

**St. Mary's
&
Holy Name of Jesus
Catholic Churches**



**Diocese of Amarillo
Most Rev. Patrick J. Zurek, Bishop
Rev. Grant Spinhirne, Administrator**

**St. Mary's
22830 Pondaseta Road
P.O. Box 105
Umbarger, TX 79091
(806) 499-3531**

**Holy Name of Jesus
317 W. Main
P.O. Box 128
Happy, TX 79042
(806) 558-2871**

WWW.STMARYSUMBARGER.COM

Mass Schedule			
		Umbarger	Happy
Mon, May 20	St Bernardine of Siena	No Mass	No Mass
Tue, May 21	St. Christopher Magallanes and Companions	No Mass	No Mass
Wed, May 22	St. Rita of Cascia	No Mass	No Mass
Thu, May 23		No Mass	No Mass
Fri, May 24		No Mass	No Mass
Sat, May 25	St. Bede the Venerable	No Mass	5:30 PM - Parish Family
Sun, May 26	6th Sunday of Easter	9:00 AM - Parish Family	No Mass

ST. MARY'S

Date	Lector	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Usher	Gifts
May 26, 2019	CYO	Lillee Finke Stark Henderson Natalee Finke	Kristi Powell Karen Artho Jason Garrett	CYO & K of C Usher	CYO

Divine Mercy Chaplet: 1st Sunday at 10:30 AM
Anointing of the Sick: By Request
CYO 4th Sunday 6:00 pm. at the Hall
CCD: Sundays at 10:15-11:30

Confirmation Mass will be on Thursday, May 30th at 7pm. The whole parish is invited to come and celebrate with those that will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The family of Clara Grabber would like to send a HUGE Thank You to the parish of Saint Mary's church for all of the kind gestures and support during this time. There are too many to mention individually, but thanks especially to the Christian Mothers for preparing and working the funeral dinner. Twas scrumptious!

Liturgical Minister Training: *Sunday, May 19th.* If you would like to help serve in the different ministries during mass, we will be having a training for all new and current Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, and Altar Servers. While CCD classes are going on, we will begin with Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Ushers trainings for Adults. Then, after CCD we will have the training for Altar Servers.

St Mary's Prayer Blanket Ministry: If you or a loved one suffers from a serious illness and would like a blanket, please contact Laurie Wegman or Fr Grant.

Upcoming Ordinations:
 Deacon Taylor Elzner and Deacon Victor Hugo Andrade will be ordained to the Priesthood Saturday, June 1 during a 10:30am Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral, 1200 South Washington. Please make plans to join us at the Cathedral for this joyous occasion.

Fr Grant will be taking some days off for vacation May 20 - 24th. There will be no daily mass that week.

St. Louis de Montfort explains how prayers to Mary are transferred to God
 By Philip Kosloski

She is an "echo of God," a pure channel that takes our prayers directly to her Heavenly Father.

When Catholics pray to the Blessed Virgin Mary, it is not an act of worship, as worship is given only to God.

St. Louis de Montfort, an 18th-century priest devoted to the Virgin Mary, explains what happens with prayers addressed to Our Lady. The explanation is found in his book True Devotion to Mary. He starts off by writing that sincere and devout prayers to the Virgin Mary "will give more glory to Jesus in a month than in many years of a more demanding devotion."

Montfort explains that Mary is a pure conduit for our prayers, transforming them into glorious prayers to her Heavenly Father.

She is an echo of God, speaking and repeating only God. If you say "Mary" she says "God." When St. Elizabeth praised Mary calling her blessed because she had believed, Mary, the faithful echo of God, responded with her canticle, "My soul glorifies the Lord."

What Mary did on that day, she does every day. When we praise her, when we love and honour her, when we present anything to her, then God is praised, honoured and loved and receives our gift through Mary and in Mary.

If you say "Mary" she says "God."

In another example, Montfort envisions the Virgin Mary taking our prayers in her hands and transforming them when presenting them to God.

