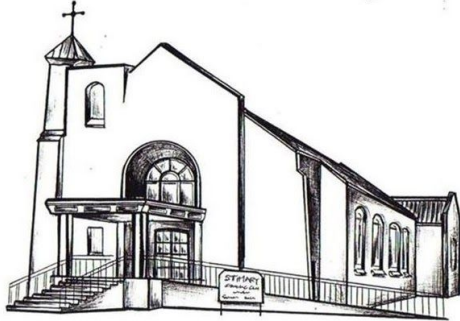


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Mass Schedule			
		Umbarger	Happy
Mon, February 10	St. Scholastica	No Mass	No Mass
Tue, February 11	Our Lady of Lourdes	7 PM - Elsie Batenhorst	No Mass
Wed, February 12		8 AM - Christian Mothers	No Mass
Thu, February 13		8 AM - Sylvester Batenhorst	7 PM -
Fri, February 14	St. Cyril	8 AM - Clara Grabber	No Mass
Sat, February 15		No Mass	5:30 PM - Parish Family
Sun, February 16	The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00 AM - Parish Family	No Mass

ST. MARY'S

Date	Lector	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Usher	Gifts
February 16, 2020	Roger Batenhorst	Kyle Guerrero Jacie Guerrero Landon Finke	Lesann Hartman Dustin Dorman Kristi Powell	Walt Davis & KC Usher	Volunteers

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

February 9th: Catholic Life is sponsoring and altar server appreciation bowling party and pizza afterward. This Sunday February 9th at 2pm at the WTAMU bowling alley. If you need a ride call Roger Batenhorst.

JOIN US FOR A SHROVE TUESDAY SPAGHETTI SUPPER fundraiser to help 7 CYO members go to a Steubenville Conference in July 2020! Donations accepted. February 25th from 5 pm - 8 pm while supplies last!

Fruhlingsfest Pre-Planning: If anyone is interested in helping in the kitchen, with live auction items or in any way for our fundraiser, please contact Debbie Batenhorst (806)499-3543.

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.

Thank you to all who came and supported the Knights of Columbus for their SuperBowl Party. It was a great game, with great food and fellowship. Come again next year!

2019 Contribution Statements: If you would like this statement, please contact Christina Wegman (806)236-8730.

Reflect on God's mercy at the end of the day
 By Philip Kosloski

It's important to end your day giving thanks for God's bountiful mercy.

We don't always end our days on the right note. We could be angry at our spouse, disappointed by what happened at work, or simply exhausted.

However, it's important to surrender all that we are into God's hands; he knows how to draw good out of our suffering.

In particular, we should meditate on God's bountiful mercy and how he has taken care of us throughout the day. It's not easy to remember these moments, but when we give time to reflect on it, our lives will benefit from it.

Here is a short meditation from the Golden Manual and prayer that can help end our day in a positive way, remembering how God is always present in our lives.

O almighty and eternal God, whose majesty fills heaven and earth, I firmly believe that you are here present; that your adorable eye is on me; that you see and know all things, and are most intimately present in the very center of my soul.

I give you thanks, from the bottom of my heart, for all your mercies and blessings bestowed upon me and upon your whole Church; and particularly for those I have received from you this day, in your watching over me, and preserving me from so many evils, and favoring me with so many graces and inspirations, [Here pause, and meditate on God's mercies from today] Oh, let me never more be ungrateful to you, my God, who are so good and gracious to me.

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

¿Es realmente útil orar por alguien?

By Edifa

Si Dios sabe todo lo que necesitamos antes de que se lo pidamos, ¿de qué pueden servir nuestras oraciones de intercesión?

Está claro que la oración no es una especie de “poder” que el hombre puede tomar sobre Dios. Rezar no es recitar o inventar una especie de abracadabra que le permita a uno alterar los eventos de acuerdo a sus miedos y deseos.

