

St. Mary Catholic Church

Est. 1855
Mission Parish
815 St. Mary's Church Rd.
Fayetteville (near Ellinger)
www.stmaryellinger.com



Weekly Offering: \$ 1,113.00
Online Giving: \$ 251.38
\$ 1,364.38

Average Weekly Operating Expenses
\$ 2,492

MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.
No Mass

Louie & Augustina Licka †

Friday at 7:00 a.m.

John & Albina Urban †

Saturday Vigil at 4:00 p.m.

Lillian Wied †

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: \$ 4,248.00
Online Giving: \$ 455.42
\$ 4,703.42

Average Weekly Operating Expenses
\$ 5,011

MASSES

Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

No Mass

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

No Mass

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.

No Mass

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

Clement & Olga Gully †

Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.

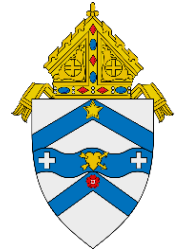
Patrick Supak †

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

F.C. & Mabel Knippel †



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.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH 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 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.)*

CONGRATULATIONS and best wishes to *Alex & Katelyn (Divin) Esquivel*, who were united in the bonds of Holy Matrimony this weekend. May the Lord bless them with many happy years of marriage.

IN MEMORIAM: Our parish families extend sympathies and prayers towards the family of *Adell Coufal* who was buried last week. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

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.**

ST. JOHN'S CEMETERY: During the month of October, the cemetery gates will be unlocked so that you may take care of your loved one's graves.

ST. MARY PASTORAL COUNCIL NOMINATIONS: Inserted in last week's bulletin was a nomination form for St. Mary's Pastoral Council members. The criteria for members are listed on the form. Please submit your nominations by Sunday, **October 17**.

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.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- **OFFICER'S MEETING** will be on Monday, **October 4**, at 6:30 p.m., in St. John's Parish Hall.
- **BAR-B-Q** chicken, sausage and ribs to-go will be served next Sunday, **October 10**, at 10:30 a.m. at the St. John Hall pits. Orders may be placed by calling (979) 249-6003. K.C. members to work starting at 5:00 a.m. are Erwin Kovar's crew. The CDA will have side dishes available.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS will hold their next meeting on Tuesday, **October 5**, at 6:45 p.m. Audit will be at 5:30 p.m. Please join us in praying the Rosary for Adell Coufal at 6:15 p.m. in the church prior to our meeting.

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

ST. JOHN ALTAR SOCIETY meets Tuesday, **October 12**, at 2:00 p.m. in the parish hall. This is a very important meeting since we will host the Brenham/Lagrange Deanery meeting on Tuesday, October 26, and more plans need to be made.



COMFORT ITEMS FOR VETERANS: Catholic Daughters of the Americas (CDA), Court Fr. Chromcik, is collecting items for our veterans in VA hospitals through the month of **October**. Items such as toothpaste, razors, deodorants, socks, hairbands and clips, combs, hairbrushes, etc. will be collected. No magazines please. A box is available for these items at the entrance of the church.

ALL SOULS ENVELOPES are available at the entrance of the church. You may have Masses offered for deceased family and friends during the month of November. These souls will be prayed for at each Mass during November. Write the names of the souls on the envelope & **drop it in the collection no later than Oct. 24**.

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**.

SAVE THE DATE! Father Bill Casey of the Fathers of Mercy will be here to present a **parish mission** from **October 31** through **November 4**. More information will be forthcoming.

OCTOBER IS NATIONAL DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH. If you, a family member or friend needs help now, contact the National Domestic Violence Hotline at <http://www.thehotline.org>; 800-799-7233; or 800-787-3224 (TTY). If you are in immediate danger, call 911. Don't stay silent. Break the cycle now.

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.



IT'S THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY! 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 **NEXT WEEKEND!** 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!

THE ANNUAL LICKSKILLET DAYS sponsored by the Fayetteville Chamber of Commerce will be **October 16-17**, on the square in Fayetteville. **Please note that the Sunday Mass at St. John's on October 17 will begin at 9:30 a.m.**

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OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH! And, today is **Respect Life Sunday!** During this Year of St. Joseph, we are encouraged to reflect more deeply on how St. Joseph loved Jesus with a *father's heart*. Joseph's unhesitating adherence to God's will as he faithfully and lovingly protected the Christ Child and the Blessed Mother bears witness to our own call as Christians to safeguard God's gift of human life.

As Catholics, we believe that every human person is made in the image and likeness of God. Every human life is therefore sacred and inviolable and should be protected and cherished from conception until natural death. Practices such as abortion, assisted suicide, and capital punishment violate the dignity of the human person and must be rejected.

How can you get involved?

- **Fill those Baby Banks**, showing your kids how important it is to be part of efforts to help unborn babies, women, and families.
- **Participate in the 40 Days for Life** fall campaign that goes through October 31 by visiting a vigil, or by staying home, praying and fasting for an end to abortion. Visit <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/resources-devotionals.aspx> for the daily prayers.
- **Sign up for Respect Life Prayer and Action.** Babies in the womb are more vulnerable than ever. When you join, you will receive prayers, action alerts to contact Congress and government leaders, service opportunities for at-risk women and more to help protect the innocent against attacks on human life. Sign up at <https://www.respectlife.org/prayer-and-action>.

YEAR OF THE DOMESTIC CHURCH

October Theme: The Witness of Marriage

The witness of marriage is a witness of the love that Christ has for his bride, the Church. From the beginning to the end of scripture, we see the importance of marriage. We see the marriage – the union of God and his people – throughout the Old Testament. In Christ, we see the sacrificial love of God who lays down his life for his bride. And in the Eucharist, we participate in the wedding feast of the lamb; the eternal wedding banquet of heaven.



