

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



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Mass Schedule			
		Umbarger	Happy
Mon, September 6		No Mass	No Mass
Tue, September 7		7 PM - Mika Fetsch	No Mass
Wed, September 8	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	8 AM - Christian Mothers	No Mass
Thu, September 9	St. Peter Claver	8 AM - Esy & Elfrieda Reinart	7 PM -
Fri, September 10		8 AM - Carl Hartman	No Mass
Sat, September 11		No Mass	5:30 PM - Parish Family
Sun, September 12	The 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	9:00 AM - Parish Family	No Mass

ST. MARY'S

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

Liturgy Sign-up Sheet: is located in the back of the Church. Please sign up for Lector, Eucharistic Minister and Altar Servers!

Want to change the world!? Please prayerfully consider serving the parish as a catechist. We are looking for a teacher for our confirmation class (7-8 grade). We are also searching for helpers/substitutes in PreK-K, 1-3, 4-6, and 7-8. We appreciate your time in helping form faith for our future! Contact Bridget Guerrero at 806-654-0823.

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.

What is a Eucharistic Congress?

By Philip Kosloski

Since 1881, the Church has held large gatherings to revive belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist.

Following the French Revolution, belief in the Real Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist began to wane and many priests and lay people wanted to revive this Catholic teaching among the faithful.

One of the strongest advocates for reviving this belief was a laywoman, Marie-Marthe-Baptistine Tamisier. She was a devout disciple of St. Peter Julian Eymard, who spent most of his priesthood teaching others how they can increase their devotion to Jesus in the Eucharist.

Tamisier was not content with keeping this belief to herself, and began to petition the local bishops to hold a Eucharistic Congress, where priests and lay people would convene and focus on this Catholic teaching.

Her efforts finally paid-off and the first Eucharistic Congress was held in Lille, France, on June 21, 1881.

It was a surprising success and became an annual event in France, soon spreading to other parts of Europe.

Eucharistic Congress in the United States

The first Eucharistic Congress in the United States was held in Chicago from June 20-24, 1926. Roughly 400,000 people attended the opening Mass at Soldier Field and a reported 800,000 attended a procession held at the newly established St. Mary of the Lake Seminary.

A significant Eucharistic Congress was held in 1976, when Cardinal Karol Wojtyla (the future St. John Paul II) gave a prophetic address to all gathered there.

The next international Eucharistic Congress will be held September 5-12, 2021, in Budapest, Hungary, while the bishops in the United States are planning a National Eucharistic Congress to be held in 2024.

Wherever it is convened, the Eucharistic Congress is a way to remind Catholics of the central belief in Jesus' Real Presence in the Eucharist and to give honor and glory to God for such a marvelous gift.

HOLY NAME OF JESUS

How the beauty of creation can lead us closer to God

By Philip Kosloski

The beauty we see around us in the natural world can point our soul to the Author of that beauty.

There are many things in this world that can point our hearts to God, but one of the most effective means of leading a person to God is through the beauty of his creation.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church summarizes this particular way of coming to know God.

Ever since the creation of the world his invisible nature, namely, his eternal power and deity, has been clearly perceived in the things that have been made. And St. Augustine issues this challenge: “Question the beauty of the earth, question the beauty of the sea, question the beauty of the air distending and diffusing itself, question the beauty of the sky ... question all these realities. All respond: “See, we are beautiful.” Their beauty is a profession [confessio]. These beauties are subject to change. Who made them if not the Beautiful One [Pulcher] who is not subject to change?”

The beauty of creation is seen in the eyes of faith as a “profession” of the existence of God, of the One who created all the beauty that we see.

This is further explored in the Vatican document, *The Via Pulchritudinis*.

[F]rom the contemplation of the countryside at the setting of the sun, or snow-capped mountain summits under a starry sky, or fields covered with light-drenched flowers, or the varieties of plants and animals, there is born a palette of sentiments that invite us to read within (intus-legere), to pass from the visible to reach the invisible and give an answer to the question, “who is this Artisan with such powerful imagination at the origin of so much beauty and grandeur, such profusion of beings in the sky and on the earth?”

Not only does the beauty of the natural world lead us to God, it also establishes peace in our soul and encourages us to act virtuously.

[T]he contemplation of the beauties of creation causes an interior peace and sharpens the sense of harmony and the desire for a beautiful life. With religious man, astonishment and admiration transform themselves into attitudes that are interior and spiritual: adoration, praise and thanksgiving to the Author of these beauties.

This is why it is beneficial to surround ourselves with natural beauty and to seek out those breath-taking places that God has created.

