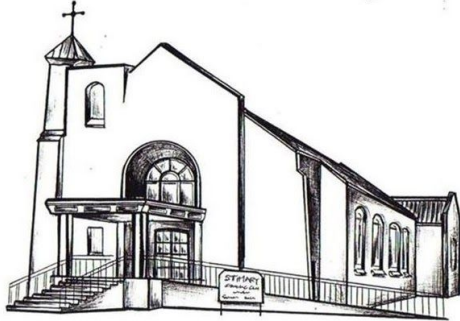


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<b>Mass Schedule</b>			
		<b>Umbarger</b>	<b>Happy</b>
Mon, September 28	St. Wenceslaus	No Mass	No Mass
Tue, September 29	St. Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels	7 PM - Marcella Brandt	No Mass
Wed, September 30	St. Jerome	8 AM - Christian Mothers	No Mass
Thu, October 1	St. Therese of the Child Jesus	8 AM - Marcella Brandt	7 PM
Fri, October 2	The Holy Guardian Angels	8 AM - Knights of Columbus	No Mass
Sat, October 3		No Mass	5:30 PM - Parish Family
Sun, October 4	The 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00 AM - Parish Family	No Mass

# ST. MARY'S

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

**Until further notice:** We will not have a liturgy list, but ask for volunteers to lector.

**KC Breakfast:** on Sunday, October 4th. Please come and enjoy a delicious breakfast casserole in the hall after mass.

**Adoration:** on Tuesday, September 29th, following mass. Please join us in praying for our parish.

**Live Mass Streaming:** We will continue to live-stream mass for the time being. To access, follow our Facebook Page: StMarys Umbarger.

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

**Festival Updates:**

**Sausage Donations:** if you would like to make a donation to offset the cost of sausage making, please contact Eric & Nadia Whitten at 806-674-3029, or Roger Batenhorst.

**Raffle:** This year the raffle will be completely online. We are looking for donations to the raffle prizes in these categories: 1)Toys & Games, 2)Spa & Baking, 3)Tools, 4)Electronics and 5)Whiskey & Guns. If you have a donation or would like to help get the word out, please contact Jacob Batenhorst at 970-481-1831 or Rachel Batenhorst at 970-481-1830. You can also email [rachel.batenhorst@gmail.com](mailto:rachel.batenhorst@gmail.com). Thank you!

**Raffle Tickets:** will go on sale two weeks before the festival. More details to come.

**Ask St. Joseph to protect the Church during adversity**

By Philip Kosloski

*When the Church is going through hard times, ask St. Joseph for help and protection.*

It is fitting that St. Joseph is the patron of the Universal Church, as he was given the weighty task of ensuring the safety of the Virgin Mary and the Child Jesus. He was successful in protecting them from danger, and now he has been entrusted with the care of the Church, watching over it in a similar way.

In a particular way, St. Joseph is a perfect intercessor during times of trial. His presence can help preserve unity within the Church and bring peace during difficulties.

Here is a prayer from My Prayer Book that encapsulates all of these sentiments and cries out to St. Joseph for help.

*O most watchful Guardian of the Divine Family, defend the Church. Ward off from us every contagion of error and corrupting influence. O our most mighty Protector, look favorably upon us and from heaven assist us in this our struggle with the power of darkness; and, as once you rescued the Child Jesus from deadly peril, so now protect God's holy Church from the snares of the enemy and from all adversity. Shield, too, each one of us by your constant protection, so that, supported by your example and your aid, we may be able to live virtuously, to die holily, and to obtain eternal happiness in heaven. Amen.*

## HOLY NAME OF JESUS

### Why our actions are more important than what we know

By Philip Kosloski

*Jesus wanted us to focus on imitating his example, moving our knowledge of the Bible from our head to heart.*

It can be tempting at times to treat Christianity as another subject a person might learn at school. We may tackle learning about the Bible or the Catechism as if we needed to pass an exam.

While this technique might lead to some success at school, it will probably not bring us closer to our ultimate goal of Heaven. In fact, we may know a great deal about the Bible or the Catholic faith, and yet be far from our eternal reward.

Fifteenth-century writer Thomas à Kempis comments on this topic in his famous work of spirituality, *Imitation of Christ*.

