

St. Mary Catholic Church

815 St. Mary's Church Rd.
Fayetteville (near Ellinger)
www.stmaryellinger.com



MASSES

Wednesday at 7:00 a.m.

For the souls of Rudolph & Emilie Cervenka

Thursday at 6:00 p.m.

*For the Living & Dec'd of
KJT, St. Wenceslaus*

Friday at 7:00 a.m.

*For the Living & Dec'd
of the Mrkwa Family*

Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

*For the Living & Dec'd
of St. Mary's Altar Society*

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Before every Mass

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church

207 E. Bell St.
Fayetteville
www.stjohnfayetteville.com



MASSES

Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

For the soul of Rudy Jurecka

Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

*For the soul of
Andrew "Jake" Michalsky*

Thursday at 7:00 a.m.

*For the souls of
Charley & Mary Ruether*

Friday at 6:00 p.m.

*For the souls of
Christina Zbranek & Norris Mascheck*

Saturday at 7:30 a.m.

*For the soul of
Adela Svoboda*

Saturday Vigil at 6:00 p.m.

For the soul of Dottie Lyssy

Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

For the People

Sacrament of Reconciliation

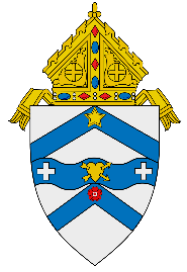
Saturday 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Wednesday 6:00-6:30 p.m.

First Friday 4:00-5:30 p.m.



Pope Francis
Vatican City State



Bishop Joe S. Vásquez
Diocese of Austin



St. Martin Catholic Church

World's Smallest Catholic Church

3490 S. Hwy 237

Round Top
(near Warrenton)

MONTHLY MASS

Tuesday, October 10, at 9:00 a.m.

For the intentions left on the altar

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Marriage preparation: Contact the priest before setting the date and at least nine months before the date desired.

Baptism Preparation Classes will be held on the fourth Monday of each month. Parents & Godparents must have attended a Baptism Preparation class within three years of the Baptism. Contact the parish office to register.

Parish Registration forms available at the entrance of the Church and online.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 24, AD 2017

ST. MARY'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$1,280.00



ST. MARY'S ANNUAL BAZAAR & RAFFLE is **TODAY, September 24**, at the Chamber of Commerce Community Center in Ellinger. As parishioners, our hope is that everyone faithfully fulfills their role and job thus not causing unnecessary burdens on others. May the Lord bless our every effort today and may all our work be done for His glory and honor.

Everyone from near and far is invited to come.

- A fried chicken and sausage dinner will be served at 11:00 a.m. in the community center.
- "Plates to go" and a Drive-Thru line will be available from 10:30 a.m. until ~1:00 p.m.
- Music at the Pavilion will be provided by the Holub Polka Band at 11:00 a.m.
- The Country Auction will begin at 1:00 p.m.
- The Raffle Drawing will begin shortly after the Country Auction is over.
- Activities throughout the day include Country Store, Surprise Gift Booth, Arts & Crafts Booth, Plant & Cake Wheel, Kiddie Booths and Silent Auction.
- Plenty of ice cold refreshments will be available.

FEAST MEAT DONATIONS may still be put in the collection basket in an envelope marked "**Meat Donation**" and your name.

WELCOMING & HOSPITALITY will be in the parish hall, following the 8:00 a.m. Mass next Sunday, **October 1**. Please plan to join us for fellowship and refreshments.



ST. MARY'S ALTAR SOCIETY will have their monthly meeting on Wednesday, **October 4**, at 1:00 p.m. in the parish hall. A Coffee/Tea Social will follow the meeting. All women of the parish are invited and encouraged to attend.

SECOND COLLECTION next weekend will be for the maintenance of St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery.

ST. JOHN'S NEWS

Sunday Offering: \$3,594.00

ST. JOHN PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING will be on Tuesday, **September 26**, at 7:00 p.m.

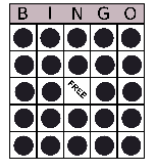
ST. JOHN'S ALTAR SOCIETY monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, **October 10**, at 2:00 p.m. at the parish hall.

SECOND COLLECTION next weekend will be for the Faith Formation program.

ST. JOHN'S & ST. MARY'S NEWS

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Paula Canik, Nolan Eckeberger, Hannah Glenn, Melissa Hahn, Anthony Karas, James Kovar, Anita & Johnny Marek, Leo Miller, Alvin Minarcik, Doris Nesrsta, Saber Pace, Donna Schielack, Sue Ann Socha, Pat Sury, Bennie Volcik, Joyce Terrell and all those affected by recent natural disasters. (Though they will remain in our prayers, names will only remain on the prayer list for two months, unless a new request is received.)