OTHER NEWS

THE MOBILE FOOD PANTRY: The next distribution is Thursday, **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**.

ST. ROCH PARISH OF MENTZ'S 167th Annual Picnic is **TODAY, 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.

ST. ANTHONY PARISH IN COLUMBUS will have their Annual Fall Festival on Sunday, **October 10**. Mass will be celebrated at 8 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. Then move to the KC Hall for festivities and a BBQ beef and sausage meal starting at 11:00 a.m.

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

QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY PARISH OF HOSTYN will have their Annual Festival **TODAY, 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.

ATTENTION--DOCTORS, NURSES AND HEALTHCARE WORKERS: The Catholic Healthcare Guild of Central Texas invites all healthcare workers to join us for the 20th annual White Mass to be celebrated by Bishop Joe S. Vásquez **October 19** at 6 p.m. at St. Mary Cathedral in Austin. The White Mass will be live streamed for those who wish to participate virtually. If unable to attend, please consider hosting a gathering at your local parish or hospital. Go to <http://www.smcaustin.org/streaming-video-page> and/or www.facebook.com/smcaustin for the livestream.

PROJECT RACHEL HELPS THOSE SUFFERING AFTER AN ABORTION: Project Rachel is a compassionate and confidential ministry extending God's unconditional love and forgiveness to women and men who experience the tragedy of abortion. By offering a safe place for those who are suffering to be reconciled with God and his church, Project Rachel helps anyone who is suffering after an abortion (or as the result of a loved one's abortion) to experience God's mercy, forgiveness and peace. The next retreat will take place **October 29-31**. For more information about the retreat or the ministry contact Luisa de Poo at project-rachel@austindiocese.org or 1-877-WeCare2 (1-877-932-2732).

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. Visit togetherinholiness.org for more information.

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

October 2-3 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fundamental values for the Christian faithful are relationship and solidarity. Living a life in and of Jesus Christ means we have an obligation to manifest human solidarity through the work of our hands and our actions. Living in right relationship with others brings peace.

Octubre 2-3 27mo. Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Valores fundamentales para los fieles Cristianos son la relación y la solidaridad. Vivir una vida en y de Jesucristo significa que tenemos la obligación de manifestar solidaridad humana a través del trabajo de nuestras manos y nuestras acciones. Vivir en relaciones correctas con otros trae paz.

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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Saturday – Addie Dybala
Sunday – Janet Hall

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday – Addie Dybala, Joan Malota
Sunday – Janell Warschak, Nikki Beseda

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Abigail Taylor, Peyton Jurecka, Paige Jurecka
Sunday – Wade Halamicek, Mackenzie Poncik, Logan Poncik

GIFT BEARERS

Saturday – Erwin Kovar Family
Sunday – David Bertsch 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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Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152

A Note from the Pastor

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This past week we celebrated the Feast of the Archangels – Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael. The existence of the spiritual, non-corporeal beings that Sacred Scripture usually calls “angels” is a truth of faith. The witness of Scripture is as clear as the unanimity of Tradition. “Angel” is the name of their office, not of their nature. By their nature, angels are spirits that are servants and messengers of God. Because they “always behold the face of God who is in heaven,” (Mt. 18:10) they are the mighty ones who do his work, hearkening to the voice of his word. From its beginning until death, human life is surrounded by the watchful care and intercession of angels. Beside each believer stands an angel as protector and shepherd, leading him to life. (CCC 336)

If Satan has been defeated, why must we still fight him? He has lost the war, but – on his way to hell – he is trying to exact more casualties upon the kingdom of God. He is a sore loser, and “his fury knows no limits, for he knows his time is short”. (Rv. 12:12) Therefore, if we “relax our efforts” in finishing the fight, we might suffer some casualties ourselves. Because God has used angels to successfully fight Satan, and because the Lord hasn’t changed His battle plan, we need the angels. We must regularly involve the angels, especially the archangels, in spiritual warfare.

St. Michael the Archangel, pray for us.



-Fr. Steve

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Saturday – Rose Urban
Sunday – Aimee Korenek

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Rylee Fritsch
Sunday – Stephen Korenek

ALTAR FLOWERS

October 9/10 – Lisa Weishuhn
October 16/17 – Diane Marusik
October 23/24 – Ruth Wunderlich

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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Saint John Leonardi

October 9



“I am only one person! Why should I do anything? What good would it do?” Today, as in any age, people seem plagued with the dilemma of getting involved. In his own way, John Leonardi answered these questions. He chose to become a priest.

After his ordination, Fr. Leonardi became very active in the works of the ministry, especially in hospitals and prisons. The example and dedication of his work attracted several young laymen who began to assist him. They later became priests themselves.

John lived after the Protestant Reformation and the Council of Trent. He and his followers created a new congregation of diocesan priests. For some reason the plan (which was ultimately approved) provoked great political opposition, and John was exiled from his home town of Lucca, Italy, for most of the rest of his life. He was encouraged and helped by Saint Philip Neri.

In 1579, John formed the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, and published a compendium of Christian doctrine that remained in use until the 19th century.

Father Leonardi and his priests became a great power for good in Italy, and their congregation was confirmed by Pope Clement in 1595. John died at the age of 68 from a disease caught when tending those stricken by the plague.

What can one person do? The answer is plenty! Each of us, like John Leonardi, has a mission to fulfill in God’s plan for the world. Each one of us is unique and has been given talent to use for the service of our brothers and sisters for the building up of God’s kingdom.

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