Our Blessed Lady, in her immense love for us, is eager to receive into her virginal hands the gift of our actions, imparting to them a marvelous beauty and splendour, and presenting them herself to Jesus most willingly. More glory is given to our Lord in this way than when we make our offering with our own guilty hands.

The next time you offer prayers to the Virgin Mary, remember how she receives your prayers and takes them directly to God. In a very real way, the closer we are to Mary, the closer we are to God.

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

Parish Finances May 12, 2019

Regular Collection: \$61.00

Upcoming Ordinations:

Deacon Taylor Elzner and Deacon Victor Hugo Andrade will be ordained to the Priesthood Saturday, June 1 during a 10:30am Mass at St. Mary’s Cathedral, 1200 South Washington. Please make plans to join us at the Cathedral for this joyous occasion.

How long is Jesus present in the Eucharist after we’ve received Communion?

By Philip Kosloski

"We have to pay proper respect to Our Lord"

The great treasure of the Catholic Church is the Eucharist — Jesus himself hidden under the appearances of bread and wine. We believe, as the Catechism states, that “In the most blessed sacrament of the Eucharist ‘the body and blood, together with the soul and divinity, of our Lord Jesus Christ and, therefore, the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially contained’” (CCC 1374).

Additionally, this Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist does not end immediately when we receive him at Communion time. The Catechism goes on to explain how, “The Eucharistic presence of Christ begins at the moment of the consecration and endures as long as the Eucharistic species subsist” (CCC 1377).

What does that mean when we receive him into our mouths? How long does Jesus’ Real Presence remain in our bodies?

There is a famous story from the life of Saint Philip Neri that helps answer that question. One day while he was celebrating Mass, a man received Holy Communion and left the church early. The man appeared to have no regard for the Presence within him and so Philip Neri decided to use this opportunity as a teaching moment. He sent two altar boys with lighted candles to follow the man outside of the church. After a while walking through the streets of Rome, the man turned around to see the altar boys still following him. Confused, the man returned to the church and asked Philip Neri why he sent the altar boys. Saint Philip Neri responded by saying, “We have to pay proper respect to Our Lord, Whom you are carrying away with you. Since you neglect to adore Him, I sent two acolytes to take your place.” The man was stunned by the response and resolved to be more aware of God’s presence in the future.

It is generally assumed that the Eucharistic species of bread remains for about 15 minutes after reception. This is based on simple biology and reflects the Catechism’s statement that the presence of Christ “endures as long as

the Eucharistic species subsist.”

This is why many saints have recommended offering 15 minutes of prayer after receiving the Eucharist as a thanksgiving to God. This allows the soul to savor the presence of God and have a true “heart-to-heart” with Jesus.

In our face paced world it is often difficult to remain long after Mass, but that doesn’t mean we can’t at least pray a brief prayer of thanksgiving. The main point is that we need to remember Jesus’ presence in the Eucharist stays with us for several minutes and presents us with a special time when we can commune with our Lord and feel his love within us.

If one day you forget, don’t be surprised if your parish priest sends altar servers to follow you to your car when you leave Mass early!

Las siete armas espirituales contra el demonio

By Maria Paola Daud

Santa Catalina de Bolonia, perteneció a una familia noble, fue dama de honor de la princesa Margarita de Este. En la corte y desde muy niña recibió una rica formación en arte y cultura. Eran muy notables sus tendencias naturales a la vida de piedad, oración, y su gran compasión generosa hacia los pobres. Catalina ganó la simpatía de todos por sus dotes físicas y espirituales, sin embargo en ella, cada día iba creciendo más y más el deseo de consagrarse al Señor.

Tenía catorce años cuando decide dejar la corte y debido a los acontecimientos no previstos dentro de su familia, como la muerte de su padre, ella queda sola con una gran fortuna; y aunque si tenía muchos pretendientes, sentía que no había nacido para esa vida.