SENIOR CITIZENS BINGO: All "Seniors" are invited to enjoy an afternoon of Bingo and refreshments, sponsored by our Catholic Youth Ministry, on Sunday, **October 1**, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall. The CDA will be supplying the refreshments. High school students should arrive by 1:00 p.m. with 2 bingo prizes.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

- **OFFICER MEETING** will be held on Monday, **October 2**, at 6:30 p.m., in St. John's Parish Hall.
- **TRASH PICK UP** will be on Thursday, **October 12**. Members are asked to meet at the parish hall at 5:30 p.m.
- **MONTHLY MEETING** will be held on Tuesday, **October 17**, at 7:00 p.m., in St. John's Parish Hall. There will be a report from our game warden regarding the upcoming deer season.
- **MEMBERS ARE ASKED** to supply a door prize for October's Red Rooster. If you have a door prize, it should be brought to the monthly meeting on Tuesday, **October 17**.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAS

- **REMINDER:** CDA members are asked to donate refreshments for the Senior Citizen Bingo held at St. John's Parish Hall on Sunday, **October 1**, at 2:00 p.m.
- **MONTHLY MEETING** is on Tuesday, **October 3**, after Mass. The audit will begin at 5:30 p.m.
- **FUNERAL ROSARY** for Mabel Schielack will be on Tuesday, **October 3**, at 5:30 p.m. in St. John Church.

WEEKLY ROSARY: "The Rosary is the 'weapon' for these times." – Saint Padre Pio of Pietrelcina. In our own parish community, we are given an opportunity to pray with our Rosary groups at St. Mary on Mondays in the Church at **6:00 p.m.** and at St. John on Tuesdays in the Church at **5:30 p.m.**



Share the Journey #sharejourney

"SHARE THE JOURNEY" CAMPAIGN

On September 27, Pope Francis will launch the "Share the Journey" campaign in support of migrants and refugees. Sponsored by Caritas Internationalis, the campaign in the United States will focus on those who have come to our country to build a better life as well as the work of the universal Church to respond to refugees, reduce poverty and improve opportunities so people can remain in the countries where they live.

PRO-LIFE ISSUES & EVENTS

"To be Catholic means to be pro-life."
- Bishop J. Peter Sartain

40 Days for Life

From **September 27 – November 5**, we will join the largest 40 Days for Life campaign to date. Join the campaign, along with 375 cities across the world, to help end abortion peacefully and prayerfully. Make a commitment to fast or to pray in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

2017 Baby Banks are Here!

If you forgot to pick one up after Mass, the Baby Banks are available at the entrance of the Church. Your donation will help pro-life efforts in our parish and throughout the diocese. The Gabriel Project, Project Rachel, Sidewalk Ministry, Pro-Life Help Line and much more will receive funds from this campaign.



Upcoming Events

AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA ROSARY CRUSADE 2017

This year is the 100th anniversary of the Miracle of the Sun at Fatima. On Saturday, **October 14**, we will celebrate with a public Rosary held on the Fayetteville Courthouse Square at noon. For more details, contact Madeline Kovar at (979) 378-2361.

SENIOR CITIZEN SOCIAL is on Thursday, **October 5**, from 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. at St. John's Parish Hall. All senior citizens are invited for an afternoon of games, fellowship and refreshments.

ST. ROCH PARISH OF MENTZ will have their 163rd Annual Picnic on Sunday, **October 1**. Mass will begin at 10:15 a.m., and will be followed by a raffle, silent auction, live auction at 1:00 p.m., bingo, country store and live music. There will also be a BBQ meal of beef, pork and sausage served buffet style at 11:00 a.m.

ST. STANISLAUS PARISH OF CHAPPELL HILL have rescheduled their 80th Annual Homecoming and Bazaar to Sunday, **October 1**. Mass begins at 9:00 a.m. and will be followed by a catered meal at 10:30 a.m., raffle, auction, and more.

QUEEN OF THE HOLY ROSARY PARISH OF HOSTYN will have their Annual Festival on Sunday, **October 1**. There will be a Polka Mass is at 10:00 a.m., followed by a fried chicken and sausage meal at 11:00 a.m., an auction at 1:00 p.m., bingo at 1:30 p.m., a magic show at 3:00 p.m. and live music. Other activities will include a country store, silent auction, and a balloon artist.

