first Wednesday of the month.
- Children should arrive no earlier than 5:45 p.m. No one will be available to supervise your child prior to this time.

Detailed Policies and Procedures, COVID-19 Protocols, and a Ministry Waiver for our Faith Formation Program have been mailed to all parents. **Please sign and return the ministry waiver as soon as possible.** If you have any questions, please call the office at 979-378-2277.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Basic Teachings and Level 3 Certification Class- Online

The following courses will be offered online via Zoom:

Basic Teachings of the Catholic Church: September 19, October 3, October 24, Nov. 7, and Nov. 21 from 9:00-3:00 p.m. To register for the Basic Teachings Course please visit <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=GTWPGH>.

Level 3 Church History: September 8, 15, 22, 29 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. Visit <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=XWr6sX> to register for Church History.

EVERYONE IS ALWAYS WELCOME AT MASS!

However, those that are 65 years of age or older with pre-existing health conditions that place them at higher risk, or those who are younger who have compromised immune systems or underlying health conditions are encouraged to participate in the service remotely by viewing the Sunday 10:00 a.m. Mass on our Facebook page.

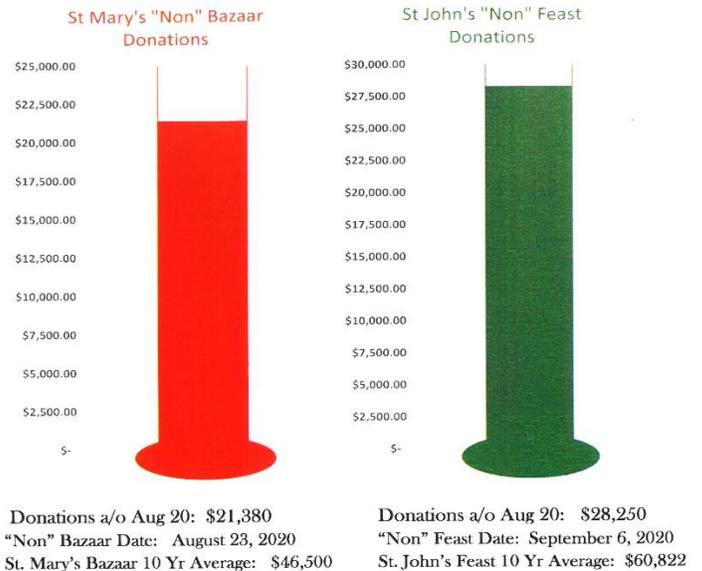
We have made changes aimed at keeping parishioners safe at Mass. Social distancing is practiced, hand sanitizers are used, and masks are required. We are also providing additional cleaning of the Church. We hope these accommodations will make all feel comfortable coming to worship again. Please ask the ushers if you need help finding a seat, if you forget to bring a mask, or if you need other assistance.

Note: We do ask that anyone who has been exposed to or tests positive for COVID-19 to stay home and abide by CDC guidelines.

FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND MASS, please visit the "Useful Links" page on our parish website, found under the "Events and News" tab, for specific Mass times and websites. Also, click the Facebook emblem "f" in the upper right hand corner of our website to access our Facebook page, where the Mass is live streamed at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday.

ST. MARY CHURCH IN ELLINGER is open for visitation from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sundays.

NON-FEAST/NON-BAZAAR UPDATE



AN END OF SUMMER MOVIE NIGHT at St. John's Parish Hall will be on Sunday, August 30, at 4:00 p.m. Come enjoy the movie WONDER as we say goodbye to summer!

Based on the New York Times bestseller, WONDER tells the inspiring and heartwarming story of August Pullman. Born with facial differences that, up until now, have prevented him from going to a mainstream school, Auggie becomes the most unlikely of heroes when he enters the local fifth grade. As his family, his new classmates, and the larger community all struggle to find their compassion and acceptance, Auggie's extraordinary journey will unite them all and prove you can't blend in when you were born to stand out.

The film will run about 2 hours. Join us!

ETHICS IN MINISTRY: All clergy, staff, members of ALL organizations, and ALL volunteers are required to complete an Application for Ministry AND attend an EIM workshop every three years. **If you are due for a refresher course, you should have received a notice to take a workshop.** If you didn't receive the notice or have any questions, contact the parish office.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES WEEKEND is August 29-30. Catholic Charities of Central Texas seeks to help the most vulnerable in our communities to thrive in their God-given gifts. Next weekend is Catholic Charities Weekend throughout the Diocese of Austin. Read over today's bulletin insert, tune into the CCCTX social media, and visit <http://www.ccctx.org> to hear about how you can be part of the Catholic Charities mission as well!

THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 23, AD 2020

CIVILIZE IT: ENCOUNTER

"We can no longer divide prayer, the encounter with God in the Sacraments, from listening to the other, closeness to his life, especially to his wounds." – Pope Francis

Encountering God through our life of faith necessarily leads to encounter with the "other." Who is the "other"? The "other" is someone of a different ethnicity, culture, generation, viewpoint, ability, or faith tradition, a person or group of people whose voices are not often heard, or our neighbor in the pew, across the street, or on the other side of the world. In encountering these "others," we encounter Christ. This encounter leads to mutual transformation as we expand our understanding of one another's experiences. This mutual transformation facilitates learning and prepares us for more informed and effective action.

THE SECRETARIAT OF LIFE, CHARITY, AND JUSTICE OF THE DIOCESE OF AUSTIN

will host a virtual gathering bringing together parish leaders whose faith inspires them to respond to current challenges relating to evangelization in contemporary society, lay leadership, poverty, injustice, and the promotion of human life and dignity. the Keynote speaker will be Archbishop Joseph F. Naumann, Chairman of the USCCB Pro-Life Activities Committee. Join us online **August 29**, from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Sign up at www.austindiocese.org/christ-our-hope.

HOLY TRINITY CATHOLIC CHURCH OF CORN HILL

invites everyone to their annual Bazaar on Sunday, **September 20**, which, this year, will include a Drive-Thru only meal and a raffle. BBQ and Fried Chicken will be served from 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m., with Adult plates for \$12.

ENGAGEMENT RETREAT: The "Together in God's Love" weekend, **September 25-27**, has talks on faith, communication, sexuality and stewardship in the context of a Catholic marriage. For info see <https://www.austindiocese.org/marriage-prep-calendar-1>.

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Aug. 22-23 – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus entrusted the keys of the Kingdom to Peter, who represents the whole Church – all of us. What are those keys? In Matthew's Gospel they are the Beatitudes. This means that all of us and each of us are called to be poor in spirit and meek; we are to hunger and thirst for righteousness; we are to show mercy and be peacemakers; we will mourn; and we will experience persecution. We are called to love as God loves – without counting the cost and without exception. How will you witness to God's love this week? To whom are you called to show love?

Agosto 22-23 – 21o. Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Jesús confió las llaves del Reino a Pedro, quien representa a toda la iglesia—todos nosotros ¿Qué son esas llaves? En el Evangelio de Mateo son las Bienaventuranzas. Esto significa que todos y cada uno de nosotros estamos llamados a ser pobres y mansos de espíritu; tenemos hambre y sed de justicia; debemos mostrar misericordia y crear paz; nos lamentaremos y experimentaremos persecución. Estamos llamados a amar como Dios nos ama--- sin contar lo que cueste y sin excepción ¿Cómo será usted testigo del amor de Dios esta semana? ¿Hacia quién está usted llamado a demostrar amor?

1870

St. John the Baptist
Catholic Church

2020

Celebrating 150 Years

THE COST TO CONSTRUCT the 1969 St. John Church building was \$147,600.00.

HELP ME TO LET GO, LORD RETREAT at Cedarbrake Catholic Retreat Center in Temple is on Saturday, **September 19**, from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. It is a day of reflection, which will be an honest consideration of personal attachments that hinder us spiritually. Michael Flahive, a trained spiritual director and adult faith formation presenter, will lead this retreat based upon the book "Addiction and Grace" by Gerald G. May. The cost is \$45 and includes lunch. To register, call (254) 780-2436.

PARISH FACILITY USAGE: All meetings and gatherings in our parish facilities must abide by the current CDC guidelines and government regulations. Face masks are required, social distancing should be kept, and no self-serve food meetings will be permitted at this time.

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**

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

ST. JOHN'S FEAST is cancelled for this year. We have sent a letter to each of you asking for your prayerful consideration of a donation to our "Non- Feast" Fund. If you are able to make a contribution, please drop it in the collection or donate online, but **be sure** to label it for the "Non-Feast" Fund. Thank you for your support!

