



St. Mary, Our Lady of the Lake

# Ministry Fair

2019

## Liturgy

**Altar Servers:** This ministry is a group of young people who assist the priest and deacon by serving on the altar in a prayerful manner during Holy Mass.

— *Patricia Umbarger (254-654-9447)* or

— *Rene LeBlanc (512-258-5283)*

**Lectors:** Proclaims the Word to the assembled faith community.

— *Karen Eckermann (512-705-7708)*

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:** A Catholic ministry for men and women to distribute the Blood of Christ at Mass.

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**Art and Environment Ministry:** Responsible through-out the year for designing the environment to coincide with the liturgical celebrations in our parish. — *Jeannie Baker (281-723-4843)*

**Mass Sacristans:** A “behind-the-scenes” service which can be performed by individuals or couples. The entire service of this ministry occurs before and after the Mass liturgy. Duties include setting up for Mass, monitor wine and host supplies, assist priest with liturgical articles for Mass. — *Bobby Beck (512-970-3638)*

**Ushers Ministry:** Volunteers who serve to take up the collection, coordinate gifts at offertory, assist in seating (at special masses such as funerals and holy days,) hand out missalettes and Sunday bulletin.

— *Paul Smith (512-267-7665)*

**Choir Ministry:** Come to sing or come to play an instrument (guitar, violin, drums, trumpet, flute, etc.) at either Saturday Mass or Sunday Masses. — *Mickie Smith (512-267-7665)*

**Baptism Preparation Ministry:** Baptism Prep is a class required by the Diocese to prepare all parents and godparents for the wonderful sacrament of Baptism. These classes are held by appointment. This is a fantastic way to be involved with new parishioners, new parents, as well as to learn wonderful faith experiences from seasoned families. — *Christina Clem (469-774-0241)*

**Confirmation Preparation Team:** Prepares youth for the Sacrament of Confirmation. — *Michael Urtado (512-992-9930)*

**Pastoral Care Bereavement Lunches Ministry:** Helping your friends in their time of need by preparing and serving a buffet lunch for family and friends after the funeral of a loved one.  
— *Mickie Smith (512-267-7665)*

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to Homebound Ministry:** This ministry brings spiritual enrichment through the Holy Eucharist to individuals who are unable to participate fully in parish liturgy because of age or incapacity. These individuals include parishioners who are homebound on a temporary or long-term basis due to illness or injury. — *Bonnie Nenner (512-267-7636)*

**Religious Education (RE) Teachers:** Adults teach Sunday morning classes for grades K-12, and catechists & aides are always needed. Training and supplies are provided. You will find that teaching will benefit you as much as the children you teach!!  
— *Christina Clem K-6 (469-774-0241)* and  
— *Michael Urtado 7-12 grades (512-992-9930)*

**Youth Ministry Support Team:** Promotes and organizes comprehensive youth ministry. — *Michael Urtado (512-992-9930)*

**Vacation Bible School:** Energetic volunteers are needed for one week in the summer. Whatever your talent—be it cooking, singing, line leading, or cutting out patterns — we can put you to good work. The smiles on the children's faces are worth your time.  
— *Eileen Wickham (512-852-8847)*

**Greeters Ministry:** Greeters are responsible for establishing that "first impression" for those entering God's house.  
— *Mike & Sylvia Valls (512-986-9813)*

**TMIY: THAT MAN IS YOU** is an interactive program that addresses the temptations and struggles men face in our modern culture and a plan that allows men to overcome these obstacles.  
— *Wayne Nenner (682-560-0495)*

**Bible Study Ministry:** Through bible study we draw closer to God by reading His Word in scripture, and we also draw closer to each other as we study His Word together. — *TBD*

**RCIA:** A journey for NON-CATHOLIC adults who are seeking to know more about the Catholic faith. It is a year round process which embodies the recognition that faith and conversion are a gradual process. — *Kay & Mike Schneider (530-249-6663)*

**Eucharistic Adoration Ministry:** After Wednesday and First Friday Masses; We watch, wait, and remain silent in his presence and open ourselves to His graces which flow from the Eucharist.  
— *Laura Carr (215-262-2074)*

**Divine Mercy Chaplet Ministry:** After Friday morning Mass and 9:55 am on Sundays after praying together the Rosary with devotion, thanksgiving and intercessions.  
— *Sarah Green (512-267-7895)*

**Thesians:** A Catholic women's organization called to Gospel holiness by living according to the five dimensions of: spirituality, education, community, vocation, and ministry.  
— *Katie Evans (512-267-0979)*