Sobre este punto, la enseñanza de Cristo es clara e inequívoca:

“Cuando oren, no hablen mucho, como hacen los paganos: ellos creen que por mucho hablar serán escuchados” (Mt 6, 7).

Por paradójico que parezca, la oración no actúa sobre Dios, sino sobre nosotros.

Por eso el Apóstol nos exhorta a orar sin cesar (1 Tesalonicenses 5:17). Sin cesar, tenemos que dirigirnos a Dios, abrirnos a su presencia, escucharlo, presentarle nuestras vidas y las de nuestros hermanos y hermanas, unirnos a su voluntad.

Detrás de cada petición particular, pues, hay una petición fundamental, que es nuestro deseo de Dios. De lo contrario, corremos el riesgo de establecernos en una contradicción espiritual demasiado frecuente, que mata la vida espiritual, y que consiste en esperar de Dios todo tipo de cosas y en realidad no esperar nada de Él.

San Juan de la Cruz nos advierte: debemos preferir el Dios de los regalos a los regalos de Dios.

En este sentido, debemos escuchar las primeras palabras de Jesús en el cuarto Evangelio: “¿Qué buscas?”.

¡Estamos buscando ansiosamente tantas cosas! Él mismo da la respuesta correcta:

“Busquen primero el Reino y su justicia, y todo lo demás se les dará por añadidura” (Mateo 6:33).

¿Qué pedir a Dios?

Esto también arroja luz sobre el significado correcto de nuestras “intenciones” de oración.

Podemos pedirle a Dios mil cosas sin complejos, tanto en asuntos vitales como en detalles minuciosos, siempre que estas cosas tengan una relación directa o indirecta con la gloria de Dios.

Como dice san Agustín al final de su carta a Proba sobre la oración, “puedes pedir cualquier cosa, siempre que se ajuste a las peticiones del Padre Nuestro”.

La oración que Dios responde es en última instancia la misma oración de Cristo, que se convierte en la nuestra: “¡Hágase tu voluntad!”.

Entonces podemos volver a la pregunta inicial: ¿por qué expresar nuestras peticiones, ya que nuestro Padre en el Cielo sabe lo que sus hijos necesitan incluso antes de que lo digan y ya que siempre quiere darles lo mejor?

Se puede decir que este Padre no es paternalista. No quiere salvarnos sin nosotros, y menos aún a pesar de nosotros.

Es feliz cuando la gota de agua de nuestro amor, de nuestro compromiso, incluido nuestro compromiso en la oración, se añade o más bien se une al poderoso río de la oración pura y perfecta, la del Hijo amado, siempre contestada.

Cuando rezamos en su nombre, el Espíritu intercede por nosotros según Dios.

Prayer to St. Matthew during tax season

By Philip Kosloski

Who better to turn to than St. Matthew, the tax collector?

Taxes are a normal part of life in most parts of the world and when it comes that time of the year, it can often lead to an increase in stress and anxiety. While there are various practical things that can be done to minimize stress, prayer should always be one of those things.

God wants to be active in our lives, especially when it comes to finances! He is ready to help us in our need, but sometimes we simply need to be honest and ask for that help.

One powerful intercessor in this regard is St. Matthew, the tax collector. He was one of Jesus' original 12 apostles and is known as the patron saint of bankers and tax collectors (and all things finance related). Here is a short prayer from the Roman Missal that asks for his intercession and that we follow in his footsteps.

O God, who with untold mercy were pleased to choose as an Apostle Saint Matthew, the tax collector, grant that, sustained by his example and intercession, we may merit to hold firm in following you. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

FOR BULLETIN NOTICES – Bulletin Deadline: Thursday @ noon. Please Contact Fr. Grant by email: frgrantspinhirne@gmail.com or Christina Wegman by email: cwegman696@yahoo.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:

Umbarger: 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

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Would you Like to attend an ACTS Retreat Weekend?

Next Retreat: **February 27- March 1, 2020**
Men'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