ST. MARY'S NEWS

ST. MARY'S "NON-BAZAAR" donations may be dropped in the collection or made online, but **be sure** to mark it for the "Non-Bazaar" Fund. All your donations are truly appreciated!

A Prayer for Rain

O God, the earth is thirsty for rain and we wait for you to refresh the land and all its creatures.

Send abundant rain, we pray, and teach us to be better stewards of all the blessings you provide,

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
August 23, AD 2020

ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Saturday – Annette Little
Sunday – Christine Wied

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday – Addie Dybala, Joan Malota
Sunday – Paulette Keilers, Lee Matocha

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Lydia Huebner, Gregory Huebner, Peyton Jurecka
Sunday – Cole Brackman, Luke Beseda, Scotti Beseda

ALTAR DUTY FOR AUGUST: Betty Kovar, Sue Ann Socha, Mary Schley, Margaret Alford

USHERS FOR AUGUST

Saturday – Jonathan Noska, Ronnie Kramr, David Stastny, Christopher Stastny
Sunday – Joe Babin, John H. Cufu, David Holub, Kory Kaspar

ST. JOHN CONTACTS

Pastoral Council Chair	John Spiess	979-836-8702
Finance Council Chair	Steve Pavlicek	spavlicek@cvctx.com
St. John Altar Society	Madeline Kovar	979-378-2361
Pro-Life Coordinator	Nikki Beseda	nbeseda@gmail.com
K.J.Z.T.	Rose Rohde	979-249-3635
K.J.T.	Emil Sodalak	979-249-3952
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Saturday – L.J. Korenek
Sunday – Aimee Korenek

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Klayten Schmitt
Sunday – Julie Korenek

USHERS FOR AUGUST

Saturday – Mark Schmitt, Mark Matocha, Bruce Kubena, Eduardo Alvarado
Sunday – Luke Orsak, Donnie Becka, Bradley Divin, James Korenek

ALTAR FLOWERS: August 30 – Diane Supak
 September 6 – Bernetta Cook September 13 – Aimee Korenek

ST. MARY CONTACTS

Pastoral Council Chair	Alfred Ermis	aermis@cvctx.com
Finance Council Chair	Bruce Kubena	979-378-2598
St. Mary Altar Society	Donna Shula	979-378-2749
Pro-Life Coordinator	Aimee Korenek	amskorenek@yahoo.com
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



FAMILY CONNECTION

Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Matthew 16:13-20
Simon Peter acknowledges Jesus as the Christ and is given the key to the Kingdom of Heaven.

Today's Gospel reminds us that the Church is built on the foundation of faith in Jesus Christ. Peter announces the core of our faith, that Jesus is God's only Son. The family, as the domestic church, has this same faith as its foundation.

As you gather together as a family, talk about people whose faith has helped you to be a member of the Church and talk about what you have learned from leaders in our Church today. Read together today's Gospel, Matthew 16:13-20. Talk about what you know about Peter and his importance to the early Christian community. Talk about what we can learn from Peter and his profession of faith about Jesus. Conclude in prayer together by praying today's Psalm or an Act of Faith.

*God of wisdom and might,
 We praise you for the wonder of
 our being--for mind, body and
 spirit. Be with our children as they begin a new school year.
 Give to their growing bodies strength and grace; to their
 minds, wisdom and knowledge as they search for
 understanding; and to their hearts, peace and a zest for life.
 Bless them, their teachers and staff with good health.
 We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*



**Happy St. Mary
 "Non-Bazaar" Day!
 Sunday, August 23**



Today should have been our annual St. Mary Bazaar. Unfortunately, we are not able to get together, but just for fun, here are some suggestions of things to do today:

- Listen to some Polka Music!
- Eat some fried chicken!
- Bake a cake, then walk around your house with it!
- Sew, Knit, or Crochet your favorite item!
- Stretch your hands up, as if you were bidding at the Live Auction!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ST. MARY CHURCH!

The Parish of St. Mary was one of eleven parishes winning \$5,000 from the 2019-2020 CSA Parish Incentive Program!

Over the last few years, parishes of the diocese have been able to participate in this program. Based on certain criteria for their participation in the annual Catholic Services Appeal, each parish earns entries for this event. One rule of the drawing is that the parish priest must be present for the parish to win if its name is drawn. Father Steve attended this year's virtual event as the Bishop drew the tickets..... and we won!