

July 31, 2020

Dear St. Mary of the Assumption Parishioners,

Our 86th annual St. Mary's Catholic Community Fall Festival HOMECOMING Celebration, originally scheduled for Sunday, September 13, 2020, held on our parish grounds, will not be taking place in the interest of public health. We will continue forward with the meal that will take place as regularly scheduled from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm on Sunday, Sept. 13th. We will only be pre-selling meal tickets, \$12 per person. The meal will consist of BBQ brisket, sausage, German potatoes and green beans. We will also have a raffle drawing, with the first prize being a \$4,000 gift card! We will need your continued support by selling meal and raffle tickets.

Meal tickets may be purchased at the church office (408 Washburn St. Taylor, TX) Monday through Friday from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. You may also purchase meal tickets or make a donation online at <https://www.stmarystaylor.org/2020smff>. Meal tickets will only be presold. The deadline to purchase a meal ticket is Sunday, September 6, 2020.

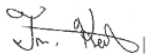
This year parishioners will receive a booklet of raffle tickets to either sell or purchase. We are still figuring out the logistics. Until we figure out how to get tickets to all parishioners, they may be picked up at the church office to purchase or sell.

I offer my sincere gratitude to all volunteers and donors who started planning earlier this year in anticipation of having the festival on our parish and school grounds.

Last year proceeds from the festival were shared between the church and school. We will do the same this year. This Fall Festival is an essential means of funding for our school. The school's budget is dependent upon the revenue from this event. As the Fall Festival has traditionally been one of our largest fundraisers for our school and parish. The proceeds last year were a record breaking \$78,000.00! This cancellation is a great loss to the financial operations of both.

I am confident in God's guidance with us as we continue to face difficult decisions as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic. We receive our strength from God who will lead our parish family to greater unity no matter the circumstance or situation.

In Christ,



Fr. Keith Koehl

To purchase meal tickets, you may send the form below to the church office. Please include a check for your purchase as well as your mailing address. Remember, you may also purchase meal tickets online at <https://www.stmarystaylor.org/2020smff>.

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Number of **Meal** Tickets sold _____ Amount of Money Turned in for Meal Tickets \$ _____

We will mail you physical tickets for any meal tickets that you purchase.

If you would like to give fundraising credit to a St. Mary's Catholic School student for the sale of the tickets you purchased, you may list their name below.

St. Mary's Student's Name: _____

Any monies received after September 8th will be considered a donation.

Please send **checks** in the mail to: St. Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church