Por un tiempo se unió a un grupo de mujeres piadosas orientadas a la espiritualidad agustiniana, así pudo profundizar en su fe y camino de oración. Que no le fue nada fácil, porque era constantemente tentada por el demonio que la llenaba de dudas y sufrimientos en cuanto a su vocación, pero en realidad esta pruebas al final robustecieron su espíritu e iluminaron su mente para discernir lo que proviene del espíritu de Dios y lo que son insidias del demonio en las almas. De allí surge sus escritos biográficos, ya como clarisa, llamados: “Las siete armas espirituales”.

Benedicto XVI en una de sus ilustres catequesis sobre los santos, nos cuenta detalladamente la vida de santa Catalina y resume brevemente el tratado de “Las siete armas espirituales”:

1. Tener cuidado y solicitud en obrar siempre el bien.
2. Creer que nosotros solos nunca podremos hacer algo verdaderamente bueno.
3. Confiar en Dios y, por amor a Él, no temer nunca la batalla contra el mal, tanto en el mundo como en nosotros mismos.
4. Meditar a menudo los hechos y las palabras de la vida de Jesús, sobre todo su pasión y muerte.
5. Recordar que debemos morir.
6. Tener fija en la mente la memoria de los bienes del Paraíso
7. Tener familiaridad con la Santa Escritura, llevándola siempre en el corazón para que oriente todos nuestros pensamientos y acciones.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

FOR BULLETIN NOTICES – Bulletin

Deadline: Thursday @ noon. Please Contact Fr. Grant by email: frgrantspinhirne@gmail.com or by phone: (806)499-3531.

Baptism or Wedding Please contact Fr. Grant at least 1 month in advance for baptisms and 6 months advance for weddings.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Umberger: Sundays at 8:30 am or by appointment. **Happy:** Saturdays at 5 p.m. and Thursday at 6:30 p.m. or by appointment.

To use or rent the church or parish hall, please contact Fr. Grant or Debbie Batenhorst at least 3 months before the event.

FOR MASS INTENTIONS please talk to Fr. Grant or leave the intention in the collection basket. There are envelopes available in the back of Church.

Please pray for all the sick in our parishes

ST. MARY'S: Marie Weick, Anita Adams, Sawyer Lane, Jeanie Bartley, Dianna Donathon, Jeremy Koch, Bill Stocker, John Grabber, April Artho, Mary Kolac, Gene Schenk, John Wilson, Kyle Henderson, Jose Sanchez, Ashlee Trevino, Audree Rose Gomez, Mike Smith, Oscar Olvera, Collier Friemel, Marcella Brandt, Tuffy Schenk, Lusi Ortiz, John Kreighauser, Sean Schenk, Misty Blevins, Chris Adams

Holy Name of Jesus: Juanita of Idaho, Silvia Silva, Rosa Villa, Astrid Perez, Santos Perez, Gloria Rodin, Larry Simons, Mario Soto, Pedra Soto, Louis Castellon, Lionel Sosa, Maryann Sosa, Martina Martin.

The Office of the Victim's assistance Coordinator for the Diocese of Amarillo

Sharyn Delgado
Victim Assistance Coordinator
719 South Austin
Amarillo, Tx 79106
Phone: 806-671-4830
Fax: 806-373-4662
Email: skdelgado@aol.com

Natural Family Planning (NFP). Learn NFP at home and at your own pace with the **Home Study Course** from NFP International, www.nfpandmore.org. Includes Ecological Breastfeeding (it really *can* space babies), a double-check system of fertility awareness, and Catholic teaching that's easy to understand. Work with a live instructor by email. Completion certificate. Only \$70.

Would you Like to attend an ACTS Retreat Weekend?

Next Retreat: **June 6-9, 2019**
Women's Retreat

There is more information about the ACTS Retreat online. If you or someone you know would like to attend you can register online at:
ACTSamarillo.org