

St. Mary Catholic Church

Est. 1855

Mission Parish

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



Weekly Offering: \$ 2,077.00
Online Giving: \$ 256.38
World Missions \$ 2,333.38
\$ 619.00

Average Weekly Operating Expenses
\$ 2,492

MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.

Lanny Ross Zatopek †

Friday at 7:00 a.m.

Leo Till †

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 p.m.

Robert Krenek, Sr. †

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

For the People

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Est. 1870

207 E. Bell St.
Fayetteville

www.stjohnfayetteville.com



Weekly Offering: \$ 2,758.25
Online Giving: \$ 801.66
\$ 3,559.91
World Missions \$ 1,008.00

Average Weekly Operating Expenses
\$ 5,011

MASSES

Tuesday at 7:00 a.m.

All Souls †

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.

Leonard E. Svrcek, Jr. †

Friday at 6:00 p.m.

Leroy Peschel †

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

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Joe F. & Mary Janish Family †

Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.

Frank & Agnes Stastny †

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Richard "A.J." Gerik †

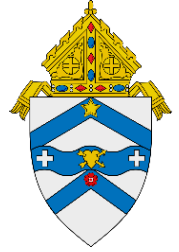
Sunday at 4:00 p.m.

(at St. John Cemetery)

All Souls †



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe S. Vásquez
Diocese of Austin



St. Martin Catholic Church

Historic Chapel

3490 State Hwy 237

Round Top (near Warrenton)

MONTHLY MASS

Thursday, November 11, at 8:30 a.m.

For the intentions left on the altar

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. John: Wednesday 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Saturday 8:00-9:00 a.m.

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

St. Mary: Available before every Mass

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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 THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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PARISH LIFE

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Dan Castillo, Margie Chovanec, Brian Fruge, Waldine Fruge, Dan Hall, Bernita Hlinsky, Christine Kaspar, Kathy Kneblak, Helen Mikus, Leo Miller, Cynthia Niesner, Kaycee Roesler, Barbara Ticken, Nancy Klawinsky Till, Ben Tucker, Rick Vandel, B.J. Vasek, 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.)*

WELCOME: St. Mary's parish family would like to congratulate the family of *Everett Hayes Hitchcock* who was born into Our Lord's life through Baptism last week. May the Lord be with him and his family with all His blessings.

ALL SAINTS DAY (Monday, **November 1**) is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year. There will not be a Mass that day.

OUR PARISH MISSION IS THIS WEEK, presented by Father Bill Casey of the Fathers of Mercy. His presentation will be at St. John at 7:00 p.m. followed by Adoration and Confession, Monday through Thursday, **November 1-4**. See the insert in today's bulletin for more information. We hope to see you there!

MASS CHANGES THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

- There *will* be a 7:00 a.m. Mass on Tuesday.
- There *will not* be a 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday.



FAITH FORMATION 2021-2022

- **Grades K-6** *will not* meet this week. Please attend the Parish Mission with your families.
- **Grades 7-12** *will* attend the Parish Mission during their class time in the church from **7:00-8:30 p.m.**

ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS are asked to work at the annual **CYM Chicken Stew on Sunday, November 7**. Please refer to the worksheet so you know your scheduled time.

CONFIRMATION will be celebrated on Sunday, **January 30**, during the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. John. Please pray for our Confirmands, that they will be open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

- **Explaining Our Holy Mass:** Father Paul-Michael Piega, will lead us into a deeper understanding of our Holy Mass on Saturday, **November 13**. Father Piega, a young priest who earned his advanced graduate degree from Rome in Sacred Liturgy, will share his love and wisdom of the Church's teaching regarding the Mass. This retreat will be from 9:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and includes Mass and lunch. Cost is \$40. Call (254) 780-2436 to register, or go to www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake.
- **Basic Teachings of the Catholic Church:** The fourth class, entitled *Morality*, is on **November 6**. To register for the course please visit <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=iUFJKQ>.