Furthermore, the recognition of this beauty will also create in us a desire to protect creation, doing all that we can to be a good steward of the environment.

God has given us a beautiful world to be in, and it is up to us to protect it for years to come so that others may grow deeper in their relationship with the Creator.

¿Sabías que Santa Mónica también fue una abuela entregada?

By Philip Kosloski

Santa Mónica no rezó solamente por su hijo Agustín, sino también por su nieto Adeodato

Santa Mónica es famosa por las lágrimas que derramó por su hijo Agustín. Se considera que sus oraciones y su ejemplo desempeñaron un papel fundamental en su conversión.

Esto le ha valido el patronazgo general de todas las madres, pero la santa llega aún más lejos.

Santa Mónica también fue una devota abuela

Durante sus años paganos, Agustín tuvo una concubina con la que tuvo un hijo llamado Adeodato.

El hijo permaneció bajo la custodia de Agustín y ambos vivieron con Mónica.

De hecho, ambos se bautizaron juntos, según narra san Agustín en sus Confesiones.

Juntamos también con nosotros al joven Adeodato, que era mi hijo natural, fruto de mi pecado; pero Vos, Señor le dotasteis de unas cualidades muy buenas y excelentes. Aún no tenía quince años, y ya se aventajaba en el ingenio a otros muchos que por la edad y literatura pasaban por hombres graves y doctos. Dones son y beneficios vuestros estos que os confieso, Dios y Señor mío, Creador de todas las cosas, que sois poderosísimo para reformar nuestras deformidades, pues yo en aquel muchacho no tenía otra cosa mía sino el pecado. Porque el que yo le crease, enseñándole vuestro temor y doctrina, Vos, Señor, me lo inspirasteis y no otro alguno: conquese dones son y beneficios vuestros estos que os confieso. (...) Juntamos, pues, a Adeodato con nosotros, para que en la vida de la gracia fuese nuestro coetáneo y para continuar educándole con arreglo a vuestra ley y doctrina. Finalmente recibimos el Bautismo; y luego al punto se nos quitó aquel cuidado en que nos tenía la memoria de nuestra vida pasada.

Un gran ejemplo

Aunque Adeodato falleció con 16 años, vivió lo suficiente como para ser testigo de la muerte de su abuela, Mónica.

Al mismo tiempo que yo cerraba sus ojos al cadáver [de Mónica], se iba apoderando de mi corazón una tristeza grande, que iba a resolverse en lágrimas; pero mis ojos, obedeciendo al violento imperio del alma absorbían toda la corriente de su llanto, de modo que pareciesen enjutos; y en esta repugnancia que hacía el desahogo del llanto, tenía que vencer y que padecer mucho. El joven Adeodato, luego que mi madre dio el último aliento, comenzó a llorar a gritos, pero a persuasión de todos nosotros se sosegó y calló.

Santa Mónica tuvo un profundo impacto no solo en su hijo, sino también en su nieto.

De este modo, santa Mónica es un gran ejemplo tanto para todas las madres como para las abuelas.

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 the Parish Office 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: Servero Gomez, Jeremy Koch, Charles Russell

Holy Name of Jesus: Lucy Armendariz, Ricardo Brionez Sr., Ricardo Brionez Jr., Joe Frausto, Susana Garza, Ralph Galaviz, Betty Gonzales, Martina Mendez, Martin Montoya, Santos Perez, Mario Quzada, Joaguin Saenz, Stephaney Saenz, Sergio Saenz Jr, Griselda Saenz, 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

Rise Up 21 Catholic Men’s Conference
Sept 10-12
St. Mary’s Cathedral
“Men after God’s Heart” 1 Samuel 13:14
For more info visit: amadmanofgod.com/rise-up

Respect Life Banquet:
September 19
Amarillo Civic Center
Keynote Speaker: Trent Horn - Catholic Answers apologist, author, speaker & blogger
4:30 - social hour 5:30 - Prime Rib Dinner
Live & Silent Auctions
For more information or to purchase tickets, go to: www.amarillodiocese.org/rfm-banquet
Or call the Family Life Office at 806-414-1059

Holy Family Church Labor Day Picnic
Sept. 5 - Nazareth
Parade: 10 AM
Roast Beef Dinner - 11 AM
Adults - \$12 10yrs & younger - \$6
Bake Shoppe, Adult Raffle, Cow Patty Bingo, Children’s Games and Water Events available
Auction - 1:30 PM
Cornhole Tournament & Live Music
Hamburger Supper - 5 PM