

St. Mary Catholic Church

Est. 1855

Mission Parish

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



Weekly Offering: \$ 1,574.00
Online Giving: \$ 151.38
Disaster Relief Collection \$ 696.00

Average Weekly Operating Expenses
\$ 2,492

MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.

Andrew Trumball †

Louie & Augustina Licka †

Friday at 7:00 a.m.

Lad Becka & Emma Rose Marek †

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 p.m.

Corey Marusik †

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

Living and Dec'd of

St. Mary Altar Society

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

Est. 1870

207 E. Bell St.
Fayetteville

www.stjohnfayetteville.com



Weekly Offering: \$ 3,014.00
Online Giving: \$ 825.00
Disaster Relief Collection \$ 1,530.00

Average Weekly Operating Expenses
\$ 5,011

MASSES

Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

James Hollimon †

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

Mass for Life

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.

Dorothy Selzer †

Friday at 6:00 p.m.

*Dec'd of the Anton Novak, Ruddle
Kaderka, & Frankie Malota Families †*

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

Angeline Janish †

Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.

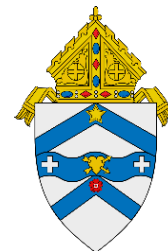
For the People

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

Melissa Hahn †



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

Tuesday, October 12, at 8:00 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.

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PARISH LIFE

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Dan Castillo, Margie Chovanec, Adell Coufal, Brian Fruge, Waldine Fruge, Dan Hall, Bernita Hlinsky, Christine Kaspar, Kathy Kneblak, Helen Mikus, Leo Miller, Cynthia Niesner, Kaycee Roesler, Barbara Tieken, Nancy Klawinsky Till, 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.)*

IN MEMORIAM: Our parish families extend sympathies and prayers towards the families of *Mark Gerik* and *Evelyn Koehl* who were buried last week. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

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.

AFTER MASS FELLOWSHIP AND REFRESHMENTS will be at St. Mary's Parish Hall, following the 8:00 a.m. Mass Sunday, **October 3**. Please plan to join us!

FAITH FORMATION 2020-2021

- **Grades K-1** meets **Wednesday at 6:00-6:50 p.m.**
- **Grades 2-6** meets **Wednesday from 6:00-7:30 p.m.**
- **Grades 7-12** meets **Wednesday from 7:00-8:30 p.m.**

Children should arrive no earlier than 5:45 p.m. No one will be available to supervise your child prior to this time.

UPCOMING PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETINGS

- St. John's meets Thursday, **October 7** at 6:30 p.m.
- St. Mary's meets Thursday, **October 21** at 6:30 p.m.

UPCOMING FINANCE COUNCIL MEETINGS

- St. John's meets Tuesday, **October 26** at 6:45 p.m.
- St. Mary's meets Thursday, **October 28** at 6:30 p.m.

ST. MARY PARISHIONERS will soon be selecting three new members for the pastoral council. This group serves as an advisory council for the pastor. Please read the insert in today's St. Mary bulletin for member qualifications, think of some good candidates, and submit their names.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Officer's Meeting will be on Monday, **October 4**, at 6:30 p.m., in St. John's Parish Hall.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS will hold their next meeting on Tuesday, **October 5**, at 6:45 p.m.

ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY will meet on Wednesday, **October 6**, at 1:00 p.m.

AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA ROSARY CRUSADE 2021



October 13 of this year is the 104th anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima. As human efforts fail to solve America's key problems, we turn to God through His Holy Mother asking for His urgent help. Join us Saturday, **October 9**, at noon on the Fayetteville Courthouse Square as we mark this anniversary by praying a public Rosary. For details, contact Madeline Kovar at (979) 378-2361.

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

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

- **Fall in Love Again:** Spend a 'fall' day on **October 15** at Cedarbrake being renewed in the spirit by reflecting on God's love for you through the beauty and silence of nature, Scripture and the Eucharist. Brian Egan, director of Cedarbrake, will lead the reflections. Mass will be celebrated. The retreat will be from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Cost is \$40, which includes lunch. Register at www.austindiocese.org/cedarbrake or call (254) 780-2436.
- **Explaining Our Holy Mass:** Father Paul-Michael Piega, pastor of St. Patrick Parish in Hutto, 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** is presented in five sessions--all online this fall--and are all on Saturdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Cost is \$50. The second class, entitled *The Creed*, is on **October 9**. To register for a course please visit <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=iUFJKQ>.



BABY BANKS ARE HERE!

Don't forget to pick up your Baby Bank after Mass today! Remember those families that need help during or after an unplanned pregnancy. Your donation will help pro-life efforts in our parishes and throughout the diocese. The Gabriel Project, Project Rachel, Sidewalk Ministry, Pro-Life Help Line, and much more will receive funds from this campaign. For more information or to volunteer, contact Aimee Korenek at amskorenek@yahoo.com or Nikki Beseda at nbeseda@gmail.com.