What good does it do to speak learnedly about the Trinity if, lacking humility, you displease the Trinity? Indeed it is not learning that makes a man holy and just, but a virtuous life makes him pleasing to God. I would rather feel contrition than know how to define it. For what would it profit us to know the whole Bible by heart and the principles of all the philosophers if we live without grace and the love of God? Vanity of vanities and all is vanity, except to love God and serve Him alone.

This observation echoes the lesson of Jesus in the Gospel, when he had harsh words for the scribes and Pharisees. They knew much about God's law, but did not practice it.

The scribes and the Pharisees have taken their seat on the chair of Moses. Therefore, do and observe all things whatsoever they tell you, but do not follow their example. For they preach but they do not practice. (Matthew 23:2-3)

If you want to grow in the spiritual life and draw closer to God, focus first on putting your faith into practice. Knowledge of Christianity is important, but it is useless if we do not let it inform our every action.

### Cuando Padre Pío rezaba por alguien, decía esta poderosa oración

By Philip Kosloski

*Miles de milagros son el resultado de esta sencilla oración dicha por un santo*

Normalmente, cuando alguien nos pide que recemos por una intención específica, tenemos nuestra oración de «cabecera». Puede ser el Rosario, un Padre Nuestro, o simplemente un sincero ruego a Dios.

San Pío de Pietrelcina (más comúnmente conocido como «Padre» Pío) tuvo su oración favorita que oró por todos los que pidieron sus oraciones. Cada día muchas personas, ya sea en persona o por carta, le pedían al Padre Pío que orara por una intención específica y muchas veces esta intención fue milagrosamente respondida por Dios.

A continuación se encuentra la oración que el Padre Pío rezaba cada vez que quería interceder por alguien. En realidad, es una oración compuesta por Santa Margarita María Alacoque y comúnmente se llama la «Novena Eficaz del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús». Ella era una santa que vivió en el siglo XVII y durante su vida recibió múltiples visiones de Jesús.

Muchos creen que esta es una oración poderosa porque llama al corazón de Jesús a tener misericordia de nosotros y de nuestras peticiones. El corazón de Jesús está lleno de amor y compasión y esta oración confía en ese amor, creyendo que él es lo suficientemente tierno como para dar generosamente nuestra petición, si es en su santa voluntad.

Por encima de todo, se debe orar con una fe sincera, como el Padre Pío la habría rezado, y no como una fórmula mágica. Dios no es un genio que nos otorga el deseo que pedimos, sino que responde con amor a un niño que pide algo, sabiendo exactamente lo que necesitamos.

*I.- ¡Oh Jesús mío!, que dijiste: «En verdad les digo, pidan y se les dará, busquen y encontrarán, llamen y se les abrirá!». He aquí que, confiando en tus santas palabra, yo llamo, busco, y pido la gracia.....Padre Nuestro, Avemaría y Gloria.*

*Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, espero y confío en Ti.*

*II.- ¡Oh Jesús mío!, que dijiste: «En verdad les digo, pasarán los cielos y la tierra pero mis palabras jamás pasarán» He ahí que yo, confiando en lo infalible de tus santas palabras pido la gracia..... Padre Nuestro, Avemaría y Gloria.*

*Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, espero y confío Ti.*

*III.- ¡Oh Jesús mío!, que dijiste: «En verdad les digo, todo lo que pidáis a mi Padre en mi Nombre, se les concederá». He ahí que yo, al Padre Eterno y en tu nombre pido la gracia..... Padre Nuestro, Avemaría y Gloria.*

*Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, espero y confío Ti.*

*¡Oh Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, el cual es imposible no sentir compasión por los infelices, ten piedad de nosotros, pobres pecadores, y concédenos las gracias que pedimos en nombre del Inmaculado Corazón de María, nuestra tierna Madre, San José, padre adoptivo del Sagrado Corazón de Jesús, ruega por nosotros. Amén.*

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE

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

**ST. MARY'S:** Jeremy Koch, MaryBeth Sayers

**Holy Name of Jesus:** Lucy Armendariz, Ricardo Brionez Sr., Ricardo Brionez Jr., Joe Frausto, Susana Garza, Martina Mendez, Martin Montoya, Mario Quzada, Felix Silva, Pedra Soto, Betty Sosa, Leonel Sosa, Mary Ann Sosa, Paula Sosa

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**Would you Like to attend an ACTS Retreat Weekend?**

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](http://ACTSamarillo.org)