**Vocations Ministry:** Offers programs and retreats for men and women who are interested in discerning a call to the priesthood or religious life. We work to foster a "vocation culture" throughout the parish & the diocese. <http://www.austinvocations.com/>  
— *David Barclay (512-578-6450)*

**Martha's Hands Ministry:** A team ministry responsible for once a week lightly dusting and cleaning of the church.  
— *Kay Schneider (530-249-2819)*

**Altar Care Ministry:** Care of the communion cloths.  
— *Ethel Ruszkowski (512-267-4199)*

**Rosary Crusaders:** A group of parishioners that pray the Rosary in spanish every 4th Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the PAC. Un grupo de feligreses que reza el rosario en español cada 4to martes a las 7 de la noche en el PAC. — *Erika Camacho (512-517-9728)*

## Parish Advisory Bodies

**Pastoral Council:** The primary advisory body to the pastor on all aspects of parish life. The Pastoral Council reflects on the mission/vision of the parish and sets priorities for the parish guided by the parish strategic plan. — *Barbara Shallue (512-657-0661)*

**The Finance Council:** The Finance Council is an advisory body whose primary charge is the financial health of the parish. It monitors income and expenses on a monthly basis. It reviews and makes recommendations on major expenditures. It advises the pastor on creating healthy and prudent financial practices and procedures for the parish. It prepares the annual budget for acceptance by the pastor. — *Helen McKinstry (512-699-8977)*

## Parish Organizations and Activities

**St. Vincent de Paul Society:** Helping people where they live. This ministry is person-to-person contact encompassing every aspect of aid that alleviates suffering and promotes human dignity.

— *Liz Velasquez (512-567-9083)*

— *Tom McSwain (512-983-4482)*

**Women's Guild:** It is the purpose of the Women's Guild to encourage its members to grow in faith by sharing their individual gifts and talents through activities which are dedicated to the service of the parish and the greater community. All registered women of St. Mary parish are members of the Women's Guild.

— *Nadine Parmelee (512-550-3187)*

**Knights of Columbus:** The Knights of Columbus is a fraternal organization consisting of Catholic gentlemen 18 years or older in age, who wish to serve their Church and their fellow citizens.

— *Mike Valls (512-986-9813)*

**Oktoberfest Volunteers:** This is an annual fundraising event that requires many volunteers to assist the Fall Festival Committee in making this a wonderful day for our parishioners and the community. — *Stan Miller (512-659-5770)*

**St. Teresa Ministry:** Ladies of the Parish that join in making meals for Fr. Raj. — *Sheila Nichols (512-267-0883)*

**St. Matthew's Society:** This group meets usually on Monday to go over Collections and submits proceeds to the Church Account at the bank, and reports to the Finance Council.

— *Mary Ann Crow (512-786-6885)*

**Pro-Life Ministry:** St. Mary's community connection to Pro-Life activities. — *Jacque Tate (512-848-2509)*

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Pray for those in need and knit or crochet prayer shawls, lap blankets, hats for needy children, chemo patients, and shut-ins or those grieving and in need of comfort.

— *Berniece Donnellan (512-267-9527)*

**Library Ministry:** Located in the Church, has a collection of religious/spiritual books, DVDs & pamphlets. Volunteers perform ordinary library tasks. — *Cyryl Yannitell (512-267-4779)*

**Office Volunteer Ministry:** Assists the parish office with tasks and general office duties and fills in for parish secretary on special occasions. — *Sherry Rodgers (office) (512-267-2644)*

**Columbarium:** Assists applicants in purchasing a niche in our Columbarium, and/or assists in interring the urns into their niche. — *Dick Bohn (512-267-6847)*

**Christ Child Ministry:** Service project to provide layettes to mothers in need, bereavement gowns, hygiene packets and cold weather items for disadvantaged children. We provide toys and books for children of parents who are in ESL. We also partner with grade schools to help/mentor students with their reading skills on an individual basis. — *Linda Foerster (512-267-1289)*

**Landscaping Ministry:** A group of volunteers that bring their love of gardening together to beautify and maintain the church grounds. Volunteers work as a team under the guidance of Mary Dolch. Come out and volunteer or adopt a bed where you help weed and trim one section of a flower bed. — *Mary Dolch (512-954-2034)*

**Special Projects Ministry:** Volunteers with required skills to help the Parish Office with tasks that need to be done. — *Bob and Mary Ann Crow (512-786-6885)*



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