SAVE THE DATE! Father Bill Casey of the Fathers of Mercy will be here to present a **parish mission** from **October 30** through **November 3**. More information will be forthcoming.

DISASTER RELIEF COLLECTION

Thank you for donating last week to the special collection for the people of Haiti and Louisiana. Our combined contributions totaled \$2,226.00. May God bless you for your generosity.

"THE WORD AMONG US" booklets with the daily meditations for October are available at the entrance of the church.

COME PRAY 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.**

OLIVE WOOD NATIVITY CARVINGS made in Bethlehem will be available for purchase the weekend of **October 9-10**. Christians living in the Holy Land have very few opportunities to make a living, but they continue to struggle to remain there, a people devoted to our most cherished holy places. Many of these families have become talented carvers in olive wood, passing the skills down through the generations. By purchasing their products, we can help ensure their future as a Christian presence in the Holy Land. What a great idea for Christmas gifts!

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YEAR OF THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

September Theme: Family of Families

Points to Ponder:

The Parish as a Family of Families

"The parish is the family of families, the domestic Church of the home. For example, in Acts 2:46-47, they met in homes breaking bread together. We have to work together as family to bring about change. Families helping families is the core of the parish."

--Father Nieli, Paulist Missionary Priest

"The parish is where the Church lives. Parishes are communities of faith, of action, and of hope. They are where the Gospel is proclaimed and celebrated, where believers are formed and sent to renew the earth. Parishes are the home of the Christian community; they are the heart of our Church. Parishes are the place where God's people meet Jesus in word and sacrament and come in touch with the source of the Church's life."

--Communities of Salt and Light



QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY PARISH OF HOSTYN

will have their Annual Festival on Sunday, **October 3**. There will be a Mass with lively Polka music at 10:00 a.m., followed by a fried chicken and sausage meal (\$12/plate) starting at 11:00 a.m. The auction will begin at 1:00 p.m., bingo at 1:30 p.m., a magic show at 3:00 p.m. and live music will go all day. Other activities will include cake and plant wheels, a country store, a silent auction, and a balloon artist.

THOSE IN THE LEGAL PROFESSION ARE INVITED TO RED MASS:

The 30th annual diocesan Red Mass will be celebrated Thursday, **September 30**, at 6 p.m. at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. Father Doug Jeffers, associate pastor of St. John Neumann Parish in Austin, will be the homilist. Red Mass is a Mass of the Holy Spirit celebrated annually at the opening of the judicial year. This 13th century European custom marked the opening of the parliament and received its name from the red color of the vestments worn by the celebrant and the scarlet robes worn by the Lord High Justices. Today, many cities around the U.S. hold the Red Mass annually in celebration of the legal profession.

TOGETHER IN HOLINESS MARRIAGE CONFERENCE

The St. John Paul II Foundation invites all married and engaged couples in the Diocese of Austin to the first "Together in Holiness" Marriage Conference on Saturday, **November 6**, from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at St. William Catholic Church in Round Rock. The conference includes dynamic presentations, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, and Reconciliation. Child care is available. Registration is \$59 per couple (*only \$49 if you register by September 20*). Visit togetherinholiness.org for more information.

ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE for your weekly, monthly or one-time donations. No need to write checks or remember your envelope... Just complete an authorization form found at the Church entrance and return it to the parish office, or sign yourself up on the parishes websites' "Make a Donation" page.

FOR THOSE PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE: Couples planning to marry should contact their priest or deacon at least nine months prior to their wedding date in order to begin the marriage preparation process. Your parish is always the best choice for your marriage preparation. Your parish priest is part of your spiritual lives. Schedule an appointment with a priest in your parish.

OTHER NEWS

THE MOBILE FOOD PANTRY: The next distribution is **October 7**, from **10:00 – 11:00 a.m.** This will be a Drive-Thru, so all clients are to stay in their vehicles and open the trunk. Volunteers will load the food in your vehicle.



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, **October 8**.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH in



Sealy will have their annual Bazaar and Homecoming **TODAY** at Sealy KC Hall on Hwy. 90 West. A 3-meat BBQ dinner (\$12/plate) will be served at 10:30 a.m., dine in or drive through. Mexican food will also be available. The rest of the day will consist of a live auction, raffle, booths, and live music by Kovanda's Czech Band--all under the pavilion. An online auction will also be held, with bidding open from 6 p.m., September 24, to 6 p.m., October 3. Access it at icc-Sealy.org. For more information, call 979-885-3868.

COLUMBUS KCs will have a Fried Chicken Drive Thru meal with buttered potatoes and coleslaw **TODAY** at the Columbus KC Hall, starting at 11:00 a.m. Plates are \$11/ea. Proceeds benefit the St. Anthony School Equipment Fund. CDA will have desserts available for sale. Call 979-732-5505 for tickets.