FIRST FRIDAY occurs this week. There will be First Friday Mass at **St. Mary** at 7:00 a.m. At **St. John**, we will have the Exposition of the Eucharist at 3:00 p.m., closing with Benediction at 5:30 p.m. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 3:00 – 5:30 p.m. Mass will be at 6:00 p.m.

ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY will meet on Wednesday, **November 3**, at 1:00 p.m.

ST. MARY ALTAR SOCIETY will begin sewing their fundraiser quilt Monday, **November 1**, at 9:00 a.m. If you don't quilt and would like to learn, come join us! This is a great opportunity to observe the craft. For more information, or if you would like to bring a snack for the group, please contact Mildred Wall at (979) 270-1705.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Monthly Meeting will be on Tuesday, **November 16**, at 7:00 p.m.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS Memorial Mass and Monthly Meeting have been moved to Tuesday, **November 9**, to allow everyone to attend the parish mission.

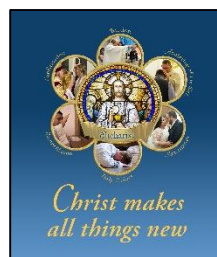
KJTZ SOCIETY #10, ST. ANNE will meet at St. John Parish Hall on Tuesday, **November 16**, at 1:00 p.m. Please bring your lunch and a bingo prize.

MARRIAGE RECOGNITION CERTIFICATES will be given this year to couples celebrating anniversaries in **2021** for 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60 years and over. All couples receiving certificates shall be in good standing with the Catholic Church and attend Mass regularly in the parish. Please enter your full names, anniversary date, and name of the parish where your wedding took place on the sign-up sheet at the entrance of the church by Sunday, **November 21**.

PARISH ADVENT DINNER

St. John's Parish Advent Dinner will be at the parish hall on Sunday, **November 28**. Social hour will begin at 11:00 a.m., followed by a meal of lasagna, salad and bread.

- Please RSVP to the church office by **November 14**. If you are able to help with the food preparation, meal serving, or hall set up, please contact the parish office.
- If you plan to attend, please bring the following: If your last name begins with **A – M**, bring an **appetizer**, and those with last names **N – Z**, bring a **dessert**.
- All parishioners are invited to donate to the *St. John's Cares Fund* that will be used to purchase HEB and other local merchant gift cards for those in need in our community.



CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL:

Thank you to all who have given to the Catholic Services Appeal already! Your generosity is helping us to reach our diocesan goal of 100% participation. If you haven't donated yet, there is still time to make your gift, no matter how large or small. You are invited to prayerfully consider joining our diocesan mission to

bring Christ's light to those most in need. We know that Christ makes all things new, and with our cooperation with His will, we can all work to transform the lives of those in need of hope. You may complete and return your pledge card to the collection basket or make a secure gift online at austindiocese.org/csa.

THANK YOU for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. Our parish's combined collections amounted to \$ 1,627. You may stay connected year-round to the Pope's missions, continuing the commitment of World Mission Sunday, by visiting MISSIO.org.

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SECOND COLLECTIONS NEXT WEEKEND will be for the Cemetery at St. Mary and Faith Formation at St. John.



NEXT WEEK IS NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK!

In honor of National Vocation awareness week celebrated November 7-13, please ask Our Lord for more dedicated, holy priests, deacons, and consecrated men and women. May they be inspired by Jesus Christ, supported by our faith community, and respond generously to God's gift of vocation.

For resources including vocational discernment tips, recommended reading lists for men and women discerning, how to find a spiritual director, how to find a retreat house to visit, and videos about vocations please visit the USCCB website at www.usccb.org. For more information about vocations in our diocese, please visit godiscalling.me

YEAR OF THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

October Theme: The Witness of Marriage

In Christian marriage, spouses model the love and self-gift of Christ. By giving of themselves and serving one another, their family and community, they help one another live out Christ's call to discipleship, love, and service. Marriage provides a foundation for a family committed to community, solidarity, and Jesus' mission in the world.