ST. MARY PARISH OF PIN OAK will have their Annual Fall Festival on Saturday, **October 7**. There will be an outdoor Mass at 3:30 p.m., followed by a beef & pork barbecue dinner from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. Adult and to-go plates are \$10. The live auction begins at 6:00 p.m. There will be a silent auction, raffle, cake wheel and plenty of children's games.

Faith Formation

FAITH FORMATION – Wednesday, September 27

- ✓ Grades K-6 will meet at 6:00 – 6:50 p.m.
- ✓ Grades 7-12 will meet at 7:00 – 8:30 p.m.



BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES NEXT SUNDAY, October 1, at 11:15 a.m. in the Religious Education Building. Take the next four Sundays, or even just one, to learn more about your faith and reflect upon the Gospels of Mark and John.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, **October 15**, during the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. John Catholic Church. **Rehearsal will be held for candidates and sponsors on Sunday, October 8, immediately after the 10:00 a.m. Mass at St. John.**

1. The Education Building will be open at 9:00 a.m. on the day of Confirmation for all candidates and sponsors. Candidates should be at the Education Building no later than 9:30 a.m.

2. There will be reserved seating in church for the candidates, sponsors, and parents of candidates.

3. A reception will be held at the St. John Parish Hall after Mass for the candidates, sponsors, and families.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Basic Teachings of the Catholic Church – St. John Parish

Saturdays in Fayetteville; *September 30, October 21, and November 11*, from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Registration forms may be found at the entrance of the Church.

For a complete list of Adult Faith Formation opportunities, or to register for a course, visit www.austindiocese.org/aff2017.

BLESSED STANLEY ROTHER WEEKEND ENCOUNTER

On **September 29 – October 1**, you can learn more about this Oklahoma native that became the first American Martyr to be recognized by the Catholic Church and was beatified on September 23. For more information, or to register, call Cedarbrake Retreat Center at (254) 780-2436.

RETROUVILLE: REDISCOVERING MARRIAGE

Retrouville (pronounced retrov-eye) simply means “rediscovery.” The program offers couples the chance to rediscover themselves, their spouse and a loving relationship in their marriage. For more information on the next program beginning with a weekend on **October 6-8**, visit www.helpourmarriage.com.

Catholic Youth Ministry

CYM BINGO will be next Sunday, **October 1**. Although the bingo begins at 2:00 p.m., **all high school students are asked to arrive at the parish hall by 1:00 p.m.** Additionally, each student is asked to provide two bingo prizes valued at \$4 each.

WORLD YOUTH DAY PANAMA 2019 WORLD YOUTH DAY 2019 PANAMA is **January 19-28, 2019.**

The schedule of events for WYD 2019 may be found at www.stjohnfayetteville.com/CYM. If you will be age 18-35 by January 1, 2019, and are interested in learning more, **please join us at an informational meeting on Sunday, October 29, at 11:00 a.m. in St. John's Religious Education Building.**

Catholic Social Teaching Corner

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Gospel this Sunday seems to contradict everything Catholic teaching offers about just wages and fairness. However the point of the Gospel is not just wages, it is God's generosity toward all of us, even those of us who get serious about accepting the invitation to “working in the vineyard” later in our lives. God's generosity is an inspiration for us to practice both justice and charity. Justice means that we give to every person what is due to them as a child of God. Charity goes beyond justice by loving others and giving beyond what justice requires because of that love. We are loved much and therefore should love greatly in turn. Who needs love this week from me?

24ro. Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

El Evangelio de este domingo parece contradecir todo lo que la enseñanza Católica ofrece sobre salarios justos y equidad. De cualquier modo, el punto del Evangelio no es sólo los salarios, es la generosidad de Dios hacia nosotros, incluso hacia aquellos de nosotros que aceptamos la invitación de “trabajar en el viñedo” tarde en nuestras vidas. La generosidad de Dios es una inspiración para nosotros para practicar ambas, la justicia y la caridad. La justicia significa que demos a cada persona lo que les corresponde como hijos de Dios. La caridad va más allá de la justicia al amar a los otros y dar más allá de lo que la justicia demanda por amor. Somos muy amados y por lo tanto debemos amar mucho en reciprocidad. ¿Quién necesita amor de mi esta semana?

THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
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ST. JOHN LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTORS

Wednesday – Kathy Kneblak
Saturday – Herman Schramm
Sunday – John Spiess

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday – Andrew Keilers*(H), Sharon Martinek(H), Pat Geistmann(H), Madeline Kovar(C), Lexxus Mayorga(C), Theresa Keilers(C), Tiffany Night(C)
Sunday – Lori Spiess(H), Cindy Bertsch(H), Tompo Kuhn(H), Janell Warschak(C), Jimmy Mattair*(C), John Spiess(C)

ALTAR SERVERS

Saturday – Stormy Kasmiersky, Evan Blazek, Kayme Schley
Sunday – Braden Kubala, Wade Halamiccek, Cole Brackman

GIFT BEARERS

Saturday – Andrew Keilers Family
Sunday – Paul Estrada Family

CCW ROSARY: Pat Sury & Carrol Hollimon will lead the Rosary for the intention of religious vocations.

ALTAR DUTY FOR OCTOBER: Kathy Kneblak, Margie Svrcek, Kathy Chovanec, Janet Hall

USHERS FOR OCTOBER

Saturday – Lois Kaspar, Leonard Kaspar, Steve Lyssy, Betty Kovar
Sunday – Christopher Kaspar, Arlis Keilers, Lee Matocha, David Bertsch

ST. JOHN CONTACTS

Pastoral Council Chairman	Justin Huebner	979-357-2533
Finance Council President	John Cufir	979-966-9068
St. John Altar Society	Madeline Kovar	979-378-2361
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K.J.Z.T.	Rose Rohde	979-249-3635
K.J.T.	Emil Sodolak	979-249-3952
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
St. John Catholic Cemetery	Ronald Kramr	979-249-6152

Gospel Mediation



The scale of God's generosity and mercy is impossible for us to comprehend accurately. Have we reflected on all that God has done for us? How great is God's mercy? Are we content with our blessings or do we strive for more? How generously do we use our goods in service of others? God calls us to strive to be the servant of all.

Mediación Evangélica

La escala de la generosidad y la misericordia de Dios es imposible para nosotros entender con precisión. ¿Hemos reflexionado sobre todo lo que Dios ha hecho por nosotros? ¿Qué tan grande es su misericordia? ¿Estamos contentos con nuestras bendiciones o nos esforzamos por más? ¿Qué tan generosamente usamos nuestros bienes para el servicio de otros? Dios nos invita a esforzarnos por ser el servidor de todos.

ST. MARY LITURGICAL DUTIES

LECTOR

Sunday – Jan Jurecka

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Sunday – Luke Orsak, Donna Shula, Jan Jurecka

ALTAR SERVERS

Sunday – Luke Korenek, Emily Polasek

GIFT BEARERS

Sunday – Vernon Jurecka Family

ROSARY LEADER

Sunday – Ann Minar

ALTAR FLOWERS: **October 1** – Jan Jurecka

October 8 – Ashley Havel **October 15** – Amanda Keilers

USHERS FOR OCTOBER

Sunday – Bennie Skutca, James Korenek, Donnie Becka, Bradley Divin

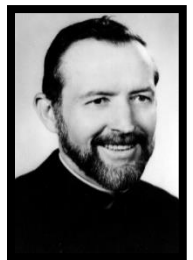
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K.J.Z.T.	Mildred Walla	979-378-4202
K.J.T.	James Korenek	979-966-9170
Hall Rental	Parish Office	979-378-2277
St. Mary Catholic Cemetery	Lawrence Korenek	979-732-2836

Iglesias que ofrecen Misas en Español

Sab.	7:30 PM	St. Mary Our Lady of Lourdes	Caldwell
Dom.	8:00 AM	Parish of the Nativity	Eagle Lake
Dom.	11:00 AM	St. Margaret	Giddings
Dom.	11:30 AM	Sacred Heart	La Grange
Dom.	12:00 PM	St. Rosa de Lima	Schulenburg
Dom.	12:30 PM	St. Mary Immaculate Conception	Brenham

**Father Rother,
 First American Martyr –
 First American Man Beatified**



Yesterday, **September 23**, Oklahoma-born Father Stanley Rother became the first American man to be beatified! In December, Pope Francis recognized him as the first America-born martyr as well. Now Blessed Father Rother is only one step away from becoming a saint.

In 1968, after being a priest in the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, he went on a mission trip to Guatemala. There, he fell in love with the landscape, culture and people, so he was transferred. He developed a farmers' co-op, a school, a hospital clinic and the first Catholic radio station in the area. Additionally, he helped in developing a written language for the Mayan parishioners, so they could have the written Word of God.

Unfortunately, in 1981, Guatemala's civil war reached his parish. He received death threats, told to leave the country and was put on a "hit list." He chose to stay with his people, saying, "The shepherd cannot run at the first sign of danger." On July 28, 1981, three people broke into the rectory and murdered Father Stanley Rother.

To learn more, visit www.archokc.org/rothercause.