ST. ROCH PARISH OF MENTZ'S 167th Annual Picnic is Sunday, **October 3**. Mass is at 10:30 a.m. followed by a BBQ meal of beef, pork and sausage at 11:00 a.m. (\$14/plate) The live auction starts at 1:00 p.m. Also enjoy bingo, a country store, the raffle, a silent auction, kids' activities, and live music.

ASCENSION CATHOLIC CHURCH in Bastrop is having their 2021 Fall Festival on Sunday, **October 3**. Along with the Food Court, there will be live and silent auctions, raffle, cakewalk, country store, Bingo, and an Adult Corn Hole Tournament. For more information, got to ascensionbastrop.com.

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

Sept. 25-26 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Regardless of our stations in life, the many gifts we possess are indicative of the presence of God which brings us together into one body in Christ. One of the greatest aspects of being Catholic is the certain reality that we all sit around the Table of the Lord without distinction. Let us see through the gifts of all people, the God of mercy and love.

Septiembre 25-26 26th Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

"Sin importar la estación en nuestras vidas en la que nos encontremos, los muchos dones que poseemos indican la presencia de Dios que nos une en un cuerpo en Cristo. Uno de los más grandes aspectos de ser Católico es la realidad cierta de que todos nos sentamos en la Mesa del Señor sin distinción. Veamos a través de los dones de toda la gente, al Dios de misericordia y amor".

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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Saturday – Herman Schramm

Sunday – John Spiess

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday – Betty Kovar, Karley Gaytan

Sunday – John Spiess, Lori Spiess

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Gregory Huebner, Luke Huebner, Lydia Huebner

Sunday – Luke Beseda, Scotti Beseda, Mackayla Griffin

GIFT BEARERS

Saturday – Ronnie Kramr Family

Sunday – Joe Babin Family

ALTAR DUTY FOR OCTOBER

Jean Muske, Margie Svrcek, Janet Hall, Halissa Toddy

USHERS FOR OCTOBER

Saturday – Ronald Malota, Wesley Gaertner, Leonard Malota, Leslie Little

Sunday – Christopher Kaspar, Jim Mattair, Arlis Keilers, Willie Socha

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Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Saturday – Donna Shula

Sunday – JoAnn Divin

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Klayten Schmitt

Sunday – Julie Korenek

ALTAR FLOWERS

October 2/3 – Paula Urban

October 9/10 – Diane Marusik

October 16/17 – Lisa Weishuhn

USHERS FOR OCTOBER

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

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

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A Note from the Pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This last weekend, we celebrated Catechetical Sunday. I want to express my gratitude for all catechists – those who impart our Catholic faith through teaching, living and honoring the church. We celebrate catechists in our local church and catechists in our domestic churches, (our families – parents and grandparents) who give their time so generously so that our children will be formed well.

The Second Vatican Council refers to the family as “The Domestic Church” because it is the school of life where we first learn about the love and presence of God. Those called to be parents are given the responsibility and the privilege of sharing Christ and his church with the next generation. Through praying before meals, offering forgiveness to one another or sharing a blessing each day, these spiritual moments provide the foundation upon which children continue experiencing God’s love. May the Holy Spirit guide the hearts and minds of all catechists as they share their love of Christ, so that we may continue to hear, see and live the Gospel of Life in the world.

Together we build the foundation of the Church for generations to come. May we continue to pray that our young men will answer God’s call for the Vocation to the Priesthood.

-Fr. Steve



**St. Vincent de Paul
September 27**



St. Vincent de Paul was renowned for his compassion, humility, and generosity toward the poor, and was a pioneer in clerical training for priests.

St. Vincent was born in Ranquine, France, the son of a peasant farmer. A bright student, he was educated by the Franciscans and paid for his education with money he earned tutoring children of wealthy families. He became a priest in 1600. He was traveling by sea when Barbary pirates captured him; he survived two hard years as a slave, but escaped to Rome and later, Paris. It was there that he met Cardinal Pierre de Berulle, who influenced Vincent to devote his life to charitable works.

He established organizations of men and women to provide aid to the poor and sick. He depended on the donations of the wealthy, who made it possible for him to found hospitals and an orphanage.

In 1625, in Paris, Vincent founded the Congregation of the Missions, called the Lazarites or Vincentians, a society of priests charged with missionary efforts, the training of clergy, and preaching among the country people. In 1633, with St. Louise de Marillac (f.d. April 28), he founded the Sisters of Charity, the first congregation of women to care for the sick and poor outside of the convent. During Vincent’s life, the Vincentians increased in number and spread across the world.

He died in Paris on September 27, 1660, and was canonized by Pope Clement XII (r. 1730-40) in 1737. He is the patron saint of all charitable societies.