God our Father, we give you thanks for the gift of marriage: the bond of life and love, and the font of the family.

The love of husband and wife enriches your Church with children, fills the world with a multitude of spiritual fruitfulness and service, and is the sign of the love of your Son, Jesus Christ, for his Church.

The grace of Jesus flowed forth at Cana at the request of the Blessed Mother. May your Son, through the intercession of Mary, pour out upon us a new measure of the Gifts of the Holy Spirit as we join with all people of good will to promote and protect the unique beauty of marriage.

May your Holy Spirit enlighten our society to treasure the heroic love of husband and wife, and guide our leaders to sustain and protect the singular place of mothers and fathers in the lives of their children.

Father, we ask that our prayers be joined to those of the Virgin Mary, that your Word may transform our service so as to safeguard the incomparable splendor of marriage. We ask all these things through Christ our Lord, Amen.

IT'S TIME TO TURN IN THOSE BABY BANKS! Your donation will help pro-life efforts in our parish and throughout the diocese. The Gabriel Project, Project Rachel, Sidewalk Ministry, Pro-Life Help Line, and much more will receive funds from this campaign. If you forgot your Baby Bank today, please drop it off at the parish office this coming week. Thanks for supporting Life!

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY: The next Drive –Thru distribution is **November 4**, from **10:00 – 11:00 a.m.** Clients are to stay in their vehicles and open the trunk. Volunteers will load the food for you.

HOPE-HEALTHY OPTIONS PROGRAM: St. John's Hall is a distribution site for Central Texas Food Bank's HOPE program. HOPE is for persons 55 years and up. On the second Friday of each month, from 2:00-3:00 p.m., clients will receive a 15-20 lb. bag of groceries. The next distribution is Friday, **November 12**.

COME PRAY THE ROSARY WITH US! Prayer is powerful! Bring your intentions and come pray the Rosary at St. Mary on **Mondays at 6:00 p.m.** and/or at St. John on **Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m.**

ARE YOU BEING CALLED TO SERVE?

Men between 30 and 59 sensing God's call to the permanent diaconate are invited to attend, with their wives, one of the following Inquiry Sessions offered by the Office of Diaconal Formation:

November 14, 2021

Pastoral Center 6225 Highway 290 East, Austin

December 12, 2021

St. Joseph, Bryan – 507 E. 26th St., Bryan

January 9, 2022

St. Elizabeth of Hungary – 1520 N. Railroad Ave, Pflugerville

February 13, 2022

St. John the Evangelist – 105 Highway 1431 East, Marble Falls

March 13, 2022

St. Joseph, Killeen – 2903 E. Rancier Ave, Killeen

April 10, 2022

Santa Cruz – 1100 Main St, Buda

Applications for the Diaconal Formation Class of 2028 will be accepted starting December 1, 2021. Additional information can be found at <https://www.austindiocese.org/welcome>.

OTHER NEWS

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN LA GRANGE is having an **on-line auction** from Thursday, **November 11**, at 11:00 a.m. through Sunday, **November 14**, at 8:00 p.m. Please support our local Catholic school by bidding and buying! Go to <https://ourschool.support/shsfallauction> to see and bid on the items.

HOLY TRINITY CORN HILL MISSION: If you can't make our own Parish Mission, you may want to consider attending the Parish Mission in Corn Hill Sunday, **November 14**, thru Thursday, **November 18**. Call (512) 863-3020 for additional information.

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Oct. 30-31 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Now is the time for a new 'creativity' in charity, not only by ensuring that help is effective but also by 'getting close' to those who suffer, so that the hand that helps is seen not as a humiliating handout but as a sharing between brothers and sisters. We must therefore ensure that in every Christian community the poor feel at home" (St. John Paul II, *Novo Millennio Ineunte*).

Octubre 30-31 XXXI Domingo ordinario

"Ahora es el tiempo de una nueva 'creatividad' en la caridad, no sólo a través de asegurarnos de que la ayuda es efectiva sino también por medio del 'acercarnos' a aquellos que sufren, de tal manera en que la mano que ayuda no sea vista como una ayuda humillante sino como un acto en el que hermanos y hermanas comparten. Debemos, por lo tanto, asegurarnos de que en cada comunidad cristiana los pobres se sientan en casa" (San Juan Pablo II, *Novo Millennio Ineunte*).

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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Saturday – Annette Little

Sunday – Cindy Garwood

4:00 p.m. Cemetery Mass – Janet Hall

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday – Annette Little, Leslie Little

Sunday – Jeanne Schilling, Cindy Garwood

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Jacob Nigh, Abigail Taylor, Kara Jurecka

Sunday – Wade Halamicek, Mackenzie Poncik, Logan Poncik

4:00 p.m. Cemetery Mass – Mackayla Griffin,

Gregory Huebner

GIFT BEARERS

Saturday – Joe Dybala Family

Sunday – Marcos Sodek Family

ALTAR DUTY FOR NOVEMBER

Madeline Kovar, Margaret Kubala, Susan Pauler,

Woody Hiebert

USHERS FOR NOVEMBER

Saturday – Joseph Munsch, David Stastny, Christopher Stastny, Ronnie Kramr

Sunday – Rick Schilling, David Holub, John H. Cuftr, Joe Babin

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K.J.Z.T.	Mary Jane Toddy	979-249-6231
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Saturday – Rose Urban

Sunday – Aimee Korenek

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Klayten Schmitt

Sunday – Luke Korenek

ALTAR FLOWERS

November 6/7 – Denise Kubena

November 13/14 – Michelle Kubena

November 20/21 – Erin Fritsch

USHERS FOR NOVEMBER

Saturday – Mark Schmitt, Mark Matocha, Bruce Kubena, Eduardo Alvarado

Sunday – Luke Orsak, Donnie Becka, James Korenek, Bradley Divin

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K.J.T.	James Korenek	amskorenek@yahoo.com
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Cemetery	Vlasta Korenek	979-732-2836

A Note from the Pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This weekend's Gospel of Mark, a Pharisee (a lawyer) asks Jesus which of the commandments is the greatest. His response does not seek to set aside the Law, but instead to interpret it more fully. For Jesus, the greatest commandment is found in Deuteronomy 6:5: "You shall love the Lord, your God, with your whole heart, and with your whole being, and with your whole strength." Jesus' answer emphasizes the centrality of love – a cord that binds together the human heart and soul and directs us toward God.

While asked for only one commandment, Jesus adds a second – quoting from Leviticus 19:18 – which he says is equal to, and inseparable from, the first: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Everything, he says, hangs on these two interrelated commandments. Like a door on two hinges that will not open or close properly if out of alignment, so, too, our lives if we do not love God and our neighbor. Jesus is not discounting any other commandments, but simply emphasizing that these two are foundational.

Paul confirms this teaching by reminding the Thessalonians of their fidelity to Christ. He rejoices with them because they have remained steadfast and active in faith. For them, faith is more than a passing fad. Clearly, they have recognized the word of God in Paul's preaching and, through the lived example of their lives, have now become ministers of the Gospel to others within their community and beyond. Awaiting the return of Christ, they have become people of hope, bringing the combined love of God and neighbor to others. May we, too, be a people of hope, witnessing the Gospel to others and sharing God's love.



Mark your Calendars...

CEMETERY SERVICES will be on Sunday, **November 7**

at St. Mary's Cemetery - 2:00 p.m. – with Rosary

at St. John's Cemetery - 4:00 p.m. – Mass

and at St. Martin's Cemetery - 8:30 a.m. –on Thursday,

November 11



TIME CHANGE

Don't forget to change your clocks **BACK** one hour when you go to bed on Saturday, **November 6!**

CYM "DRIVE-THRU" ONLY CHICKEN STEW

will be on Sunday, **November 7**, immediately following the St. John's Cemetery Services.



**October 31
Happy Birthday
Deacon Robert Jasek!!**

-Fr. Steve